RESOLUTION NO. 3-2008

Adopted February 5, 2008

AUTHORIZING A LETTER AGREEMENT WITH THE CITY AND COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO, BY AND THROUGH ITS RECREATION AND PARK DEPARTMENT, TO TEMPORARILY LOCATE AND OPERATE A WOOD CHIPPER AND SMALL CRANE BEGINNING ON FEBRUARY 6, 2008 AND ENDING ON FEBRUARY 29, 2008 ON THE AGENCY-OWNED VACANT LOT AT 1345 TURK STREET; WESTERN ADDITION REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT AREA A-2

BASIS FOR RESOLUTION

1. The City and County of San Francisco’s Recreation and Park Department ("RPD") is currently renovating the City-owned mini park on Fillmore Street near Turk Street, which includes improving the existing landscaping in the mini park.

2. There are 15 trees within the mini park. Four of the trees are dead or pose a safety hazard and need to be removed. To expedite the proper disposal of the trees, RPD desires to locate and operate a wood chipper and small crane on the Agency-owned vacant lot at 1345 Turk Street, behind the mini park, for 24 days, beginning on February 6, 2008 and ending on February 29, 2008.

3. The Redevelopment Agency of the City and County of San Francisco (the "Agency") desires to enter into a letter agreement with RPD for this purpose (the "Letter Agreement"). No costs will be incurred by the Agency under this proposed Letter Agreement.

4. The temporary use of 1345 Turk Street in the manner described above is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA"), pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15301. The temporary use is a negligible expansion of the existing use of the lot that will not result in significant physical effects on the environment. Operation of the wood chipper is subject to the City’s regulations, including the Noise Ordinance. Compliance with the Noise Ordinance will result in less-than-significant effects on the environment.

RESOLUTION

ACCORDINGLY, IT IS RESOLVED by the Redevelopment Agency of the City and County of San Francisco that the Executive Director is authorized to enter into a Letter Agreement with the City and County of San Francisco, by and through its Recreation and Park Department, to temporarily locate and operate a wood chipper and small crane beginning on February 6, 2008 and ending on February 29, 2008 on the Agency-owned
vacant lot at 1345 Turk Street in the Western Addition Redevelopment Project Area A-2, substantially in the form lodged with the Agency General Counsel.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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