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SUMMARY OF ACTIONS BOARD OF DIRECTORS SPECIAL MEETING OF DECEMBER 23, 2020

Resolution No. 2020-097 (December 23, 2020 Special Meeting of the Board of Directors)

In light of the passage by Congress of the *Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2021* on December 21, 2020, authorizes staff to rescind Resolution No. 2020-084 and Resolution No. 2020-086, effective upon President Trump signing the *Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2021* or when the act becomes law; and, authorizes the General Manager to take all necessary steps to apply for and obtain federal coronavirus relief funding, as detailed in the staff report.

Amorette M. Ko-Wong, Secretary of the District

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GOLDEN GATE BRIDGE, HIGHWAY AND TRANSPORTATION DISTRICT

RESOLUTION NO. 2020-097

AUTHORIZE ACTIONS RELATIVE TO ADDITIONAL FEDERAL CORONAVIRUS RELIEF FUNDING, INCLUDING RESCINDING, EFFECTIVE UPON PRESIDENT TRUMP SIGNING THE CONSOLIDATED APPROPRIATIONS ACT OF 2021 OR WHEN THE ACT BECOMES LAW, PREVIOUSLY APPROVED LAYOFFS AND TEMPORARY FURLOUGH PROGRAM

December 23, 2020

WHEREAS, since the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic there has been a precipitous drop in travel in the Golden Gate Corridor with a corresponding drop in the Golden Gate Bridge, Highway and Transportation District's (District) revenues;

WHEREAS, the District now faces a \$48 million budget deficit (expenses exceeding revenues) for the current fiscal year;

WHEREAS, the Federal Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act grant funding that the District has been using to pay its employees ran out at the end of November 2020;

WHEREAS, on September 11, 2020, the Board of Directors (Board) adopted Resolution No. 2020-072, authorizing the issuance of federal Worker Adjustment and Retraining Notification (WARN) Act Notices to potentially-affected employees and union representatives, as a procedural step to reduce staffing levels in response to COVID-19 service impacts and the depletion of CARES funding;

WHEREAS, on November 13, 2020, based on the uncertainty of any additional infusion of federal monies, the Board adopted Resolutions No. 2020-084 and 2020-086, to eliminate 205 positions effective January 4, 2021, and to implement a temporary furlough program, equal to a ten percent reduction in pay for Mid-Managers, Deputy General Managers, Officers and members of the Board of Directors, with the understanding that if Congress were to pass legislation that includes significant and sufficient coronavirus relief funding for the District, a Special Board meeting could be convened to consider rescinding those resolutions;

WHEREAS, on December 21, 2020, Congress passed the *Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2021*, currently pending President Trump's signature, that includes \$14 billion for transit agencies across the nation;

WHEREAS, the District anticipates receipt of sufficient new federal funds to temporarily offset the savings associated with the approved layoffs and temporary furlough program; and

WHEREAS, the Board has carefully considered the matter; now, therefore, be it

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RESOLVED that the Board of Directors (Board) of the Golden Gate Bridge, Highway and Transportation District hereby authorizes, effective upon President Trump signing the *Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2021* or when the act becomes law, rescission of Resolution No. 2020-084, previously adopted on November 13, 2020, to Authorize Elimination of 205 Positions Effective January 4, 2021, and Related Actions, to Reduce Costs in Response to Covid-19 Financial Impacts; and be it further

RESOLVED that the Board hereby authorizes, effective upon President Trump signing the *Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2021* or when the act becomes law, rescission of Resolution No. 2020-086, previously adopted on November 13, 2020, to Authorize a Temporary Furlough Program Equal to a Ten Percent Reduction in Pay for Mid-Managers, Deputy General Managers, District Officers and Board of Directors; and be it further

RESOLVED that the Board authorizes the General Manager to take all necessary steps to apply for and obtain federal coronavirus relief funding.

ADOPTED this 23rd day of December 2020, by the following vote of the Board of Directors:

AYES (16): Directors Arnold, Fredericks, Garbarino, Grosboll, Hernández, Hill, Mastin, Moylan, Rabbitt, Sears, Sobel, Stefani and Yee; Second Vice President Cochran; First Vice President Theriault; President Pahre.
NOES (0) None.

ABSENT (0): None.

[Note: On this date, there were three vacancies on the Board of Directors.]

Barbara L. Pahre President, Board of Directors

ATTEST:

Amorette M. Ko-Wong Secretary of the District

Reference: December 23, 2020, Special Board of Directors Meeting, Agenda Item No. (5.A) <u>https://www.goldengate.org/assets/1/25/2020-1223-specialboardmtg-no5a-</u> <u>authrecindlayoffsandtmpfurloughprgm.pdf?6458</u>