

SAN FRANCISCO PLANNING DEPARTMENT

Executive SummaryOffice Development Authorization

HEARING DATE: JANUARY 8, 2014

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Date: December 31, 2014

Case No.: **2013.1600B**

Project Address: 340 Bryant Street

Zoning: MUO (Mixed Use Office) District

65-X Height and Bulk District

Block/Lot: 3764/061 Project Sponsor: John Kevlin

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Recommendation: Approval with Conditions

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The proposal is to convert the entire second, third, and fourth floors, totaling 47,536 gross square feet, to a legal office use. The entire 16,505 square foot (minus 1,991 square feet of common area) ground floor will remain industrial PDR space. A tenant has already been found for the space. The proposal also includes the installation of 4 Class 2 and 12 Class 1 bicycle parking spaces. Exterior alterations are proposed for the Project, including new ground floor window treatment and an improved building entrance.

SITE DESCRIPTION AND PRESENT USE

The Project site, located at 340 Bryant Street, is bounded by Rincon Alley and Sterling Street. The site is located in the East South of Market Neighborhood within an MUO Zoning District and a 65-X Height and Bulk District. The subject lot is approximately 17,117 square feet in area. The existing building is approximately 62,050 square feet, 43-feet tall, and four-stories, and was constructed in 1932 as an industrial building. The building was purchased by a new owner in January 2012. The building has been vacant since January 2013; however, the last legal use of the building was industrial.

SURROUNDING PROPERTIES AND NEIGHBORHOOD

The Project site is located in the East South of Market Neighborhood within an MUO Zoning District and a 65-X Height and Bulk District. Accordingly, the surrounding properties are characterized by dense, two and four-story industrial buildings, with some office and residential uses. The building is surrounded by the I-80 freeway to the north and off-ramps to the south. To the southeast of the project across Bryant Street are three- and four-story buildings and to the southwest of the project site are three- and five-story buildings with mixed uses including office and live/work condominiums.

ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW

Pursuant to the Guidelines of the State Secretary of Resources for the implementation of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), on December 22, 2014, the Planning Department of the City and County of San Francisco determined that the proposed application was exempt from further environmental review under Section 15183 of the CEQA Guidelines and California Public Resources Code Section 21083.3. The Project is consistent with the adopted zoning controls in the Eastern Neighborhoods Area Plan and was encompassed within the analysis contained in the Eastern Neighborhoods Area Plan Final EIR. Since the Final EIR was finalized, there have been no substantial changes to the Eastern Neighborhoods Area Plan and no substantial changes in circumstances that would require major revisions to the Final EIR due to the involvement of new significant environmental effects or an increase in the severity of previously identified significant impacts, and there is no new information of substantial importance that would change the conclusions set forth in the Final EIR.

HEARING NOTIFICATION

ТҮРЕ	REQUIRED PERIOD	REQUIRED NOTICE DATE	ACTUAL NOTICE DATE	ACTUAL PERIOD
Classified News Ad	20 days	December 19, 2014	December 19, 2014	20 days
Posted Notice	20 days	December 19, 2014	December 19, 2014	20 days
Mailed Notice	20 days	December 19, 2014	December 19, 2014	20 days

The proposal requires a Section 312-neighborhood notification, which was conducted in conjunction with the office allocation authorization process.

PUBLIC COMMENT

The Department has received public comment from one person with concerns regarding displacement of PDR uses in the building.

ISSUES AND OTHER CONSIDERATIONS

- The entire 16,505 square foot (minus 1,991 square feet of common area) ground floor will remain industrial PDR space.
- There is currently more than 1.27 million square feet of Small Cap office space available under the Section 321 office allocation program.
- The Project is located outside of the Central Soma Plan Area. Therefore, it is not subject to restrictions on PDR conversion.
- The Project would be subject to the following development impact fees, which are estimated as follows:

FEE TYPE	PLANNING CODE SECTION/FEE	AMOUNT
Transit Impact Development Fee (47,536 sq ft - New Office Development – No Prior Use Credit)	411 (@ \$14.59)	\$693,550.24
Jobs-Housing Linkage (47,536 sq ft – PDR to Office Space Conversion)	413 (@ \$9.94)	\$472,507.84
Eastern Neighborhoods Impact Fee (47,536 sq ft – Tier 2, PDR to Non-Residential)	423 (@ \$8.50)	\$404,056.00
	TOTAL	\$1,570,114.08

Please note that these fees are subject to change between Planning Commission approval and approval of the associated Building Permit Application, as based upon the annual updates managed by the Development Impact Fee Unit of the Department of Building Inspection.

REQUIRED COMMISSION ACTION

In order for the project to proceed, the Commission must authorize the allocation of office space for the proposed 47,536 gross square foot office project per Planning Code Sections 321 and 842.66.

BASIS FOR RECOMMENDATION

The Department believes this project is approvable for the following reasons:

- Office uses are permitted as of right in the MUO Zoning District.
- The Project would be subject to development impact fees, including the Transit Impact Development Fee calculated as new office development with no prior use credit.
- The Project represents an allocation of less than 4 percent of the small cap office currently available for allocation.
- The office space conversion will retain existing employment opportunities and will help stabilize economic activities within the neighborhood.
- The project maintains existing PDR uses within the building.
- At current rates, the project will produce approximately \$1,570,114 in fees that will benefit the community and City.
- The Project is consistent with the objectives and policies of the General Plan.

RECOMMENDATION: Approval with Conditions
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Executive Summary Hearing Date: January 8, 2015

Attachment Checklist

	Executive Summary		Project sponsor submittal
	Draft Motion		Drawings: Existing Conditions
	Environmental Determination		Check for legibility
	Zoning District Map		Drawings: <u>Proposed Project</u>
	Height & Bulk Map		Check for legibility
	Parcel Map		3-D Renderings (new construction or significant addition)
	Sanborn Map		Check for legibility
	Aerial Photo		Wireless Telecommunications Materials
	Context Photos		Health Dept. review of RF levels
	Site Photos		RF Report
			Community Meeting Notice
			Housing Documents
			Inclusionary Affordable Housing Program: Affidavit for Compliance
			Residential Pipeline
1	Exhibits above marked with an "X" are inc	clude	d in this packetESJ
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Subject to: (Select only if applicable)

- ☐ Affordable Housing (Sec. 415)
- ☑ Jobs Housing Linkage Program (Sec. 413)
- ☐ Downtown Park Fee (Sec. 412)
- ☑ Transit Impact Development Fee (Sec. 411)
- ☐ First Source Hiring (Admin. Code)
- ☐ Child Care Requirement (Sec. 414)
- ☑ Other (Eastern Neighborhoods Sec. 423 & 426)

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ADOPTING FINDINGS RELATING TO AN ALLOCATION OF OFFICE SQUARE FOOTAGE UNDER THE 2014-2015 ANNUAL OFFICE DEVELOPMENT LIMITATION PROGRAM FOR THE PROPOSED PROJECT LOCATED AT 340 BRYANT STREET THAT WOULD AUTHORIZE THE CONVERSION OF 47,536 GROSS SQUARE FEET OF THE EXISTING 62,050 SQUARE FOOT BUILDING TO OFFICE USE PURSUANT TO PLANNING CODE SECTIONS 321 AND 842.66, ON ASSESSOR'S BLOCK 3764, LOT 061, IN THE MUO (MIXED USE OFFICE) ZONING DISTRICT AND A 65-X HEIGHT AND BULK DISTRICT, AND ADOPTING FINDINGS UNDER THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT.

PREAMBLE

On December 19, 2013, John Kevlin, on behalf of 140 Partners, LP (hereinafter "Project Sponsor") filed Application No. 2013.1600B (hereinafter "Application") with the Planning Department (hereinafter "Department") for an Office Development Authorization to convert 47,536 gross square feet of the existing 62,050 square foot building at 340 Bryant Street to an office use.

The environmental effects of the Project were determined by the San Francisco Planning Department to have been fully reviewed under the Eastern Neighborhoods Area Plan Environmental Impact Report

(hereinafter "EIR"). The EIR was prepared, circulated for public review and comment, and, at a public hearing on August 7, 2008, by Motion No. 17661, certified by the Commission as complying with the California Environmental Quality Act (Cal. Pub. Res. Code Section 21000 et seq., (hereinafter "CEQA"). The Commission has reviewed the Final EIR, which has been available for this Commissions review as well as public review. The Eastern Neighborhoods EIR is a Program EIR. Pursuant to CEQA Guideline 15168(c)(2), if the lead agency finds that no new effects could occur or no new mitigation measures would be required of a proposed project, the agency may approve the project as being within the scope of the project covered by the program EIR, and no additional or new environmental review is required. In approving the Eastern Neighborhoods Plan, the Commission adopted CEQA Findings in its Motion No. 17661 and hereby incorporates such Findings by reference.

Additionally, State CEQA Guidelines Section 15183 provides a streamlined environmental review for projects that are consistent with the development density established by existing zoning, community plan or general plan policies for which an EIR was certified, except as might be necessary to examine whether there are project–specific effects which are peculiar to the project or its site. Section 15183 specifies that examination of environmental effects shall be limited to those effects that (a) are peculiar to the project or parcel on which the project would be located, (b) were not analyzed as significant effects in a prior EIR on the zoning action, general plan or community plan with which the project is consistent, (c) are potentially significant off–site and cumulative impacts which were not discussed in the underlying EIR, or(d) are previously identified in the EIR, but which are determined to have a more severe adverse impact than that discussed in the underlying EIR. Section 15183(c) specifies that if an impact is not peculiar to the parcel or to the proposed project, then an EIR need not be prepared for that project solely on the basis of that impact.

On December 22, 2014, the Department determined that the proposed application did not require further environmental review under Section 15183 of the CEQA Guidelines and Public Resources Code Section 21083.3. The Project is consistent with the adopted zoning controls in the Eastern Neighborhoods Area Plan and was encompassed within the analysis contained in the Eastern Neighborhoods Final EIR. Since the Eastern Neighborhoods Final EIR was finalized, there have been no substantial changes to the Eastern Neighborhoods Area Plan and no substantial changes in circumstances that would require major revisions to the Final EIR due to the involvement of new significant environmental effects or an increase in the severity of previously identified significant impacts, and there is no new information of substantial importance that would change the conclusions set forth in the Final EIR. The file for this project, including the Eastern Neighborhoods Final EIR and the Community Plan Exemption certificate, is available for review at the San Francisco Planning Department, 1650 Mission Street, Suite 400, San Francisco, California.

Planning Department staff prepared a Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program (MMRP) setting forth mitigation measures that were identified in the Eastern Neighborhoods Plan EIR that are applicable to the project. These mitigation measures are set forth in their entirety in the MMRP attached to the draft Motion as Exhibit C.

On January 8, 2015, the Planning Commission ("Commission") conducted a duly noticed public hearing at a regularly scheduled meeting on Office Allocation Application No. 2013.1600B.

The Commission has heard and considered the testimony presented to it at the public hearing and has further considered written materials and oral testimony presented on behalf of the applicant, Department staff, and other interested parties.

MOVED, that the Commission hereby authorizes the Office Development Authorization requested in Application No. 2013.1600B, subject to the conditions contained in "EXHIBIT A" of this motion, based on the following findings:

FINDINGS

Having reviewed the materials identified in the preamble above, and having heard all testimony and arguments, this Commission finds, concludes, and determines as follows:

- 1. The above recitals are accurate and constitute findings of this Commission.
- 2. **Site Description and Present Use.** The Project site, located at 340 Bryant Street, is bounded by Rincon Alley and Sterling Street. The site is located in the East South of Market Neighborhood within an MUO Zoning District and a 65-X Height and Bulk District. The subject lot is approximately 17,117 square feet in area. The existing building is approximately 62,050 square feet, 43-feet tall, and four-stories, and was constructed in 1932 as an industrial building. The building was purchased by a new owner in January 2012. The building has been vacant since January 2013; however, the last legal use of the building was industrial.
- 3. Surrounding Properties and Neighborhood. The Project site is located in the East South of Market Neighborhood within an MUO Zoning District and a 65-X Height and Bulk District. Accordingly, the surrounding properties are characterized by dense, two and four-story industrial buildings, with some office and residential uses. The building is surrounded by the I-80 freeway to the north and off-ramps to the south. To the southeast of the project across Bryant Street are three- and four-story buildings and to the southwest of the project site are three- and five-story buildings with mixed uses including office and live/work condominiums.
- 4. **Project Description.** The proposal is to convert the entire second, third, and fourth floors, totaling 47,536 gross square feet, to a legal office use. The entire 16,505 square foot (minus 1,991 square feet of common area) ground floor will remain industrial PDR space. A tenant has already been found for the space. The proposal also includes the installation of 4 Class 2 and 12 Class 1 bicycle parking spaces. Exterior alterations are proposed for the Project, including new ground floor window treatment and an improved building entrance.
- 5. **Public Comment**. The Department has received public comment from one person with concerns regarding displacement of PDR uses in the building.
- 6. **Planning Code Compliance.** The Commission finds and determines that the Project is consistent with the relevant provisions of the Code in the following manner:

A. **Office Use in the MUO Zoning District.** Planning Code Section 842.66 principally permits office space in the MUO Zoning District.

The proposal includes converting the entire second, third, and fourth floors, totaling 47,536 gross square feet, to a legal office use.

B. **Open Space.** Planning Code Section 135.3 requires conversions to new office space in Eastern Neighborhoods Mixed Use Districts to provide and maintain usable open space for that new office space at a ratio of one square foot per 50 square feet of new office space, and/or pay an in-lieu fee. The project proposes 47,536 square feet of new office space and requires at least 951 square feet of open space to be provided.

Approximately 1,684 square feet of open space will be located on the west side of the roof of the building, which will provide ample open space to meet this requirement.

C. Parking. Section 151.1 does not require any off-street parking.

The existing building contains no off-street parking. The proposed project will not provide any new off-street parking spaces.

D. **Loading.** Section 152.1 requires certain amounts of off-street freight loading spaces based on the type and size of uses in a project. The proposed project does not require a loading space.

The existing building contains no loading spaces.

E. **Bicycle Parking and Showers.** Section 155.2 requires that the project provide at least two Class 1 and two Class 2 bicycle parking spaces to accommodate the new office use. Section 155.4 requires that a building that exceeds 50,000 square feet provide 4 showers and 24 lockers.

The project proposes 4 Class 2 and 12 Class 1 bicycle parking spaces, as well as 4 showers and 24 lockers.

F. **Transportation Management Agreement.** Section 163 requires that the project sponsor provides on-site transportation brokerage services for the actual lifetime of the project.

Prior to the issuance of a temporary permit of occupancy, the project sponsor will execute an agreement with the Planning Department for the provision of on-site transportation brokerage services and preparation of a transportation management program to be approved by the Director of Planning and implemented by the provider of transportation brokerage services.

G. **Development Fees.** The Project is subject to the Transit Impact Development Fee per Planning Code Section 411, the Jobs-Housing Linkage Fee per Planning Code Section 413, and the Eastern Neighborhoods Community Impact Fee per Planning Code Section 423.

The Project Sponsor shall pay the appropriate Transit Impact Development, Jobs-Housing Linkage Child Care Requirement, and Eastern Neighborhoods Community Impact fees, pursuant to Planning Code Sections 411, 413, and 423, at the appropriate stage of the building permit application process.

7. **Office Development Authorization.** Planning Code Section 321 establishes standards for San Francisco's Office Development Annual Limit. In determining if the proposed Project would promote the public welfare, convenience and necessity, the Commission considered the seven criteria established by Code Section 321(b)(3), and finds as follows:

I. APPORTIONMENT OF OFFICE SPACE OVER THE COURSE OF THE APPROVAL PERIOD IN ORDER TO MAINTAIN A BALANCE BETWEEN ECONOMIC GROWTH ON THE ONE HAND, AND HOUSING, TRANSPORTATION AND PUBLIC SERVICES, ON THE OTHER.

The proposed project would create 47,536 square feet of office space within the South of Market area, an area with high demand for office space. There is currently more than 1.27 million gross square feet of available "Small Cap" office space in the City. Additionally, the Project is subject to various development fees that will benefit the surrounding community. Therefore, the Project will help maintain the balance between economic growth, housing, transportation and public services.

II. THE CONTRIBUTION OF THE OFFICE DEVELOPMENT TO, AND ITS EFFECTS ON, THE OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES OF THE GENERAL PLAN.

The proposed project is consistent with the General Plan, as outlined in Section 9 below.

III. THE QUALITY OF THE DESIGN OF THE PROPOSED OFFICE DEVELOPMENT.

The proposed office space is within an existing building. The proposed project includes some exterior alterations, including new ground floor window treatment and an improved building entrance. These alterations will improve the building's compatibility with the neighborhood.

IV. THE SUITABILITY OF THE PROPOSED OFFICE DEVELOPMENT FOR ITS LOCATION, AND ANY EFFECTS OF THE PROPOSED OFFICE DEVELOPMENT SPECIFIC TO THAT LOCATION.

a) <u>Use.</u> The Project is within the MUO (Mixed Use Office) Zoning District, a Zoning District which principally permits office use. Planning Code Section 842 states that the MUO Zoning District is "designed to encourage office uses and housing, as well as small-scale light industrial and arts activities." This project provides an appropriate balance of PDR and office uses.

- b) Transit Accessibility. The area is served by a variety of transit options. The project site is adjacent to the 10 and 12 MUNI bus lines, and is in close proximity to approximately 12 other MUNI bus lines. It is also approximately 0.5 miles from the temporary Transbay Terminal and the future Transbay Terminal, both of which connect to numerous transit lines around the Bay. Additionally, the Project site is located approximately 5 blocks from Market Street, with BART and MUNI Metro subway lines, and is a short walk from the King Street Caltrain station, ferries connecting to the East and South Bay, and the future Central Subway that will run along 4th Street.
- c) <u>Open Space Accessibility</u>. The proposed project is required to provide 951 square feet of open space. The proposed project will provide a 1,684 square foot roof deck.
- d) <u>Urban Design</u>. The proposed office space is in an existing building. The building was constructed in 1932 and has been minimally altered since that time. The proposed project includes some exterior alterations; however, the mass and design of the building will not change.
- e) <u>Seismic Safety</u>. The Project includes limited tenant improvements within the interior of the existing buildings. All tenant improvement work will meet current seismic safety standards, as they apply.

V. THE ANTICIPATED USES OF THE PROPOSED OFFICE DEVELOPMENT IN LIGHT OF EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES TO BE PROVIDED, NEEDS OF EXISTING BUSINESSES, AND THE AVAILABLE SUPPLY OF SPACE SUITABLE FOR SUCH ANTICIPATED USES.

- a) Anticipated Employment Opportunities. The Project includes a total of 47,536 gross square feet of office space, which will allow for several office tenants in the building. Since office space on average supports more employees per square foot than industrial space, the project will create a significant amount of new employment opportunities.
- b) Needs of Existing Businesses. The Project includes a total of 47,536 gross square feet of office space, which will allow for several office tenants in the building. The proximity to light industrial uses can also help foster entrepreneurship among local residents and employers.
- c) Availability of Space Suitable for Anticipated Uses. The Project will provide quality office space that is suitable for a variety of office uses and sizes in an area where the demand for new office space has increased rapidly. The project will provide high-quality office space within close proximity to public transit, while maintaining the ground floor industrial use.

VI. THE EXTENT TO WHICH THE PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT WILL BE OWNED OR OCCUPIED BY A SINGLE ENTITY.

The building will not be owner-occupied. The anticipated office tenants have not yet been determined, however, two industrial tenants that will occupy the ground floor PDR space have been identified.

VII. THE USE, IF ANY, OF TRANSFERABLE DEVELOPMENT RIGHTS ("TDR's") BY THE PROJECT SPONSOR.

The Project does not include any Transfer of Development Rights.

8. **Section 101.1 Priority Policy Findings.** Section 101.1(b)(1-8) establishes eight priority planning Policies and requires review of permits for consistency with said policies.

The Commission finds and determines that the Project is consistent with the eight priority policies, for the reasons set forth below.

A. That existing neighborhood-serving retail uses be preserved and enhanced and future opportunities for resident employment in and ownership of such businesses enhanced.

The existing building contains no neighborhood-serving retail uses, nor does the proposal include any retail. However, the conversion of this building to office space will increase the demand for neighborhood-serving retail use in the surrounding neighborhood.

B. That existing housing and neighborhood character be conserved and protected in order to preserve the cultural and economic diversity of our neighborhoods.

No housing currently exists on the site and no housing will be removed as part of the proposed project. The project consists of the conversion of industrial to office use. The building will be mixed use with industrial and office uses, resulting in a project that is compatible with the surrounding neighborhood.

C. The City's supply of affordable housing be preserved and enhanced.

There is no existing affordable or market-rate housing on the Project Site. The development will contribute fees to the Jobs-Housing Linkage Program. Therefore, the Project is in compliance with this priority policy.

D. That commuter traffic not impede Muni transit service or overburden our streets or neighborhood parking.

The area is served by a variety of transit options. The project site is adjacent to the 10 and 12 MUNI bus lines, and is in close proximity to approximately 12 other MUNI bus lines. It is also approximately 0.5 miles from the temporary Transbay Terminal and the future Transbay Terminal, both of which connect to numerous transit lines around the Bay. Additionally, the Project site is located approximately 5 blocks from Market Street, with BART and MUNI Metro subway lines, and is a short walk from the King Street Caltrain station and ferries connecting to the East and South Bay.

E. That a diverse economic base be maintained by protecting our industrial and service sectors from displacement due to commercial office development, and that future opportunities for resident employment and ownership in these sectors be enhanced.

Converting a portion of the existing building to office space on the upper stories will help support and maintain the PDR activities on the ground floor. The conversion to office space will help increase local resident employment and demand for new neighborhood-serving businesses in the area, which can also lead to new opportunities for local resident employment.

F. That the City achieve the greatest possible preparedness to protect against injury and loss of life in an earthquake.

The Project will not create any new space that does not meet current seismic safety standards.

G. That landmarks and historic buildings be preserved.

The existing building is not a Landmark or otherwise historic building. The proposal will not impact Landmarks or historic buildings in the vicinity.

H. That our parks and open space and their access to sunlight and vistas be protected from development.

The proposed project would not affect nearby parks or open space.

9. **General Plan Compliance.** The project is, on balance, consistent with the following Objectives and Policies of the General Plan:

COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY ELEMENT

Objectives and Policies

OBJECTIVE 1:

MANAGE ECONOMIC GROWTH AND CHANGE TO ENSURE ENHANCEMENT OF THE TOTAL CITY LIVING AND WORKING ENVIRONMENT.

Policy 1.1:

Encourage development which provides substantial net benefits and minimizes undesirable consequences. Discourage development that has substantial undesirable consequences that cannot be mitigated.

Policy 1.3:

Locate commercial and industrial activities according to a generalized commercial and industrial land use plan.

The proposed office development will provide net benefits to the City and the community by allowing for one or more small to medium sized office tenants to sign a long-term lease, which will increase economic vibrancy in the area. Authorization of the office space will also result in the collection of significant development fees that will benefit the community and that would otherwise not be required.

OBJECTIVE 2:

MAINTAIN AND ENHANCE A SOUND AND DIVERSE ECONOMIC BASE AND FISCAL STRUCTURE FOR THE CITY.

