April 30, 2015

Honorable Mark Leno, Chair
Honorable Shirley Weber, Vice-Chair
Joint Legislative Budget Committee
Legislative Office Building
1020 N Street, Room 553
Sacramento, CA 94249-0019

Re: Golden State Warriors, AB 900 Certified Project

Dear Senator Leno and Assemblywoman Skinner:

Governor Brown has determined that the Warrior Event Center and Mixed Use Development in the City of San Francisco is eligible for streamlined judicial review under the Jobs and Economic Improvement Act (AB 900), Public Resources Code section 21184. Pursuant to that provision, I am forwarding the Governor’s determination to the Joint Legislative Budget Committee.

If you have any questions or comments, please do not hesitate to contact me or my staff.

Sincerely,

Ken Alex
Director
Executive Department
State of California

GOVERNOR'S CERTIFICATION GRANTING STREAMLINING FOR THE GOLDEN STATE WARRIORS EVENT CENTER AND MIXED USE DEVELOPMENT AT MISSION BAY

I, EDMUND G. BROWN JR., Governor of the State of California, in accordance with the authority vested in me by the Jobs and Economic Improvement Act of 2011, Public Resources Code sections 21178 et seq., make the following determinations:

The Golden State Warriors Event Center and Mixed Use Development at Mission Bay, a sports and entertainment mixed use retail/commercial development of well in excess of $100 million at Mission Bay blocks 29-32, in San Francisco, will create new jobs, reduce energy usage and use clean energy, and promote infill development. A copy of the Project's Application, which contains information supporting this certification, is attached as Exhibit 1. All materials associated with this application are available online at http://opr.ca.gov/s_californiajobs.php.

1. Project Applicant: GSW Arena LLC, an affiliate of Golden State Warriors, LLC.

2. Project Description: The project would develop Mission Bay blocks 29-32 with a multi-purpose event center and office, retail, parking, and open space on approximately 11 acres. The project includes an 18,064-seat arena, over 700,000 square feet of office and retail space, and parking and loading areas of 475,000 square feet.

3. Lead Agency: City of San Francisco

4. The project meets the criteria set forth in Public Resources Code section 21180(b)(1). It is
   a. A mixed use retail, commercial, sports, entertainment project;
   b. Designed to be eligible for LEED Silver certification;
   c. Designed to achieve a 10-percent greater standard for transportation efficiency than for comparable projects (see Ex. 2); and
   d. Located on an in-fill site.

5. The project is consistent with the Sustainable Communities Strategy for the Bay Area region. (See Ex. 1, Appendix D.)

6. The size and scope of the project clearly establish that the project entails a minimum investment of $100 million in California through the time of completion of construction.

7. The project applicant has provided information establishing that the prevailing and living wage requirements of Public Resources Code section 21183(b) will be satisfied. (See Ex. 1, Appendix F.)

8. The project applicant has provided information establishing that the project will not result in any net additional greenhouse gas emissions, and the Deputy Executive Officer of the Air Resources Board has made the determination that the project does not result in any net additional greenhouse gas emissions. (See Application, and CARB Determination, dated April 23, 2015, attached as Ex. 3.)
9. The project applicant has provided documentation reflecting a binding agreement establishing the requirements set forth in Public Resources Code sections 21183(d), (e), and (f). (See Exhibit 1, Appendix F.) For this project, the applicant must ensure that the proposed travel demand management strategy (as set forth in the Project Application) is incorporated into the project or identified as mitigation for the project, that the management strategy will be monitored and adjusted to ensure a ten percent reduction in motor vehicle trips, and that project construction generated greenhouse gas emissions and project operation-related greenhouse gas emissions will be offset. (See Ex. 3).

Therefore, I hereby certify that the Golden State Warriors Event Center and Mixed Use Development at Mission Bay, is an eligible project under the Jobs and Economic improvement Act of 2011, Public Resources Code sections 21178 et seq.

EDMUND G. BROWN JR.
Governor of California

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