

**ASSOCIATION OF BAY AREA GOVERNMENTS
EXECUTIVE BOARD**

RESOLUTION NO. 09-16

**ACCEPTING STAFF REPORT ON THE STEPS NECESSARY TO ESTABLISHING
AN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT FOR THE REGION AND
AUTHORIZING STAFF TO PREPARE A COMPREHENSIVE ECONOMIC
DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY REPORT FOR PRESENTATION TO THE REGIONAL
PLANNING COMMITTEE FOR REFERRAL TO THE EXECUTIVE BOARD AND,
UPON EXECUTIVE BOARD APPROVAL, FOR APPROVAL BY THE NINE
COUNTIES OF THE REGION TO CREATE A REGIONAL ECONOMIC
DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT**

WHEREAS, pursuant to section the IV.D – F of the Bylaws of the Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG), it may perform regional and subregional planning, develop plans or actions, accept delegations of authority from Federal, State, regional and local bodies and participate in governmental coordination; and

WHEREAS, Economic Development Administration (EDA) of the U. S. Department of Commerce has created a program for the creation of Economic Development Districts (EDD) that support a strategy-driven plan for regional economic development and in particular, multi-jurisdictional EDDs; and

WHEREAS, the EDA requires the preparation and approval of a Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) report to create an EDD and that in the case of a multi-jurisdictional EDD, the CEDS report must be approved by a majority of the counties in the applicable region; and

WHEREAS, the staff memorandum dated July 21, 2016 and attachments (Appendix 1 to this resolution) describes ABAG's efforts to date in exploring the possibility of preparing a CEDS report for the nine county Bay Area region under the auspices of the Strategy Committee which is a subcommittee of the Regional Planning Committee; and

WHEREAS, the establishment of a regional EDD would benefit and support local and regional EDDs, further ABAG's other regional and subregional planning program, complement Plan Bay Area and further the region's economic, workforce and equity goals.

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the ABAG Executive Board hereby:

1. Accepts the staff report (attached hereto as Appendix 1).
2. Authorizes staff to partner with the USEDA and regional and local organizations to prepare a Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy report under the guidance of the Strategy Committee for presentation to the Regional Planning Committee for referral to the Executive Board and, upon Executive Board approval, for approval by a majority of the nine counties of the region to create a regional Economic Development District.

The foregoing was adopted by the Executive Board this 21st day of July, 2016.

Julie Pierce
President

Certification of Executive Board Approval

I, the undersigned, the appointed and qualified Secretary-Treasurer of the Association of Bay Area Governments (Association), do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the Executive Board of the Association at a duly called meeting held on the 21st day of July, 2016.

Ezra Rapport
Secretary-Treasurer

Approved as To Legal Form

Kenneth K. Moy
Legal Counsel

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Appendix 1