



# SAN FRANCISCO PLANNING DEPARTMENT

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## Memo to the Planning Commission AUGUST 2, 2017

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### BACKGROUND

The current California legislative session includes a large number of housing-related bills. The City Planning Commission (Commission) requested a hearing for May 11<sup>th</sup>, 2017 to better understand how these bills might impact housing policy and land use. The Planning Department (Department) prepared the original version of this memo for the presentation to the Commission at that hearing. Due to changes in the content of the bills and recent votes in both legislative houses, the Department has decided to update this memo to help Commissioners and the public with tracking the bills' potential impacts.

The proposed bills address the state's housing crisis in varied ways including housing funding, housing approvals, and data collection. The Department has chosen to focus on bills related to the work of the Commission in three broad areas: 1) Ensuring Housing Production, 2) Housing Data Reporting, and 3) Inclusionary Housing and Rent Control. Given the large volume of housing-related legislation this report focuses on bills that we think could have significant impacts on housing and land use planning statewide and in San Francisco. The Mayor's Office of Housing and Community Development (MOHCD) may provide an update on the content of the fiscally-oriented housing bills at a later time.

### LEGISLATIVE STEPS

Please note that the State Senate and Assembly are currently on summer recess. No changes can occur to the bills until after the state legislature reconvenes on August 21st. In July, Governor Jerry Brown and legislative leaders announced that they were postponing a vote on a package of bills until congress is reconvened in August.<sup>1</sup> A joint statement issued by Governor Edmund G. Brown Jr., Senate President pro Tempore Kevin de León and Assembly Speaker Anthony Rendon said:

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<sup>1</sup> Dillon, Liam. "Governor Jerry Brown, California legislative leaders commit to push an affordable housing plan next month", Los Angeles Times, July 17, 2017. Retrieved on August 1, 2017 from: <http://www.latimes.com/politics/essential/la-pol-ca-essential-politics-updates-governor-legislative-leaders-commit-to-1500335008-htm1story.html>

“Astronomical housing costs are straining family budgets and stressing employees who can’t afford to live where they work. That’s unacceptable, and it’s why the affordable housing crisis has been one of our top priorities.

“The package of legislation we are all working on will help ensure Californians won’t have to pay an arm and a leg to have a roof over their head. It will include a general obligation bond, a permanent funding source for affordable housing and regulatory reform. This comprehensive approach does what’s long been needed in California – build new homes and improve access to housing. We look forward to finalizing this package upon return from summer recess.”<sup>2</sup>

The specific bills contained in the package have not yet been disclosed.

## BILL SUMMARIES

This report reviews proposed housing bills as grouped into three categories: 1) Ensuring Housing Production; 2) Housing Data Reporting; and 3) Inclusionary Housing and Rent Control.

### 1. Ensuring Housing Production

**SB 35**, introduced by Senator Scott Weiner, would provide streamlining of housing approvals during a housing shortage. The bill would require cities to report annually to the state on housing approvals and production including data on affordability, tenure type, and progress toward meeting regional housing needs assessment (RHNA) targets. The bill would require the state Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) to track performance on housing approvals and production over reporting periods covering the first and second halves of the eight year RHNA cycle. A jurisdiction that has not met RHNA goals over a reporting period would be required over the next reporting period to offer a streamlined, ministerial approval process that would not be subject to conditional use permits if developments meet certain criteria:

- In jurisdictions that have not met RHNA goals for above-moderate income housing approvals in the prior reporting period, all code-complying housing developments would be streamlined. Developments with over 10 units would need to meet local inclusionary affordable housing requirements or, if there is no local requirement, make 10% of units affordable for Low Income households earning 80% of Area Median Income (AMI). San Francisco appears has met RHNA goals for above moderate income housing in recent RHNA reporting periods. For this reason, staff anticipates that above-moderate housing projects would not be streamlined in San Francisco.
- In jurisdictions that have not met RHNA goals for production of housing affordable to Low Income households in the prior reporting period, code-complying developments with 50% or more of units affordable to Low income households would be streamlined. San Francisco generally has not been able to meet RHNA goals for this income category. For this reason, staff anticipates that these below-market-rate housing projects would be streamlined in San Francisco.

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<sup>2</sup> Governor Edmund G. Brown Jr., Senate President pro Tempore Kevin de León and Assembly Speaker Anthony Rendon. “Governor Brown, Senate President pro Tempore and Assembly Speaker Issue Statement on Housing” July 17, 2017. Retrieved on August 1, 2017 from: <https://www.gov.ca.gov/news.php?id=19878>

- Developments must include two or more multifamily units and be at least two thirds residential.
- Developments need to be consistent with objective zoning standards and objective design review standards in effect at the time that the development is submitted.
- Developments must be located in a census-designated urbanized area or urban cluster or on a site where 75% of the perimeter adjoins developed urban uses.
- Developments must not demolish rent-controlled units, income-targeted affordable units, residential units occupied within the last 10 years, or a historic structure placed on a national, state, or local register.
- Developments must pay at least prevailing wage to all construction workers.

**SB 35 Status:** *Passed by the Senate, passed by Assembly Local Government and Housing and Community Development Committees, referred to Assembly Rules Committee.*

**AB 72**, introduced by Assembly Members Miguel Santiago and David Chiu, would task the state's Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) with assessing compliance with housing element law and other statutes meant to encourage housing production, housing affordability, and equitable planning. The bill would authorize HCD to notify the state's Attorney General that jurisdictions are out of compliance with state housing law. The bill specifically addresses compliance with the [Housing Accountability Act](#)<sup>3</sup>, [Housing Element Inventory statute](#)<sup>4</sup>, [Density Bonus Law & Other Incentives](#)<sup>5</sup>, and [Anti-discrimination Statute for Environmental Justice in Planning & Land Use](#)<sup>6</sup>.

**AB 72 Status:** *Passed by the Assembly, passed by the Senate Committees on Transportation and Housing and Appropriations.*

**AB 73**, introduced by Assembly Member David Chiu, would allow cities to create housing sustainability districts that would facilitate approval of housing developments and would allow cities to apply to the state Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) for zoning incentive payments of a still undefined amount. The payments would be based on the number of units in the district and depend on 1) approval of the district by HCD and a completed EIR and 2) issued permits for housing development. The District requirements would include:

- A limit of 15% of a city's land area per district and up to 30% of land area in all districts.
- Prevailing wage paid to workers on projects of 10 or more units within the district.
- At least 20% of new units must be affordable to very low, low, or moderate income households.

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<sup>3</sup> Housing Accountability Act, as defined by Section 65589.5 of the CA Government Code available at:

[http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/codes\\_displaySection.xhtml?lawCode=GOV&sectionNum=65589.5](http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/codes_displaySection.xhtml?lawCode=GOV&sectionNum=65589.5)

<sup>4</sup> Housing Element Inventory statute, as defined by Section 65863 of the CA Government Code available at:

[http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/codes\\_displaySection.xhtml?lawCode=GOV&sectionNum=65863](http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/codes_displaySection.xhtml?lawCode=GOV&sectionNum=65863)

<sup>5</sup> Density Bonus Law & Other Incentives, as defined by Section 65915 of the CA Government Code available at:

[https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/codes\\_displaySection.xhtml?lawCode=GOV&sectionNum=65915](https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/codes_displaySection.xhtml?lawCode=GOV&sectionNum=65915)

<sup>6</sup> Anti-discrimination Statute for Environmental Justice in Planning & Land Use, as defined by Section 65008 of the CA Government Code available at: Code [http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/codes\\_displaySection.xhtml?lawCode=GOV&sectionNum=65008](http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/codes_displaySection.xhtml?lawCode=GOV&sectionNum=65008)

- Replacement of income-targeted affordable or rent-controlled units demolished in the district.
- Eligible districts must have access to transit and other infrastructure.
- Ministerial approval for complying housing developments in the district.
- A written decision on an application for a residential development permit within a housing sustainability district must be issued within 120 days of submittal unless the applicant and approving authority agree to extend the time frame.
- Housing developments that meet all specified requirements of the housing sustainability district will not be subject to CEQA as long as the district has been approved by OPR and that has a completed EIR
- An ability to charge project fees to pay for the costs of planning and administering the district.
- Adoption of design review standards to facilitate project approval and quality design.
- Annual monitoring by HCD.

**AB 73 Status:** *Passed by the Assembly, Passed by Senate Committees on Transportation and Housing, Environmental Quality, Governance and Finance, and Appropriations.*

**SB 166**, introduced by Senator Nancy Skinner, would add to existing requirements that jurisdictions identify housing sites in their housing element sufficient to accommodate their share of RHNA by requiring that jurisdictions make written findings on development of sites that produced fewer units by income level than identified in the housing element. If the jurisdiction reduces residential density, allows development at a lower residential density than originally assumed, or permits development with fewer units by income level than identified for that parcel in the housing element, the jurisdiction will need to comply with the following:

- A reduction must be consistent with the adopted general plan, including the housing element.
- If the remaining sites identified in the housing element can accommodate the jurisdiction's share of RHNA, the jurisdiction must provide a quantification of remaining unmet need at each income level and remaining capacity of identified sites to accommodate that need by income level.
- If the remaining sites in the housing element cannot accommodate the jurisdiction's share of RHNA, the jurisdiction must identify sufficient additional, adequate, and available sites with equal or greater residential density so that there is no net loss of residential unit capacity.
- If a development approval results in fewer units by income level than identified for that parcel in the housing element and the jurisdiction does not find that remaining identified sites are adequate to accommodate its share of RHNA by income level, the jurisdiction is required to identify and make available additional adequate sites to accommodate its share of RHNA by income level within 180 days.

This bill would require work on the part of the Planning Department to track development of identified sites relative to unit production by income level and to identify additional sites if necessary.

