SAN FRANCISCO MUNICIPAL TRANSPORTATION AGENCY BOARD OF DIRECTORS

RESOLUTION No. 16-119

WHEREAS, On December 4, 2008 after a duly noticed public meeting, the Planning Commission certified the Final Environmental Impact Report (Final EIR) for the Balboa Park Station Area Plan (file number 2004.1059E) by Motion No. 17774 and found that the Final EIR reflected the independent judgment and analysis of the City and County of San Francisco, is adequate, accurate and objective, contains no significant revisions to the Draft EIR, and the content of the report and the procedures through which the Final EIR was prepared, publicized and reviewed comply with the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) (California Public Resources Code Sections 21000 et seq.), the CEQA Guidelines (14 Cal. Code Regs. Sections 15000 et seq.) and Chapter 31 of the San Francisco Administrative Code; and,

WHEREAS, At the same hearing during which the Planning Commission certified the Final EIR, the Planning Commission adopted CEQA Findings with respect to the approval of the proposed Balboa Park Station Area Plan Amendments and other actions in Motion No. 17775 and adopted the Balboa Park Station Area Plan Amendments in Resolution No. 17776. The Final EIR, the CEQA Findings adopted by the Planning Commission with respect to the approval of the Balboa Park Station Area Plan Amendments, including a mitigation monitoring and reporting program and a statement of overriding considerations are on file with the Secretary of the Planning Commission; and,

WHEREAS, The concept of a public plaza on Ocean Avenue adjacent to the Phelan Bus Loop is consistent with the Balboa Park Station Area Plan; and,

WHEREAS, On April 4, 2013, the San Francisco Planning Department determined that work to construct the plaza was analyzed in the Final EIR and that no further environmental analysis of the project was required; and,

WHEREAS, On July 7, 2015, the SFMTA Board of Directors approved a contract for the construction of a public plaza on Ocean Avenue adjacent to the City College Bus Terminal (Unity Plaza), reviewed and considered the Final EIR, adopted mitigation measures, the CEQA Findings, the Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Plan, and the Statement of Overriding Considerations under Resolution No. 15-104; and,

WHEREAS, A copy of the CEQA documents are on file with the Secretary to the SFMTA Board of Directors, and may be found in the records of the Planning Department at 1650 Mission Street in San Francisco, and are incorporated herein by reference; and,

WHEREAS, Construction of Unity Plaza commenced in September, 2015 and is scheduled to be completed in October, 2016; and,

WHEREAS, SFMTA staff has explored various alternatives for managing, maintaining, and operating Unity Plaza and has determined that the Real Estate Division of the City and County of San Francisco General Services Agency (RED) is better equipped to manage Unity Plaza following construction completion with minimal risk and cost to SFMTA; and,

WHEREAS, SFMTA and RED staff have negotiated the terms of a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) for RED's interim management of Unity Plaza and a jurisdictional transfer of Unity Plaza from SFMTA to RED if the MOU transfer conditions are met; and,

WHEREAS, The jurisdictional transfer MOU will assist SFMTA in meeting the objectives of Goal No. 3 of the SFMTA Strategic Plan (Improve the environment and quality of life in San Francisco); now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency Board of Directors authorizes the Director of Transportation to execute the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Real Estate Division of the City and County of San Francisco General Services Agency (RED) to allow for the interim management of Unity Plaza by RED and facilitate a transfer of jurisdiction of Unity Plaza from SFMTA to RED if the transfer conditions in the MOU are satisfied.

I certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency Board of Directors at its meeting of September 6, 2016.

Secretary to the Board of Directors

K. Boomer

San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency