

1 [Recommending support for community-based permeable landscaping projects]

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3 **Resolution recommending that the Mayor and the Board of Supervisors support the**  
4 **work of Plant\*SF, Sidewalk Pocket Park Gardens and other projects that promote**  
5 **community-based permeable landscaping and public open-space gardens located on**  
6 **public rights-of-way.**

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8 WHEREAS, Permeable landscaping has numerous environmental benefits including  
9 stormwater management, air filtration and wildlife habitat; and,

10 WHEREAS, Creating sidewalk gardens is a meaningful way to increase community  
11 participation and stewardship; and,

12 WHEREAS, Sidewalk Pocket Park Gardens transform a small sidewalk cutout for trees  
13 into enlarged space for roots resulting in infrastructure savings on sidewalk replacement; and,


14 WHEREAS, Sidewalk gardens provide better conditions for trees, allowing for longer  
15 lives, more vibrant canopies and optimal size and stature; and,

16 WHEREAS, The presence of beautiful public space encourages people to walk, spend  
17 time outdoors, and interact; and,

18 WHEREAS, Plant\*SF and Sidewalk Pocket Park Gardens incorporate community  
19 development, environmental design and public health into projects with numerous benefits;  
20 now, therefore, be it

21 RESOLVED, The Urban Forest Council recommends that the Mayor and the Board of  
22 Supervisors express support for the ongoing work of Plant\*SF, Sidewalk Pocket Park  
23 Gardens and other projects that promote community-based permeable landscaping and public  
24 open-space gardens located on public rights-of-way throughout San Francisco.

1 I hereby certify that this Resolution was adopted at the Urban Forest Council's Meeting  
2 on September 9, 2005.

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4 Monica Fish, Council Secretary

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6 VOTE: Adopted (10-0) (Absent: 5)

7 Ayes: Council Members Boss, Cohen, Fisher, Griswold, Herman, Miller, Quirke,  
8 Rodgers, Sacamano and Sullivan

9 Noes: None

10 Absent: Council Members Blair, Cornell, Costello, Grisso and Milne  
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