Policy 2.1:

Seek to retain existing commercial and industrial activity and to attract new such activity to the City.

The proposed office development will help retain existing commercial tenants and generate stable employment opportunities and demand for neighborhood serving businesses.

TRANSPORTATION ELEMENT

Objectives and Policies

OBJECTIVE 28:

PROVIDE SECURE AND CONVENIENT PARKING FACILITIES FOR BICYCLES.

Policy 28.1:

Provide secure bicycle parking in new governmental, commercial, and residential developments.

Policy 28.3:

Provide parking facilities which are safe, secure, and convenient.

The project includes 12 existing Class 1 and 4 Class 2 bicycle parking spaces in a secure, convenient location.

EAST SOMA AREA PLAN

Objectives and Policies

OBJECTIVE 1.1:

STRENGTHEN ENCOURAGE PRODUCTION OF HOUSING AND OTHER MIXED-USE DEVELOPMENT IN EAST SOMA WHILE MAINTAINING ITS EXISTING SPECIAL MIXED-USE CHARACTER.

Policy 1.1.2:

Encourage small, flexible office space throughout East Soma and encourage larger office in the 2nd Street Corridor.

OBJECTIVE 1.4:

SUPPORT A ROLE FOR "KNOWLEDGE SECTOR" BUSINESSES IN EAST SOMA.

Policy 1.4.3:

Continue to allow larger research and development office-type uses that support the Knowledge Sector in the 2nd Street Corridor.

The Project is located in the East South of Market Neighborhood and in a MUO Zoning District that encourages office uses. The mix of office and industrial activities within the proposal is an appropriate balance of uses given the location of the site. Further, the authorization of office space at this site will support any PDR activities on the ground floor level. The Project will add to the diverse array of office space available in the area by providing smaller spaces than those provided along 2nd Street.

- 10. The Project is consistent with and would promote the general and specific purposes of the Code provided under Section 101.1(b) in that, as designed, the Project would contribute to the character and stability of the neighborhood and would constitute a beneficial development.
- 11. The Commission hereby finds that approval of the Office Development Authorization would promote the health, safety and welfare of the City.

DECISION

That based upon the Record, the submissions by the Applicant, the staff of the Department and other interested parties, the oral testimony presented to this Commission at the public hearings, and all other written materials submitted by all parties, the Commission hereby **APPROVES Office Development Application No. 2013.1600B** subject to the conditions attached hereto as <u>Exhibit A</u>, which is incorporated herein by reference as though fully set forth, in general conformance with the plans stamped <u>Exhibit B</u> and dated June 4, 2014, on file in Case Docket No. 2013.1600B.

APPEAL AND EFFECTIVE DATE OF MOTION: Any aggrieved person may appeal this Section 321 Office-Space Allocation to the Board of Appeals within fifteen (15) days after the date of this Motion. The effective date of this Motion shall be the date of adoption of this Motion if not appealed (after the 15-day period has expired) OR the date of the decision of the Board of Appeals if appealed to the Board of Appeals. For further information, please contact the Board of Appeals at (415) 575-6880, 1660 Mission, Room 3036, San Francisco, CA 94103.

Protest of Fee or Exaction: You may protest any fee or exaction subject to Government Code Section 66000 that is imposed as a condition of approval by following the procedures set forth in Government Code Section 66020. The protest must satisfy the requirements of Government Code Section 66020(a) and must be filed within 90 days of the date of the first approval or conditional approval of the development referencing the challenged fee or exaction. For purposes of Government Code Section 66020, the date of imposition of the fee shall be the date of the earliest discretionary approval by the City of the subject development.

If the City has not previously given Notice of an earlier discretionary approval of the project, the Planning Commission's adoption of this Motion, Resolution, Discretionary Review Action or the Zoning Administrator's Variance Decision Letter constitutes the approval or conditional approval of the development and the City hereby gives **NOTICE** that the 90-day protest period under Government Code Section 66020 has begun. If the City has already given Notice that the 90-day approval period has begun for the subject development, then this document does not re-commence the 90-day approval period.

I hereby certify that the Planning Commission ADOPTED the foregoing Motion on January 8, 2015.

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AYES:	
NAYS:	
ABSENT:	
ADOPTED:	January 8, 2015

EXHIBIT A

AUTHORIZATION

This authorization is for an Office Development Authorization to authorize 47,536 gross square feet of office use located at 340 Bryant Street, Lot 061 in Assessor's Block 3764 pursuant to Planning Code Section(s) 321 and 843.66 within the MUO (Mixed Use Office) Zoning District and a 65-X Height and Bulk District; in general conformance with plans, dated June 4, 2014, and stamped "EXHIBIT B" included in the docket for Case No. 2013.1600B and subject to conditions of approval reviewed and approved by the Commission on **January 8**, 2015 under Motion No. XXXXX. This authorization and the conditions contained herein run with the property and not with a particular Project Sponsor, business, or operator.

RECORDATION OF CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL

Prior to the issuance of the building permit or commencement of use for the Project the Zoning Administrator shall approve and order the recordation of a Notice in the Official Records of the Recorder of the City and County of San Francisco for the subject property. This Notice shall state that the project is subject to the conditions of approval contained herein and reviewed and approved by the Planning Commission on January 8, 2015 under Motion No. **XXXXX**.

PRINTING OF CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL ON PLANS

The conditions of approval under the 'Exhibit A' of this Planning Commission Motion No. XXXXX shall be reproduced on the Index Sheet of construction plans submitted with the Site or Building permit application for the Project. The Index Sheet of the construction plans shall reference to the Office Development Authorization and any subsequent amendments or modifications.

SEVERABILITY

The Project shall comply with all applicable City codes and requirements. If any clause, sentence, section or any part of these conditions of approval is for any reason held to be invalid, such invalidity shall not affect or impair other remaining clauses, sentences, or sections of these conditions. This decision conveys no right to construct, or to receive a building permit. "Project Sponsor" shall include any subsequent responsible party.

CHANGES AND MODIFICATIONS

Changes to the approved plans may be approved administratively by the Zoning Administrator. Significant changes and modifications of conditions shall require Planning Commission approval of a new authorization.

Conditions of Approval, Compliance, Monitoring, and Reporting

PERFORMANCE

1. **Validity.** The authorization and right vested by virtue of this action is valid for three (3) years from the effective date of the Motion. The Department of Building Inspection shall have issued a Building Permit or Site Permit to construct the project and/or commence the approved use within this three-year period.

For information about compliance, contact Code Enforcement, Planning Department at 415-575-6863, www.sf-planning.org

2. **Expiration and Renewal.** Should a Building or Site Permit be sought after the three (3) year period has lapsed, the project sponsor must seek a renewal of this Authorization by filing an application for an amendment to the original Authorization or a new application for Authorization. Should the project sponsor decline to so file, and decline to withdraw the permit application, the Commission shall conduct a public hearing in order to consider the revocation of the Authorization. Should the Commission not revoke the Authorization following the closure of the public hearing, the Commission shall determine the extension of time for the continued validity of the Authorization.

For information about compliance, contact Code Enforcement, Planning Department at 415-575-6863, www.sf-planning.org

3. Diligent Pursuit. Once a site or Building Permit has been issued, construction must commence within the timeframe required by the Department of Building Inspection and be continued diligently to completion. Failure to do so shall be grounds for the Commission to consider revoking the approval if more than three (3) years have passed since this Authorization was approved.

For information about compliance, contact Code Enforcement, Planning Department at 415-575-6863, www.sf-planning.org

4. **Extension.** All time limits in the preceding three paragraphs may be extended at the discretion of the Zoning Administrator where implementation of the project is delayed by a public agency, an appeal or a legal challenge and only by the length of time for which such public agency, appeal or challenge has caused delay.

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5. **Conformity with Current Law.** No application for Building Permit, Site Permit, or other entitlement shall be approved unless it complies with all applicable provisions of City Codes in effect at the time of such approval.

For information about compliance, contact Code Enforcement, Planning Department at 415-575-6863, www.sf-planning.org

6. **Development Timeline - Office**. Pursuant to Planning Code Section 321(d)(2), construction of an office development shall commence within 18 months of the date of this Motion approving this Project becomes effective. Failure to begin work within that period or to carry out the development diligently thereafter to completion, shall be grounds to revoke approval of the office development under this Office Allocation authorization.

For information about compliance, contact Code Enforcement, Planning Department at 415-575-6863, www.sf-planning.org

PARKING AND TRAFFIC

7. **Bicycle Parking**. Pursuant to Planning Code Section 155.2, the Project shall provide no fewer than **12** Class 2 and 4 Class 2 bicycle parking spaces for the 47,536 gross square feet of office use.

For information about compliance, contact Code Enforcement, Planning Department at 415-575-6863, www.sf-planning.org

8. **Showers and Clothes Lockers.** Pursuant to Planning Code Section 155.4, the Project shall provide no fewer than 4 showers and 24 clothes lockers.

For information about compliance, contact Code Enforcement, Planning Department at 415-575-6863, www.sf-planning.org.

PROVISIONS

9. **Transit Impact Development Fee.** Pursuant to Planning Code Sections 411 (formerly Chapter 38 of the Administrative Code), the Project Sponsor shall pay the Transit Impact Development Fee (TIDF) as required by and based on drawings submitted with the Building Permit Application. Prior to the issuance of a temporary certificate of occupancy, the Project Sponsor shall provide the Planning Department with certification of fee payment.

For information about compliance, contact the Case Planner, Planning Department at 415-558-6378, www.sf-planning.org

10. **Jobs Housing Linkage**. Pursuant to Planning Code Sections 413 (formerly 313), the Project Sponsor shall contribute to the Jobs-Housing Linkage Program (JHLP). The calculation shall be based on the net addition of gross square feet of each type of space to be constructed as set forth in the permit plans. The Project Sponsor shall provide evidence that this requirement has been satisfied to the Planning Department prior to the issuance of the first site or building permit by the Department of Building Inspection.

For information about compliance, contact the Case Planner, Planning Department at 415-558-6378, www.sf-planning.org

11. **Transportation Brokerage Services - C-3, EN, and SOMA.** Pursuant to Planning Code Section 163, the Project Sponsor shall provide on-site transportation brokerage services for the actual lifetime of the project. Prior to the issuance of any certificate of occupancy, the Project Sponsor

shall execute an agreement with the Planning Department documenting the project's transportation management program, subject to the approval of the Planning Director. For information about compliance, contact the Case Planner, Planning Department at 415-558-6378, www.sf-planning.org

11. **Eastern Neighborhoods Infrastructure Impact Fee.** Pursuant to Planning Code Section 423 (formerly 327), the Project Sponsor shall comply with the Eastern Neighborhoods Public Benefit Fund provisions through payment of an Impact Fee pursuant to Article 4 of the Planning Code.

For information about compliance, contact the Case Planner, Planning Department at 415-558-6378, www.sf-planning.org

MONITORING - AFTER ENTITLEMENT

12. **Enforcement.** Violation of any of the Planning Department conditions of approval contained in this Motion or of any other provisions of Planning Code applicable to this Project shall be subject to the enforcement procedures and administrative penalties set forth under Planning Code Section 176 or Section 176.1. The Planning Department may also refer the violation complaints to other city departments and agencies for appropriate enforcement action under their jurisdiction.

For information about compliance, contact Code Enforcement, Planning Department at 415-575-6863, www.sf-planning.org

13. **Revocation due to Violation of Conditions.** Should implementation of this Project result in complaints from interested property owners, residents, or commercial lessees which are not resolved by the Project Sponsor and found to be in violation of the Planning Code and/or the specific conditions of approval for the Project as set forth in Exhibit A of this Motion, the Zoning Administrator shall refer such complaints to the Commission, after which it may hold a public hearing on the matter to consider revocation of this authorization.

For information about compliance, contact Code Enforcement, Planning Department at 415-575-6863, www.sf-planning.org

OPERATION

14. **Sidewalk Maintenance.** The Project Sponsor shall maintain the main entrance to the building and all sidewalks abutting the subject property in a clean and sanitary condition in compliance with the Department of Public Works Streets and Sidewalk Maintenance Standards.

For information about compliance, contact Bureau of Street Use and Mapping, Department of Public Works, 415-695-2017, http://sfdpw.org

15. **Community Liaison.** Prior to issuance of a building permit to construct the project and implement the approved use, the Project Sponsor shall appoint a community liaison officer to deal with the issues of concern to owners and occupants of nearby properties. The Project Sponsor shall provide the Zoning Administrator with written notice of the name, business

address, and telephone number of the community liaison. Should the contact information change, the Zoning Administrator shall be made aware of such change. The community liaison shall report to the Zoning Administrator what issues, if any, are of concern to the community and what issues have not been resolved by the Project Sponsor.

For information about compliance, contact Code Enforcement, Planning Department at 415-575-6863, www.sf-planning.org

1. MITIGATION AND IMPROVEMENT MEASURES
Responsibility for Implementation
Mitigation Schedule
Monitoring/Report Responsibility
Status/Date Completed

Specialist. The Plan shall detail project compliance with the following requirements: 1. All off-road equipment greater than 25 hp and operating for more than 20 total hours over the entire duration of construction activities shall meet the following requirements: a) Where access to alternative sources of power are available, portable diesel engines shall be prohibited; b) All off-road equipment shall have: i. Engines that meet or exceed either U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) or California Air Resources Board (ARB) Tier 2 off-road emission standards, and ii. Engines that are retrofitted with an ARB Level 3 Verified Diesel Emissions Control Strategy (VDECS). c) Exceptions: i. Exceptions to A(1)(a) may be granted if the project sponsor has submitted information providing evidence to the satisfaction of the ERO that an alternative source of power is limited or infeasible at the project site and that the requirements of this exception provision apply. Under this circumstance, the sponsor shall submit documentation of compliance with A(1)(b) for onsite power generation. ii. Exceptions to A(1)(b)(ii) may be granted if the project sponsor has submitted information providing evidence to the satisfaction of the ERO that a particular piece of off-road equipment with	construction permit, the project sponsor shall submit a Construction Emissions Minimization Plan (Plan) to the Environmental Review Officer (ERO) for review and approval by an Environmental Planning Air Quality	A. Construction Emissions Minimization Plan. Prior to issuance of a	MITIGATION MEASURES ADOPTED AS CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL Project Mitigation Measure 1 - Construction Air Quality (Eastern Project Mitigation Measure C. 1)
Neighborhoods Rezoning and Area Plans Project.	development project undertaken pursuant to the Eastern	Contractor of each subsequent	Project Sponsor
		COLISH CCHOLL	During
	construction period.	Department with monthly reports during	Each Project Sponsor
	construction.	monitoring report at completion of	Considered complete

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(Including the Text of the Mitigation Measures Adopted as Conditions of Approval and Proposed Improvement Measures) EXHIBIT 1:
MITIGATION MONITORING AND REPORTING PROGRAM

1. MITIGATION AND IMPROVEMENT MEASURES	Responsibility for Implementation	Mitigation Schedule	Monitoring/Report Responsibility	Status/Date Completed
			Responsibility	
2. The project sponsor shall require the idling time for off-road and on-road equipment be limited to no more than two minutes, except as provided in exceptions to the applicable state regulations regarding idling for off-road and on-road equipment. Legible and visible signs shall be posted in multiple languages (English, Spanish, Chinese) in designated queuing areas and at the				

 1. MITIGATION AND IMPROVEMENT MEASURES	Responsibility for Implementation	Mitigation Schedule	Monitoring/Report Responsibility	Status/Date Completed
 construction site to remind operators of the two minute idling limit. 3. The project sponsor shall require that construction operators				
 properly maintain and tune equipment in accordance with manufacturer specifications.				
4. The Plan shall include estimates of the construction timeline by				
phase with a description of each piece of off-road equipment				
descriptions and information may include, but is not limited to:				
equipment type, equipment manufacturer, equipment identification				
horsepower, engine model year, engine certilication (Tier rating), horsepower, engine serial number, and expected fuel usage and				
hours of operation. For VDECS installed: technology type, serial number, make, model, manufacturer, ARB verification number level.				
and installation date and hour meter reading on installation date.				
ndicate the type of alternative fuel being used.				
5. The Plan shall be kept on-site and available for review by any				
perimeter of the construction site indicating to the public the basic				
requirements of the Plan and a way to request a copy of the Plan.				
The project sponsor shall provide copies of Plan to members of the				
B. Reporting. Quarterly reports shall be submitted to the ERO indicating the				
construction phase and off-road equipment information used during each				
equipment using alternative fuels, reporting shall include the actual amount				
Within six months of the completion of construction activities, the project				
sponsor shall submit to the ERO a final report summarizing construction activities. The final report shall indicate the start and end dates and duration				
of each construction phase. For each phase, the report shall include detailed				
information required in A(4). In addition, for off-road equipment using alternative fuels, reporting shall include the actual amount of alternative fuel				
used. C. Certification Statement and On-site Requirements. Prior to the				
commencement of construction activities, the project sponsor must certify (1)				
 have been incorporated into contract specifications.				

1. MITIGATION AND IMPROVEMENT MEASURES	MEASURES	Responsibility for Implementation	Mitigation Schedule	Monitoring/Report Responsibility	Status/Date Completed
Project Mitigation Measure 2 – Hazardous Building Materials (Eastern Neighborhoods Mitigation Measure L-1)	y Materials (Eastern	Project Sponsor/project archeologist of each	Prior to approval of each subsequent	Planning Department, in consultation with DPH; where Site	Considered complete upon approval of each subsequent project.
The City shall condition future development approvals to require that the subsequent project sponsors ensure that any equipment containing PCBs or DEPH, such as fluorescent light ballasts, are removed and properly disposed of according to applicable federal, state and local laws prior to the start of	to require that the int containing PCBs or and properly disposed	subsequent development project undertaken pursuant to the Eastern	project, through Mitigation Plan.	Mitigation Plan is required, Project Sponsor or contractor shall submit a	
of according to applicable federal, state, and local laws prior to the start of renovation, and that any fluorescent light tubes, which could contain mercury, are similarly removed and properly disposed of. Any other	s prior to the start of could contain of. Any other	Neighborhoods Areas Plans and Rezoning		monitoring report to DPH, with a copy to Planning Department	
hazardous materials identified, either before or during work, shall be abated according to applicable federal, state, and local laws.	work, shall be abated			and DBI, at end of construction.	
PROPOSED IMPROVEMENT MEASURES					
Project Improvement Measure 1 – Transportation Demand Management (TDM) Coordinator	Demand Management	Project Sponsor	Continuous	Planning Department, in consultation with the TDM Coordinator	Continuous
The project sponsor shall identify a TDM coordinator for the project site. The TDM Coordinator shall be responsible for the implementation and ongoing operation of all other TDM measures (Project Improvement Measures 2 and 3) included in the proposed project. The TDM Coordinator could be a brokered service through an existing transportation management association (e.g. the Transportation Management Association of San Francisco, TMASF), or the TDM Coordinator could be an existing staff member (e.g., property manager); the TDM Coordinator does not have to work full-time at the project site. However, the TDM Coordinator shall be the single point of contact for all transportation-related questions from building occupants and City staff. The TDM Coordinator shall provide TDM training to other building staff about the transportation amenities and options available at the project	or the project site. The ntation and ongoing ment Measures 2 and nator could be a nagement association an Francisco, staff member (e.g., we to work full-time at the single point of ilding occupants and anining to other building railable at the project				
Project Improvement Measure 2 – Transportation a Information/New-Hire Packet	Transportation and Trip Planning	Project Sponsor	Continuous	Planning Department, in consultation with the	Continuous
The project sponsor shall provide a transportation insert for the new-hire	rt for the new-hire				
schedules and fares), information on where transit passes could be	ses could be				

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Certificate of Determination EXEMPTION FROM ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW

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Case No.:

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Project Address:

340 Bryant Street

Zoning:

MUO (Mixed Use Office) Use District

65-X Height and Bulk District

Block/Lot:

3764/061

Lot Size:

16,505 square feet

Plan Area:

Eastern Neighborhoods Area Plan

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PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The project site is located in San Francisco's South of Market (SoMa) neighborhood on the block bounded by Rincon Street to the east, Sterling Street to the west, Interstate 80 to the north, and Bryant Street to the south. The project site is occupied by a four-story, 44-foot-tall, 62,050 square foot (sf) building. The existing building was constructed in 1932 and includes no off-street vehicular parking. building is currently vacant, although it recently (2012) was occupied by industrial tenants. To ensure that the maximum potential environmental impacts are analyzed, the building is assumed to be currently vacant for the purposes of transportation, air quality, and other CEQA impact topics that rely on square footage calculations. The proposed project includes conversion of 46,804 sf of industrial use to office use and common areas, primarily on the upper three floors of the existing building. A total of 45,545 sf of office space would be created. In addition, the proposed project would include the addition of a deck and mechanical equipment on the roof, removal of exterior roll-up doors at street level, removal of the 732-sf ground-floor retail space (for use as industrial space), installation of new windows and signs along the building's exterior, and addition of 16 bicycle parking spaces. Aside from 1,991 sf of common space, the remaining 14,514 sf of ground-floor space would remain as industrial use.

EXEMPT STATUS

Exempt per Section 15183 of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines and California Public Resources Code Section 21083.3

DETERMINATION

I do hereby certify that the above determination has been made pursuant to State and Local requirements.

December 22, 2014

SARAH B. IONE

Environmental Review Officer

cc: John Kevlin, Project Sponsor; Supervisor Jane Kim, District 6; Erika Jackson, Current Planning Division; Virna Byrd, M.D.F.; Exemption/Exclusion File

PROJECT APPROVAL

The proposed project is subject to review by the Planning Commission pursuant to Section 321 of the Planning Code (Office Allocation). Approval of the Office Allocation Application by the Planning Commission would constitute the Approval Action for the proposed project. The Approval Action date establishes the start of the 30-day appeal period for this CEQA exemption determination pursuant to Section 31.04(h) of the San Francisco Administrative Code.

COMMUNITY PLAN EXEMPTION OVERVIEW

California Public Resources Code Section 21083.3 and CEQA Guidelines Section 15183 provide an exemption from environmental review for projects that are consistent with the development density established by existing zoning, community plan or general plan policies for which an Environmental Impact Report (EIR) was certified, except as might be necessary to examine whether there are project-specific significant effects which are peculiar to the project or its site. Section 15183 specifies that examination of environmental effects shall be limited to those effects that: a) are peculiar to the project or parcel on which the project would be located; b) were not analyzed as significant effects in a prior EIR on the zoning action, general plan or community plan with which the project is consistent; c) are potentially significant off-site and cumulative impacts that were not discussed in the underlying EIR; or d) are previously identified in the EIR, but which, as a result of substantial new information that was not known at the time that the EIR was certified, are determined to have a more severe adverse impact than that discussed in the underlying EIR. Section 15183(c) specifies that if an impact is not peculiar to the parcel or to the proposed project, then an EIR need not be prepared for the project solely on the basis of that impact.

This determination evaluates the potential project-specific environmental effects of the 340 Bryant Street project described above, and incorporates by reference information contained in the Programmatic EIR for the Eastern Neighborhoods Rezoning and Area Plans (PEIR)¹. Project-specific studies were prepared for the proposed project to determine if the project would result in any significant environmental impacts that were not identified in the Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR.