**SB 166 Status:** *Passed by the Senate, passed by the Assembly Committees on Local Government and Housing and Community Development and re-referred to the Rules Committee.*

**SB 167** introduced by Senator Nancy Skinner, is essentially identical to **AB 678** introduced by Assembly Member Raul Bocanegra. Both bills would strengthen the Housing Accountability Act by setting new standards for jurisdictions that disapprove or impose density reductions or conditions on a housing development that otherwise complies with a local zoning ordinance and general plan. These standards would include the following:

- Shifts requirement to “preponderance” of the evidence from “substantial” evidence in the record to support the jurisdiction’s action.
- The preponderance of the evidence would have to show a specific, adverse impact on public health or safety and would have to show that there is not a satisfactory method other than the disapproval, reduction in density, or imposition of conditions to mitigate or avoid the adverse impact.
- Requires local agencies to issue written findings in case of disapproval, reduction in density, or imposition of conditions on otherwise compliant projects and shifts burden to local legislative body.
- Allows legal recourse for projects that have been inappropriately disapproved or where density has been reduced.
- Allows for imposition of a fine when jurisdictions do not respond to court rulings against the disapproval, reduction in density, or imposition of conditions. These fines would fund affordable housing.

**SB 167 Status:** Passed by the Senate, Passed by the Assembly Committees on Housing and Community Development and Local Government and re-referred to Rules Committee.

**SB 540**, introduced by Senator Richard Roth, authorizes cities to create Workforce Housing Opportunity Zones that would include an EIR, with identified mitigation measures, and adoption of a specific plan which would facilitate housing approvals. The bill would:

- Allow jurisdictions to apply to HCD for no-interest loan to cover costs of creating the plan and completing the EIR and to charge a development fee to repay the loan.
- Limit the number of total units and the percentage of RHNA allocation that could be located within a zone.
- Require that 50% of all housing built or rehabilitated within the zone be affordable to low and moderate income households with 30% of units affordable at moderate income, 15% of units affordable at low income, and 5 % of units affordable to very low income households.
- Expedite approval for five years after the adoption of the plan for housing developments that comply with the plan including objective design standards and required mitigation measures.
- Require that housing developments that are primarily affordable to above moderate income households to make 10% of units affordable units or, if there is a local inclusionary requirement that is higher than 10%, the local requirement applies.
- Require qualifying developments in the zone to pay at least prevailing wage to construction workers.

**SB 540 Status:** Passed by the Senate, passed by the Assembly Committees on Local Government and Natural Resources and re-referred to the Appropriations Committee.

**AB 932**, introduced by Assembly Member Phil Ting, would permit San Francisco along with Emeryville, Los Angeles, Oakland, or San Diego to declare a “shelter crisis” which would allow these jurisdictions to adopt by ordinance “reasonable local standards and procedures for the design, site development, and operation of homeless shelters” including health and safety standards in lieu of compliance with state or local law to the extent that strict compliance with state and local laws and standards would prevent mitigation of the crisis. During the crisis, requirements that homeless shelters must be consistent with local land use plans, including the general plan, would be suspended. These jurisdictions would similarly be able to adopt by ordinance “reasonable local building, planning, and zoning standards and procedures for the design, site development, and operation of permanent supportive housing” in lieu of compliance with state and local standards and laws. Permanent supportive housing would not be exempt from local land use plans.

Jurisdictions that declare a shelter crisis would need to develop a plan by July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2019 to address the crisis. The plan would need to address the development of homeless shelters and permanent supportive housing. Beginning on January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2019 and continuing annually until January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2021 a jurisdiction declaring a shelter emergency would need to report to the Senate and Assembly on the status of the effort to address homelessness as indicated by specific criteria.

**AB 932 Status:** *Passed by the Assembly, passed by the Senate Committees on Transportation and Housing and Judiciary and re-referred to Appropriations Committee with recommendation to consent calendar.*

**AB 1397**, introduced by Assembly Member Evan Low, would strengthen housing element law to ensure that properties included in the inventory of potential housing development sites have a realistic chance of being developed. The bill would specifically include the following requirements:

- Properties in the inventory of housing development sites would have to be listed by parcel number.
- Sites included in the inventory of properties that can accommodate housing development would need to have “realistic and demonstrated” potential for housing development.
- Sites included in the housing element that are currently zoned for non-residential use must allow redevelopment for residential use or be part of a program to rezone for residential use.
- Parcels included in the inventory must have sufficient sewer, water, and dry utilities to support housing development or must be part of “a general plan program or other mandatory program or plan, including a program or plan of a public or private entity providing water or sewer service to secure sufficient water, sewer, and dry utilities ... to support housing development.”
- Sites included in the inventory would have to be analyzed to show that they can accommodate a portion of the jurisdiction’s share of regional housing need by income level.
- Non-vacant sites included in two or more consecutive planning periods where housing development has not been approved could not be deemed appropriate to accommodate a portion of the jurisdictions housing need for low income households unless the site is zoned to meet

minimum residential density standards and is part of a program to allow housing use by right if a minimum of 20% of units are affordable to Lower income households.

- Jurisdictions including sites of ½ an acre or less or site of 10 acres or more would have to demonstrate that development has successfully occurred on such sites in the past.
- The methodology for identifying sites for housing development would have to demonstrate that an existing use on non-vacant sites is not an impediment to housing development, including past experience with converting existing uses to higher density residential development.
- Housing development that results in the demolition of a unit targeted to low income households, serving low income households, or subject to rent control would have to be replaced with a unit of equal or lower affordability. This requirement would apply to housing developments built on sites where units meeting this criteria have been vacant or were demolished in the last 5 years.

San Francisco currently meets the requirement to identify sufficient sites to accommodate its share of regional housing needs through an analysis of all parcels in the city. The analysis assesses current development on each site relative to zoned capacity to identify sites with significant residential development potential. Many of the requirements of AB 1397 could likely be met by including additional analysis of recent developments to show that (1) sites of a variety of sizes have been redeveloped as housing, (2) that non-vacant sites with non-residential uses also have been redeveloped as housing, and (3) that income-targeted affordable housing has been developed on these types of sites.

While most provisions of the bill could likely be addressed with relatively limited amounts of staff time there are a few requirements that could require more staff time or action by the Commission. An example is the requirement that sites that have been included in housing element inventories over consecutive planning periods without seeing housing approvals could only be included in another inventory as accommodating housing for lower income households if residential use is allowed by right for housing developments that provide at least 20% of units as affordable to low income households. This provision of the bill could require additional analysis by staff and potentially action by the Commission.

**AB 1397 Status:** *Passed by the Assembly, passed by Senate Committees on Transportation and Housing and Appropriations with recommendation to pass.*

**AB 1515**, introduced by Assembly Member Tom Daly, would strengthen the Housing Accountability Act and is meant to work in concert with SB 167 (and/or AB 678). The primary impact of the bill is that a housing development or emergency shelter would be deemed consistent, compliant, and in conformity with an applicable plan, program, policy, ordinance, standard, requirement, or other similar provision if there is substantial evidence that would allow a reasonable person to conclude that the housing development or emergency shelter is consistent, compliant, or in conformity, pursuant to the Housing Accountability Act.

**AB 1515 Status:** *Passed by the Assembly, passed by the Senate Transportation and Housing Committee and re-referred to Rules Committee.*

## **2. Housing Data Reporting**

**AB 1423**, introduced by Assembly Member David Chiu, would extend the collection of housing-related data to include charter cities. Existing law exempts charter cities from certain reporting requirements for housing production in relation to need, as defined by RHNA. As one of more than 120 charter cities in California, San Francisco is currently exempted from reporting certain housing data to HCD and OPR. San Francisco voluntarily reports data because this data provides a critical resource for both the public and decision-makers to track regional housing outcomes and develop housing goals and policies. In addition, reporting data to the state increases eligibility to receive state funding for housing and open space. In April, the San Francisco Committee on State Legislation voted “support” in order to facilitate housing policy decisions and enforcement of housing related law.

**AB 1423 Status:** *Passed by the Assembly.*

**AB 1156**, introduced by Assembly Member Phil Ting, has been updated to require that housing elements include reporting on the number of households paying 30% and 50% or more in housing costs. Originally the bill would have required that Annual Housing Element Progress Reports include a listing of sites rezoned to accommodate that portion of the city or county’s share of RHNA for each income level that cannot be accommodated on the sites identified in the inventory required by existing Housing Element law.

**AB 1156 Status:** *Passed by Assembly.*

## **3. Inclusionary Housing and Rent Control**

**AB 1505**, introduced by Assembly Member Richard Bloom along with Assembly Member David Chiu and Assembly Member Todd Gloria (Senator Scott Weiner and Assembly Member Phil Ting are listed as coauthors), would provide the much-awaited “Palmer Fix”. The Costa-Hawkins Rental Housing Act (1995) prevents the city from placing rent control on new construction, condominiums, tenancy-in-commons, or single family homes. The Palmer decision (2009) expanded the applicability of Costa Hawkins to apply to rents on new affordable units in new rental developments. Taken together, Costa Hawkins and the Palmer decision present a significant challenge to the ability of California cities to create new affordable, rental housing. This bill would restore the ability of local jurisdictions to require inclusionary rental housing on site but otherwise would not change Costa-Hawkins.

**AB 1505 Status:** *Passed by the Assembly, passed by Senate Transportation and Housing Committee with recommendation to pass.*

**AB 1506**, introduced by Assembly Member Richard Bloom, Assembly Member David Chiu, and Assembly Member Rob Bonta, would completely repeal the Costa-Hawkins Rental Housing Act that limits application of local rent control on new construction, condominiums, tenancy-in-commons, or single family homes. The repeal of Costa-Hawkins would restore cities' ability to impose rent-control on all housing types and would also restore vacancy control, allowing cities to restrict how much rents can rise upon vacancy. This bill has much broader implications than the limited changes in AB 1505, which is targeted specifically at restoring cities' ability to require inclusionary rental units.

**AB 1506 Status:** *Referred to Assembly Housing and Community Development Committee.*

**AB 915**, introduced by Assembly Member Phil Ting, would require the City and County of San Francisco to subject all of the units in new developments to the city's affordable inclusionary percentage requirement. This bill would specify that "bonus units" within projects that utilize the state density bonus law are subject to inclusionary requirements unless specifically exempted by the City and County. The bill would not apply to housing developments with an application submitted or processed before January 1, 2018.

**AB 915 Status:** *Passed by the Assembly, passed by the Senate Transportation and Housing Committee with recommendation to pass.*

#### **REQUIRED COMMISSION ACTION**

None. This memo is informational only.

