

RICHARDSON BAY REGIONAL AGENCY

RESOLUTION NUMBER 11-22

OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE RICHARDSON BAY REGIONAL AGENCY ADOPTING TRANSITION PLAN 2.0

WHEREAS, on June 11, 2020, the Board of Directors of the Richardson Bay Regional Agency (RBRA) adopted a Transition Plan with goals, vision, principles, and policy direction to guide its trajectory towards a safer, healthier, and well-managed Richardson Bay; and

WHEREAS, since adoption of the Transition Plan and in line with its direction, RBRA has adopted an Eelgrass Protection and Management Plan, entered into an agreement with the Bay Conservation & Development Commission, supported efforts to engage vessel occupants on relocating to safe housing, and experienced a drop in the number of anchored vessels from 125 vessels to 69 vessels as of June 1, 2022; and

WHEREAS, RBRA seeks to update, amplify and refine the direction provided in the 2020 Transition Plan with goals, objectives, strategies, and strategic actions for eelgrass habitat improvements, relocation to safe housing of occupants on vessels anchored in the bay, and enforcement of time limits and related measures for anchored vessels; and

WHEREAS, a public draft Transition Plan 2.0 was presented at the Board of Directors meeting of February 10, 2022, posted thereafter on the RBRA website, and publicized in local media – all with the call for public review and comment until May 6, 2022; and

WHEREAS, six written public comments were received and were contained in the agenda materials for the Board of Directors’ meeting of June 23, 2022, along with a final draft revised to reflect, where appropriate, the public comments received as well as updates, corrections and clarifying revisions by RBRA staff; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors has reviewed and taken public comment on the final draft Transition Plan 2.0 at its meeting of June 23, 2022,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Directors of the Richardson Bay Regional Agency hereby adopts Transition Plan 2.0 to update, amplify, and refine its goals, vision, principles, and policy direction in the Transition Plan adopted June 11, 2020.

Passed and adopted this 23th day of June, 2022, by the following vote:

CERTIFICATION:

Stephanie Moulton-Peters – Board Chair

Karen Prows – Board Clerk