After several years of analysis, community outreach, and public review, the Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR was adopted in December 2008. The Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR was adopted in part to support housing development in some areas previously zoned to allow industrial uses, while preserving an adequate supply of space for existing and future production, distribution, and repair (PDR) employment and businesses. The Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR also included changes to existing height and bulk districts in some areas, including the project site at 340 Bryant Street.

The Planning Commission held public hearings to consider the various aspects of the proposed Eastern Neighborhoods Rezoning and Area Plans and related Planning Code and Zoning Map amendments. On August 7, 2008, the Planning Commission certified the Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR by Motion 17659 and adopted the Preferred Project for final recommendation to the Board of Supervisors.^{2,3}

¹ Planning Department Case No. 2004.0160E and State Clearinghouse No. 2005032048

²San Francisco Planning Department. Eastern Neighborhoods Rezoning and Area Plans Final Environmental Impact Report (FEIR), Planning Department Case No. 2004.0160E, certified August 7, 2008. Available online at: http://www.sf-planning.org/index.aspx?page=1893, accessed August 17, 2012.

³ San Francisco Planning Department. San Francisco Planning Commission Motion 17659, August 7, 2008. Available online at: http://www.sf-planning.org/Modules/ShowDocument.aspx?documentid=1268, accessed August 17, 2012.

In December 2008, after further public hearings, the Board of Supervisors approved and the Mayor signed the Eastern Neighborhoods Rezoning and Planning Code amendments. New zoning districts include districts that would permit PDR uses in combination with commercial uses; districts mixing residential and commercial uses and residential and PDR uses; and new residential-only districts. The districts replaced existing industrial, commercial, residential single-use, and mixed-use districts.

The Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR is a comprehensive programmatic document that presents an analysis of the environmental effects of implementation of the Eastern Neighborhoods Rezoning and Area Plans, as well as the potential impacts under several proposed alternative scenarios. The Eastern Neighborhoods Draft EIR evaluated three rezoning alternatives, two community-proposed alternatives which focused largely on the Mission District, and a "No Project" alternative. The alternative selected, or the Preferred Project, represents a combination of Options B and C. The Planning Commission adopted the Preferred Project after fully considering the environmental effects of the Preferred Project and the various scenarios discussed in the PEIR.

A major issue of discussion in the Eastern Neighborhoods rezoning process was the degree to which existing industrially-zoned land would be rezoned to primarily residential and mixed-use districts, thus reducing the availability of land traditionally used for PDR employment and businesses. Among other topics, the Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR assesses the significance of the cumulative land use effects of the rezoning by analyzing its effects on the City's ability to meet its future PDR space needs as well as its ability to meet its housing needs as expressed in the City's General Plan.

As a result of the Eastern Neighborhoods rezoning process, the project site has been rezoned to MUO (Mixed Use Office) District. The MUO District is intended to encourage office uses and housing, as well as small-scale light industrial and arts activities. The proposed project and its relation to PDR land supply and cumulative land use effects is discussed further in the Community Plan Exemption (CPE) Checklist, under Land Use. The 340 Bryant Street site, which is located in the South of Market (SoMa) District of the Eastern Neighborhoods, was designated as a site with building up to 65 feet in height.

Individual projects that could occur in the future under the Eastern Neighborhoods Rezoning and Area Plans will undergo project-level environmental evaluation to determine if they would result in further impacts specific to the development proposal, the site, and the time of development and to assess whether additional environmental review would be required. This determination concludes that the proposed project at 340 Bryant Street is consistent with and was encompassed within the analysis in the Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR. This determination also finds that the Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR adequately anticipated and described the impacts of the proposed 340 Bryant Street project, and identified the mitigation measures applicable to the 340 Bryant Street project. The proposed project is also consistent with the zoning controls and the provisions of the Planning Code applicable to the project site. Therefore, no further CEQA evaluation for the 340 Bryant Street project is required. In sum, the Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR and this Certificate of Exemption for the proposed project comprise the full and complete CEQA evaluation necessary for the proposed project.

⁴ Adam Varat, San Francisco Planning Department, Community Plan Exemption Eligibility Determination, Citywide Planning and Policy Analysis, 340 Bryant Street, March 25, 2014. This document is available for review at the San Francisco Planning Department, 1650 Mission Street, Suite 400, as part of Case File No. 2013.1600E.

⁵ Jeff Joslin, San Francisco Planning Department, Community Plan Exemption Eligibility Determination, Current Planning Analysis, 340 Bryant Street, October 31, 2014. This document is available for review at the San Francisco Planning Department, 1650 Mission Street, Suite 400, as part of Case File No. 2013.1600E.

PROJECT SETTING

The project site is within the MUO (Mixed Use Office) Use District and an 65-X Height and Bulk District. Much of the subject block is occupied by Interstate 80, ramps providing access to Interstate 80 and the San Francisco-Oakland Bay Bridge, and other ancillary parcels owned by the State of California Department of Transportation (Caltrans). Bryant Street serves as a primary access route to the Bay Bridge, and on-and off-ramps adjoin the project site on all sides. Interstate 80 forms a barrier between the subject block and areas to the north, with no available pedestrian or auto access across the freeway between 2nd Street (one block west of the project site) and Beale Street (two blocks east of the project site). Buildings on adjacent blocks are primarily low- to mid- rise in scale, ranging from two to eight stories. High-rise residential buildings exist on the opposite side of Interstate 80 to the north and two blocks to the east and south of the project site. Most of the properties to the west and south of the project site are within MUO and P (Public) zoning districts, while land to the east and north is within former redevelopment plan areas. Height districts within a one-block radius range from 40 to 400 feet.

POTENTIAL ENVIRONMENTAL EFFECTS

The Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR included analyses of environmental issues including: land use; plans and policies; visual quality and urban design; population, housing, business activity, and employment (growth inducement); transportation; noise; air quality; parks, recreation and open space; shadow; archeological resources; historic architectural resources; hazards; and other issues not addressed in the previously issued initial study for the Eastern Neighborhoods Rezoning and Area Plans. The proposed 340 Bryant Street project is in conformance with the height, use and density for the site described in the Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR and would represent a small part of the growth that was forecast for the Eastern Neighborhoods plan areas. Thus, the plan analyzed in the Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR considered the incremental impacts of the proposed 340 Bryant Street project. As a result, the proposed project would not result in any new or substantially more severe impacts than were identified in the Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR.

Significant and unavoidable impacts were identified in the Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR for the following topics: land use, historic architectural resources, transportation and circulation, and shadow. The proposed project would contribute to the significant unavoidable land use impact identified in the Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR because it would convert 46,804 sf of PDR space to office use and common areas. The PEIR identified cumulative loss of PDR employment and businesses in the Eastern Neighborhoods plan area as a significant unavoidable impact.

The Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR identified feasible mitigation measures to address significant impacts related to noise, air quality, archeological resources, historical resources, hazardous materials, and transportation. **Table 1** below lists the mitigation measures identified in the Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR and states whether each measure would apply to the proposed project.

Table 1 – Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR Mitigation Measures

Mitigation Measure	Applicability
F. Noise	
F-1: Construction Noise (Pile Driving)	Not Applicable: pile driving not proposed
F-2: Construction Noise	Not Applicable: heavy construction equipment would not be needed
F-3: Interior Noise Levels	Not Applicable: no noise-sensitive uses proposed (office use only)
F-4: Siting of Noise-Sensitive Uses	Not Applicable: no noise-sensitive uses proposed (office use only)
F-5: Siting of Noise-Generating Uses	Not Applicable: no noise-generating uses proposed (office use only)
F-6: Open Space in Noisy Environments	Not Applicable: no noise-sensitive uses proposed (office use only)
G. Air Quality	
G-1: Construction Air Quality	Applicable: only the construction exhaust emissions portion of this mitigation measure is applicable because construction would occur within an Air Pollutant Exposure Zone
G-2: Air Quality for Sensitive Land Uses	Not Applicable: no sensitive uses proposed
G-3: Siting of Uses that Emit DPM	Not Applicable: proposed office use would not emit substantial levels of DPM
G-4: Siting of Uses that Emit other TACs	Not Applicable: proposed office use would not emit substantial levels of other TACs
J. Archeological Resources	
J-1: Properties with Previous Studies	Not Applicable: project site is within this mitigation zone; however, the proposed project is not proposing any excavation or soil disturbance
J-2: Properties with no Previous Studies	Not Applicable: project site is not within this mitigation zone
J-3: Mission Dolores Archeological District	Not Applicable: project site is not located in the Mission Dolores Archeological District
K. Historical Resources	
K-1: Interim Procedures for Permit Review in the Eastern Neighborhoods Plan Area	Not Applicable: plan-level mitigation completed by Planning Department

Mitigation Measure	Applicability
K-2: Amendments to Article 10 of the Planning Code Pertaining to Vertical Additions in the South End Historic District (East SoMa)	Not Applicable: plan-level mitigation completed by Planning Commission
K-3: Amendments to Article 10 of the Planning Code Pertaining to Alterations and Infill Development in the Dogpatch Historic District (Central Waterfront)	Not Applicable: plan-level mitigation completed by Planning Commission
L. Hazardous Materials	
L-1: Hazardous Building Materials	Applicable: project would involve renovation of an existing building constructed in 1932, and could require disposal of hazardous building materials
E. Transportation	
E-1: Traffic Signal Installation	Not Applicable: plan level mitigation by SFMTA
E-2: Intelligent Traffic Management	Not Applicable: plan level mitigation by SFMTA
E-3: Enhanced Funding	Not Applicable: plan level mitigation by SFMTA & SFTA
E-4: Intelligent Traffic Management	Not Applicable: plan level mitigation by SFMTA & Planning Department
E-5: Enhanced Transit Funding	Not Applicable: plan level mitigation by SFMTA
E-6: Transit Corridor Improvements	Not Applicable: plan level mitigation by SFMTA
E-7: Transit Accessibility	Not Applicable: plan level mitigation by SFMTA
E-8: Muni Storage and Maintenance	Not Applicable: plan level mitigation by SFMTA
E-9: Rider Improvements	Not Applicable: plan level mitigation by SFMTA
E-10: Transit Enhancement	Not Applicable: plan level mitigation by SFMTA
E-11: Transportation Demand Management	Not Applicable: plan level mitigation by SFMTA

Please see the attached Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program (MMRP) for the complete text of the applicable mitigation measures. With implementation of these mitigation measures the proposed project would not result in significant impacts beyond those analyzed in the Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR. The MMRP also contains improvement measures that would further reduce the project's less-than-significant impacts.

PUBLIC NOTICE AND COMMENT

A "Notification of Project Receiving Environmental Review" was mailed on April 24, 2014 to adjacent occupants and owners of properties within 300 feet of the project site. Overall, concerns and issues raised by the public in response to the notice were taken into consideration and incorporated in the environmental review as appropriate for CEQA analysis. Responses to the notice included requests to view public records and to be included in the distribution of environmental documents related to the project. Responses also included the concerns shown in the bulleted list below, along with text in italics to indicating how the identified concerns have been addressed in this environmental document.

- One commenter expressed concern that the project may be incorrectly processed by the Planning Department as an office-to-office conversion project, and that the Planning Department's analysis would not capture the land use effects of PDR space removal. The commenter also expressed concern that the Planning Department would not collect applicable fees supporting transit, area plan preparation, and other municipal services. The Planning Department is reviewing the proposed project as an industrial-to-office conversion, and this environmental document addresses the land use impacts associated with loss of PDR space in the "Land Use" section of the attached CPE Checklist. All Planning Department fees applicable to the proposed industrial-to-office conversion project would be collected as required by the Planning Code and the Planning Department's Fee Schedule.
- The same commenter asserted that prior building permits for work at the project site were issued without proper Planning Department review, and that applicable development fees were not collected. All prior work performed under prior permits is considered an existing condition for the purposes of environmental review. Prior permit review and fee collection concerns would not affect environmental analysis conclusions for the proposed project currently under review.
- The same commenter requested that appropriate public notice be given prior to a public hearing to discuss the proposed project. All required public notices and hearings for the proposed project will be performed in accordance with the Planning Code.
- The same commenter expressed concern about the cumulative impacts of the proposed project with others in the vicinity. The potential cumulative impacts of the proposed project are discussed in the attached CPE Checklist under the relevant CEQA topic headings.
- The same commenter expressed concern about the potential air quality impacts on the proposed offices and roof deck that could result from their location adjacent to a freeway, requiring referral to the Bay Area Air Quality Management District (BAAQMD). The potential air quality impacts of the proposed project are discussed in the "Air Quality" section of the attached CPE Checklist. Offices are not considered sensitive receptors for air quality analysis purposes.⁶

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⁶ BAAQMD considers sensitive receptors as: children, adults or seniors occupying or residing in: 1) residential dwellings, including apartments, houses, and condominiums; 2) schools, colleges, and universities; 3) daycares; 4) hospitals, and 5) senior care facilities. BAAQMD, Recommended Methods for Screening and Modeling Local Risks and Hazards, May 2011, page 12.

- The same commenter asserted that prior construction work on the project site has been performed without full Planning Department review. Prior projects are not the subject of this environmental document. All prior work performed on the building is considered an existing condition for the purposes of environmental review. Planning Department approvals are subject to a formal appeals process, and any work performed without proper approvals may be reported to the department through the complaint process.
- The same commenter asserted that the proposed project requires referral to Caltrans, citing traffic hazard concerns associated with locating a roof deck adjacent to a freeway. The transportation impacts of the proposed project, including the potential for traffic hazards, are discussed in the Transportation and Circulation section of the attached CPE Checklist. Caltrans reviewed the proposed project and requested modifications as part of a transfer of air rights above the existing building to the project sponsor⁷.
- The same commenter asserted that the project description in the Notification of Project Receiving Environmental Review incorrectly stated that the existing building on the project site is currently vacant, citing prior evictions that had occurred in the building. The project sponsor verified that the building is currently vacant⁸, and the building was observed to be vacant by Planning Department staff during a site visit on March 28, 2014. The building's eviction history does not affect the environmental analysis conclusions for the proposed project currently under review.
- Two additional commenters expressed concern about prior evictions and vandalism at the existing building on the project site. The building's eviction history and prior vandalism would not affect the environmental analysis conclusions. This environmental document addresses the land use impacts associated with loss of PDR space in the "Land Use" section of the attached CPE Checklist.
- One of the two commenters also asserted that the project description in the Notification of Project Receiving Environmental Review incorrectly stated that no off-street parking currently exists on the project site. Plans submitted by the project sponsor⁹ and a site visit performed by Planning Department staff on March 28, 2014 confirm that no off-street parking currently exists on the project site. The Caltrans-owned parcel adjoining the project site to the west contains surface parking, which is not part of the project site.

The proposed project would not result in significant adverse environmental impacts associated with the issues identified by the public beyond those identified in the Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR.

CONCLUSION

As summarized above and further discussed in the CPE Checklist¹⁰:

1. The proposed project is consistent with the development density established for the project site in the Eastern Neighborhoods Rezoning and Area Plans;

⁷ Phone conversation with Renata Frey, Caltrans District 4 Real Estate Division – Excess Land Sales, May 23, 2014. Staff notes from this phone conversation are available for review at the Planning Department, 1650 Mission Street, Suite 400, San Francisco, in Case File No. 2013.1600E.

⁸ John Kevlin, "340 Bryant Neighborhood Notice Project Description" e-mail dated April 14, 2014. This document is available for review at the Planning Department, 1650 Mission Street, Suite 400, San Francisco, in Case File No. 2013.1600E.

⁹ 340 Bryant Street, plans dated June 4, 2014. This document is available for review at the Planning Department, 1650 Mission Street, Suite 400, San Francisco, in Case File No. 2013.1600E.

¹⁰ The CPE Checklist is available for review at the Planning Department, 1650 Mission Street, Suite 400, San Francisco, in Case File No. 2013.1600E.

- 2. The proposed project would not result in effects on the environment that are peculiar to the project or the project site that were not identified as significant effects in the Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR;
- 3. The proposed project would not result in potentially significant off-site or cumulative impacts that were not identified in the Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR;
- 4. The proposed project would not result in significant effects, which, as a result of substantial new information that was not known at the time the Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR was certified, would be more severe than were already analyzed and disclosed in the PEIR; and
- 5. The project sponsor will undertake feasible mitigation measures specified in the Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR to mitigate project-related significant impacts.

Therefore, the proposed project is exempt from further environmental review pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 21083.3 and CEQA Guidelines Section 15183.

Community Plan Exemption Checklist

1650 Mission St. Suite 400 San Francisco, CA 94103-2479

Case No.: **2013.1600E**

Reception: 415.558.6378

Project Address: 340 Bryant Street

Fax:

Zoning: MUO (Mixed Use Office) Use District 65-X Height and Bulk District

415.558.6409

Block/Lot: 3764/061

Lot Size: 16,505 square feet

Planning Information: 415.558.6377

Plan Area: Eastern Neighborhoods Area Plan

Project Sponsor: John Kevlin – Reuben, Junius, and Rose LLP – (415) 567-9000 Staff Contact: Kansai Uchida – (415) 575-9048 – kansai.uchida@sfgov.org

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The project site at 340 Bryant Street is located in San Francisco's South of Market (SoMa) neighborhood. The 16,505 square foot (sf) site (Assessor's Block 3764, Lot 061) is located on the block bounded by Rincon Street to the east, Sterling Street to the west, Interstate 80 to the north, and Bryant Street to the south (see **Figure 1, Project Location**).

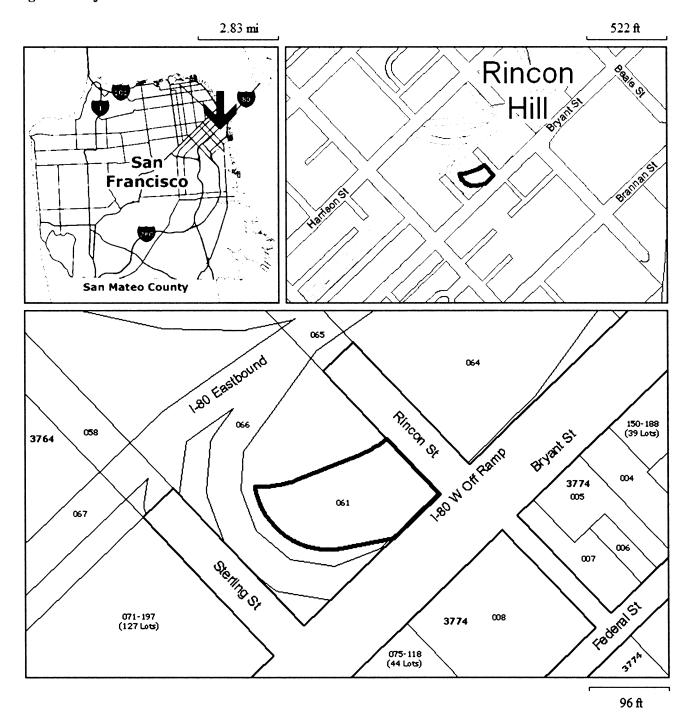
The project site is located on Bryant Street, adjacent to one the primary access ramps to the San Francisco-Oakland Bay Bridge (Interstate 80). The boundaries of the project site are curvilinear in shape, owing to the curved Bay Bridge on- and off-ramps that adjoin the site on all sides. The project site is occupied by a four-story, 44-foot-tall, 62,050 square foot (sf) building (see Figure 2, Site Plan). The existing building was constructed in 1932 and includes no off-street vehicular parking. The building also contains a 732-sf ground-floor retail space. The height of the building reaches 44 feet above street level, plus rooftop parapets, skylights, and mechanical equipment that reaches a total height of 60 feet above street level. No off-street parking exists on the project site and no trees are present along any of the street frontages. The building is presently vacant, and has plywood coverings over some of the ground level doorways and windows to minimize intrusion and vandalism. The existing building is currently undergoing construction after receiving building permits previously issued for work not subject to this environmental review¹. The existing building is currently vacant, although it recently (2012) was occupied by industrial tenants. To ensure that the maximum potential environmental impacts are analyzed, the building is assumed to be currently vacant for the purposes of transportation, air quality, and other CEQA impact topics that rely on square footage calculations; the conversion of industrial space to office use is also addressed.

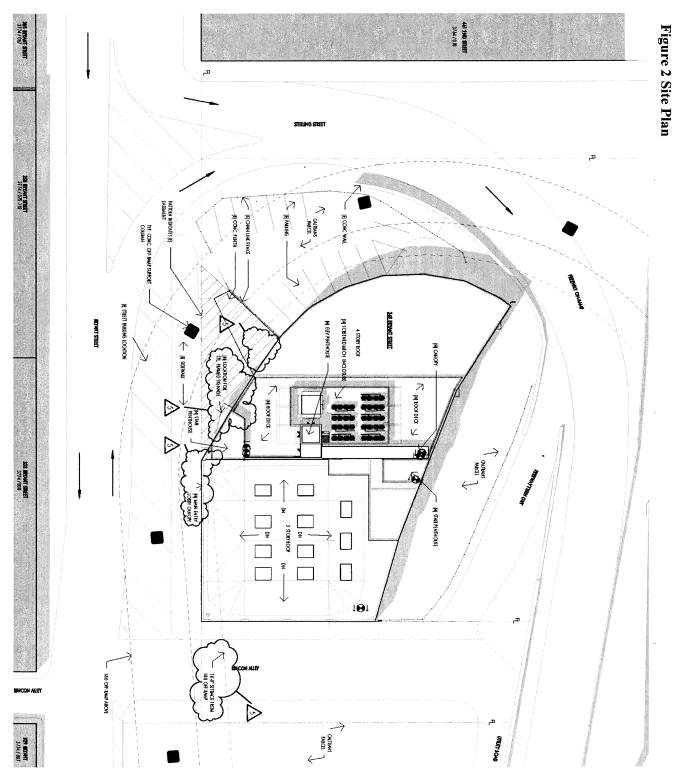
The proposed project would convert the upper three of the four floors of the existing building to office use and part of the first floor to common areas: 1,259 sf on the first floor (for common areas), 16,788 sf on the second floor, 16,877 sf on the third floor, and 11,880 sf on the fourth floor and mezzanine. A total of

¹ Building Permit Numbers 201302089837, 201304265528, 201304265541, 201401307399, 201404233911, 201405276721, 201406279819, and 201409196831

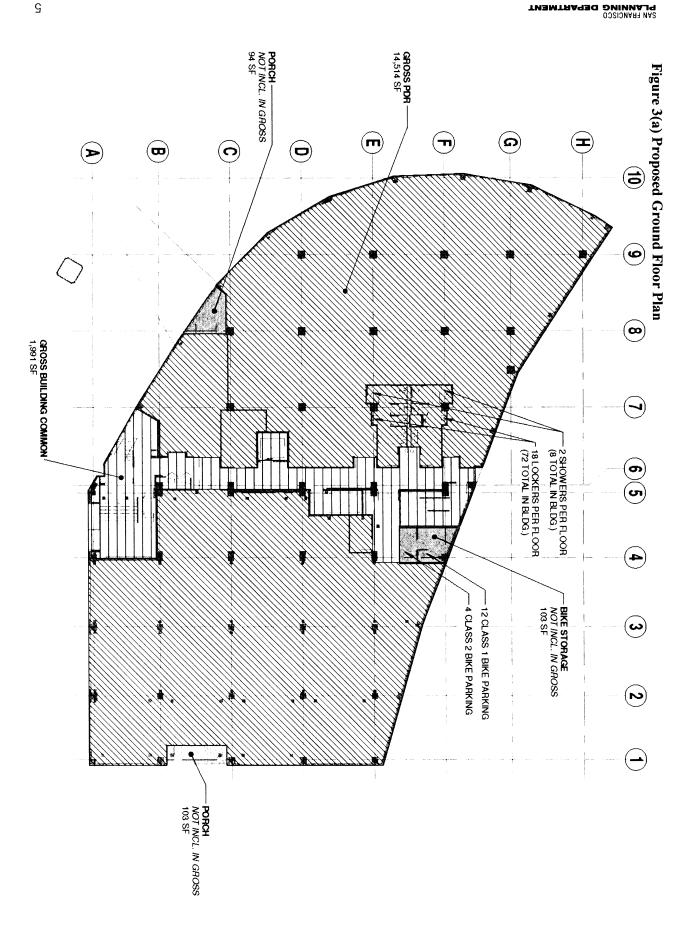
46,804 sf of industrial space would be converted, and the total office space created would be 45,545 sf. Approximately 14,500 sf of the approximately 16,500 sf ground floor would remain as PDR uses. The remaining 1,991 sf on the ground floor would be used for common circulation areas and mechanical equipment. This remaining ground floor space would require removal of the existing 732 sf retail space. Loading activities to support the PDR space would continue to occur on an existing easement in the Caltrans-owned parking lot immediately west of the project site. Construction work would include interior demolition and renovation, exterior façade improvements, and the addition of a circulation penthouse and roof deck (see Figure 3, Proposed Floor Plans). No expansion of the building envelope or square footage would occur, other than the additional roof-level features. The height of the building from street level to the top of the finish roof would remain at approximately 44 feet (60 feet including parapets, rooftop access, a roof deck, and mechanical equipment, which are typically excluded from building height calculations for Planning Code purposes) (see Figure 4, Proposed Elevations). Existing elevator shafts would remain and no excavation or deepening of the foundation would occur. The building would have 16 bicycle parking spaces at the ground level and no off-street vehicular parking. Construction would last approximately four months, and would not include pile driving or excavation.