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**Date:** Tuesday, August 01, 2017 6:11:23 PM  
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**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:**

Tuesday, August 1, 2017

Contact: Mayor's Office of Communications, 415-554-6131

**\*\*\* MEDIA ADVISORY \*\*\***

**MAYOR EDWIN M. LEE'S SCHEDULE OF PUBLIC EVENTS FOR  
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 2, 2017**

Mayor Lee has no public events.

*Note: Mayor's schedule is subject to change.*

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**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:**

Wednesday, August 2, 2017

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**\*\*\* MEDIA ADVISORY \*\*\***

**MAYOR EDWIN M. LEE'S SCHEDULE OF PUBLIC EVENTS FOR  
THURSDAY, AUGUST 3, 2017**

Mayor Lee has no public events.

*Note: Mayor's schedule is subject to change.*

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**From:** [Secretary, Commissions \(CPC\)](#)  
**To:** [Gerber, Patricia \(CPC\)](#)  
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**Subject:** FW: ACA comments on SFPUC Alameda Creek Recapture Project  
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SF Planning Commissioners:

Attached please find comments of the Alameda Creek Alliance on the SFPUC's Alameda Creek Recapture Project.

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**From:** Tsang, Francis  
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**Subject:** Commission Update for Week of July 31, 2017

Colleagues,

Please find a memo attached that outlines items before commissions and boards for this week. Let me know if you have any questions or concerns.

Thanks!  
Francis

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**Subject:** Memo for the Commission During Their Recess

Dear Jonas,

As discussed, pls distribute the attached memo to the Planning Commission and public. This memo is a follow-up to the Commission's May 11, 2017 hearing on pending state legislation pertaining to housing. This memo is not associated with any upcoming hearing, but is offered in response to their request to be periodically updated. As the governor and leaders of the state legislature have announced their intent to prioritize housing after recess, an update to the Commission is timely.

Thank you,

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Please see the attached comments on the above development.

Patrick Medlock

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**From:** [Jonin, Jonas \(CPC\)](#)  
**To:** [Johnson, Christine \(CPC\)](#); [Richards, Dennis \(CPC\)](#); [Koppel, Joel \(CPC\)](#); [Moore, Kathrin \(CPC\)](#); [Melgar, Myrna \(CPC\)](#); [Rich Hillis](#); [Rodney Fong](#)  
**Cc:** [Gerber, Patricia \(CPC\)](#); [Gordon-Jonckheer, Elizabeth \(CPC\)](#)  
**Subject:** FW: Appeal to planning project on 1965 Market Street  
**Date:** Monday, August 14, 2017 10:34:45 AM

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**From:** 崔益強 [mailto:tsui9908@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** Sunday, August 13, 2017 11:07 AM  
**To:** Ionin, Jonas (CPC)  
**Subject:** Appeal to planning project on 1965 Market Street

Dear Commissioner Of San Francisco  
Planning Commission:

Global warming, pollution, water poison thru chemical waste, traffic congestion....these are just a few of the environmental hazards to mankind that caused by construction.

Rumors has it San Francisco mayor makes money from helping developers getting richer!

I trust the Commissioner does not make money from approving building projects such as the 8 story building will be builded at the corner of 1965 Market Street and 225 Duboce.

I further believe the Commissioner does not have any relatives, friends, will benefit from 1965 Market Street 8 story building project.

San Francisco does not need another high rise building, please allow this street corner to remain the same, as a neighborhood landmark, just like the Mint!

To keep this street corner remain the same, will not harm anybody, unlike the 8 story building planning commission is working to approve, it indeed will bring harm to the environment, it will bring harm to the people live and work in this neighborhood.

To keep this street corner remain the same, when you are planning to put in a park to allow residents and workers, including the good people working at the Mint, have a nice calm place to sit, to take lunch break, to have family and children to ride tricycles, to have some green trees to help the air pollutions.

You, the Commissioner, the head, the leader of Planning Commission will be remembered, will be thanked, I personally will make sure the residents and the workers alike will sing and praise your name, and your team members' names.

Rather than having people thinking you probably benefits from approving this project, and forever add to the harm of environmental problems caused by constructions.

For the greater good of mankind, please reject the planning project of 8 story building on 1965 Market Street.

Thank you for your time and construction

Sincerely

Yi Chiang Tsui

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**Cc:** [Gerber, Patricia \(CPC\)](#)  
**Subject:** FW: SF Cannabis Retail Alliance letter opposing proposed MCD moratorium  
**Date:** Monday, August 14, 2017 10:34:22 AM  
**Attachments:** [Cannabis Retail Alliance anti-moratorium letter.pdf](#)

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**From:** John Delaplane [mailto:johnny@access-sf.org]  
**Sent:** Monday, August 14, 2017 9:29 AM  
**To:** Breed, London (BOS); Roxas, Samantha (BOS); Lloyd, Kayleigh (BOS); Howerton, Michael (BOS); Farrell, Mark (BOS); Karunaratne, Kanishka (BOS); Kelly, Margaux (BOS); Montejano, Jess (BOS); Kim, Jane (BOS); Duong, Noelle (BOS); Lopez, Barbara (BOS); Ronen, Hillary; Goossen, Carolyn (BOS); Morales, Carolina (BOS); Allbee, Nate; Sheehy, Jeff (BOS); Jones, Justin (BOS); Spero, David (BOS); Barnes, Bill (BOS); Yee, Norman (BOS); Maybaum, Erica (BOS); Choy, Jarlene (BOS); Low, Jen (BOS); Cohen, Malia (BOS); Chan, Yoyo (BOS); Chicuata, Brittini (BOS); Kittler, Sophia (BOS); Fewer, Sandra (BOS); Boilard, Chelsea (BOS); Pagoulatos, Nick (BOS); Yu, Angelina (BOS); Peskin, Aaron (BOS); Angulo, Sunny (BOS); Hepner, Lee (BOS); Rubenstein, Beth (BOS); Safai, Ahsha (BOS); Lee, Judy (BOS); Meyer, Catherine (BOS); Sandoval, Suhagey (BOS); Tang, Katy (BOS); Summers, Ashley (BOS); Law, Ray (BOS); Lee, Mayor (MYR); Rahaim, John (CPC); Garcia, Barbara (DPH); Chawla, Colleen (DPH); Calvillo, Angela (BOS); Ionin, Jonas (CPC); DPH Cannabis Taskforce; Tugbenyoh, Mawuli (MYR)  
**Subject:** SF Cannabis Retail Alliance letter opposing proposed MCD moratorium

Honorable Planning Commissioners, Mayor, and Supervisors,

Attached and below is a letter from the San Francisco Cannabis Retail Alliance (SFCRA). We are a group of MCD operators and applicants employing hundreds of San Franciscans. We respectfully oppose the proposed moratorium on medical cannabis dispensaries.

Sincerely,

The Founding Members of the San Francisco Cannabis Retail Alliance

The Apothecarium  
BASA  
Cookies SF  
Weedsmith  
Access SF  
NUG  
Pharmacon  
Connected SF  
Vapor Room

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August 11, 2017

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

Re: Proposed MCD Moratorium & Pipeline Applicants

Dear Planning Commissioners,

We absolutely understand that the regulations regarding Medical Cannabis Dispensary applications need improvement, and we are eager to work with you and the Board of Supervisors on new legislation regarding cannabis uses in San Francisco. We agree that medical, and particularly adult use, cannabis regulations should be carefully crafted to respect neighborhood character, provide for controlled growth, and foster opportunity and equity. Please bring us to the table in this process.

We are, however, adamantly opposed to any kind of moratorium on pending MCD applicants. A moratorium will only harm patients, reducing access for the thousands of San Franciscans—many of them suffering from MS, PTSD, chronic pain, or HIV—who depend on medical cannabis. As Supervisor Jeff Sheehy said in his July 24 letter opposing the moratorium, MCD patients “are among the most vulnerable San Franciscans.” The City should be seeking to help them, not make their access to medicine even more difficult.

A moratorium will also exacerbate equity and diversity concerns, undermining our shared goals. Existing MCD operators and applicants with extensive financial resources will survive a moratorium. But small MCD applicants, many of whom are San Francisco locals with limited means, cannot shoulder protracted carrying and lease costs and will be seriously jeopardized.

Both former Board of Supervisors President Aaron Peskin and current President London Breed stated very clearly at the Board meeting on July 25 that scheduled pipeline MCD projects should be given a fair hearing regardless of what may happen with a proposed moratorium.

**Supervisor Peskin:**

“I have not seen the proposed legislation but I think it’s very important

that anybody who has a scheduled hearing before the effective date of the interim controls who has a hearing scheduled at Planning is given that hearing and that...the Planning Commission, as much as I respect all seven of those individuals, [doesn't] say: 'We're just going to wait for the Board of Supervisors to act.' So this is my statement on the record that anything that has been calendared that is before the Planning Commission should be either approved on the merits or rejected on the merits by the Planning Commission, but they should not continue those during the month of August."

**President Breed:**

"I do agree with Supervisor Peskin that if there are people who have hearings that are already scheduled, they should be able to move forward and this [legislation] should not impact them."

We are eager to work with you on improved cannabis regulations in San Francisco. But we ask you to **please reject any moratorium and, as members of the Board of Supervisors have clearly stated, please respect the pipeline applications and provide them fair hearings**. These applicants have devoted months of hard work and thousands of dollars toward their projects. The City has consistently accommodated pipeline projects when making major changes in regulations, for example with the Transportation Sustainability Fee or 2016's Proposition C on inclusionary housing. We ask for the same consideration here.

Thank you for your service to San Francisco. We stand ready to assist your efforts.

Sincerely,

The Members of the San Francisco Cannabis Retail Alliance

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Mayor Ed Lee  
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SF Cannabis Legalization Task Force

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**Cc:** [Gerber, Patricia \(CPC\)](#); [Son, Chanbory \(CPC\)](#)  
**Subject:** FW: Commission Update for Week of August 14, 2017  
**Date:** Monday, August 14, 2017 10:32:56 AM  
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**Sent:** Monday, August 14, 2017 9:51 AM  
**To:** Tsang, Francis  
**Subject:** Commission Update for Week of August 14, 2017

Colleagues,

Please find a memo attached that outlines items before commissions and boards for this week. Let me know if you have any questions or concerns.

