FILE NO. 260847 RESOLUTION NO. 534-26

[Accept and Expend Gift - San Francisco Police Community Foundation - Real Time Investigation Center - $3,000,000]

Resolution authorizing the Police Department to accept and expend a cash gift in the amount of $3,000,000 from the San Francisco Police Community Foundation to support the Real Time Investigation Center for technology, software, and infrastructure needs.

WHEREAS, In March 2024, San Francisco voters approved Proposition E, which facilitated the ability of the Police Department to use technology to fulfill its mission to enhance public safety, protect life and property, and prevent crime; among other things, Proposition E established that the Police Department shall use technology to the maximum extent possible to improve efficiency and effectiveness in combatting crime, and reduce dangers to the public, subject to the City's policies to protect privacy and civil liberties. (Admin. Code § 96I.2(e)); subject to these principles and limitations, Administrative Code, Section 96I.2(d) authorizes police officers to use uncrewed aerial vehicles ("UAVs," also known as "drones") along with or in lieu of vehicle pursuits; Proposition E also authorizes the use of drones to assist in criminal investigations and exempts the Police Department's use of drones under Administrative Code, Section 96I.2(e) from the requirements of the City's Surveillance Technology Ordinance (Administrative Code, Chapter 19B); and

WHEREAS, With the passage of Proposition E, the Police Department has sought to expand its use of technology to enhance community safety, combat crime, and more efficiently utilize personnel during an ongoing staffing shortage; in March 2024, the Police Department launched the Real Time Investigation Center (RTIC), a real-time intelligence hub where officers simultaneously use technology including drones, automated license plate readers, public safety cameras and other crime-fighting tools to help protect the community; the RTIC allows the Police Department to leverage technology, data, and collaboration to

provide real-time intelligence to law enforcement officers in the field, enabling them to more effectively respond to incidents, prevent crimes, and apprehend suspects; using technology like drones, the Police Department can rapidly respond to crimes in progress, with officers in the community directly communicating with teams at the RTIC; and

WHEREAS, The Police Department is continuing to expand its use of technology through programs such as Drone as First Responder, which operates citywide and is being expanded to support operations at southern station, and the implementation of counter-drone capabilities to address emerging public safety needs; and

WHEREAS, The RTIC is currently located at 315 Montgomery Street, pursuant to a sublease on file with the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors in File No. 250722; and

WHEREAS, 315 Montgomery Street provides the infrastructure necessary to support a modern, technology-enabled investigation center, including sufficient electrical capacity, high-speed and reliable internet connectivity, and improved communication capabilities; this location allows the Police Department to effectively operate and continue developing the RTIC as a centralized hub for real-time intelligence and coordinated public safety response; and

WHEREAS, The San Francisco Police Community Foundation (SFPCF) is a 501(c)(3) non-profit corporation that is dedicated to supporting the Police Department; the SFPCF's vision is to provide the Police Department resources to create a best-in-class RTIC; SFPCF's gifts are intended to help the Police Department procure state-of-the-art equipment and technology to enhance the capabilities of the RTIC; and

WHEREAS, Through a prior Accept and Expend Resolution (File No. 250723), the Board of Supervisors authorized the Police Department to accept and expend gifts of equipment, services, and funds from the SFPCF totaling approximately $7,250,028 to support the RTIC, including technology, infrastructure, and related services; and

WHEREAS, SFPCF has proposed to make an additional cash gift totaling $3,000,000 in support of the RTIC, to fund the following: approximately $540,000 for two drone docking stations; approximately $375,000 for counter-drone technology; and approximately $2,085,000 for additional RTIC technology, software, infrastructure, and operational needs in future years, including hardware purchases, upgrades, maintenance, and replacements; software licenses, subscriptions, upgrades, and maintenance; facility-related technological enhancements necessary to support RTIC operations; and other public safety and investigative equipment and related services; and

WHEREAS, The proposed gift will be provided through the SFPCF in installments of approximately $1,000,000 per year over a three-year period; and

WHEREAS, Use of the gifted funds will support time-sensitive investigations, coordinated responses to incidents, and officer and public safety, including support for Drone as First Responder operations, and will be conducted consistent with Proposition E and all applicable federal, state, and local laws and policies, including Administrative Code, Chapter 19B and Assembly Bill 481, as applicable; and

WHEREAS, The Police Commission authorized the acceptance of the gifts from SFPCF at its meeting on July 15, 2026; the Police Commission's approval is on file with the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors in File No. 260847; and

WHEREAS, Under Administrative Code, Section 10.100.305, the Police Department must obtain the Board of Supervisors' approval to accept a donation with a market value of more than $10,000; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Police Department is authorized to accept and expend a gift of funds from the SFPCF of up to $3,000,000 to support the RTIC, including for drone equipment, drone docking infrastructure, counter-drone technology, and other technology and equipment associated with RTIC operations, consistent with all applicable federal, state, and

local laws and policies, including Administrative Code, Chapter 19B and Assembly Bill 481, as applicable.

Recommended:	Approved: /s/ Sophia Kittler for Mayor
/s/ Chief Derrick J. Lew	Approved: /s/ Jocelyn Quintos for Controller

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September 23, 2026 Budget and Finance Committee - RECOMMENDED

September 29, 2026 Board of Supervisors - ADOPTED

Ayes: 11 - Chan, Chen, Dorsey, Fielder, Mahmood, Mandelman, Melgar, Sauter, Sherrill, Walton and Wong

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on 9/29/2026 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

Angela Calvillo
Clerk of the Board

Daniel Lurie
Mayor

10/2/2026
Date Approved