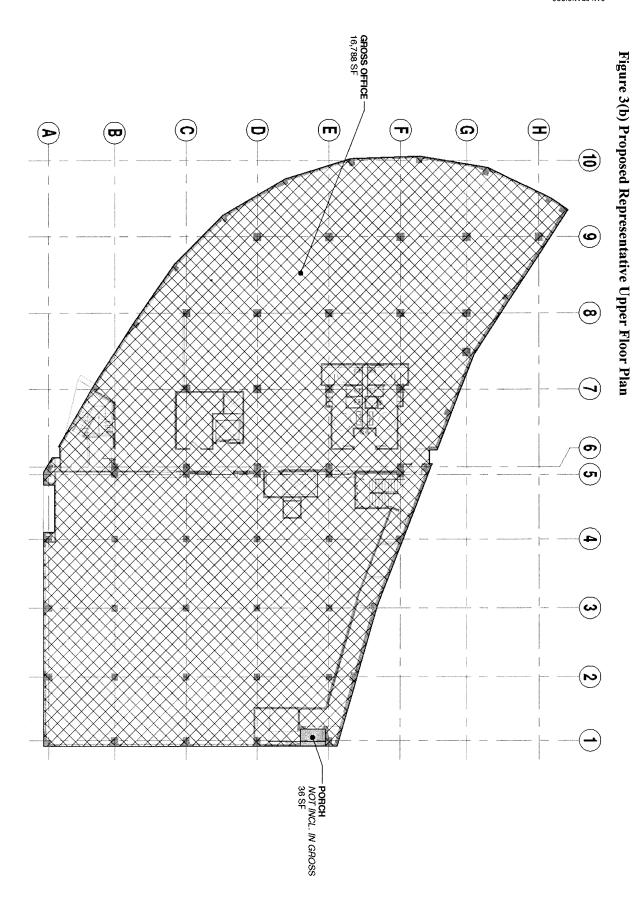
Figure 1 Project Location





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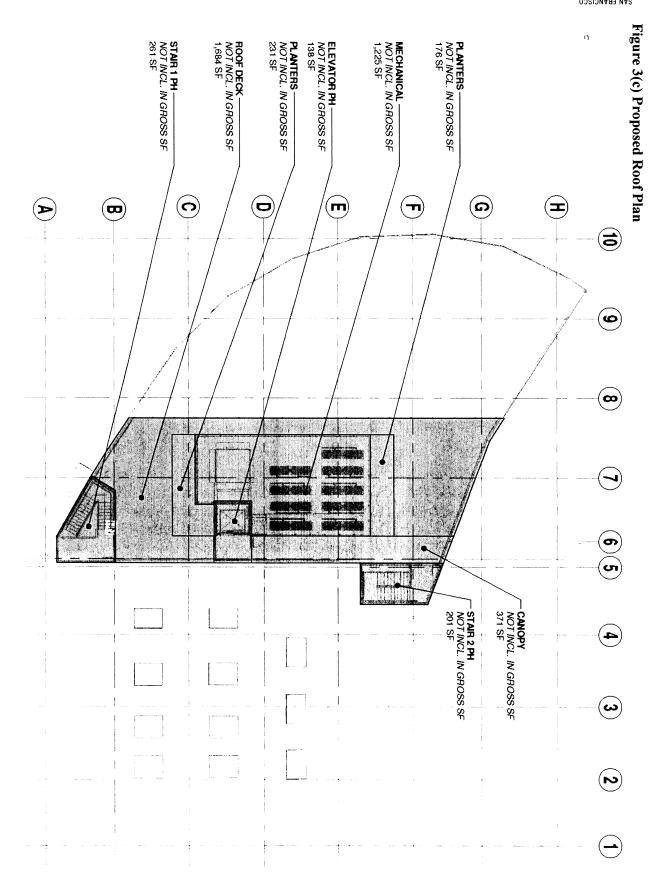


Figure 4(a) Proposed North Elevation

Figure 4(b) Proposed South Elevation BY STAR PENTHOUSE HO WECHANICAL SCREENING BEYOND M ETEMION ENTHOUSE BROOND CONOUE

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Figure 4(c) Proposed East Elevation

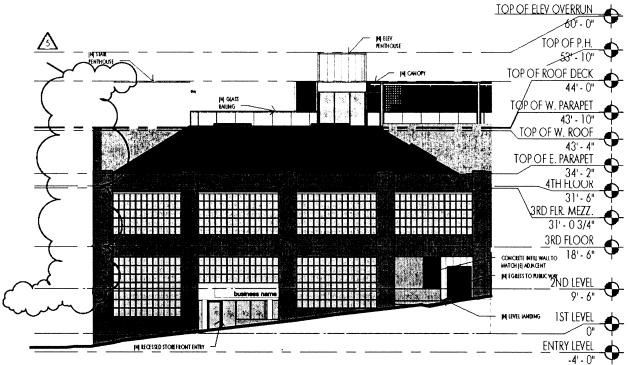
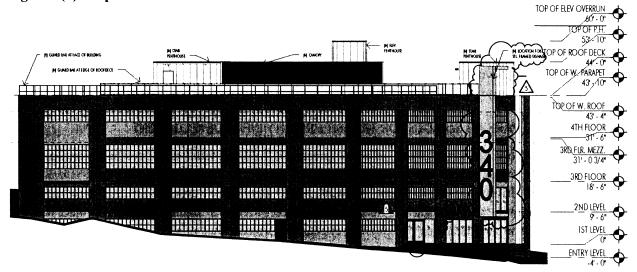


Figure 4(d) Proposed West Elevation



The proposed 340 Bryant Street project would require the following approvals:

Actions by the Planning Commission

• Planning Code Section 321 (Office Allocation) approval

Actions by other City Departments

Approval of a building permit by the Department of Building Inspection (DBI)

EVALUATION OF ENVIRONMENTAL EFFECTS

This Community Plan Exemption (CPE) Checklist evaluates whether the environmental impacts of the proposed project are addressed in the Programmatic Environmental Impact Report for the Eastern Neighborhoods Rezoning and Area Plans (Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR).² The CPE Checklist indicates whether the proposed project would result in significant impacts that: (1) are peculiar to the project or project site; (2) were not identified as significant project-level, cumulative, or off-site effects in the PEIR; or (3) are previously identified significant effects, which as a result of substantial new information that was not known at the time that the Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR was certified, are determined to have a more severe adverse impact than discussed in the PEIR. Such impacts, if any, will be evaluated in a project-specific Mitigated Negative Declaration or Environmental Impact Report. If no such impacts are identified, the proposed project is exempt from further environmental review in accordance with Public Resources Code Section 21083.3 and CEQA Guidelines Section 15183.

Mitigation measures identified in the PEIR are discussed under each topic area, and measures that are applicable to the proposed project are provided under the Mitigation Measures Section at the end of this checklist.

The Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR identified significant impacts related to land use, transportation, cultural resources, shadow, noise, air quality, and hazardous materials. Additionally, the PEIR identified significant cumulative impacts related to land use, transportation, and cultural resources. Mitigation measures were identified for the above impacts and reduced all impacts to less-than-significant except for those related to land use (cumulative impacts on PDR use), transportation (program-level and cumulative traffic impacts at nine intersections; program-level and cumulative transit impacts on seven Muni lines), cultural resources (cumulative impacts from demolition of historical resources), and shadow (program-level impacts on parks).

The proposed project would include conversion of an existing industrial (PDR) building (with 732 sf of ground floor retail space) to a combination of office and PDR uses. As discussed below in this checklist, the proposed project would not result in new, significant environmental effects, or effects of greater severity than were already analyzed and disclosed in the Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR.

AESTHETICS AND PARKING IMPACTS FOR TRANSIT PRIORITY INFILL DEVELOPMENT

Public Resources Code Section 21099(d), effective January 1, 2014, provides that, "aesthetics and parking impacts of a residential, mixed-use residential, or employment center project on an infill site located within a transit priority area shall not be considered significant impacts on the environment." Accordingly, aesthetics and parking are no longer to be considered in determining if a project has the potential to result in significant environmental effects for projects that meet all of the following three criteria:

- a) The project is in a transit priority area;
- b) The project is on an infill site; and
- c) The project is residential, mixed-use residential, or an employment center.

² San Francisco Planning Department, Eastern Neighborhoods Rezoning and Area Plans Final Environmental Impact Report (PEIR), Planning Department Case No. 2004.0160E, State Clearinghouse No. 2005032048, certified August 7, 2008. Available online at: http://www.sf-planning.org/index.aspx?page=1893, accessed August 17, 2012.

The proposed project meets each of the above three criteria and thus, this checklist does not consider aesthetics or parking in determining the significance of project impacts under CEQA.³ Project elevations are included in the project description, and an assessment of parking demand is included in the Transportation section for informational purposes.

Тор	ics:	Significant Impact Peculiar to Project or Project Site	Significant Impact not Identified in PEIR	Significant Impact due to Substantial New Information	No Significant Impact not Previously Identified in PEIR
1.	LAND USE AND LAND USE PLANNING— Would the project:				
a)	Physically divide an established community?				\boxtimes
b)	Conflict with any applicable land use plan, policy, or regulation of an agency with jurisdiction over the project (including, but not limited to the general plan, specific plan, local coastal program, or zoning ordinance) adopted for the purpose of avoiding or mitigating an environmental effect?				
c)	Have a substantial impact upon the existing character of the vicinity?				\boxtimes

The Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR determined that adoption of the Area Plans would result in an unavoidable significant impact on land use due to the cumulative loss of PDR. The project site at 340 Bryant Street currently contains approximately 61,318 square feet of vacant PDR space (the non-retail portion of the existing 62,050 square foot building). The proposed project would convert approximately 45,545 sf of PDR space to office use, and an additional 1,991 sf of the PDR space would contain common areas. Approximately 14,514 sf of PDR space (the entire ground floor square footage, minus space needed for common areas, circulation, and mechanical equipment) would remain. This conversion would constitute a net loss of approximately 46,804 of PDR space within the Eastern Neighborhoods plan area. Such conversion of PDR space to office uses and the related contribution to significant unavoidable cumulative land use impacts, including those of the proposed project, were anticipated and analyzed in the Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR. As part of the Eastern Neighborhoods program, the project site was rezoned from SSO (Service/Secondary Office - a zone that allows small-scale light industrial uses) to MUO (Mixed Use-Office – a zone that encourages office uses and housing). This rezoning was studied in the Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR, and therefore, the potential loss of PDR on the project site was included in the cumulative land use impacts that the PEIR identified. The Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR identified a potential reduction of PDR floor area up to approximately 771,276 square feet in the East SoMa area, where the 340 Bryant Street project site is located. Therefore, the proposed project would contribute to the significant cumulative land use impact related to loss of PDR uses that was identified in the Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR.

Furthermore, the Citywide Planning and Current Planning Divisions of the Planning Department have determined that the proposed project is permitted in the MUO District and is consistent with the bulk, density, and land uses envisioned in the East SoMa Area Plan. The area plan encourages small, flexible

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³ San Francisco Planning Department. Transit-Oriented Infill Project Eligibility Checklist for 340 Bryant Street, October 1, 2014. This document is available for review at the San Francisco Planning Department, 1650 Mission Street, Suite 400 as part of Case File No. 2013.1600E.

office space throughout East SoMa, and larger offices along the 2nd Street corridor, which is intended to serve as a "secondary office reservoir for downtown." As proposed, under Section 321 of the Planning Code, the project requires an Office Allocation from the Planning Commission. The proposed project also complies with all other applicable Planning Code requirements and, on balance, is consistent with the General Plan.⁴⁵

For these reasons, implementation of the proposed project would not result in significant impacts that were not identified in the Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR related to land use and land use planning, and no mitigation measures are necessary.

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2.	POPULATION AND HOUSING— Would the project:				
a)	Induce substantial population growth in an area, either directly (for example, by proposing new homes and businesses) or indirectly (for example, through extension of roads or other infrastructure)?				
b)	Displace substantial numbers of existing housing units or create demand for additional housing, necessitating the construction of replacement housing?				
c)	Displace substantial numbers of people, necessitating the construction of replacement housing elsewhere?				

One of the objectives of the Eastern Neighborhoods Area Plans is to identify appropriate locations for housing in the City's industrially zoned land to meet the citywide demand for additional housing. The PEIR concluded that an increase in population in the Plan Areas is expected to occur as a secondary effect of the proposed rezoning and that any population increase would not, in itself, result in adverse physical effects, but would serve to advance key City policy objectives, such as providing housing in appropriate locations next to Downtown and other employment generators and furthering the City's Transit First policies. It was anticipated that the rezoning would result in an increase in both housing development and population in all of the Area Plan neighborhoods. The Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR determined that the anticipated increase in population and density would not result in significant adverse physical effects on the environment. No mitigation measures were identified in the PEIR.

The proposed project would involve conversion of PDR space to office use and common areas, resulting in approximately 45,545 square feet of new office space. The proposed project's office use is anticipated to add approximately 165 jobs. Approximately 14,514 sf of PDR space would remain on the ground floor of the building. The increase in jobs would also result in an increase in demand for housing, though not

⁴ Adam Varat, San Francisco Planning Department, Community Plan Exemption Eligibility Determination, Citywide Planning and Policy Analysis, 340 Bryant Street, March 25, 2014. This document is available for review at the San Francisco Planning Department, 1650 Mission Street, Suite 400, as part of Case File No. 2013.1600E.

⁵ Jeff Joslin, San Francisco Planning Department, Community Plan Exemption Eligibility Determination, Current Planning Analysis, 340 Bryant Street, October 31, 2014. This document is available for review at the San Francisco Planning Department, 1650 Mission Street, Suite 400, as part of Case File No. 2013.1600E.

all workers would seek housing within the Eastern Neighborhoods area. No displacement of existing housing would occur, as there is no housing present on the project site. These direct effects of the proposed project on population and housing are within the scope of the population growth anticipated under the Eastern Neighborhoods Rezoning and Area Plans and evaluated in the Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR.

For the above reasons, the proposed project would not result in significant impacts on population and housing that were not identified in the Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR.

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3.	CULTURAL AND PALEONTOLOGICAL RESOURCES—Would the project:				
a)	Cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of a historical resource as defined in §15064.5, including those resources listed in Article 10 or Article 11 of the San Francisco Planning Code?				
b)	Cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of an archaeological resource pursuant to §15064.5?				
C)	Directly or indirectly destroy a unique paleontological resource or site or unique geologic feature?				\boxtimes
ď	Disturb any human remains, including those interred outside of formal cemeteries?				\boxtimes

Historic Architectural Resources

Pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Sections 15064.5(a)(1) and 15064.5(a)(2), historical resources are buildings or structures that are listed, or are eligible for listing, in the California Register of Historical Resources or are identified in a local register of historical resources, such as Articles 10 and 11 of the San Francisco Planning Code. The Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR determined that future development facilitated through the changes in use districts and height limits under the Eastern Neighborhoods Area Plans could have substantial adverse changes on the significance of both individual historical resources and on historical districts within the Plan Areas. The PEIR determined that approximately 32 percent of the known or potential historical resources in the Plan Areas could potentially be affected under the preferred alternative. The Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR found this impact to be significant and unavoidable. This impact was addressed in a Statement of Overriding Considerations with findings and adopted as part of the Eastern Neighborhoods Rezoning and Area Plans approval on January 19, 2009.

The project site was evaluated in the South of Market Historic Resource Survey and was rated "6L" (ineligible for local listing or designation through local government review process; may warrant special consideration in local planning). The existing industrial building on the project site, which would be retained and mostly converted to office use, is not considered a historic resource, nor is it located within a designated historic district. Planning Department preservation technical staff also indicated that, given no substantial building additions would occur as part of the proposed project, impacts to surrounding

historic resources (including the nearby South End Historic District) would be unlikely.⁶ Therefore, the proposed project would not contribute to the significant historic resource impact identified in the Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR, and no historic resource mitigation measures would apply to the proposed project.

For these reasons, the proposed project would not result in significant impacts on historic architectural resources that were not identified in the Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR.

Archeological Resources

The Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR determined that implementation of the Area Plan could result in significant impacts on archeological resources and identified three mitigation measures that would reduce these potential impacts to a less than significant level. Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR Mitigation Measure J-1 applies to properties for which a final archeological research design and treatment plan is on file at the Northwest Information Center and the Planning Department. Mitigation Measure J-2 applies to properties for which no archeological assessment report has been prepared or for which the archeological documentation is incomplete or inadequate to serve as an evaluation of potential effects on archeological resources under CEQA. Mitigation Measure J-3, which applies to properties in the Mission Dolores Archeological District, requires that a specific archeological testing program be conducted by a qualified archeological consultant with expertise in California prehistoric and urban historical archeology.

The proposed project involves converting existing PDR space to office use. The project site is located within Eastern neighborhoods PEIR Mitigation Measure J-1. However, the proposed project would not include any excavation or soil disturbance. As such, no archeological resource impacts would occur, and no mitigation measures would be necessary.

For these reasons, the proposed project would not result in significant impacts on archeological resources that were not identified in the Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR.

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4.	TRANSPORTATION AND CIRCULATION— Would the project:				
a)	Conflict with an applicable plan, ordinance or policy establishing measures of effectiveness for the performance of the circulation system, taking into account all modes of transportation including mass transit and non-motorized travel and relevant components of the circulation system, including but not limited to intersections, streets, highways and freeways, pedestrian and bicycle paths, and mass transit?				
b)	Conflict with an applicable congestion management program, including but not limited to level of service standards and travel demand measures, or other standards established by the county congestion management agency for designated roads or highways?				

⁶ E-mail from Tina Tam, Senior Preservation Planner, "340 Bryant Street E Case," dated March 19, 2014. This document is available for review at the San Francisco Planning Department, 1650 Mission Street, Suite 400, as part of Case File No. 2013.1600E.

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c)	Result in a change in air traffic patterns, including either an increase in traffic levels, obstructions to flight, or a change in location, that results in substantial safety risks?				\boxtimes
d)	Substantially increase hazards due to a design feature (e.g., sharp curves or dangerous intersections) or incompatible uses?				\boxtimes
e)	Result in inadequate emergency access?				\boxtimes
f)	Conflict with adopted policies, plans, or programs regarding public transit, bicycle, or pedestrian facilities, or otherwise decrease the performance or safety of such facilities?				\boxtimes

The Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR anticipated that growth resulting from the zoning changes would not result in significant impacts related to pedestrians, bicyclists, loading, emergency access, or construction. As the proposed project is within the development projected under the Eastern Neighborhoods Rezoning and Area Plans, there would be no additional impacts on pedestrians, bicyclists, loading, emergency access, or construction beyond those analyzed in the Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR.

However, the Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR anticipated that growth resulting from the zoning changes could result in significant impacts on traffic and transit ridership, and identified 11 transportation mitigation measures. Even with mitigation, however, it was anticipated that the significant adverse cumulative traffic impacts and the cumulative impacts on transit lines could not be fully mitigated. Thus, these impacts were found to be significant and unavoidable.

The project site is not located within an airport land use plan area, or in the vicinity of a private airstrip. Therefore, the Community Plan Exemption Checklist topic 4c is not applicable.

Trip Generation

The proposed project includes conversion of the upper three floors of an existing vacant 62,050 square foot building to office use. The four-story building currently contains approximately 61,318 square feet of industrial space and 732 square feet of retail space. After implementation of the proposed project, the building would contain approximately 45,545 sf of office space, 14,514 sf of PDR space, and common areas totaling 1,991 sf. The project site would continue to have no off-street vehicular parking spaces, and 16 bicycle parking spaces would be constructed as part of the proposed project.

Trip generation of the proposed project was calculated using information in the 2002 Transportation Impacts Analysis Guidelines for Environmental Review (SF Guidelines) developed by the San Francisco Planning Department.⁷ Given that the subject building is currently vacant, no existing trips were deducted from the trip generation estimates for the existing industrial and retail uses, to ensure that the estimates are conservative and reflect the maximum possible transportation effects. The proposed project would generate an estimated 939 person trips (inbound and outbound) on a weekday daily basis, consisting of 348 person trips by auto, 329 transit trips, 215 walk trips and 46 trips by other modes. During the p.m. peak hour, the proposed project would generate an estimated 21 vehicle trips.

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⁷ San Francisco Planning Department, Transportation Calculations for 340 Bryant Street, November 17, 2014. These calculations are available for review at the San Francisco Planning Department, 1650 Mission Street, Suite 400, as part of Case File No. 2013.1600E.

Traffic

The proposed project would generate an estimated 21 new p.m. peak hour vehicle trips that could travel through surrounding intersections. This amount of new p.m. peak hour vehicle trips would not substantially increase traffic volumes at nearby intersections, would not substantially increase average delay that would cause intersections that currently operate at acceptable LOS to deteriorate to unacceptable LOS, or would not substantially increase average delay at intersections that currently operate at unacceptable LOS.

The proposed project would not contribute considerably to LOS delay conditions as its contribution of an estimated 21 new p.m. peak-hour vehicle trips would not be a substantial proportion of the overall traffic volume or the new vehicle trips generated by Eastern Neighborhoods' Plan projects. The proposed project would also not generate enough new vehicle trips to contribute considerably to 2025 cumulative conditions and thus, the proposed project would not have any significant cumulative traffic impacts.