Thanks!  
Francis

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**Cc:** [Gerber, Patricia \(CPC\)](#); [Gordon-Jonckheer, Elizabeth \(CPC\)](#)  
**Subject:** FW: Appeal to planning project on 1965 Market Street  
**Date:** Friday, August 11, 2017 11:17:36 AM  
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**Sent:** Friday, August 11, 2017 11:12 AM  
**To:** Ionin, Jonas (CPC); [commissionsecretary@sfgov.org](mailto:commissionsecretary@sfgov.org); Callagy, Alana (CPC)  
**Subject:** Appeal to planning project on 1965 Market Street

Dear Secretary Jonas Ionin:

Please kindly see attached letter, this is to urge the planning commission not to approve this project.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Respectfully,

Emily Tsui

**From:** [Ionin, Jonas \(CPC\)](#)  
**To:** [Johnson, Christine \(CPC\)](#); [Richards, Dennis \(CPC\)](#); [Koppel, Joel \(CPC\)](#); [Moore, Kathrin \(CPC\)](#); [Melgar, Myrna \(CPC\)](#); [Rich Hillis](#); [Rodney Fong](#)  
**Cc:** [Gerber, Patricia \(CPC\)](#); [Gordon-Jonckheer, Elizabeth \(CPC\)](#)  
**Subject:** FW: appeal to planning project on 1965 Market Street  
**Date:** Thursday, August 10, 2017 12:00:37 PM  
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**From:** MeiMei Hwang [mailto:[hwangmeimei@gmail.com](mailto:hwangmeimei@gmail.com)]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, August 09, 2017 4:20 PM  
**To:** Ionin, Jonas (CPC); [commissionsecretary@sfgov.org](mailto:commissionsecretary@sfgov.org); Callagy, Alana (CPC)  
**Subject:** appeal to planning project on 1965 Market Street

Dear Secretary Jonas Ionin:

Please kindly see attached letter, this is to urge the planning commission not to approve this project.

Thank you for your time and considerations.

Respectfully,

MeiMei Hwang

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**To:** [Johnson, Christine \(CPC\)](#); [Richards, Dennis \(CPC\)](#); [Koppel, Joel \(CPC\)](#); [Moore, Kathrin \(CPC\)](#); [Melgar, Myrna \(CPC\)](#); [Rich Hillis](#); [Rodney Fong](#)  
**Cc:** [Gerber, Patricia \(CPC\)](#)  
**Subject:** FW: Vapor Room SomBa support letter  
**Date:** Thursday, August 10, 2017 11:53:32 AM  
**Attachments:** [Support letter Vapor Room.pdf](#)

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**From:** Henry Karnilowicz [mailto:occexp@aol.com]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, August 09, 2017 8:45 PM  
**To:** Ionin, Jonas (CPC)  
**Cc:** stephanie@vaporroom.com; Kim, Jane (BOS); Foster, Nicholas (CPC)  
**Subject:** Vapor Room SomBa support letter

Hi Jonas,

Can you please pass the attached letter out to all the commissioners?

Thank you!

Kind regards,

**Henry Karnilowicz**  
President  
SomBa (South Of Market Business Association)

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**To:** [Johnson, Christine \(CPC\)](#); [Richards, Dennis \(CPC\)](#); [Koppel, Joel \(CPC\)](#); [Moore, Kathrin \(CPC\)](#); [Melgar, Myrna \(CPC\)](#); [Rich Hillis](#); [Rodney Fong](#)  
**Cc:** [Gerber, Patricia \(CPC\)](#); [Gordon-Jonckheer, Elizabeth \(CPC\)](#)  
**Subject:** FW: objection to planning project 1965 Market Street  
**Date:** Thursday, August 10, 2017 11:29:05 AM  
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**From:** MeiMei Hwang [mailto:[hwangmeimei@gmail.com](mailto:hwangmeimei@gmail.com)]  
**Sent:** Thursday, August 10, 2017 10:59 AM  
**To:** [commission.secretary@sfgov.org](mailto:commission.secretary@sfgov.org)  
**Cc:** Callagy, Alana (CPC); Ionin, Jonas (CPC)  
**Subject:** objection to planning project 1965 Market Street

Dear Secretary Ionin:

Please kindly see attached letter concerning my objection to the planning project for 1965 Market Street 8 story building.

Thank you for your time,

Respectfully,

MeiMei Hwang

**From:** [Secretary, Commissions \(CPC\)](#)  
**To:** [Johnson, Christine \(CPC\)](#); [Richards, Dennis \(CPC\)](#); [Koppel, Joel \(CPC\)](#); [Moore, Kathrin \(CPC\)](#); [Melgar, Myrna \(CPC\)](#); [Rich Hillis](#); [Rodney Fong](#)  
**Cc:** [Gerber, Patricia \(CPC\)](#); [Watty, Elizabeth \(CPC\)](#); [Joslin, Jeff \(CPC\)](#)  
**Subject:** FW: Letter to the Planning Commission from the Bayview Hunters Point Citizen Advisory Committee 8.9.17  
**Date:** Thursday, August 10, 2017 11:26:59 AM  
**Attachments:** [Letter to Planning Commission from BVHPCAC 8.9.17.pdf](#)

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**From:** Gallagher, Jack (ADM)  
**Sent:** Wednesday, August 09, 2017 6:10 PM  
**To:** Secretary, Commissions (CPC)  
**Cc:** Michael Hamman  
**Subject:** Letter to the Planning Commission from the Bayview Hunters Point Citizen Advisory Committee 8.9.17

Jonas,

As the Administrator for the Bayview Hunters Point Citizens Advisory Committee I have attached a letter from Committee Chair Michael Hamman representing the BVHPCAC and his fellow Committee Members. If you can please distribute the letter to Members of the Planning Commission it would be much appreciated.

If there are any questions regarding the letter please let me know.

Regards,

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**From:** [Secretary, Commissions \(CPC\)](#)  
**To:** [Foster, Nicholas \(CPC\)](#)  
**Cc:** [Gerber, Patricia \(CPC\)](#)  
**Subject:** FW: Public comment in support of Case No: 2017-002757DRM  
**Date:** Tuesday, August 08, 2017 12:40:00 PM

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**From:** chris roberts [mailto:cbloggy@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** Saturday, August 05, 2017 4:49 PM  
**To:** Moore, Kathrin (CPC); Melgar, Myrna (CPC); Koppel, Joel (CPC); Johnson, Christine (CPC);  
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(CPC)  
**Subject:** Public comment in support of Case No: 2017-002757DRM

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Nicholas Foster, Planner  
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Re: Vapor Room Cooperative Medical Cannabis Dispensary (MCD) Application  
Case No: 2017-002757DRM  
Project Address: 79 9th Street, San Francisco

VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL

Dear Commissioners --

I write to you, as a long-time San Franciscan, in full support of the Vapor Room Cooperative's application for an MCD permit at 79 9th Street.

In its nearly eight years in operation in the Lower Haight, the Vapor Room represented everything medical cannabis is supposed to be--a "compassionate" option for health and

wellness; a responsible, generous, and philanthropic-minded business; and a positive force in its community. The Vapor Room earned a reputation for accommodating low-income patients and military veterans and, noticeably and visibly, hired people of color from the community for key roles. It is not an exaggeration to say the Vapor Room was an institution, as vital a part of the fabric of the neighborhood as Memphis Minnie's, Kate's Kitchen, Noc-Noc, and Lower Playground.

To do this-- to be a community pillar while being a legal and visible taxpaying cannabis business, in an age when it was far safer and more profitable to break the law--founder Martin Olive and his team took a great risk. To this day, it is unclear how or why the federal Justice Department targeted the Vapor Room's landlord with the threat of asset forfeiture to effect its closure in 2012. What is clear is that the neighborhood lost a pillar business, the medical-cannabis community lost an exemplar role model, and everyone in San Francisco was the poorer for it.

I have been observing and monitoring the California medical-marijuana industry as a journalist for nearly a decade. In that time, medical cannabis has taken a sharp turn towards profit. Now, most entrepreneurs are focused on expanding their market, often at the expense of the people and communities cannabis is still supposed to serve.

I believe the Vapor Room's swift return to San Francisco will help correct this unfortunate shift.

Sincerely,  
Chris Roberts

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**Cc:** [Gerber, Patricia \(CPC\)](#); [Son, Chanbory \(CPC\)](#)  
**Subject:** FW: Commission Update for Week of August 7, 2017  
**Date:** Tuesday, August 08, 2017 12:00:18 PM  
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**From:** Tsang, Francis  
**Sent:** Monday, August 07, 2017 1:04 PM  
**To:** Tsang, Francis  
**Subject:** Commission Update for Week of August 7, 2017

Colleagues,

Please find a memo attached that outlines items before commissions and boards for this week. Let me know if you have any questions or concerns.

Thanks!  
Francis

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**To:** [MayorsPressOffice\\_MYR \(MYR\)](#)  
**Subject:** \*\*\* MEDIA ADVISORY \*\*\* MAYOR EDWIN M. LEE'S SCHEDULE OF PUBLIC EVENTS FOR  
**Date:** Thursday, August 03, 2017 6:12:22 PM  
**Attachments:** [8.4.17 Media Advisory.pdf](#)

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**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:**

Thursday, August 3, 2017

Contact: Mayor's Office of Communications, 415-554-6131

**\*\*\* MEDIA ADVISORY \*\*\***

**MAYOR EDWIN M. LEE'S SCHEDULE OF PUBLIC EVENTS FOR  
FRIDAY, AUGUST 4, 2017**

Mayor Lee has no public events.

*Note: Mayor's schedule is subject to change.*

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**From:** [MayorsPressOffice\\_MYR \(MYR\)](#)  
**To:** [MayorsPressOffice\\_MYR \(MYR\)](#)  
**Subject:** \*\*\* MEDIA ADVISORY \*\*\* MAYOR EDWIN M. LEE'S SCHEDULE OF PUBLIC EVENTS FOR  
**Date:** Wednesday, August 02, 2017 6:11:29 PM  
**Attachments:** [8.3.17 Media Advisory.pdf](#)

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**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:**

Wednesday, August 2, 2017

Contact: Mayor's Office of Communications, 415-554-6131

**\*\*\* MEDIA ADVISORY \*\*\***

**MAYOR EDWIN M. LEE'S SCHEDULE OF PUBLIC EVENTS FOR  
THURSDAY, AUGUST 3, 2017**

Mayor Lee has no public events.

