

1 **[Sidewalk landscaping permit]**

2 **Resolution supporting the proposed sidewalk landscaping permits for**
3 **community-based greening projects.**

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5 WHEREAS, Sidewalk gardens have numerous environmental benefits including
6 stormwater management, air quality and wildlife habitat; and,

7 WHEREAS, Creating sidewalk gardens is a meaningful way to stimulate
8 community participation and stewardship; and,

9 WHEREAS, Sidewalk gardens provide larger basin space for existing trees
10 allowing for better conditions and improved function of the urban forest; and,

11 WHEREAS, The presence of beautiful public space encourages people to walk
12 and interact outdoors; and,

13 WHEREAS, Sidewalk gardens support the objectives of the San Francisco Urban
14 Forest Plan; and,

15 WHEREAS, The Department of Public Works, Director of City Greening, and
16 Supervisor Alioto-Pier's office have collaboratively developed sidewalk landscaping
17 policies and a fee structure; now, therefore, be it

18 **RESOLVED**, That the Urban Forestry Council endorses the sidewalk
19 landscaping permit process to create community-based landscaping and gardens
20 located on public rights-of-way throughout San Francisco.

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22 I hereby certify that this Resolution was adopted at the Urban Forestry Council's Regular
23 Meeting on March 24, 2006.

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26 Monica Fish, Council Secretary

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28 VOTE: Adopted (12-0) (2 Absent) (1 Vacant)
29 Ayes: Council Members Blair, Boss, Cohen, Costello, Griswold, Habert, Milne, Nervo, Quirke,
30 Rodgers, Sacamano, and Sustarich
31 Noes: None
32 Absent: Council Members Fisher and Miller