The project site is located adjacent to the Harrison Street off-ramp from westbound Interstate 80. The proposed project includes modification to the exterior walls of the existing building and the addition of new rooftop features that would be visible from the off-ramp. The State of California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) reviewed the proposed project and construction encroachments. Caltrans required the project sponsor to make modifications to the proposed project to avoid potential hazards (such as vehicular line-of-sight and encroachment considerations) as part of a transfer of air rights above the existing building to the project sponsor⁸. Therefore, the proposed project would not cause traffic hazards.

For the above reasons, the proposed project would not result in significant impacts on traffic that were not identified in the Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR.

Transportation Demand Management

Transportation demand management (TDM) measures typically target a reduction in single occupancy vehicle (SOV) trips by encouraging persons to select alternative modes of transportation, such as walking, bicycling, public or private transit, carshare, carpooling and/or other alternative modes. The project sponsor has agreed to implement the following improvement measures to encourage the use of alternative modes of transportation, and to further reduce the less-than-significant transportation impacts of the proposed project.

Project Improvement Measure 1 – TDM Coordinator: The project sponsor shall identify a TDM Coordinator for the project site. The TDM Coordinator shall be responsible for the implementation and ongoing operation of all other TDM measures (Project Improvement Measures 2 and 3) included in the proposed project. The TDM Coordinator could be a brokered service through an existing transportation management association (e.g. the Transportation Management Association of San Francisco, TMASF), or the TDM Coordinator could be an existing staff member (e.g., property manager); the TDM Coordinator does not have to work full-time at the project site. However, the TDM Coordinator shall be the single point of contact for all transportation-related questions from building occupants and City staff. The TDM Coordinator shall provide TDM

⁸ Phone conversation with Renata Frey, Caltrans District 4 Real Estate Division – Excess Land Sales, May 23, 2014. Staff notes from this phone conversation are available for review at the Planning Department, 1650 Mission Street, Suite 400, San Francisco, in Case File No. 2013.1600E.

training to other building staff about the transportation amenities and options available at the project site and nearby.

Project Improvement Measure 2 – Transportation and Trip Planning Information/New-Hire Packet: The project sponsor shall provide a transportation insert for the new-hire packet that includes information on transit service (local and regional, schedules and fares), information on where transit passes could be purchased, information on the 511 Regional Rideshare Program and nearby bike and car share programs, and information on where to find additional web-based alternative transportation materials (e.g., NextMuni phone app). This new hire packet shall be continuously updated as local transportation options change, and the packet should be provided to each new building occupant. The project sponsor shall provide Muni maps, San Francisco Bicycle and Pedestrian maps upon request.

Project Improvement Measure 3 – Bicycle Parking: The project sponsor shall provide at least 12 on-site secured bicycle parking spaces and 4 on-site publicly-accessible (visitor) bicycle parking spaces. Within one year after Final Certification of Completion for the subject project, the project sponsor shall contact in writing the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency, San Francisco Department of Public Works, and/or Bay Area Bike Share (agencies) to fund the installation of up to 20 new bicycle racks on public right-of-way locations adjacent to or within a quarter mile of the project site (e.g., sidewalks, on-street parking spaces).

Transit

The project site is located within a quarter mile of several local transit lines including Muni lines 8X, 8AX, 8BX, 10, 12, 30, 45, 76, 81X, 82X, 91, N, and T. The proposed project would be expected to generate 329 daily transit trips, including 39 during the p.m. peak hour. Given the wide availability of nearby transit, the addition of 39 p.m. peak hour transit trips would be accommodated by existing capacity. As such, the proposed project would not result in unacceptable levels of transit service or cause a substantial increase in delays or operating costs such that significant adverse impacts in transit service could result.

Each of the rezoning options in the Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR identified significant and unavoidable cumulative impacts relating to increases in transit ridership on Muni lines, with the Preferred Project having significant impacts on seven lines. The project site is not located within a quarter mile of any of the significantly affected lines, and would therefore add small numbers of riders to these affected lines. Mitigation measures would address these transit impacts by pursuing enhanced transit funding; conducting transit corridor and service improvements; and increasing transit accessibility, service information and storage/maintenance capabilities for Muni lines in the Eastern Neighborhoods. Even with mitigation, however, cumulative impacts on the above lines were found to be significant and unavoidable and a Statement of Overriding Considerations related to the significant and unavoidable cumulative transit impacts was adopted as part of the PEIR Certification and project approval.

The proposed project would not contribute considerably to these conditions as its minor contribution of 39 p.m. peak hour transit trips would not be a substantial proportion of the overall additional transit volume generated by Eastern Neighborhood projects. The proposed project would also not contribute

considerably to 2025 cumulative transit conditions and thus would not result in any significant cumulative transit impacts.

For the above reasons, the proposed project would not result in significant impacts that were not identified in the Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR related to transit and would not contribute considerably to cumulative transit impacts that were identified in the Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR.

Parking

Public Resources Code Section 21099(d), effective January 1, 2014, provides that, "aesthetics and parking impacts of a residential, mixed-use residential, or employment center project on an infill site located within a transit priority area shall not be considered significant impacts on the environment." Accordingly, aesthetics and parking are no longer to be considered in determining if a project has the potential to result in significant environmental effects for projects that meet all of the following three criteria:

- a) The project is in a transit priority area;
- b) The project is on an infill site; and
- c) The project is residential, mixed-use residential, or an employment center.

The proposed project meets each of the above three criteria and thus, this determination does not consider the adequacy of parking in determining the significance of project impacts under CEQA. The Planning Department acknowledges that parking conditions may be of interest to the public and the decision makers. Therefore, the following parking demand analysis is provided for informational purposes only.

The parking demand for the new office use and existing PDR use (retail parking factor used) associated with the proposed project was determined based on the methodology presented in the Transportation Guidelines. On an average weekday, the demand for parking would be for 87 spaces. The proposed project would provide no off-street parking spaces. Thus, as proposed, the project would have an unmet parking demand of an estimated 87 spaces. At this location, the unmet parking demand could be accommodated within existing on-street and off-street parking spaces within a reasonable distance of the project vicinity. Additionally, the project site is well served by public transit and bicycle facilities, and the proposed project would include 16 bicycle spaces. Therefore, any unmet parking demand associated with the project would not materially affect the overall parking conditions in the project vicinity such that hazardous conditions or significant delays would be created.

Parking conditions are not static, as parking supply and demand varies from day to day, from day to night, from month to month, etc. Hence, the availability of parking spaces (or lack thereof) is not a permanent physical condition, but changes over time as people change their modes and patterns of travel. While parking conditions change over time, a substantial shortfall in parking caused by a project that creates hazardous conditions or significant delays to traffic, transit, bicycles or pedestrians could adversely affect the physical environment. Whether a shortfall in parking creates such conditions will depend on the magnitude of the shortfall and the ability of drivers to change travel patterns or switch to other travel modes. If a substantial shortfall in parking caused by a project creates hazardous conditions

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⁹ San Francisco Planning Department, Transit-Oriented Infill Project Eligibility Checklist for 340 Bryant Street, October 1, 2014. This document is available for review at the San Francisco Planning Department, 1650 Mission Street, Suite 400, as part of Case File No. 2013.1600E.

or significant delays in travel, such a condition could also result in secondary physical environmental impacts (e.g., air quality or noise impacts caused by congestion), depending on the project and its setting.

The absence of a ready supply of parking spaces, combined with available alternatives to auto travel (e.g., transit service, taxis, bicycles or travel by foot) and a relatively dense pattern of urban development, induces many drivers to seek and find alternative parking facilities, shift to other modes of travel, or change their overall travel habits. Any such resulting shifts to transit service or other modes (walking and biking), would be in keeping with the City's "Transit First" policy and numerous San Francisco General Plan Polices, including those in the Transportation Element. The City's Transit First Policy, established in the City's Charter Article 8A, Section 8A.115, provides that "parking policies for areas well served by public transit shall be designed to encourage travel by public transportation and alternative transportation."

The transportation analysis accounts for potential secondary effects, such as cars circling and looking for a parking space in areas of limited parking supply, by assuming that all drivers would attempt to find parking at or near the project site and then seek parking farther away if convenient parking is unavailable. The secondary effects of drivers searching for parking is typically offset by a reduction in vehicle trips due to others who are aware of constrained parking conditions in a given area, and thus choose to reach their destination by other modes (i.e. walking, biking, transit, taxi). If this occurs, any secondary environmental impacts that may result from a shortfall in parking in the vicinity of the proposed project would be minor, and the traffic assignments used in the transportation analysis, as well as in the associated air quality, noise and pedestrian safety analyses, would reasonably address potential secondary effects.

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5.	NOISE—Would the project:				
a)	Result in exposure of persons to or generation of noise levels in excess of standards established in the local general plan or noise ordinance, or applicable standards of other agencies?				
b)	Result in exposure of persons to or generation of excessive groundborne vibration or groundborne noise levels?				
c)	Result in a substantial permanent increase in ambient noise levels in the project vicinity above levels existing without the project?				
d)	Result in a substantial temporary or periodic increase in ambient noise levels in the project vicinity above levels existing without the project?				
e)	For a project located within an airport land use plan area, or, where such a plan has not been adopted, in an area within two miles of a public airport or public use airport, would the project expose people residing or working in the area to excessive noise levels?				\boxtimes
f)	For a project located in the vicinity of a private airstrip, would the project expose people residing or working in the project area to excessive noise levels?		· 🗆		\boxtimes

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g)	Be substantially affectivels?	cted by	existing	noise				\boxtimes

The Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR identified potential conflicts related to residences and other noiseuses in proximity to noisy uses such as PDR, retail, entertainment, sensitive cultural/institutional/educational uses, and office uses. In addition, the Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR noted that implementation of the Eastern Neighborhoods Area Plans and Rezoning would incrementally increase traffic-generated noise on some streets in the Eastern Neighborhoods plan areas and result in construction noise impacts from pile driving and other construction activities. The Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR therefore identified six noise mitigation measures that would reduce noise impacts to less-than-significant levels.

Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR Mitigation Measures F-1 and F-2 relate to construction noise. Mitigation Measure F-1 addresses individual projects that include pile-driving, and Mitigation Measure F-2 addresses individual projects that include particularly noisy construction procedures (including pile-driving). The proposed project consists of conversion of existing PDR space to office use. New rooftop mechanical equipment and an elevator penthouse would be added. No major exterior alterations or substantial additions would be constructed, and no pile driving would occur. Pile driving and other particularly noisy construction procedures would therefore not be necessary. As such, Mitigation Measures F-1 and F-2 would not apply to the proposed project.

In addition, all construction activities for the proposed project (approximately four months) would be subject to and would comply with the San Francisco Noise Ordinance (Article 29 of the San Francisco Police Code) (Noise Ordinance). Construction noise is regulated by the Noise Ordinance. The Noise Ordinance requires that construction work be conducted in the following manner: (1) noise levels of construction equipment, other than impact tools, must not exceed 80 dBA at a distance of 100 feet from the source (the equipment generating the noise); (2) impact tools must have intake and exhaust mufflers that are approved by the Director of the Department of Public Works (DPW) or the Director of the Department of Building Inspection (DBI) to best accomplish maximum noise reduction; and (3) if the noise from the construction work would exceed the ambient noise levels at the site property line by 5 dBA, the work must not be conducted between 8:00 p.m. and 7:00 a.m. unless the Director of DPW authorizes a special permit for conducting the work during that period.

DBI is responsible for enforcing the Noise Ordinance for private construction projects during normal business hours (8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.). The Police Department is responsible for enforcing the Noise Ordinance during all other hours. Nonetheless, during the construction period for the proposed project of approximately four months, occupants of the nearby properties could be disturbed by construction noise. Times may occur when noise could interfere with indoor activities in nearby residences and other businesses near the project site and may be considered an annoyance by occupants of nearby properties. The increase in noise in the project area during project construction would not be considered a significant impact of the proposed project, because the construction noise would be temporary, intermittent, and restricted in occurrence and level, as the contractor would be required to comply with the Noise Ordinance.

Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR Mitigation Measures F-3 and F-4 require that a detailed analysis of noise reduction requirements be conducted for new development that includes noise-sensitive uses located along streets with noise levels above 60 dBA (Ldn). The proposed project does not include noise-sensitive uses, therefore Mitigation Measures F-3 and F-4 are not applicable.

Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR Mitigation Measure F-5 addresses impacts related to individual projects that include new noise-generating uses that would be expected to generate noise levels in excess of ambient noise in the proposed project site vicinity. Given that the proposed project would convert existing PDR space to office use, the proposed project is not expected to generate any additional operational noise. New mechanical equipment would be added to the roof of the building. Since the site is adjacent to a freeway, the mechanical equipment is not likely to substantially increase noise in the surrounding area. Therefore, Mitigation Measure F-5 is not applicable to the proposed project.

Mitigation Measure F-6 addresses impacts from existing ambient noise levels on open space required under the Planning Code for new development that includes noise-sensitive uses. The proposed project does not include noise-sensitive uses, therefore Mitigation Measure F-6 is not applicable.

The project site is not located within an airport land use plan area, within two miles of a public airport, or in the vicinity of a private airstrip. Therefore, topic 12e and f from the CEQA Guidelines, Appendix G is not applicable.

For the above reasons, the proposed project would not result in significant noise impacts that were not identified in the Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR.

					
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6.	AIR QUALITY—Would the project:				
a)	Conflict with or obstruct implementation of the applicable air quality plan?				\boxtimes
b)	Violate any air quality standard or contribute substantially to an existing or projected air quality violation?				\boxtimes
c)	Result in a cumulatively considerable net increase of any criteria pollutant for which the project region is non-attainment under an applicable federal, state, or regional ambient air quality standard (including releasing emissions which exceed quantitative thresholds for ozone precursors)?				
d)	Expose sensitive receptors to substantial pollutant concentrations?				\boxtimes
e)	Create objectionable odors affecting a substantial number of people?				\boxtimes

The Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR identified potentially significant air quality impacts resulting from construction activities and impacts to sensitive land uses¹⁰ as a result of exposure to elevated levels of

¹⁰ The Bay Area Air Quality Management District (BAAQMD) considers sensitive receptors as: children, adults or seniors occupying or residing in: 1) residential dwellings, including apartments, houses, condominiums, 2) schools, colleges, and universities, 3)

diesel particulate matter (DPM) and other toxic air contaminants (TACs). The Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR identified four mitigation measures that would reduce these air quality impacts to less-than-significant levels. All other air quality impacts were found to be less than significant.

Construction Dust Control

Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR Mitigation Measure G-1 Construction Air Quality requires individual projects involving construction activities to include dust control measures and to maintain and operate construction equipment so as to minimize exhaust emissions of particulates and other pollutants. The San Francisco Board of Supervisors subsequently approved a series of amendments to the San Francisco Building and Health Codes, generally referred to as the Construction Dust Control Ordinance (Ordinance 176-08, effective July 30, 2008). The intent of the Construction Dust Control Ordinance is to reduce the quantity of fugitive dust generated during site preparation, demolition, and construction work in order to protect the health of the general public and of on-site workers, minimize public nuisance complaints, and to avoid orders to stop work by DBI. Project-related construction activities would result in construction dust, primarily from ground-disturbing activities. The proposed project would not involve soil disturbance, and would therefore have no significant construction dust impacts. The portion of PEIR Mitigation Measure G-1 Construction Air Quality that addresses dust control is not applicable to the proposed project.

Health Risk

Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR Mitigation Measure G-1 addresses air quality impacts during construction, Mitigation Measure G-2 addresses the siting of sensitive land uses near sources of TACs and PEIR Mitigation Measures G-3 and G-4 address proposed uses that would emit DPM and other TACs.

Subsequent to certification of the PEIR, San Francisco (in partnership with the Bay Area Air Quality Management District (BAAQMD)) inventoried and assessed air pollution and exposures from mobile, stationary, and area sources within San Francisco and identified portions of the City that result in additional health risks for affected populations ("Air Pollutant Exposure Zone"). The Air Pollutant Exposure Zone was identified based on two health based criteria:

- (1) Areas where the excess cancer risk from all sources is greater than 100; or
- (2) Areas where PM_{2.5} concentrations from all sources (including ambient concentrations) are greater than 10 µg/m³.

The project site is located within an identified Air Pollutant Exposure Zone; therefore, the ambient health risk to sensitive receptors from air pollutants is considered substantial. The proposed project would require heavy-duty off-road diesel vehicles and equipment during the anticipated four-month construction period. Thus, the remainder of Mitigation Measure G-1 that requires the minimization of construction exhaust emissions is applicable to the proposed project. The full text of Mitigation Measure G-1 is provided in the Mitigation Measures Section below.

The proposed project would include conversion of PDR space to office use and include a new roof deck adjacent to Interstate 80. One of the main factors of air quality impact evaluation is the duration of exposure and the age of the occupants. Occupants of office uses are not considered a sensitive land use for purposes of air quality evaluation because they typically do not spend the majority of their lives in the building nor are they typically the most vulnerable age groups to health impacts from air pollution.

daycares, 4) hospitals, and 5) senior care facilities. BAAQMD, Recommended Methods for Screening and Modeling Local Risks and Hazards, May 2011, page 12.

Therefore, for the above reasons, even though the project site is located within the Air Pollutant Exposure Zone, Mitigation Measure G-2 is not applicable.

Lastly, the proposed project would not emit substantial levels of DPM or other TACs and Eastern Neighborhoods Mitigation Measures G-3 and G-4 are therefore not applicable.

Criteria Air Pollutants

While the Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR determined that at a program-level the Eastern Neighborhoods Rezoning and Area Plans would not result in significant regional air quality impacts, the PEIR states that "Individual development projects undertaken in the future pursuant to the new zoning and area plans would be subject to a significance determination based on the BAAQMD's quantitative thresholds for individual projects." The BAAQMD's CEQA Air Quality Guidelines (Air Quality Guidelines) provide screening criteria¹² for determining whether a project's criteria air pollutant emissions would violate an air quality standard, contribute to an existing or projected air quality violation, or result in a cumulatively considerable net increase in criteria air pollutants. Pursuant to the Air Quality Guidelines, projects that meet the screening criteria do not have a significant impact related to criteria air pollutants. For projects that do not meet the screening criteria, a detailed air quality assessment is required to further evaluate whether project-related criteria air pollutant emissions would exceed BAAQMD significance thresholds. Criteria air pollutant emissions during construction and operation of the proposed project would meet the Air Quality Guidelines screening criteria. Therefore, the project would not have a significant impact related to criteria air pollutants, and a detailed air quality assessment is not required.

For the above reasons, only the construction exhaust emissions portion of Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR Mitigation Measure G-1 is applicable to the proposed project. None of the other Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR air quality mitigation measures are applicable to the proposed project and the project would not result in significant air quality impacts that were not identified in the PEIR.

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7.	GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS—Would the project:				
a)	Generate greenhouse gas emissions, either directly or indirectly, that may have a significant impact on the environment?				
b)	Conflict with any applicable plan, policy, or regulation of an agency adopted for the purpose of reducing the emissions of greenhouse gases?				

The Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR assessed the GHG emissions that could result from rezoning of the East SoMa Area Plan under the three rezoning options. The Eastern Neighborhoods Rezoning Options A, B,

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¹¹ San Francisco Planning Department, Eastern Neighborhood's Rezoning and Area Plans Final Environmental Impact Report. See page 346. Available online at: http://www.sf-planning.org/Modules/ShowDocument.aspx?documentid=4003. Accessed June 4, 2014

¹² Bay Area Air Quality Management District, CEQA Air Quality Guidelines, updated May 2011. See pp. 3-2 to 3-3.

and C are anticipated to result in GHG emissions on the order of 4.2, 4.3 and 4.5 metric tons of CO₂E¹³ per service population,¹⁴ respectively. The Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR concluded that the resulting GHG emissions from the three options analyzed in the Eastern Neighborhoods Area Plans would be less than significant. No mitigation measures were identified in the PEIR.

Regulations outlined in San Francisco's Strategies to Address Greenhouse Gas Emissions have proven effective as San Francisco's GHG emissions have measurably reduced when compared to 1990 emissions levels, demonstrating that the City has met and exceeded EO S-3-05, AB 32, and the Bay Area 2010 Clean Air Plan GHG reduction goals for the year 2020. The proposed project was determined to be consistent with San Francisco's GHG Reduction Strategy¹⁵. Other existing regulations, such as those implemented through AB 32, will continue to reduce a proposed project's contribution to climate change. Therefore, the proposed project's GHG emissions would not conflict with state, regional, and local GHG reduction plans and regulations, and thus the proposed project's contribution to GHG emissions would not be cumulatively considerable or generate GHG emissions, either directly or indirectly, that would have a significant impact on the environment.

As the proposed project is within the development projected under the Eastern Neighborhoods Rezoning and Area Plans, there would be no additional impacts on greenhouse gas emissions beyond those analyzed in the Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR.

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8.	WIND AND SHADOW—Would the project:				
a)	Alter wind in a manner that substantially affects public areas?				\boxtimes
b)	Create new shadow in a manner that substantially affects outdoor recreation facilities or other public areas?				

Wind

Based upon experience of the Planning Department in reviewing wind analyses and expert opinion on other projects, it is generally (but not always) the case that projects under 80 feet in height do not have the potential to generate significant wind impacts. The existing 44-foot-tall building on the project site is similar in height to existing buildings in the surrounding area, and the building's height would not increase as a result of the proposed project, except for roof deck and mechanical features that would not be substantially taller than buildings in structures in the surrounding area. For the above reasons, the proposed project is not anticipated to cause significant impacts related to wind that were not identified in the Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR.

¹³ CO₂E, defined as equivalent Carbon Dioxide, is a quantity that describes other greenhouse gases in terms of the amount of Carbon Dioxide that would have an equal global warming potential.

¹⁴ Memorandum from Jessica Range to Environmental Planning staff, Greenhouse Gas Analyses for Community Plan Exemptions in Eastern Neighborhoods, April 20, 2010. This memorandum provides an overview of the GHG analysis conducted for the Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR and provides an analysis of the emissions using a service population (equivalent of total number of residents and employees) metric.

¹⁵ Compliance Checklist Table for Greenhouse Gas Analysis, March 27, 2014. This document is available for review at the Planning Department, 1650 Mission Street, Suite 400, San Francisco, in Case File No. 2013.1600E.

Shadow

Planning Code Section 295 generally prohibits new structures above 40 feet in height that would cast additional shadows on open space that is under the jurisdiction of the San Francisco Recreation and Park Commission between one hour after sunrise and one hour before sunset, at any time of the year, unless that shadow would not result in a significant adverse effect on the use of the open space. Under the Eastern Neighborhoods Rezoning and Area Plans, sites surrounding parks could be redeveloped with taller buildings without triggering Section 295 of the Planning Code because certain parks are not subject to Section 295 of the Planning Code (i.e., under jurisdiction of departments other than the Recreation and Parks Department or privately owned). The Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR could not conclude if the rezoning and community plans would result in less-than-significant shadow impacts because the feasibility of complete mitigation for potential new shadow impacts of unknown proposed proposals could not be determined at that time. Therefore, the PEIR determined shadow impacts to be significant and unavoidable. No mitigation measures were identified in the PEIR.