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**To:** [Johnson, Christine \(CPC\)](#); [Richards, Dennis \(CPC\)](#); [Koppel, Joel \(CPC\)](#); [Moore, Kathrin \(CPC\)](#); [Melgar, Myrna \(CPC\)](#); [Rich Hillis](#); [Rodney Fong](#)  
**Cc:** [Gerber, Patricia \(CPC\)](#)  
**Subject:** FW: Memo for the Commission During Their Recess  
**Date:** Wednesday, August 02, 2017 4:43:35 PM  
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**From:** Rodgers, AnMarie (CPC)  
**Sent:** Wednesday, August 02, 2017 2:55 PM  
**To:** CTYPLN - COMMISSION SECRETARY  
**Cc:** Pappas, James (CPC)  
**Subject:** Memo for the Commission During Their Recess

Dear Jonas,

As discussed, pls distribute the attached memo to the Planning Commission and public. This memo is a follow-up to the Commission's May 11, 2017 hearing on pending state legislation pertaining to housing. This memo is not associated with any upcoming hearing, but is offered in response to their request to be periodically updated. As the governor and leaders of the state legislature have announced their intent to prioritize housing after recess, an update to the Commission is timely.

Thank you,

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**From:** [Secretary, Commissions \(CPC\)](#)  
**To:** [Gerber, Patricia \(CPC\)](#)  
**Cc:** [Kern, Chris \(CPC\)](#)  
**Subject:** FW: ACA comments on SFPUC Alameda Creek Recapture Project  
**Date:** Wednesday, August 02, 2017 10:31:05 AM  
**Attachments:** [ACA comment letter ACRP 8-2-17.pdf](#)

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**To:** Secretary, Commissions (CPC); richhillissf@yahoo.com; Richards, Dennis (CPC);  
planning@rodneymong.com; Johnson, Christine (CPC); Koppel, Joel (CPC); Melgar, Myrna (CPC); Moore,  
Kathrin (CPC)  
**Subject:** ACA comments on SFPUC Alameda Creek Recapture Project

SF Planning Commissioners:

Attached please find comments of the Alameda Creek Alliance on the SFPUC's Alameda Creek Recapture Project.

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**From:** [MayorsPressOffice\\_MYR \(MYR\)](#)  
**To:** [MayorsPressOffice\\_MYR \(MYR\)](#)  
**Subject:** \*\*\* MEDIA ADVISORY \*\*\* MAYOR EDWIN M. LEE'S SCHEDULE OF PUBLIC EVENTS FOR WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 2, 2017  
**Date:** Tuesday, August 01, 2017 6:11:23 PM  
**Attachments:** [8.2.17 Media Advisory.pdf](#)

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**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:**

Tuesday, August 1, 2017

Contact: Mayor's Office of Communications, 415-554-6131

**\*\*\* MEDIA ADVISORY \*\*\***

**MAYOR EDWIN M. LEE'S SCHEDULE OF PUBLIC EVENTS FOR  
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 2, 2017**

Mayor Lee has no public events.

*Note: Mayor's schedule is subject to change.*

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**From:** [Ionin, Jonas \(CPC\)](#)  
**To:** [Johnson, Christine \(CPC\)](#); [Richards, Dennis \(CPC\)](#); [Koppel, Joel \(CPC\)](#); [Moore, Kathrin \(CPC\)](#); [Melgar, Myrna \(CPC\)](#); [Rich Hillis](#); [Rodney Fong](#); [Aaron Jon Hyland - HPC](#); [Andrew Wolfram \(andrew@tefarch.com\)](#); [Diane Matsuda](#); [Ellen Johnck - HPC](#); [Jonathan Pearlman](#); [Karl Hasz](#); [Richard S. E. Johns](#)  
**Cc:** [Gerber, Patricia \(CPC\)](#); [Son, Chanbory \(CPC\)](#)  
**Subject:** FW: Commission Update for Week of July 31, 2017  
**Date:** Monday, July 31, 2017 9:30:10 AM  
**Attachments:** [Commission Weekly Update 7.31.17.doc](#)

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**From:** Tsang, Francis  
**Sent:** Monday, July 31, 2017 8:48 AM  
**To:** Tsang, Francis  
**Subject:** Commission Update for Week of July 31, 2017

Colleagues,

Please find a memo attached that outlines items before commissions and boards for this week. Let me know if you have any questions or concerns.

Thanks!  
Francis

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**Subject:** \*\*\* STATEMENT \*\*\* MAYOR LEE ON GGNRA PERMIT ISSUANCE FOR AUGUST 26 EXTREMIST RALLY AT CRISSY FIELD  
**Date:** Wednesday, August 23, 2017 2:44:29 PM  
**Attachments:** [8.23.17 GGNRA Permit Issuance for Aug. 26 Rally.pdf](#)

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**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:**

Wednesday, August 23, 2017

Contact: Mayor's Office of Communications, 415-554-6131

**\*\*\* STATEMENT \*\*\***

**MAYOR LEE ON GGNRA PERMIT ISSUANCE FOR AUGUST  
26 EXTREMIST RALLY AT CRISSY FIELD**

“The shameful, anti-American trend of hate-filled extremist rallies will unfortunately be allowed to continue this weekend in our city.

Since the beginning of this process, we have repeatedly stated that the public safety of San Francisco residents and visitors is our top priority. With the event now officially permitted, the San Francisco Police Department is working with the Golden Gate National Recreation Area and the United States Park Police on a comprehensive public safety plan.

Let us show this nation that San Francisco is a city of peace and unity. Do not engage with the members of this group, whose only priority is to incite violence through divisive rhetoric. Instead of dignifying their display of hatred, we ask that residents join peaceful gatherings taking place at the Civic Center Plaza on [Friday](#) and [Saturday](#) at 12 p.m.

Over the course of history, we have been tested by movements designed to magnify our differences and sow distrust. We will not allow that fear and anger to break our spirit. Like we have so many times before, we will overcome ideologies based on hatred by showing the power of unity and compassion.

This year marks the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Summer of Love, a movement for peace, inclusiveness and unity that started in this City and spread throughout the country. Half a century later, those values still drive our City. This weekend, we will echo once again that love triumphs over hate.”

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**From:** [Secretary, Commissions \(CPC\)](#)  
**To:** [Gerber, Patricia \(CPC\)](#)  
**Subject:** FW: Rebuttal of Pier 70 response  
**Date:** Wednesday, August 23, 2017 9:12:37 AM  
**Attachments:** [Rebuttal to Pier 70 EIR comment responses.docx](#)

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**To:** Rich Hillis; Richards, Dennis (CPC); [planning@rodneymfong.com](mailto:planning@rodneymfong.com); Johnson, Christine (CPC); Koppel, Joel (CPC); Melgar, Myrna (CPC); Moore, Kathrin (CPC); Sucre, Richard (CPC); Hue, Melinda (CPC); Secretary, Commissions (CPC)  
**Cc:** Alison Heath  
**Subject:** Rebuttal of Pier 70 response

Dear Planning Commissioners,

Several of the Pier 70 EIR responses are factually incorrect. These factual errors deprive the public of information needed for a meaningful opportunity to comment on adverse effect. Please see my attached letter for details. Thank you.

Sincerely,  
Clair D Clark

**From:** [Secretary, Commissions \(CPC\)](#)  
**To:** [Johnson, Christine \(CPC\)](#); [Richards, Dennis \(CPC\)](#); [Koppel, Joel \(CPC\)](#); [Moore, Kathrin \(CPC\)](#); [Melgar, Myrna \(CPC\)](#); [Rich Hillis](#); [Rodney Fong](#)  
**Cc:** [Gerber, Patricia \(CPC\)](#); [Foster, Nicholas \(CPC\)](#)  
**Subject:** FW: Letter in Opposition to Moratorium on MCDs  
**Date:** Wednesday, August 23, 2017 9:12:19 AM  
**Attachments:** [SFCDMA opposing MCD's moratorium.pdf](#)

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**Subject:** Letter in Opposition to Moratorium on MCDs

Greetings,

Please distribute the attached letter to all the supervisors and planning commissioners.

Thank you,

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**Cc:** [Gerber, Patricia \(CPC\)](#)  
**Subject:** FW: SBC Response - BOS File No. 170865  
**Date:** Wednesday, August 23, 2017 9:08:37 AM  
**Attachments:** [170865\\_SBClegislativeresponse\\_MCD\\_Moratorium\\_v1.pdf](#)

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**From:** Rahaim, John (CPC)  
**Sent:** Tuesday, August 22, 2017 5:53 PM  
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**Subject:** FW: SBC Response - BOS File No. 170865

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**From:** Mahajan, Menaka (ECN)  
**Sent:** Tuesday, August 22, 2017 4:32 PM  
**To:** Rahaim, John (CPC); Starr, Aaron (CPC); Tugbenyoh, Mawuli (MYR); Tsang, Francis; Pagan, Lisa (ECN)  
**Cc:** Quevedo, Bryan (ECN)  
**Subject:** SBC Response - BOS File No. 170865

Good afternoon,

Please see the SBC's response to BOS File No. 170865 (recommendation: approval with 1 condition).

Best,  
Menaka

**Menaka Mahajan, Ph.D. | Senior Policy Analyst | Office of Small Business & Small Business Commission**

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**From:** [Secretary, Commissions \(CPC\)](#)  
**To:** [Gerber, Patricia \(CPC\)](#)  
**Subject:** FW: 1979 Mission Development  
**Date:** Tuesday, August 22, 2017 4:00:34 PM

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**Cc:** Lee, Mayor (MYR); Ronen, Hillary; Allbee, Nate; Rahaim, John (CPC); Sucre, Richard (CPC); Dwyer, Debra (CPC); andy@plaza16.org; tamlinearthly@gmail.com  
**Subject:** 1979 Mission Development

All,

I'm writing you today in support of the development at 1979 Mission. As a San Francisco resident and Berkeley CED/Fisher Center Graduate, I am acutely aware of the need for more housing and I strongly support the transit-oriented nature of this development.

