

1 [Declaring Intent to Initiate Undergrounding Process - Homestead Street]

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3 **Resolution of Intent to initiate an undergrounding process for Homestead Street**  
4 **between 24th and 25th Streets; and making findings that undergrounding at this**  
5 **location is a general benefit to the public.**  
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7 WHEREAS, Property owners on Homestead Street between 24th and 25th Streets  
8 ("Homestead Street") have approached San Francisco ("City") officials to request that the  
9 Board of Supervisors initiate the process to underground existing overhead utilities on  
10 Homestead Street; and

11 WHEREAS, Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) currently proposes to upgrade  
12 the overhead electrical system on Homestead Street; and

13 WHEREAS, On July 22, 2026, Public Works conducted a public hearing on an  
14 undergrounding proposal for Homestead Street; and

15 WHEREAS, A copy of a Public Works Order associated with this hearing is on file with  
16 the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors in File No. 300232 and incorporated herein by  
17 reference; and

18 WHEREAS, The City supports undergrounding existing overhead electric lines in the  
19 City when it is feasible and has enacted Public Works Code, Article 18 to obtain potential  
20 public benefits from undergrounding that include improving the appearance of streets and  
21 eliminating visual obstructions; and

22 WHEREAS, The City also supports the installation of underground electric lines, rather  
23 than investment in new overhead electric lines, when it is feasible and has enacted Public  
24 Works Code, Section 937 to require underground utilities in all new streets; and  
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1 WHEREAS, Public Works Code, Article 18 establishes a process for the creation of  
2 underground districts to convert from overhead to underground electric wires using funds  
3 allocated by the electric utility, but the funds that PG&E allocated for converting from  
4 overhead to underground electric wires in the City have been expended, and PG&E is not  
5 authorized to allocate additional funding; and

6 WHEREAS, PG&E Electric Rule 20 - Replacement of Overhead with Underground  
7 Electric Facilities, includes Rule 20B, which provides an alternate path for undergrounding  
8 existing electric utility infrastructure when the process for undergrounding under Rule 20A  
9 using funds allocated by PG&E is not available; and

10 WHEREAS, Rule 20B.1.b allows cities to adopt "suitable legislation" that requires "the  
11 necessary wiring changes to be made" for an underground distribution system and  
12 "authorize[es] PG&E to discontinue its overhead service" upon completion of the underground  
13 facilities; and

14 WHEREAS, The Board of Supervisors supports making the necessary wiring changes  
15 for undergrounding at Homestead Street and urges PG&E to discontinue overhead service in  
16 accordance with Rule 20B, subject to future action by the Board to establish an assessment  
17 district that enables the City to fund the undergrounding costs upfront and recover those costs  
18 from the property owners on Homestead Street over time; and

19 WHEREAS, The PG&E Electric Rule 20 Guidebook dated July 2023 ("PG&E Rule 20  
20 Guidebook") states that PG&E may waive the federal income tax component of contribution  
21 that is part of the cost of undergrounding if a project is of "general public benefit"; and

22 WHEREAS, Based on the Public Works July 22, 2026 hearing, the Board of  
23 Supervisors finds that undergrounding at this location will provide a "general public benefit"  
24 pursuant to the PG&E Rule 20 Guidebook; now, therefore, be it  
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1           RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors hereby adopts a Resolution of Intent to  
2 initiate the process of undergrounding at Homestead Street between 24th and 25th Streets  
3 and create an assessment district that enables the City to pay the necessary costs of the  
4 Homestead Street undergrounding upfront, and recover those costs from the benefited  
5 property owners over time; and, be it

6           FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors urges City departments to: (a)  
7 assist the property owners in their effort to develop project plans and a cost estimate  
8 approved by PG&E, and (b) return to the Board with the projected costs associated with the  
9 undergrounding of Homestead Street so that the Board can rely on this information for the  
10 creation of an assessment district to reimburse City costs associated with undergrounding,  
11 including planning, review, and other costs that City departments will incur; and, be it

12           FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors finds that undergrounding at  
13 this location will provide a "general public benefit" pursuant to the PG&E Rule 20 Guidebook  
14 for the reasons identified in this Resolution.



**City and County of San Francisco**  
**Tails**  
**Resolution**

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July 27, 2026 Land Use and Transportation Committee - RECOMMENDED AS COMMITTEE REPORT

July 28, 2026 Board of Supervisors - ADOPTED

Ayes: 10 - Chan, Chen, Dorsey, Fielder, Mahmood, Mandelman, Melgar, Sauter, Sherrill and Wong  
Excused: 1 - Walton

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I hereby certify that the foregoing  
Resolution was ADOPTED on 7/28/2026 by  
the Board of Supervisors of the City and  
County of San Francisco.

f Angela Calvillo  
Clerk of the Board

Unsigned

Daniel Lurie  
Mayor

08/07/2026

Date Approved

I hereby certify that the foregoing resolution, not being signed by the Mayor within the time limit as set forth in Section 3.103 of the Charter, or time waived pursuant to Board Rule 2.14.2, became effective without his approval in accordance with the provision of said Section 3.103 of the Charter or Board Rule 2.14.2.

Angela Calvillo  
Clerk of the Board

08/07/2026

Date