The proposed project would convert the upper three floors of an existing 44-foot-tall PDR building to office use. The proposed elevator penthouse would reach 60 feet above street level, and this additional 14 feet in height would not be substantially taller than buildings and structures (adjacent freeway) in the surrounding area. The project site is also not located sufficiently close to any recreational resources to potentially cast new shadow on them. Therefore, the project would not have the potential to cast new shadow on nearby parks, streets, or sidewalks.

For the above reasons, the proposed project would not result in significant impacts related to shadow that were not identified in the Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR.

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9.	RECREATION—Would the project:				
a)	Increase the use of existing neighborhood and regional parks or other recreational facilities such that substantial physical deterioration of the facilities would occur or be accelerated?				\boxtimes
b)	Include recreational facilities or require the construction or expansion of recreational facilities that might have an adverse physical effect on the environment?				\boxtimes
c)	Physically degrade existing recreational resources?				\boxtimes

The Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR concluded that implementation of the Eastern Neighborhoods Rezoning and Area Plans would not result in substantial or accelerated deterioration of existing recreational resources or require the construction or expansion of recreational facilities that may have an adverse effect on the environment. No mitigation measures related to recreational resources were identified in the Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR.

As the proposed project would not degrade recreational facilities and is within the development projected under the Eastern Neighborhoods Rezoning and Area Plans, there would be no additional impacts on recreation beyond those analyzed in the Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR.

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10.	UTILITIES AND SERVICE SYSTEMS—Would the project:				
a)	Exceed wastewater treatment requirements of the applicable Regional Water Quality Control Board?				
b)	Require or result in the construction of new water or wastewater treatment facilities or expansion of existing facilities, the construction of which could cause significant environmental effects?				
c)	Require or result in the construction of new storm water drainage facilities or expansion of existing facilities, the construction of which could cause significant environmental effects?				
d)	Have sufficient water supply available to serve the project from existing entitlements and resources, or require new or expanded water supply resources or entitlements?				
e)	Result in a determination by the wastewater treatment provider that would serve the project that it has inadequate capacity to serve the project's projected demand in addition to the provider's existing commitments?				
f)	Be served by a landfill with sufficient permitted capacity to accommodate the project's solid waste disposal needs?				
g)	Comply with federal, state, and local statutes and regulations related to solid waste?				\boxtimes

The Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR determined that the anticipated increase in population would not result in a significant impact to the provision of water, wastewater collection and treatment, and solid waste collection and disposal. No mitigation measures were identified in the PEIR.

As the proposed project is within the development projected under the Eastern Neighborhoods Rezoning and Area Plans, there would be no additional impacts on utilities and service systems beyond those analyzed in the Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR.

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11.	PUBLIC SERVICES—Would the project:				
a)	Result in substantial adverse physical impacts associated with the provision of, or the need for, new or physically altered governmental facilities, the construction of which could cause significant environmental impacts, in order to maintain acceptable service ratios, response times, or other performance objectives for any public services such as fire protection, police protection, schools, parks, or other services?				

The Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR determined that the anticipated increase in population would not result in a significant impact to public services , including fire protection, police protection, and public schools. No mitigation measures were identified in the PEIR.

As the proposed project is within the development projected under the Eastern Neighborhoods Rezoning and Area Plans, there would be no additional impacts on public services beyond those analyzed in the Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR.

					
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12.	BIOLOGICAL RESOURCES—Would the project:				
a)	Have a substantial adverse effect, either directly or through habitat modifications, on any species identified as a candidate, sensitive, or special-status species in local or regional plans, policies, or regulations, or by the California Department of Fish and Game or U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service?				
b)	Have a substantial adverse effect on any riparian habitat or other sensitive natural community identified in local or regional plans, policies, regulations or by the California Department of Fish and Game or U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service?				
c)	Have a substantial adverse effect on federally protected wetlands as defined by Section 404 of the Clean Water Act (including, but not limited to, marsh, vernal pool, coastal, etc.) through direct removal, filling, hydrological interruption, or other means?				
d)	Interfere substantially with the movement of any native resident or migratory fish or wildlife species or with established native resident or migratory wildlife corridors, or impede the use of native wildlife nursery sites?				
e)	Conflict with any local policies or ordinances protecting biological resources, such as a tree preservation policy or ordinance?				

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f)	Conflict with the provisions of an adopted Habitat Conservation Plan, Natural Community Conservation Plan, or other approved local, regional, or state habitat conservation plan?				

As discussed in the Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR, the Eastern Neighborhoods Plan Area is in a developed urban environment that does not provide native natural habitat for any rare or endangered plant or animal species. There are no riparian corridors, estuaries, marshes, or wetlands in the Plan Area that could be affected by the development anticipated under the Area Plan. In addition, development envisioned under the Eastern Neighborhoods Area Plan would not substantially interfere with the movement of any resident or migratory wildlife species. For these reasons, the PEIR concluded that implementation of the Area Plan would not result in significant impacts on biological resources, and no mitigation measures were identified.

As the proposed project is within the development projected under the Eastern Neighborhoods Rezoning and Area Plans, there would be no additional impacts on biological resources beyond those analyzed in the Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR.

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13.	GE	OLOGY AND SOILS—Would the project:				
a)	sub	pose people or structures to potential estantial adverse effects, including the risk of s, injury, or death involving:				\boxtimes
	i)	Rupture of a known earthquake fault, as delineated on the most recent Alquist-Priolo Earthquake Fault Zoning Map issued by the State Geologist for the area or based on other substantial evidence of a known fault? (Refer to Division of Mines and Geology Special Publication 42.)				
	ii)	Strong seismic ground shaking?				\boxtimes
	iii)	Seismic-related ground failure, including liquefaction?				
	iv)	Landslides?				\boxtimes
b)		sult in substantial soil erosion or the loss of soil?				
c)	uns res or	located on geologic unit or soil that is stable, or that would become unstable as a ult of the project, and potentially result in onoff-site landslide, lateral spreading, baidence, liquefaction, or collapse?				
d)	Tat	located on expansive soil, as defined in ble 18-1-B of the Uniform Building Code, ating substantial risks to life or property?				

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e)	Have soils incapable of adequately supporting the use of septic tanks or alternative wastewater disposal systems where sewers are not available for the disposal of wastewater?				
f)	Change substantially the topography or any unique geologic or physical features of the site?				\boxtimes

The Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR concluded that implementation of the Plan would indirectly increase the population that would be subject to an earthquake, including seismically induced ground-shaking, liquefaction, and landslides. The PEIR also noted that new development is generally safer than comparable older development due to improvements in building codes and construction techniques. Compliance with applicable codes and recommendations made in project-specific geotechnical analyses would not eliminate earthquake risks, but would reduce them to an acceptable level, given the seismically active characteristics of the Bay Area. Thus, the PEIR concluded that implementation of the Plan would not result in significant impacts with regard to geology, and no mitigation measures were identified in the Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR.

The proposed project would convert the upper three floors of an existing industrial building to office use. No soil disturbance, foundation construction, or subsurface work would occur as part of the proposed project. The project is required to conform to the San Francisco Building Code, which ensures the safety of all new construction in the City. DBI may require a geotechnical report or additional site specific soils report(s) through the building permit application process, as needed. The DBI requirement for review of the building permit application pursuant to DBI's implementation of the Building Code would ensure that the proposed project would have no significant impacts related to soils, seismic or other geological hazards.

In light of the above, the proposed project would not result in a significant effect related to seismic and geologic hazards. Therefore, the proposed project would not result in significant impacts related to geology and soils that were not identified in the Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR, and no mitigation measures are necessary.

Торі	ics:	Significant Impact Peculiar to Project or Project Site	Significant Impact not Identified in PEIR	Significant Impact due to Substantial New Information	No Significant Impact not Previously Identified in PEIF
14.	HYDROLOGY AND WATER QUALITY—Would the project:				
a)	Violate any water quality standards or waste discharge requirements?				
b)	Substantially deplete groundwater supplies or interfere substantially with groundwater recharge such that there would be a net deficit in aquifer volume or a lowering of the local groundwater table level (e.g., the production rate of pre-existing nearby wells would drop to a level which would not support existing land uses or planned uses for which permits have been granted)?				

Тор	ics:	Significant Impact Peculiar to Project or Project Site	Significant Impact not Identified in PEIR	Significant Impact due to Substantial New Information	No Significant Impact not Previously Identified in PEIR
c)	Substantially alter the existing drainage pattern of the site or area, including through the alteration of the course of a stream or river, in a manner that would result in substantial erosion or siltation on- or off-site?				
d)	Substantially alter the existing drainage pattern of the site or area, including through the alteration of the course of a stream or river, or substantially increase the rate or amount of surface runoff in a manner that would result in flooding on- or off- site?				
e)	Create or contribute runoff water which would exceed the capacity of existing or planned stormwater drainage systems or provide substantial additional sources of polluted runoff?				
f)	Otherwise substantially degrade water quality?				
g)	Place housing within a 100-year flood hazard area as mapped on a federal Flood Hazard Boundary or Flood Insurance Rate Map or other authoritative flood hazard delineation map?				
h)	Place within a 100-year flood hazard area structures that would impede or redirect flood flows?				
i)	Expose people or structures to a significant risk of loss, injury or death involving flooding, including flooding as a result of the failure of a levee or dam?				
j)	Expose people or structures to a significant risk of loss, injury or death involving inundation by seiche, tsunami, or mudflow?				

The Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR determined that the anticipated increase in population would not result in a significant impact on hydrology and water quality, including the combined sewer system and the potential for combined sewer outflows. No mitigation measures were identified in the PEIR.

The project site is fully covered by an existing building, most of which would be converted to office use as part of the proposed project. No change in the impervious surface coverage on the project site would occur. As a result, the proposed project would not increase stormwater runoff.

Therefore, the proposed project would not result in any significant impacts related to hydrology and water quality that were not identified in the Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR.

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15.	HAZARDS AND HAZARDOUS MATERIALS— Would the project:				
a)	Create a significant hazard to the public or the environment through the routine transport, use, or disposal of hazardous materials?				\boxtimes
b)	Create a significant hazard to the public or the environment through reasonably foreseeable upset and accident conditions involving the release of hazardous materials into the environment?				
c)	Emit hazardous emissions or handle hazardous or acutely hazardous materials, substances, or waste within one-quarter mile of an existing or proposed school?				\boxtimes
d)	Be located on a site which is included on a list of hazardous materials sites compiled pursuant to Government Code Section 65962.5 and, as a result, would it create a significant hazard to the public or the environment?				
e)	For a project located within an airport land use plan or, where such a plan has not been adopted, within two miles of a public airport or public use airport, would the project result in a safety hazard for people residing or working in the project area?				
f)	For a project within the vicinity of a private airstrip, would the project result in a safety hazard for people residing or working in the project area?				
g)	Impair implementation of or physically interfere with an adopted emergency response plan or emergency evacuation plan?				\boxtimes
h)	Expose people or structures to a significant risk of loss, injury, or death involving fires?				\boxtimes

The Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR noted that implementation of any of the proposed project's rezoning options would encourage construction of new development within the project area. The PEIR found that there is a high potential to encounter hazardous materials during construction activities in many parts of the project area because of the presence of 1906 earthquake fill, previous and current land uses associated with the use of hazardous materials, and known or suspected hazardous materials cleanup cases. However, the PEIR found that existing regulations for facility closure, Under Storage Tank (UST) closure, and investigation and cleanup of soil and groundwater would ensure implementation of measures to protect workers and the community from exposure to hazardous materials during construction.

Hazardous Building Materials

The Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR determined that future development in the Plan Area may involve demolition or renovation of existing structures containing hazardous building materials. Some building materials commonly used in older buildings could present a public health risk if disturbed during an accident or during demolition or renovation of an existing building. Hazardous building materials addressed in the PIER include asbestos, electrical equipment such as transformers and fluorescent light

ballasts that contain PCBs or di (2 ethylhexyl) phthalate (DEHP), fluorescent lights containing mercury vapors, and lead-based paints. Asbestos and lead based paint may also present a health risk to existing building occupants if they are in a deteriorated condition. If removed during demolition or renovation of a building, these materials would also require special disposal procedures. The Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR identified a significant impact associated with hazardous building materials including PCBs, DEHP, and mercury and determined that that Mitigation Measure L-1: Hazardous Building Materials, as outlined below, would reduce effects to a less-than-significant level. Because the proposed development includes renovation of an existing building, Mitigation Measure L-1 would apply to the proposed project. See the full text of Mitigation Measure L-1 in the Mitigation Measures Section below.

Soil and Groundwater Contamination

The proposed project includes renovation of an existing building, and conversion of PDR space to office use,. The proposed project would not involve ground disturbance or excavation. Therefore, the proposed project would not have the potential to expose the public to contaminated soil or groundwater. The proposed project would not result in any significant impacts related to soil and groundwater contamination that were not identified in the Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR.

Therefore, the proposed project would not result in significant impacts related to hazards or hazardous materials that were not identified in the Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR.

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16.	MINERAL AND ENERGY RESOURCES— Would the project:				
a)	Result in the loss of availability of a known mineral resource that would be of value to the region and the residents of the state?				
b)	Result in the loss of availability of a locally important mineral resource recovery site delineated on a local general plan, specific plan or other land use plan?				
c)	Encourage activities which result in the use of large amounts of fuel, water, or energy, or use these in a wasteful manner?				

The Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR determined that the Area Plan would facilitate the construction of both new residential units and commercial buildings, as well as conversion of existing buildings to different uses. Development of these uses would not result in use of large amounts of fuel, water, or energy in a wasteful manner or in the context of energy use throughout the City and region. The energy demand for individual buildings would be typical for such projects and would meet, or exceed, current state and local codes and standards concerning energy consumption, including Title 24 of the California Code of Regulations enforced by DBI. The Plan Area does not include any natural resources routinely extracted and the rezoning does not result in any natural resource extraction programs. Therefore, the Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR concluded that implementation of the Area Plan would not result in a significant impact on mineral and energy resources. No mitigation measures were identified in the PEIR.

As the proposed project is within the development projected under the Eastern Neighborhoods Rezoning and Area Plans, there would be no additional impacts on mineral and energy resources beyond those analyzed in the Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR.

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17.	AGRICULTURE AND FOREST RESOURCES:—Would the project:				
a)	Convert Prime Farmland, Unique Farmland, or Farmland of Statewide Importance, as shown on the maps prepared pursuant to the Farmland Mapping and Monitoring Program of the California Resources Agency, to non-agricultural use?				
b)	Conflict with existing zoning for agricultural use, or a Williamson Act contract?				\boxtimes
c)	Conflict with existing zoning for, or cause rezoning of, forest land (as defined in Public Resources Code Section 12220(g)) or timberland (as defined by Public Resources Code Section 4526)?				\boxtimes
d)	Result in the loss of forest land or conversion of forest land to non-forest use?				
e)	Involve other changes in the existing environment which, due to their location or nature, could result in conversion of Farmland to non-agricultural use or forest land to non-forest use?				\boxtimes

The Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR determined that no agricultural resources exist in the Area Plan; therefore the rezoning and community plans would have no effect on agricultural resources. No mitigation measures were identified in the PEIR. The Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR did not analyze the effects on forest resources.

As the proposed project is within the development projected under the Eastern Neighborhoods Rezoning and Area Plans, there would be no additional impacts on agriculture and forest resources beyond those analyzed in the Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR.

MITIGATION MEASURES

Air Quality

Project Mitigation Measure 1 - Construction Air Quality (Eastern Neighborhoods Mitigation Measure G-1)

A. Construction Emissions Minimization Plan. Prior to issuance of a construction permit, the project sponsor shall submit a Construction Emissions Minimization Plan (Plan) to the Environmental Review Officer (ERO) for review and approval by an Environmental Planning Air Quality Specialist. The Plan shall detail project compliance with the following

requirements:

- 1. All off-road equipment greater than 25 hp and operating for more than 20 total hours over the entire duration of construction activities shall meet the following requirements:
 - a) Where access to alternative sources of power are available, portable diesel engines shall be prohibited;
 - b) All off-road equipment shall have:
 - Engines that meet or exceed either U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) or California Air Resources Board (ARB) Tier 2 off-road emission standards, and
 - Engines that are retrofitted with an ARB Level 3 Verified Diesel Emissions Control Strategy (VDECS).¹⁶

c) Exceptions:

- i. Exceptions to A(1)(a) may be granted if the project sponsor has submitted information providing evidence to the satisfaction of the ERO that an alternative source of power is limited or infeasible at the project site and that the requirements of this exception provision apply. Under this circumstance, the sponsor shall submit documentation of compliance with A(1)(b) for onsite power generation.
- ii. Exceptions to A(1)(b)(ii) *may* be granted if the project sponsor has submitted information providing evidence to the satisfaction of the ERO that a particular piece of off-road equipment with an ARB Level 3 VDECS is: (1) technically not feasible, (2) would not produce desired emissions reductions due to expected operating modes, (3) installing the control device would create a safety hazard or impaired visibility for the operator, or (4) there is a compelling emergency need to use off-road equipment that are not retrofitted with an ARB Level 3 VDECS and the sponsor has submitted documentation to the ERO that the requirements of this exception provision apply. If granted an exception to A(1)(b)(ii), the project sponsor must comply with the requirements of A(1)(c)(iii).

¹⁶ Equipment with engines meeting Tier 4 Interim or Tier 4 Final emission standards automatically meet this requirement, therefore a VDECS would not be required.

iii. If an exception is granted pursuant to A(1)(c)(ii), the project sponsor shall provide the next cleanest piece of off-road equipment as provided by the step down schedules in Table 1.

Table 1 - Off-Road Equipment Compliance Step-down Schedule

Compliance Alternative	Engine Emission Standard	Emissions Control
1	Tier 2	ARB Level 2 VDECS
2	Tier 2	ARB Level 1 VDECS
3	Tier 2	Alternative Fuel*

How to use the table: If the requirements of (A)(1)(b) cannot be met, then the project sponsor would need to meet Compliance Alternative 1. Should the project sponsor not be able to supply off-road equipment meeting Compliance Alternative 1, then Compliance Alternative 2 would need to be met. Should the project sponsor not be able to supply off-road equipment meeting Compliance Alternative 2, then Compliance Alternative 3 would need to be met.

- 2. The project sponsor shall require the idling time for off-road and on-road equipment be limited to no more than two minutes, except as provided in exceptions to the applicable state regulations regarding idling for off-road and on-road equipment. Legible and visible signs shall be posted in multiple languages (English, Spanish, Chinese) in designated queuing areas and at the construction site to remind operators of the two minute idling limit.
- 3. The project sponsor shall require that construction operators properly maintain and tune equipment in accordance with manufacturer specifications.
- 4. The Plan shall include estimates of the construction timeline by phase with a description of each piece of off-road equipment required for every construction phase. Off-road equipment descriptions and information may include, but is not limited to: equipment type, equipment manufacturer, equipment identification number, engine model year, engine certification (Tier rating), horsepower, engine serial number, and expected fuel usage and hours of operation. For VDECS installed: technology type, serial number, make, model, manufacturer, ARB verification number level, and installation date and hour meter reading on installation date. For off-road equipment using alternative fuels, reporting shall indicate the type of alternative fuel being used.
- 5. The Plan shall be kept on-site and available for review by any persons requesting it and a legible sign shall be posted at the perimeter of the construction site indicating to the public the basic requirements of the Plan and a way to request a copy of the Plan. The

^{*} Alternative fuels are not a VDECS.

project sponsor shall provide copies of Plan to members of the public as requested.

- B. Reporting. Quarterly reports shall be submitted to the ERO indicating the construction phase and off-road equipment information used during each phase including the information required in A(4). In addition, for off-road equipment using alternative fuels, reporting shall include the actual amount of alternative fuel used.
 - Within six months of the completion of construction activities, the project sponsor shall submit to the ERO a final report summarizing construction activities. The final report shall indicate the start and end dates and duration of each construction phase. For each phase, the report shall include detailed information required in A(4). In addition, for off-road equipment using alternative fuels, reporting shall include the actual amount of alternative fuel used.
- C. Certification Statement and On-site Requirements. Prior to the commencement of construction activities, the project sponsor must certify (1) compliance with the Plan, and (2) all applicable requirements of the Plan have been incorporated into contract specifications.

Hazardous Materials

Project Mitigation Measure 2 – Hazardous Building Materials (Eastern Neighborhoods Mitigation Measure L-1)

The City shall condition future development approvals to require that the subsequent project sponsors ensure that any equipment containing PCBs or DEPH, such as fluorescent light ballasts, are removed and properly disposed of according to applicable federal, state, and local laws prior to the start of renovation, and that any fluorescent light tubes, which could contain mercury, are similarly removed and properly disposed of. Any other hazardous materials identified, either before or during work, shall be abated according to applicable federal, state, and local laws.

IMPROVEMENT MEASURES

Transportation and Circulation

Project Improvement Measure 1 – TDM Coordinator

The project sponsor shall identify a TDM coordinator for the project site. The TDM Coordinator shall be responsible for the implementation and ongoing operation of all other TDM measures (Project Improvement Measures 2 and 3) included in the proposed project. The TDM Coordinator could be a brokered service through an existing transportation management association (e.g. the Transportation Management Association of San Francisco, TMASF), or the TDM Coordinator could be an existing staff member (e.g., property manager); the TDM Coordinator does not have to work full-time at the project site. However, the TDM Coordinator shall be the single point of contact for all transportation-related questions from building occupants and City staff. The TDM Coordinator shall provide TDM training to other building staff about the transportation amenities and options available at the project site and nearby.

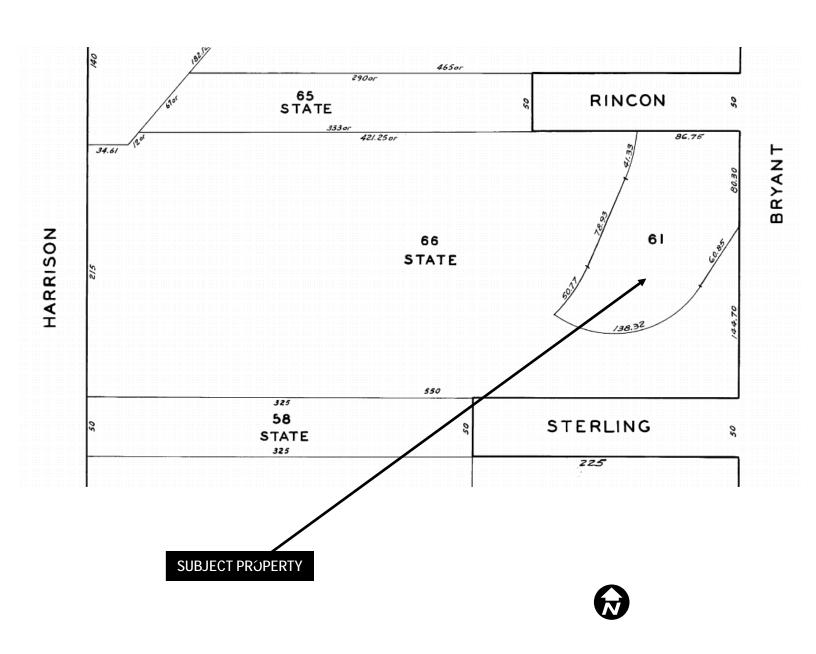
Project Improvement Measure 2 - Transportation and Trip Planning Information/New-Hire Packet

The project sponsor shall provide a transportation insert for the new-hire packet that includes information on transit service (local and regional, schedules and fares), information on where transit passes could be purchased, information on the 511 Regional Rideshare Program and nearby bike and car share programs, and information on where to find additional web-based alternative transportation materials (e.g., NextMuni phone app). This new hire packet shall be continuously updated as local transportation options change, and the packet should be provided to each new building occupant. The project sponsor shall provide Muni maps, San Francisco Bicycle and Pedestrian maps upon request.