It pains me to see organizations like Plaza 16 demanding that Maximus give up the land entirely. Who are they to demand this? Have they no shame or education in economics? San Francisco has some of the most expensive dirt in the United States. While I adamantly agree that more affordable housing is needed in SF, majority market rate housing development is the only way to get ANY housing built on this site without heavy public subsidies.

Also, please be on the lookout for a template email that Plaza 16 has written for their email lists to send (I'm sure you are familiar with it by now), it is found here:

<https://plaza16.org/2017/07/24/help-stop-the-monster-write-a-letter-to-the-planning-commission-today>

Erroneous claims about the 1979 Mission development from their template email:

- “Community displacement” - Displacing a Walgreens to build housing is hardly community displacement...
- “We urge you to recognize the urgent crisis facing the neighborhood, acknowledge the impact of the current massive and unsustainable imbalance of market-rate vs. affordable development in the neighborhood” – First off the main imbalance is the lack of new housing development. Second, market-rate housing is the only way to get things built in SF due to the price of dirt. Once Mayor Ed Lee develops money trees I will demand 100% affordable housing developments... What's the new affordable housing rate on new developments in SF? ~30%? 30% x 300 units = 90 units of

affordable housing. What has Plaza 16 done for the affordable housing stock these days??

- “Significant major impact on Marshall Elementary School” – the developer has agreed to build the school a new playground, etc!! What has Plaza 16 provided for the school lately???
- “Reduced greenhouse gases and less street congestion (if project not built)”: Classic NIMBY argument... AND Plaza 16 is pitching an alternative development, aka the same issues will occur. I don’t buy the “low income residents use more public transportation” argument. 99% of the people I know in SF don’t own a car. Sounds like Maximus will be hit by a CEQA lawsuit once (hopefully) this project is approved...

In short, if you bow to Plaza 16’s absurd demands (to force Maximus to give up the land) the following will happen: 1) no affordable or market rate housing will be built 2) you will empower Plaza 16 to embark on more frivolous NIMBY (developer) witch hunts and 3) (again) no housing will be built.

Thank you for your time.

Best,  
Nick

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**From:** [Secretary, Commissions \(CPC\)](#)  
**To:** [Sucre, Richard \(CPC\)](#); [Hue, Melinda \(CPC\)](#)  
**Cc:** [Gerber, Patricia \(CPC\)](#)  
**Subject:** FW: Pier 70 Mixed-Use Project, 2014-001272  
**Date:** Tuesday, August 22, 2017 2:46:33 PM  
**Attachments:** [CCHO Commission Letter Pier 70 8-22-17.pdf](#)  
[Pier 70 AMI Breakdown.pdf](#)

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**Cc:** PC  
**Subject:** Pier 70 Mixed-Use Project, 2014-001272

Commissioners,

Attached please find our written comments regarding this Thursday's item on the Pier 70 mixed-use Project, and our Jobs-Housing Fit Analysis of the project's housing impacts.

We look forward to continued dialogue on how we balance jobs creation with housing growth that is adequate and affordable for all the worker incomes of new development.

Peter Cohen and Fernando Martí

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**Cc:** [Gerber, Patricia \(CPC\)](#); [Jimenez, Sylvia \(CPC\)](#)  
**Subject:** FW: 171 Judson Ave - 2015-018225DRP  
**Date:** Tuesday, August 22, 2017 2:43:28 PM  
**Attachments:** [171 Judson Ave. - Permit Set - 20170821.pdf](#)

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Commissioners,  
See below. The attached set should supersede the plans for 171 Judson.

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**To:** Secretary, Commissions (CPC)  
**Cc:** Ionin, Jonas (CPC)  
**Subject:** 171 Judson Ave - 2015-018225DRP

Hi Jonas,

Would it be possible to forward Commissioners a revised plan set for the DR item at 171 Judson Ave (#2015-018225DRP) scheduled for this week's hearing? It appears that the 311 plans included in the packet, which were previously sent by the former project planner, incorrectly show the same layout for the proposed first and second floors on sheet A2.0. The revised set (attached) reflects the accurate floor plans at each level. This does not change the scope of work as no work is proposed at either level, but it would probably be a good idea to clarify the inconsistency. Let me know if you'd like to chat more about this or if additional information is needed.

Thanks,

**Sylvia Jimenez**  
**Planner, Current Planning**

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**Cc:** [Gerber, Patricia \(CPC\)](#); [Son, Chanbory \(CPC\)](#)  
**Subject:** FW: \*\*\* PRESS RELEASE \*\*\* MAYOR LEE, SUPERVISOR KIM CELEBRATE GROUNDBREAKING OF NEW FAMILY HOUSING SITE IN THE TENDERLOIN  
**Date:** Tuesday, August 22, 2017 11:31:15 AM  
**Attachments:** [8.22.2017 Eddy and Taylor Family Housing.pdf](#)

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**\*\*\* PRESS RELEASE \*\*\***

**MAYOR LEE, SUPERVISOR KIM CELEBRATE GROUNDBREAKING  
OF NEW FAMILY HOUSING SITE IN THE TENDERLOIN**

*Affordable housing site on Eddy and Taylor streets will house 113 units*

**San Francisco, CA** – Mayor Edwin M. Lee, Supervisor Jane Kim, the Tenderloin Neighborhood Development Corporation and community members today celebrated the groundbreaking of a new affordable housing site in the Tenderloin that will provide homes for families in the neighborhood.

“We are constantly working on creative and common-sense solutions to find affordable housing options for our families,” said Mayor Lee. “We know that San Francisco succeeds when we have a strong working class, and these homes will help keep our families in the city. From housing to parks to economic opportunities—we are building communities where our families can flourish.”

Of the 113 units in the new Eddy and Taylor Family Housing site, more than 60 percent will be two and three-bedroom homes, offering living opportunities for neighborhood families. The building will include 24-hour property management, on-site tenant services, a laundry room, bike storage and access to a large outdoor area. The project will also entail streetscape improvements to Taylor Street and Eddy Street, making them safer and more accommodating for pedestrians and bicyclists.

“We need more family housing period—it is a moral dilemma when cities cannot house their homeless and working class families,” said Supervisor Jane Kim, whose district includes the Eddy and Taylor Family Housing site. “Comprised mostly of two and three bedroom apartments, this development will ensure that families doubled up or homeless will finally have a home. Children will have a clean and safe space to play and study so they can excel at school.”

The District 6 community, which includes neighborhoods such as the Tenderloin, is among the fastest growing areas for families in San Francisco. To meet those needs, the City is supporting a number of

affordable family housing developments in the surrounding area, including the Bill Sorro Community site that opened in August at Sixth and Howard streets, and a new development on Mission and Sixth streets set to open next year. Construction on an affordable family housing project on Turk Street will begin in 2018 as well.

In addition, the Mayor's Office is overseeing a long-term project to transform the Civic Center and United Nations plazas into a more family-friendly "Commons" area, which will include play structures, art installations and local storefronts. Work recently begun on the new Helen Diller Playground, which is scheduled to be completed next February.

The Eddy and Taylor Family Housing Site is a joint project between the Mayor's Office of Housing and Community Development, the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development and the Tenderloin Neighborhood Development Corporation, a non-profit organization that will develop and manage the building. Along with providing housing opportunities for families, the site will also include 30 units set aside for households currently or formerly dealing with homelessness.

"The development allows families with children to live in a neighborhood where schools and after school programs are conveniently located," said Enrique Aguilar, Program Manager at La Voz Latina, a local community organization. "It is a major step to housing many of the low-income families that walk into our office seeking help."

"The project at Eddy and Taylor streets, which will house hundreds of people, 30 percent of whom will be coming out of homelessness, exemplifies the challenges of developing affordable housing in San Francisco today, and how they can be overcome," said Donald Falk, the Chief Executive Officer at TNDC.

"Originally conceived 10 years ago, its successful groundbreaking represents the power of perseverance and the importance of affordable housing in this most expensive of areas—and the coming together of an entire community, including not only the City but also, ultimately, the State, to plan and fund it. TNDC is proud to play a central role in a community-wide effort."

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**Cc:** [Gerber, Patricia \(CPC\)](#)  
**Subject:** FW: Pier 70 - Letter of Support - #dogpatchstrong  
**Date:** Tuesday, August 22, 2017 9:49:44 AM  
**Attachments:** [Pier 70 - SF Planning Commission Letter - Bruce Huie.pdf](#)  
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**To:** CTYPLN - COMMISSION SECRETARY  
**Subject:** FW: Pier 70 - Letter of Support - #dogpatchstrong

Hi All.

Can you forward this letter to the Planning Commission for the Pier 70 Project?

Rich

**Richard Sucre**  
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**To:** Sucre, Richard (CPC)  
**Cc:** Chan, Yoyo (BOS); Kittler, Sophia (BOS); Dennis-Phillips, Sarah (ECN); Susan Eslick  
**Subject:** Pier 70 - Letter of Support - #dogpatchstrong

Richard -

Attached find my letter of support for Pier 70 project.

I'm a 17 year resident of Dogpatch, Chair of the EN-CAC and President of the DNA.

I am OOT, but look forward to the outcome of the Planning Commission meeting on Thursday, 8/24.

Please submit this letter of support to the SF Planning Commission.

Thanks for your help and consideration.

Best regards -

Bruce

**From:** [Secretary, Commissions \(CPC\)](#)  
**To:** [Gerber, Patricia \(CPC\)](#)  
**Subject:** FW: Pier 70 EIR Comments - Grow Potrero Responsibly  
**Date:** Monday, August 21, 2017 10:51:37 AM  
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August 17, 2017

Dear President Hillis and Planning Commissioners,

Attached are detailed comments about the FEIR. While we are hopeful that a solution to open up Irish Hill and reduce shadowing of the Irish Hill Playground will be found prior to the hearing on August 23, we remain deeply concerned about the lack of public transit options, with the Project's heavy reliance on private automobiles, and no consideration of the impacts of ride-sharing as a transit mode.