Project Improvement Measure 3 - Bicycle Parking

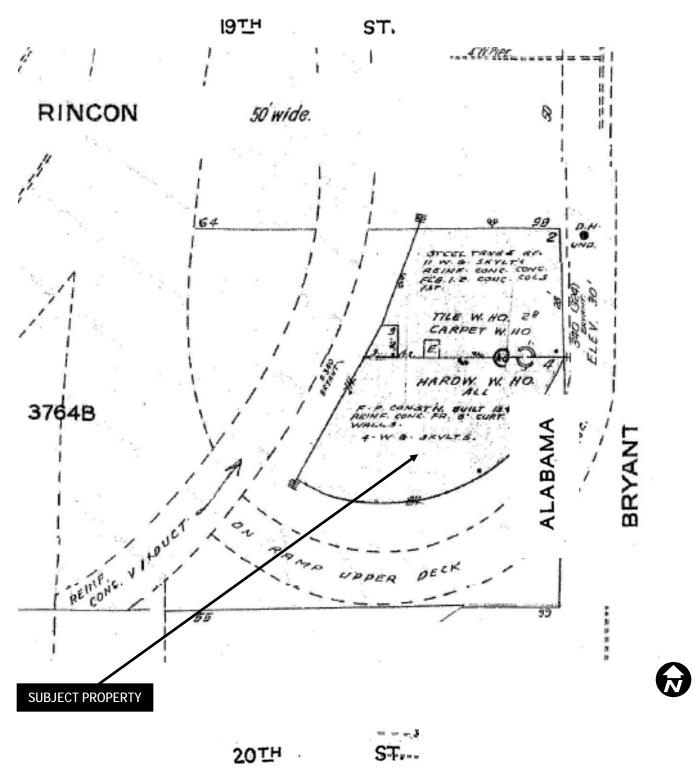
The project sponsor shall provide at least 12 on-site secured bicycle parking spaces and 4 on-site publicly-accessible (visitor) bicycle parking spaces. Within one year after Final Certification of Completion for the subject project, the project sponsor shall contact in writing the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency, San Francisco Department of Public Works, and/or Bay Area Bike Share (agencies) to fund the installation of up to 20 new bicycle racks on public right-of-way locations adjacent to or within a quarter mile of the project site (e.g., sidewalks, on-street parking spaces).

Parcel Map



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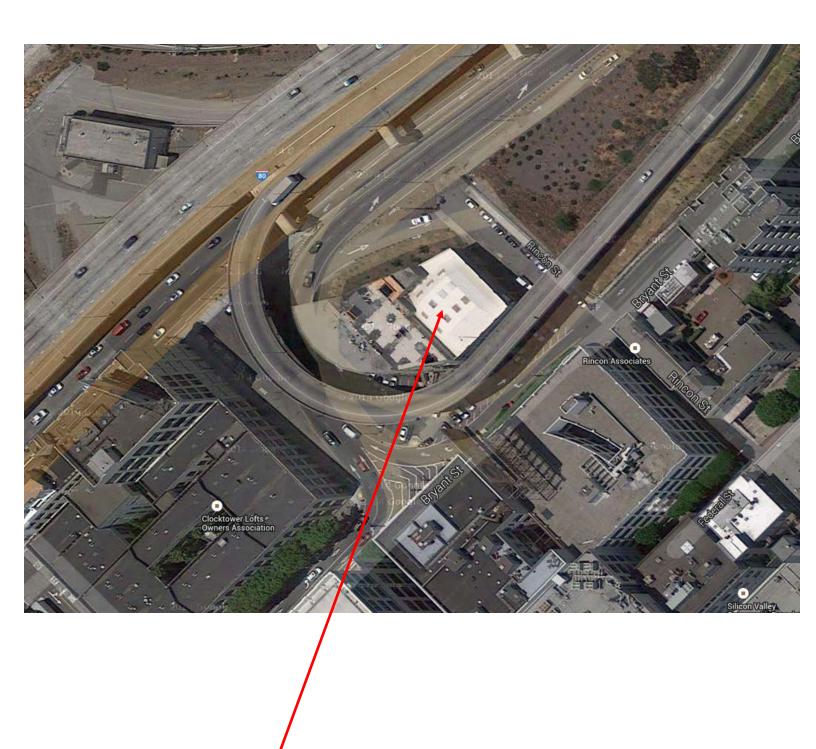
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*The Sanborn Maps in San Francisco have not been updated since 1998, and this map may not accurately reflect existing conditions.

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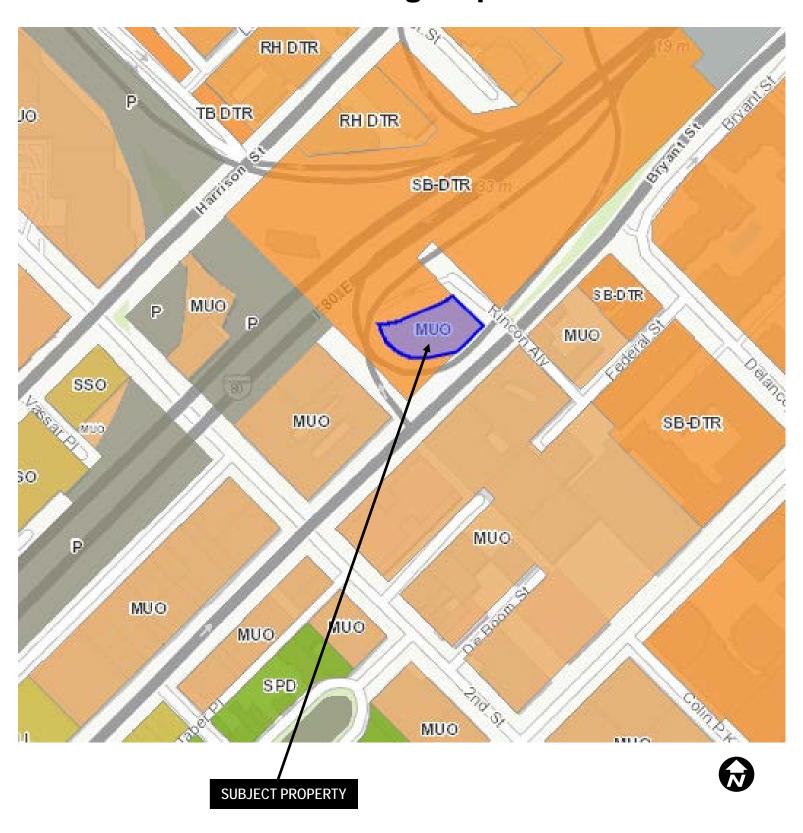




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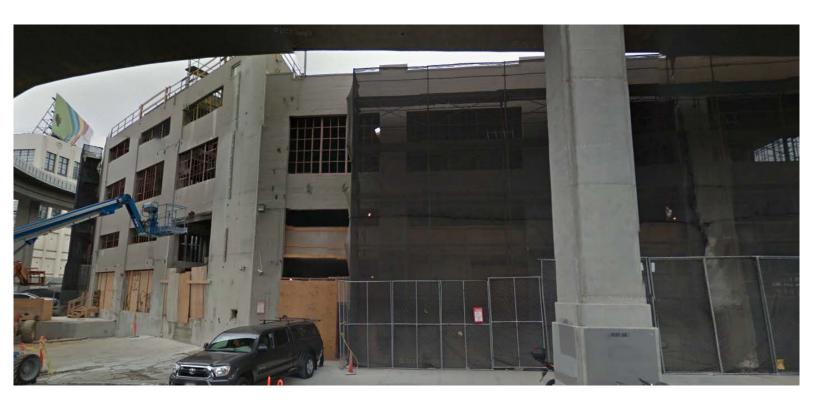
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Zoning Map



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December 24, 2014

Sent Via Hand Delivery

President Cindy Wu San Francisco Planning Commission 1650 Mission Street, Suite 400 San Francisco, CA 94103

Re: 340 Bryant Street – Office Allocation Request

Case No. 2013.1600

Hearing Date: January 8, 2014

Our File No.: 7949.01

Dear President Wu:

This office represents Group I, the project sponsor ("Project Sponsor") of the renovation and partial office conversion of the existing commercial building located at 340 Bryant Street (the "Property"). The Property consists of four stories and a total of 62,050 square feet and the Project Sponsor proposes a change of use to office of the upper three stories of the building. The ground floor would remain as industrial/PDR space and the Project Sponsor is already in discussion with two PDR tenants to occupy the space. In total, the Project would result in 47,536 square feet of office space and 14,514 square feet of industrial space.

There has been significant discussion recently regarding the conversion of existing industrial buildings to office use. Two important points about the Project should be made clear:

- The East SoMa Plan expressly confirms that 340 Bryant is in the MUO zoning district, which is centered around the 2nd Street Corridor. This corridor was intentionally set aside for future office use and designated as the appropriate area South of Market to accommodate office growth.
- The Property is not located in the Central SoMa Plan Area, and therefore is not subject to the current office conversion moratorium.

There is no requirement that a story of industrial/PDR space be preserved at the building. By maintaining a story of industrial/PDR space, the Project serves several policy goals, including (1) maintaining a large, highly-visible ground floor space for one or more industrial/PDR tenants, (2) maintaining an active street frontage use, and (3) reducing the Prop M office allocation request below 50,000 square feet, so as not to impact the shrinking amount of large office space available to large office projects in the City.

James A. Reuben | Andrew J. Junius | Kevin H. Rose | Daniel A. Frattin

A. Legal and Policy Background

As stated above, there is no legal requirement that any PDR space be preserved as part of an office conversion at the Property. In recent years, concern has grown regarding the loss of existing PDR and industrial space in the Eastern Neighborhoods. There are several layers of protections that have been put in place in particular areas to prevent the loss of existing PDR space. The Property is not located in one of these areas.

1. Office Use Encouraged in the MUO Zoning District in East SoMa

As part of the 2009 Eastern Neighborhoods Plan, the Property was rezoned from a Service – Secondary Office ("SSO") zoning district to a Mixed Use – Office ("MUO") zoning district. Both zoning districts principally permit office use. Further, the Eastern SoMa Plan (a sub-plan of Eastern Neighborhoods) includes several express policies encouraging office use at this location:

- OBJECTIVE 1.1. ENCOURAGE PRODUCTION OF HOUSING AND OTHER MIXED-USE DEVELOPMENT IN EAST SOMA WHILE MAINTAINING ITS EXISTING SPECIAL MIXED-USE CHARACTER
 - o Mixed Use Office (MU-O). The existing "SSO" district, centered along the 2nd Street Corridor, is designed to accommodate light industrial businesses and professional office space.
- POLICY 1.1.2. Encourage small flexible, office space throughout East SoMa and encourage larger office in the 2nd Street Corridor.
- POLICY 1.4.3. Continue to allow larger research and development office-type uses that support the Knowledge Sector in the 2nd Street Corridor.

The East SoMa Plan expressly confirms that the MUO zoning district, which is centered around the 2nd Street Corridor. The current zoning map illustrates this policy:

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2. PDR Protection Zones in Eastern Neighborhoods

There are several zones throughout the Eastern Neighborhoods where PDR is protected, both in the Planning Code and by express policies.

Service Light Industrial (SLI) and Service Arts Light Industrial (SALI) Districts

The SLI zoning district was expressly designed to protect existing PDR uses. Office use is prohibited in the SLI zoning district, with the exception of certain historic buildings. This intent was further confirmed in the 2009 East SoMa Plan:

The existing SLI district generally centered around 3rd and 4th Streets between Townsend and Harrison, was designed to protect and facilitate the expansion of commercial, manufacturing and other light industrial activities, as well as arts activities...Rather than replacing the existing SLI zoning in East SoMa, this Plan leaves the existing zoning in place to allow the Planning Department to develop a strategic set of land use controls better suited to Fourth Street's future role as a major north-south transit corridor. The process to develop new land use controls for this area should commence after adoption of the Eastern Neighborhood Plans, but be coordinated with the Western SoMa Plan as well as a comprehensive study of the future growth needs of downtown.

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The Eastern Neighborhoods Plan left the SLI zoning in place for areas where further study was required before lifting the protective zoning. Those SLI districts located in the Western SoMa Plan Area were rezoned in 2013 to a Service Arts Light Industrial (SALI) zoning district, which continued the prohibition on office use. The SLI and SALI districts are now being reviewed as part of the Central SoMa Plan.

The recent proposed office conversion at 660 Third Street that the Planning Commission considered over the past summer was zoned SLI and was seeking conversion based on an exception for certain historic buildings. 660 Third Street was seeking an exception to the otherwise-applicable PDR protective zoning. The current Project is located in a zoning district that principally permits office use and is not subject to any PDR protection measures.

Production, Distribution and Repair (PDR) Districts

The Eastern Neighborhoods Plan also created the PDR-1-D and PDR-1-D zoning districts, with the purpose defined in the Planning Code "to retain and encourage existing production, distribution, and repair activities..." As such, these districts prohibit office use, except in buildings designated as landmarks. These PDR districts are generally located in the Mission, Showplace Square, Potrero Hill, and the Central Waterfront.

The recent proposed office conversion at 2 Henry Adams Street (to make way for Pintrest offices) was zoned PDR-1-D and was seeking a conversion based on the exception for landmark buildings. 2 Henry Adams Street was seeking an exception to the otherwise-applicable PDR protective zoning. The current Project is located in a zoning district that principally permits office use and is not subject to any PDR protection measures.

Supervisor Kim Office Conversion Moratorium in Central SoMa

In September of 2014, Supervisor Kim sponsored emergency legislation that prohibited office conversions (with some exceptions) throughout the entire Central SoMa Plan Area. The legislation was enacted and the moratorium will be in place until after the Central SoMa Area Plan is approved. The Property is not located in the Central SoMa Plan Area, and therefore is not subject to the office conversion moratorium, as shown here:

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In conclusion, the Property is located in a zoning district that principally permits and expressly encourages office use. The City has very carefully applied PDR-protective zoning in areas where PDR uses should be retained. The Property is not located in one of those areas, and therefore protection of PDR use at the Property is not consistent with existing, well-developed City policy on PDR protection.

B. Project Background

Group I purchased the Property in January 2012. Group I's intent was to modernize and seismically upgrade the existing commercial building, which had not undergone any major rehabilitation in since its original construction in 1932. Group I was aware that all of the building's tenants at the time were either on month-to-month leases or were nearing the end of their lease terms.

In May 2012, the Project Sponsor notified all tenants in writing that it intended to conduct a major renovation of the Property. (See **Exhibit A.**) While most of the tenants were on a month-to-month lease, the Project Sponsor gave all tenants the ability to stay in the building through January 2013, when the last term lease was to expire. In fact, the master tenants occupying the third floor were made aware of the Project Sponsor's plans in December of 2011.

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The master tenant sent the Project Sponsor a formal proposal whereby they acknowledged the Project Sponsor's intention to renovate the building, and proposed a plan for the master lease over the coming year that would allow for the coming and going of sub-tenants on a month to month basis, with the rent on the master lease pro-rated depending on the number of subtenants at any given time. (See Exhibit B.)

As such, all tenants, including month-to-month tenants, were given at least eight months notice of the Project Sponsor's intention to conduct work on the building (and up to a year in some circumstances), giving them significant time to prepare to depart the building.

Beyond the extensive notice given, the Project Sponsor was sensitive to the tenants' transition from the building. Early lease terminations (with pro-rata rent reduction) were agreed to for a number of tenants. All unpaid back rent for departing tenants has been forgiven. The Project Sponsor offered to temporarily relocate several tenants in the building to help with the transition.

No tenant was asked to leave prior to the expiration of their lease and no evictions occurred. The Project Sponsor forgave significant amounts of rent due during 2012. The Project Sponsor's effort to renovate and upgrade the Property has been consistent with both law and its contractual obligations, and has been pursued in a way that provided significant notice and accommodations to its tenants.

C. Proposed PDR Ground Floor

The Project Sponsor has been actively pursuing PDR tenants to occupy the ground floor at the Property. As of the date of this letter, two tenants have been identified that would together occupy the entirety of the space.

- The first tenant is a company that constructs and installs free electric car charging stations at various retail and governmental locations. The tenant would construct the car charging stations on-site, as well as provide a showroom for prospective purchasers.
- The second tenant is a wine wholesaler. The tenant would connect winemakers with local businesses and possibly provide wine-making classes on-site.

The ground floor of the building appears to be viable for light industrial businesses, and the Project Sponsor is committed to securing PDR users for the space.

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D. Benefits of the Project

- Modernizing and upgrading an existing commercial building which will provide a mix of in-demand office and industrial space;
- Providing space for two identified PDR tenants to occupy;
- Maintaining employment space for workers in a transit rich area of the City;
- Collecting more than \$800,000 in development fees to be used towards affordable housing, transportation and infrastructure upgrades.

E. Conclusion

The Project Sponsor purchased the Property based upon the MUO zoning that had been approved in 2009. The Property was specifically rezoned to provide space for office workers and is subject to no zoning that protects or preserves existing industrial space. The Project proposes exactly the type of use as was contemplated by the Eastern Neighborhoods Plan. The Project Sponsor has shown good faith in achieving City goals by maintaining a full story of industrial space, despite no requirement to do so, and has already identified two tenants. The Project Sponsor went about the modernization and upgrade of the building in a manner that was sensitive to the building's tenants.

For these reasons, we respectfully request that the Planning Commission approve the Prop M small office allocation for the proposed office use at the Property.

Very truly yours,

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Enclosures

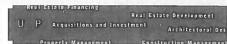
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Re: 330 - 340 Bryant Remodel Plans

Dear Walsy,

As you know, the property at 330 -340 Bryant Street was purchased by Group I in January 2012. We are working on improvement plans to completely reconfigure and upgrade the building. Construction is scheduled to start after all the leases in the building expire in January 2013. The construction will require that the building be completely vacated at that time.

We understand that the uncertainty regarding this change in ownership is a cause of anxiety among the tenants and subtenants in the building. Please rest assured that your space is secure through the end of the year.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please do not hesitate to call me at 415-394-9015.

Sincerely, Group I

Tiffani Huang

Property Manager

December 15, 2011

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Re: Proposal for Rent Adjustment 3rd floor, 340 Bryant Street

San Francisco, CA 94107

Under our proposal, base rent for the 3rd floor under our master leases after the building has sold will reflect sub-lease rents payable under all sub-tenant leases in effect at any particular time. So for example, rent under the master leases for any month would decrease whenever a sub-tenant lease terminates by the corresponding amount payable by that sub-tenant, and would increase by the same amount (not to exceed rent payable under the master leases) if a new sub-tenant were to be signed for the same space.

In the case where sub-tenants are month-to-month, or have reached the end of their sublease term, we will use good faith efforts once the building has sold to secure a new sublease with that sub-tenant for a period of time that may range between six months through a period ending on December 31, 2012. Should a sub-tenant terminate its sublease in accordance with its terms, we will use good faith efforts to find a new sub-tenant for the remaining term. In each case, the rent payable under our Lease for each month remaining in the term after the building has sold will reflect the sublease rents payable by the new or continuing sub-tenants.

If a current sub-tenant unlawfully terminates their lease before expiration of its term, any damages collected by us, including the forfeiture of their damage deposit will be applied toward the succeeding month's rent under the master lease. We will continue to use good faith efforts to sub-lease the space, but if we are unsuccessful, our rent will decrease by the amount the sub-tenant was paying.

We understand your desire to have the building completely vacated by the end date of our lease (December 31, 2012). We believe that we can assist in assuring this outcome in connection with our sub-lease negotiations. As part of this proposal we will require each sub-tenant entering into a new or re-negotiated sub-lease to sign a binding agreement to vacate the premises by December 31, 2012 at the latest. Thank you for your consideration.

Yours truly,

Chris Dorosz and Paule Dubois Dupuis







PERSPECTIVE VIEW OF NORTHWEST CORNER



340 BRYANT STREET

EXTERIOR UPGRADES

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OWNER:	140 PARTNERS, LP. 100 BUSH STREET, SUITE 1650				
	SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94104	PD 0.1	COVER		
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ADDRESS:	340 BRYANT STREET	PD 1.1	FIRST FLOOR PLAN		
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CONSTRUCTION TYPE:	III-A (FULLY SPRINKLERED)	PD 3.3	PHOTOMONTAGE		
FIRE SPRINKLERS:	BUILDING IS FULLY SPRINKLERED				
FIRE ALARMS:	MONITORED FIRE ALARM SYSTEM				

GROSS AREA (SF)

		1ST FLOOR	2ND FLOOR	3RD FLOOR	4TH FLOOR	ROOF**	TOTAL
	(E)	16890	16890	16890	10096	0	60766
TOTAL	(N)	16890	16890	19231*	10096	1470	64577

* INCLUDES (N) MEZZANINE AREA

** DOES NOT INCLUDE EXTERIOR ROOF DECK AREA

OCCUPANCY

1ST FLR.	2ND FLR.	3RD FLR.	4TH FLR.	ROOF
(OFFICE)	(OFFICE)	(OFFICE)	(OFFICE)	(ASSEMBLY)
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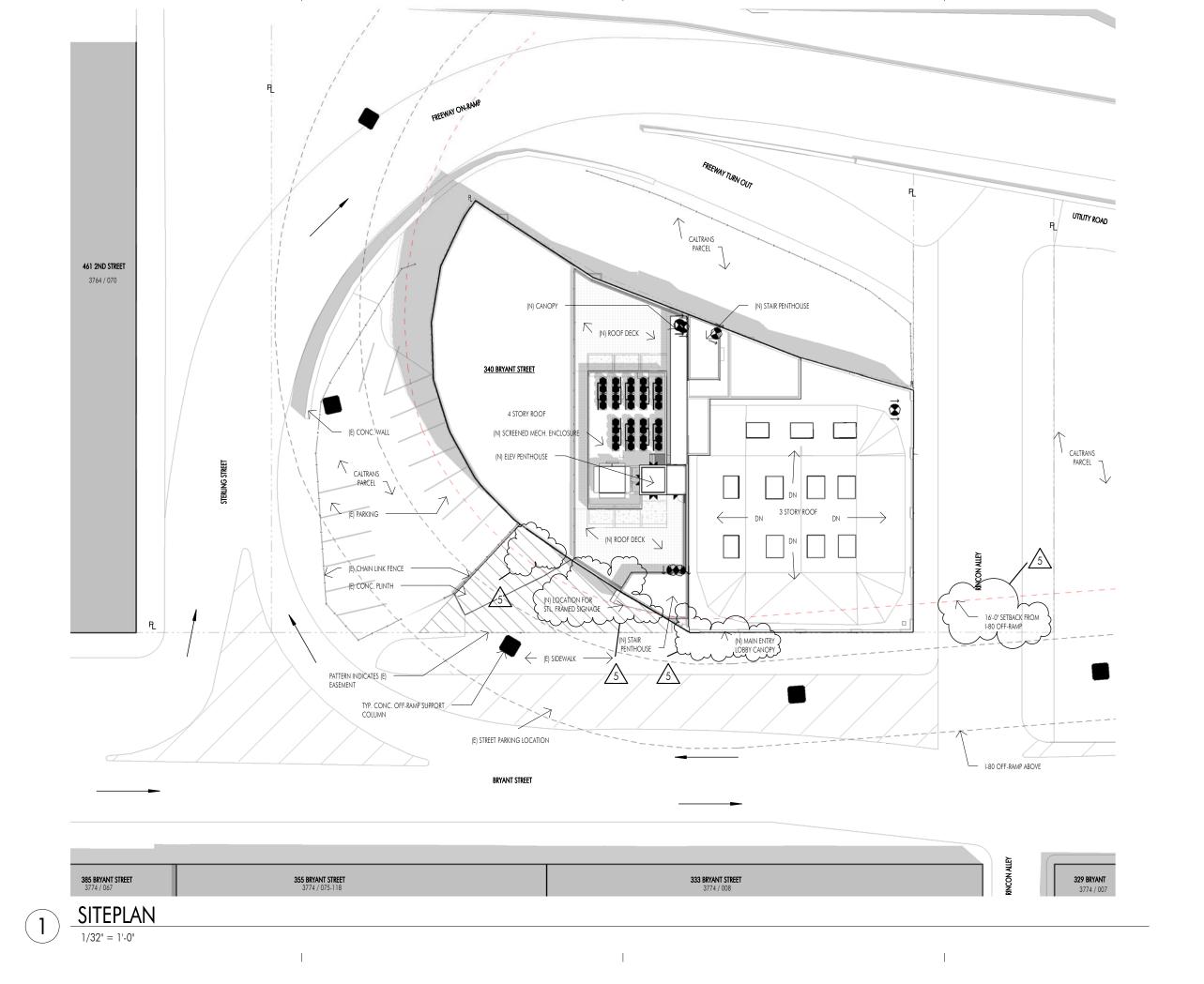
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PERSPECTIVE VIEW OF SOUTHWEST CORNER



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NORTH ELEVATION - DEMO 1/16" = 1'-0"

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PROPOSED NORTH ELEVATION 1/16" = 1'-0"



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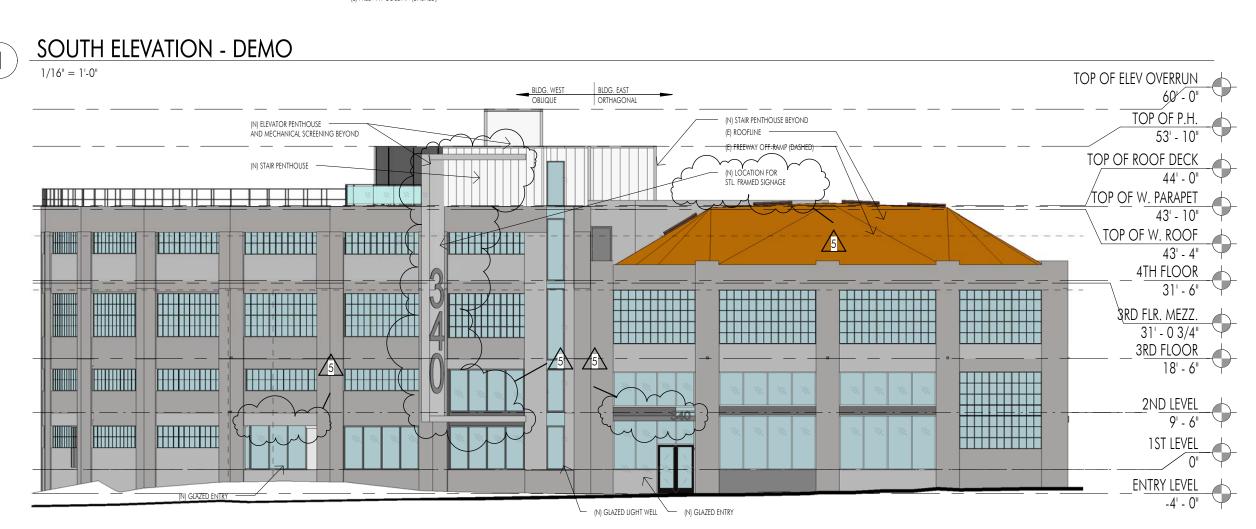
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PROPOSED SOUTH ELEVATION 1/16" = 1'-0"

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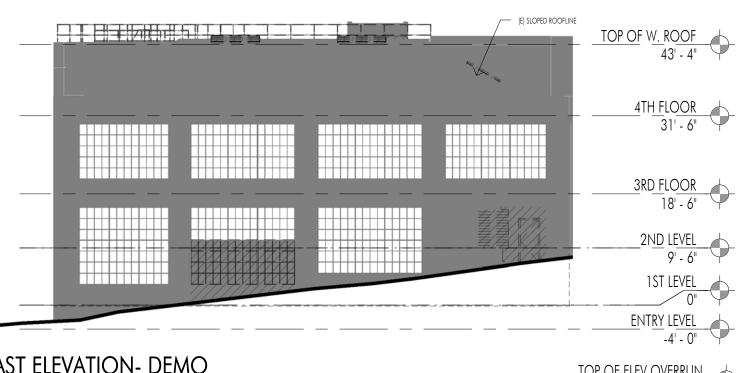
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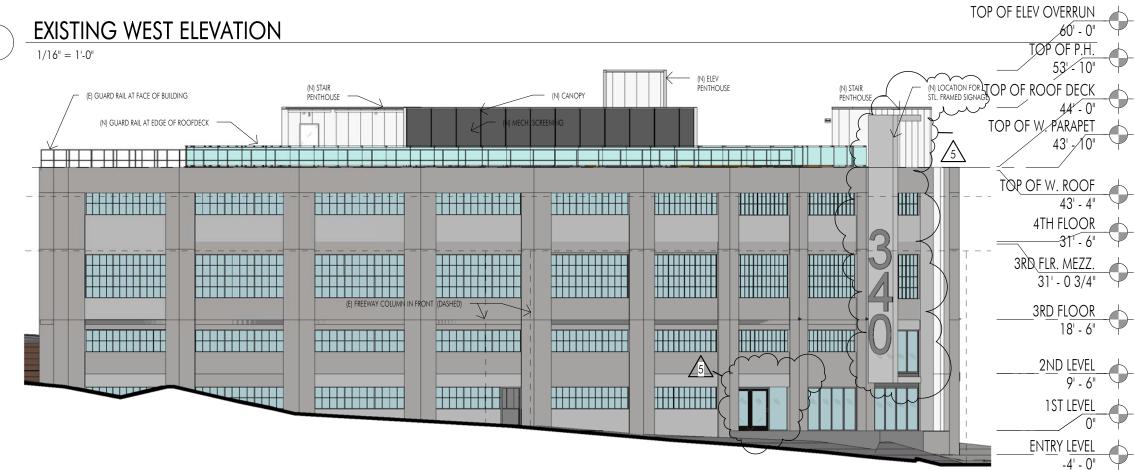
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1 EAST ELEVATION- DEMO		TOP OF ELEV OVERRUN
(N) GLASS RAILING	(N) ELEV PENTHOUSE (N) CANOPY (N) MECH. SCREENING	TOP OF P.H. 53' - 10" TOP OF ROOF DECK 44' - 0" TOP OF W. PARAPET
		43' - 10" TOP OF W. ROOF 43' - 4" TOP OF E. PARAPET 34' - 2" 4TH FLOOR 31' - 6" 3RD FLR. MEZZ. 31' - 0 3/4" 3RD FLOOR
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PROPOSED EAST ELEVATION

1/16" = 1'-0"



PROPOSED WEST ELEVATION

1/16" = 1'-0"

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WEST ELEVATION

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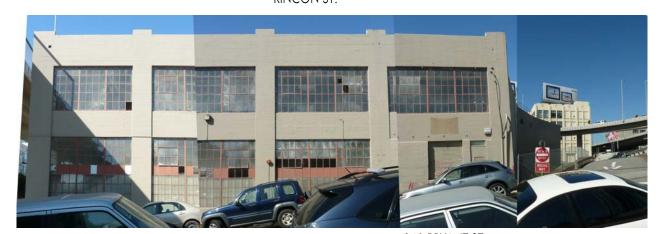
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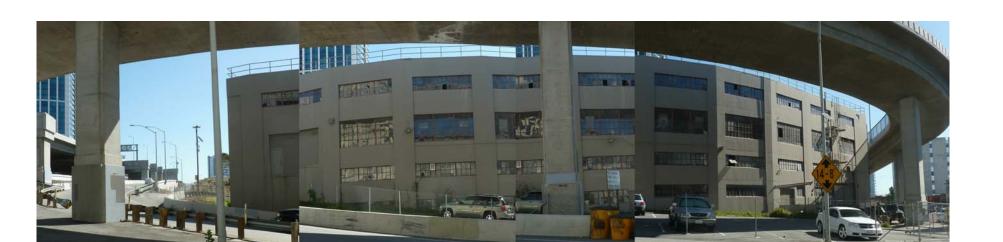
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PHOTOMONTAGE - VIEW OF SOUTHWEST CORNER OF 340 BRYANT SHOWING NEW SIGNAGE, NEW ENTRIES, AND NEW STOREFRONT WINDOWS AT ENTRY LEVEL.

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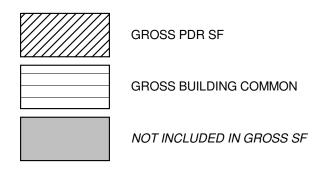


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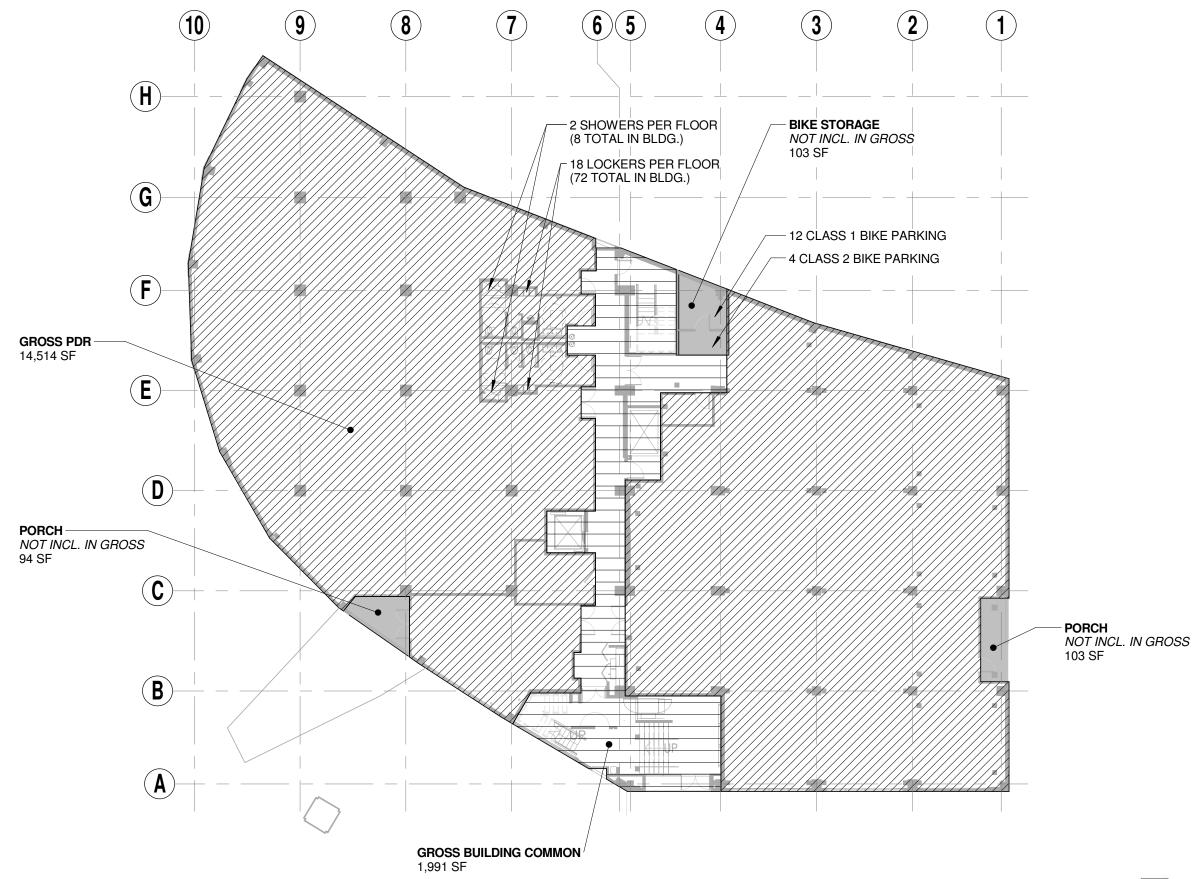
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LEVEL 1 - GROSS SF



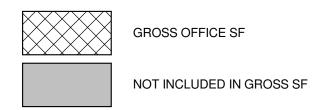
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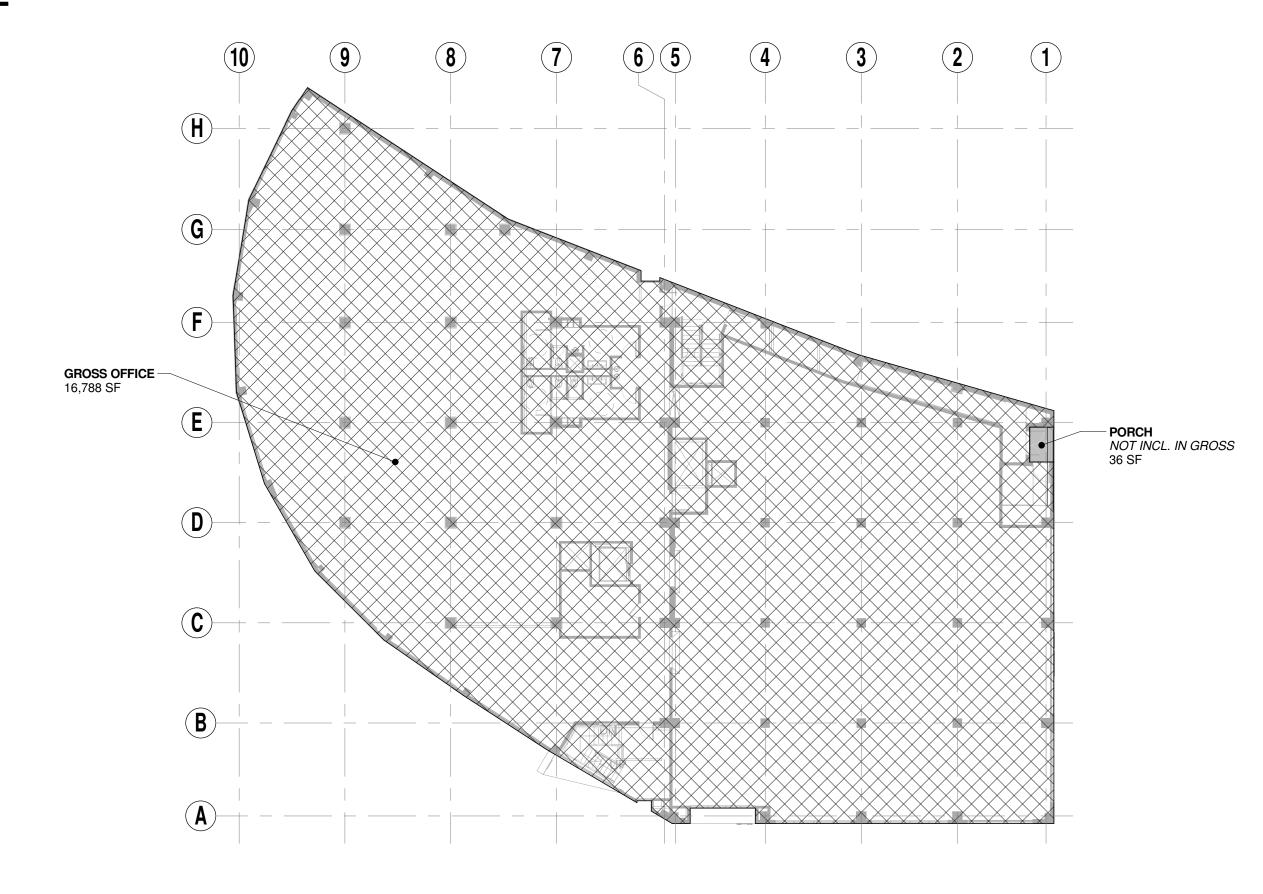
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3RD FLOOR GROSS SF	16,877 SF
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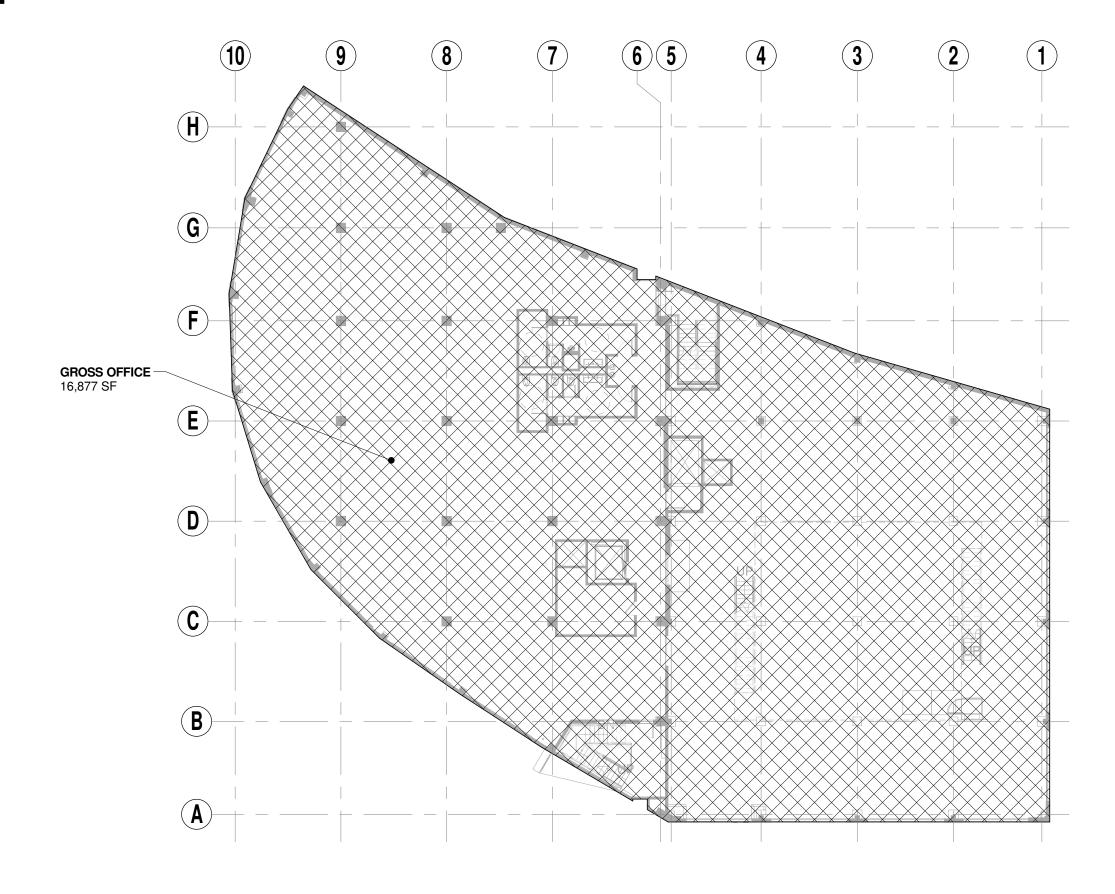
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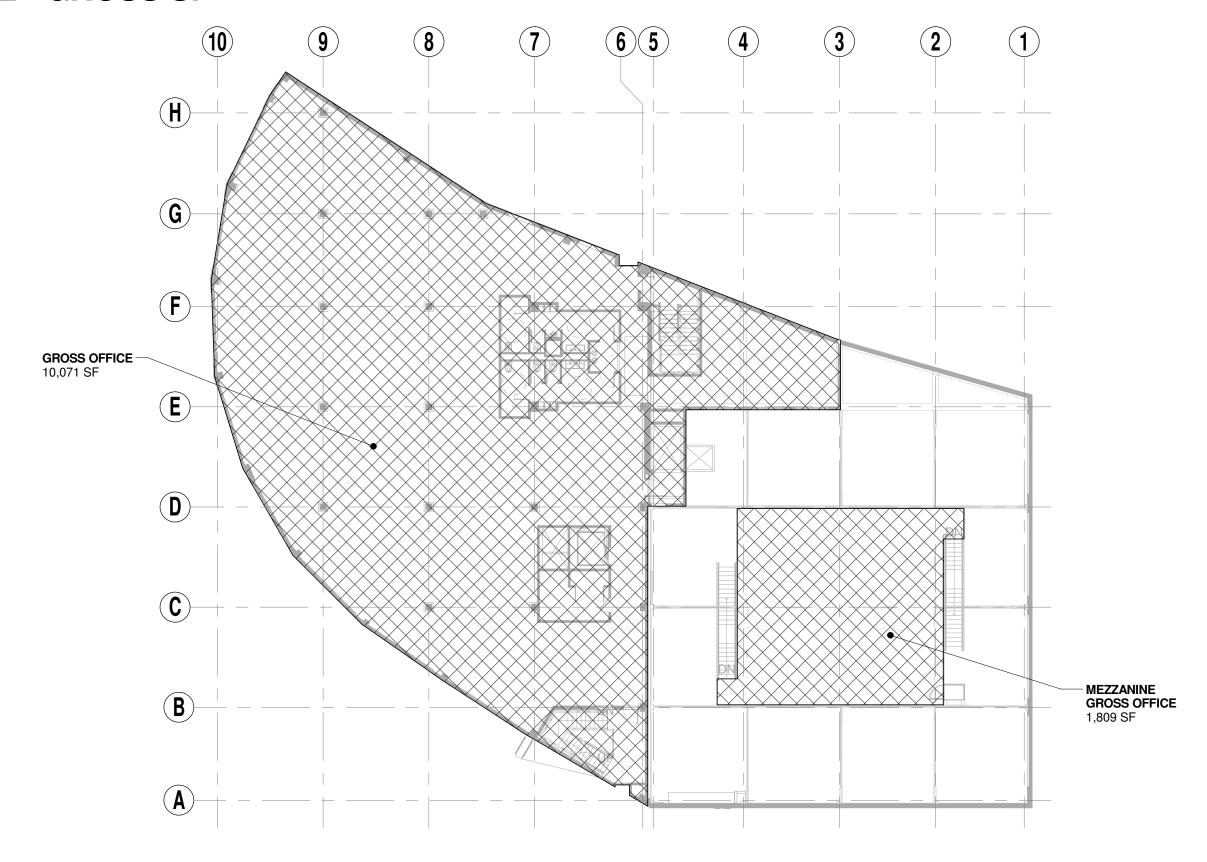






LEVEL 4 + MEZZANINE - GROSS SF







ROOF DECK - GROSS SF