Furthermore, it is our understanding that approval of a "conceptual" project will provide little opportunity for ongoing public input on land use decisions. If the SUD is approved by the Board of Supervisors, the Planning Commission will relinquish its ability to shape the project through future phases, with the market left to decide what is most profitable, rather than what best serves the

neighborhood and the City as a whole. We believe that forfeiting control over how we grow our neighborhoods would be egregious. The Commission should insist on participation in a public process that protects the health, happiness and quality of life of our residents.

As always I would be more than happy to discuss these issues with you prior to the hearing.

Sincerely,  
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**Cc:** Secretary, Commissions (CPC); Bruce Dorfman; Tyler Evje (tevje@tcr.com)  
**Subject:** 975 Bryant Street

Dear Commissioners. Welcome back from your recess.

I'm writing briefly concerning 975 Bryant Street, a 5-story 185-unit project near 8<sup>th</sup> and Bryant Streets that will be before you for consideration of an Eastern Neighborhoods Large Project Authorization next Thursday, August 24. Planning staff is recommending approval and we are not aware of any opposition. Nonetheless, I did want to offer you the chance to meet with the sponsors and architects in advance of next Thursday's hearing if you would find that helpful. Please let me know.

Attached is our brief in support of the project, and the staff report, draft motion and project plans are at this link. <http://commissions.sfplanning.org/cpcpackets/2015-005862ENX.pdf>

Thank you.

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**Subject:** Letter of Support for 2918 Mission

Linda -

I am writing to express my support for 2918 Mission. Support Letter attached (in text & in word doc):

I live at 443 Joost Avenue SF, CA 94127 and am writing to support the proposed 75-unit rental project at 2918 Mission St.

We need housing that does not displace tenants.

This project adds 75 units of new housing on a major transit corridor, one block from a BART station - without displacing anyone.

If new housing is not allowed be built in San Francisco – IN THE MISSION - in a manner that does not displace renters who are lucky enough to still have affordable apartments – we do nothing but contribute to their displacement.

We've seen the alternative & it's the loss of ACTUALLY affordable housing. In the Mission – it's all too often at the cost of lives.

Please approve this project as proposed.

Most importantly - I urge San Francisco to purchase this project at fair market value for 100% affordable housing, as has been offered by its owner. San Francisco has been collecting in-lieu fees to overlook the creation of affordable units for too long.

If this building is built by San Francisco as 100% AFFORDABLE it will actually provide housing for people who have been displaced by the fires. I personally know people in this predicament who have been waiting for YEARS for their buildings to be rebuilt so that they can return to their neighborhoods. Creating a situation where the culture of the Mission is safeguarded is entirely up to the city at this point.

We can wish all we want for developers to provide cheap housing in a free economy – but we cannot collect in lieu fees without making good on the promise of providing that housing to the public.

Sincerely,

Kelly Condon

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**Cc:** Ionin, Jonas (CPC); Secretary, Commissions (CPC)  
**Subject:** 495 Cambridge Street Case No. 2013,1711CUA

Dear Commissioners:

Good morning. I know you are on vacation and I hope you are having a good time, but I wanted to bring to your attention this ad in the Real Estate Section of today's Chron. The Lucky 13 Site has received some publicity and it has not been before you yet, even though the Staff has apparently recommended approval, but the Cambridge project was approved on a 7-0 vote on May 18th. Case No. 2013.1711CUA, Motion-19922. Now it is for sale. As you know this is a problem, not only for the large sites, but I think it is a similar issue for the smaller sites zoned RH. And it is a problem for your time and Staff's time, as well as the public. I don't have a solution, I just wanted to bring it to your attention. Have a good day.  
Thank you.  
Georgia Schuttish

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**Subject:** Commission Update for Week of August 21, 2017

Colleagues,

Please find a memo attached that outlines items before commissions and boards for this week. Let me know if you have any questions or concerns.

Thanks!  
Francis

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San Francisco is home to thousands of local students in need of financial support inside and outside the classroom. The Mayor's Backpack Giveaway is a way of responding to those needs while also facilitating efforts between corporate sponsors and local youth organizations to help support academic achievement.

Sunnydale is San Francisco's largest public housing project and is slated to be rebuilt as part of HOPE SF. Mercy Housing, a nonprofit housing organization, will develop and operate the property, and is partnering with residents and community in back-to-school activities.

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**To:** Secretary, Commissions (CPC)  
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Hello. I see JR is away, so please forward the attached letter to the Commission for its 8/24 Meeting. Thanks.

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**From:** john elberling <[johne@todco.org](mailto:johne@todco.org)>  
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**Subject:** TODCO Pier 70 Project Letter to Commission

I will be out of town on the 24<sup>th</sup>. Please have the attached letter distributed to the Commission for the Pier 70 Project hearing. I hope you agree with it. Thank you.

San Francisco Planning Commission  
% Jonas P. Ionin, Commission Secretary  
San Francisco Planning Department  
1650 Mission Street, Suite 400  
San Francisco, CA 94103

Attn: Nicholas Foster, Planner  
Re: Vapor Room Collective Permit Application

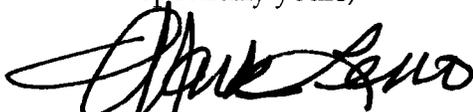
Dear Commissioners:

I write this letter in strong support of the Vapor Room Cooperative (VRC) permit application proposed for 79 9th Street. I am very familiar with the VRC's history and track record having supported their original permit application in the Lower Haight in 2006. The VRC has a rich history in San Francisco as one of the original, model medical cannabis dispensaries (MCD) in California and one of the first to advocate for the City's adoption of regulations in 2005 that legitimized MCDs. I know the VRC and its professional staff to be dedicated good neighbors, including co-founding the Lower Haight Resident and Merchant Association in 2006 that brought the community together to beautify the neighborhood and revitalize the small business community.

Most notable is the VRC's commitment to its member patients that is reflected in their community-based business model. They offered robust compassion programs providing free cannabis to members most in need, life skills classes, computer skills workshops, resume writing workshops, and holistic health services such as yoga and nutritional counseling. All of these services were offered for free to the larger community in partnership with the San Francisco Recreation and Parks Department and Harvey Milk Art and Cultural Center. Additionally, three members of the VRC team, Martin Olive, Stephanie Tucker, and Patrick Goggin, served on the San Francisco Medical Cannabis Task Force from 2008-2011 providing guidance and leadership on important policy issues including permitting, best practices, and testing.

Unfortunately, in 2012, California's U.S. Attorneys coordinated a crackdown on MCDs unfairly targeting many leading, model MCDs in the City and throughout the state. At the time, the VRC made the hard, but responsible, choice to close its doors, rather than subject its landlord's property to a forfeiture action by the U.S. Attorney. I'm thrilled the VRC has finally found a new home and I respectfully urge the Commission to approve its proposed project thereby following through on the City's assurances in 2012 to help the VRC reopen.

Respectfully yours,



Mark Leno



August 14, 2017

Dear San Francisco Planning Commissioner,

The purpose of this letter is to provide accurate information to the SFPC in an effort to begin the reversal process for a decision made by the SFPC back on January 26, 2017. The decision was regarding the approval of 3185 Mission St. as an approved Medical Cannabis Dispensary location. The decision rendered by the SFPC on that day was manipulated by testimony loaded with deceit, fraud and mis-representation. As such, the decision must now be re-examined in order for the SFPC to carry out its duties to the citizens of Bernal Heights. There are several falsehoods listed below which, when taken as truth by the SFPC, led to an approval of the application under false pretenses and thus should be reversed.

As stated above, the hearing was held to consider the address of 3185 Mission St. San Francisco as a Medical Cannabis Dispensary (MCD) location. The consideration was to facilitate the re-opening of a 'wrongfully displaced' MCD, as described by applicant Sean Killen. The applicant's description of wrongful displacement is the first falsehood which needs to be addressed. The dispensary at peril was Bernal Heights Collective (BHC) which had operated out of 33 29th St. since at least 2005. When the owner of the 29th st. building decided to sell the property, he gave first right of purchase to BHC. The BHC licensee, Johnny Batista, declined the purchase offer leaving the property available to be sold to any other party. This refusal to purchase the building by BHC is what led BHC needing to relocate and re-apply as an MCD, not an act of wrongful displacement. This is the least of the misrepresentation and falsehoods by Sean Killen.

Sean Killen's appearance 'on behalf of BHC' was a manipulation as well. His appearance was actually on behalf of the company "New Bernal Heights Collective" (registered with California Secty. of State 02/02/16). He was at the hearing to represent the interests of that new entity, not BHC. According to San Francisco Superior Court Case CGC-17-558409, page 3 section 13a, Sean Killen entered into an agreement with Joseph Noble and Sean Devries "...for the purposes of creating a new mutual benefit corporation that would operate a medical cannabis dispensary..." back in December 2015. Filings for the entity were finalized by the Secretary of State February 2, 2016. The case also asserts New Bernal Heights provided the funding for the renovation of 3185 Mission St. and the MCD application fee. It also states Sean Killen procured the lease of 3185 Mission St. outside the interests of BHC and is also requesting the MCD application associated with 3185 Mission St. be placed outside the control of BHC. This information demonstrates that despite his testimony, Sean Killen was never trying to obtain a permit on behalf of BHC at this hearing, but rather for this new entity.

This is not the only example of manipulation by Sean Killen and New Bernal Heights Inc. Another SF Superior Court case against Sean Killen, case number CGC-16-55-5094, alleges the illegal seizure of BHC by Sean Killen with help from New Bernal Heights partners (then known as Quil employees) on February 01, 2016. This case precedes the above case and claims Killen illegally changed the locks at BHC, gave false information to SFPD, defamed the Operator then conducted illegal Collective voting practices to achieve unauthorized control of BHC. New Bernal Heights and Sean Killen had nothing to do with the original Bernal Heights Collective other than their aid in the alleged illegal takeover a few months before the lease was up for BHC at its 33 29th st. location. Exactly like an identity thief, New Bernal Heights simply used the unlawful possession of the original Bernal Heights Collective identity to manipulate the approval by the SFPC for 3185 Mission St. address. This is why New Bernal Heights is now trying to gain control of 3185 Mission St., the SFPC has already cleared the path for their SFDPH permit by approving the 3185 Mission St. address under the pretense it was undoing a wrong for the original Bernal Heights Collective. It turns out instead, the SFPC approved an otherwise unsuitable MCD location while aiding and abetting an unknown entity get across an extremely difficult barrier to entry in the San Francisco cannabis industry.

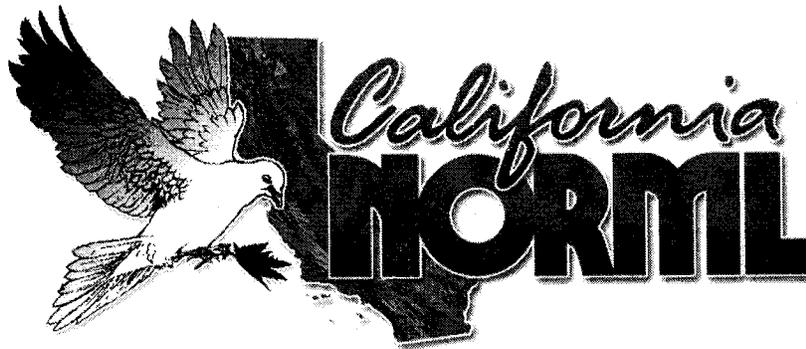
That brings us to the current situation at 3185 Mission St. On August 3rd 2017, an eviction notice was placed on display for Sean Killen and Joseph Noble to return the premises over to New Bernal Heights Inc. written by attorney Carlton Floyd. The first mentioned suit above is also asking for the removal of Sean Killen from the New Bernal Heights Inc.'s Board of Directors and is asking the lease be turned over to New



Bernal Heights Collective. These actions clearly violate the spirit by which the SFPC made exceptions to the cluster rule and other concerns for approving the 3185 Mission St. address. Testimony by the Commissioners at the hearing showed strong support for the assistance for the original Bernal Heights Collective under the belief they that was who they were helping. This new information shows that is not the case at all. The Original Bernal Heights Collective is no longer in operation (its Seller's Permit was suspended in March 2016). The lease for 3185 Mission St. is currently not, nor ever was, in control by BHC and BHC'S MCD permit application status is at the least, questionable. For the sake of fairness and justice, the SFPC should re-conduct this hearing with the information contained in this letter. A failure to do so is a declaration of support to New Bernal Heights Inc. which otherwise successfully manipulated the SFPC in order to accomplish its business. A copy of this letter is being sent to the SF media in the hopes someone else wants to see accountability in this matter.

Anonymous





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Aug 4, 2017

San Francisco Planning Commissioners  
% Jonas P. Ionin, Commission Secretary San Francisco Planning Department 1650  
Mission Street, Suite 400 San Francisco, CA 94103

Re: Vapor Room Cooperative Medical Cannabis Dispensary (MCD) Application Case  
No: 2017-002757DRM Project Address: 79 9th Street, San Francisco

Dear Commissioners:

I am writing to you in strong support of the medical cannabis dispensary application of the Vapor Room Cooperative at 79 – 9<sup>th</sup> St.

The Vapor Room earned an outstanding reputation at its prior location on Haight Street. They were noted for their membership health and support services, community engagement, and compassionate assistance program for needy members.

They won “Best of the Bay” dispensary awards from SF Weekly and the Bay Guardian.

They were wrongfully forced to close by the U.S. Attorney in 2012 on specious grounds despite nine years of problem-free service.

Based on their record, I can think of no group more deserving of a new MCD permit.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "J. G. ...", written over a horizontal line.

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**From:** [Secretary, Commissions \(CPC\)](#)  
**To:** [Sucre, Richard \(CPC\)](#)  
**Cc:** [Gerber, Patricia \(CPC\)](#)  
**Subject:** FW: Pier 70  
**Date:** Thursday, August 24, 2017 10:27:59 AM

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**Sent:** Wednesday, August 23, 2017 2:09 PM  
**To:** Rich Hillis; Richards, Dennis (CPC); Rodney Fong; Johnson, Christine (CPC); Koppel, Joel (CPC); Melgar, Myrna (CPC); Moore, Kathrin (CPC); Sucre, Richard (CPC); Hue, Melinda (CPC); Secretary, Commissions (CPC)  
**Subject:** Pier 70

Dear Commissioners,

I'm writing in regards to Pier 70, Case No. [2014-001272ENV](#). I urge you to disapprove certification of the project's draft Environmental Impact Report until some key issues are addressed and remedied.

The EIR as currently written remains inadequate, incomplete, and inaccurate for the following reasons:

- **Transportation and Transit.** The draft EIR does not adequately address and mitigate the significant impacts of more than 100,000 daily person trips (residential and commercial). Running shuttle buses as a mitigation will not adequately lessen the impacts of the project on the already existing high levels of vehicle traffic and inferior public transit. Moreover, the draft EIR fails to adequately disclose impacts on numerous surrounding traffic intersections under Level of Service (LOS). The draft EIR should go beyond Vehicle Miles Traveled (VMT) analysis and address LOS in the body of the main report and propose robust mitigations.
- **Historic and Cultural Resources.** The draft EIR does not adequately address and mitigate the impact of demolishing historic structures adjacent to Building number 12 that were integral to the City's once fabled shipbuilding

industry. Also, the draft EIR does not adequately address impacts (including significant shadowing) of surrounding buildings on the treasured cultural and historic landscape of Irish Hill.

- **Recreation and Open Space.** The draft EIR does not adequately analyze and address impacts of the Pier 70 project and population increase on surrounding recreation facilities and open space. Pier 70 will result in thousands of new people residing on the site. Yet the Pier 70 project does not propose to include recreational facilities which, consequently, will put additional strain on existing facilities in Potrero Hill – specifically Jackson Park and the Potrero Hill Recreation Center.

For all of the above reasons, I respectfully urge City Planning to withhold certification of the Pier 70 EIR draft until significant impacts are addressed and necessary mitigations proposed.

Regards,

Rodney Minott

Potrero Hill

**From:** [Secretary, Commissions \(CPC\)](#)  
**To:** [Wertheim, Steve \(CPC\)](#)  
**Cc:** [Gerber, Patricia \(CPC\)](#)  
**Subject:** FW: Central Soma Plan  
**Date:** Thursday, August 24, 2017 10:27:51 AM  
**Attachments:** [Follow-Up Letter Re Central SOMA Plan.pdf](#)  
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**Subject:** RE: Central Soma Plan

Dear Supervisor Kim,

Please see the attached follow-up letter regarding the Central SOMA Plan.

Thank you,

**Tim O'Mara**

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**Subject:** Central Soma Plan

Dear Supervisor Kim,

Please see the attached letter regarding the Central SOMA Plan.

Thank you,

**Tim O'Mara**

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**Cc:** [Gerber, Patricia \(CPC\)](#); [Sucre, Richard \(CPC\)](#)  
**Subject:** FW: 8-17-17 Grow Potrero Responsibly Comment Letter (Corrected)  
**Date:** Thursday, August 24, 2017 10:27:41 AM  
**Attachments:** [Pier 70 Commission Letter.pdf](#)

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**From:** Alison Heath [mailto:[alisonheath@sbcglobal.net](mailto:alisonheath@sbcglobal.net)]  
**Sent:** Thursday, August 24, 2017 8:13 AM  
**To:** Secretary, Commissions (CPC)  
**Subject:** 8-17-17 Grow Potrero Responsibly Comment Letter (Corrected)

The letter distributed to the Commission last week had a couple of date typos.

Here is the corrected version for the record.

Thank you

**From:** [Ionin, Jonas \(CPC\)](#)  
**To:** [Johnson, Christine \(CPC\)](#); [Richards, Dennis \(CPC\)](#); [Koppel, Joel \(CPC\)](#); [Moore, Kathrin \(CPC\)](#); [Melgar, Myrna \(CPC\)](#); [Rich Hillis](#); [Rodney Fong](#)  
**Cc:** [Gerber, Patricia \(CPC\)](#)  
**Subject:** FW: Scott Weiner letter.  
**Date:** Thursday, August 24, 2017 10:15:40 AM  
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**From:** Foster, Nicholas (CPC)  
**Sent:** Thursday, August 24, 2017 9:20 AM  
**To:** CTYPLN - COMMISSION SECRETARY  
**Cc:** Rodgers, AnMarie (CPC); Rahaim, John (CPC)  
**Subject:** FW: Scott Weiner letter.

Letter pertaining to the proposed continuance of the two MCDs scheduled for today's (August 24) CPC hearing.

**Nicholas Foster, AICP, LEED GA  
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**From:** Martin Olive [<mailto:martin@vaporroom.com>]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, August 23, 2017 8:07 PM  
**To:** Foster, Nicholas (CPC)  
**Subject:** Scott Weiner letter.

Please attach to our submission

**From:** [Ionin, Jonas \(CPC\)](#)  
**To:** [Johnson, Christine \(CPC\)](#); [Richards, Dennis \(CPC\)](#); [Koppel, Joel \(CPC\)](#); [Moore, Kathrin \(CPC\)](#); [Melgar, Myrna \(CPC\)](#); [Rich Hillis](#); [Rodney Fong](#)  
**Cc:** [Gerber, Patricia \(CPC\)](#)  
**Subject:** FW: Forest City project  
**Date:** Thursday, August 24, 2017 10:15:18 AM  
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-----Original Message-----

From: Sucre, Richard (CPC)  
Sent: Thursday, August 24, 2017 8:31 AM  
To: CTYPLN - COMMISSION SECRETARY  
Subject: FW: Forest City project

Hi All,

Can you forward to the Planning Commission?

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-----Original Message-----

From: Keith Goldstein [<mailto:keith@everestsf.com>]  
Sent: Thursday, August 24, 2017 1:39 AM  
To: Sucre, Richard (CPC)  
Subject: Forest City project

Good morning Richard

Attached please find a letter of support from me for the Forest City project at Pier 70. I would appreciate if you would forward this to the members of the Planning Commission.

Thank you,  
Keith Goldstein

**From:** [Ionin, Jonas \(CPC\)](#)  
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**Cc:** [Gerber, Patricia \(CPC\)](#)  
**Subject:** FW: Errata for the Pier 70 Mixed-Use District Project EIR (Case No. 2014-001272ENV)  
**Date:** Thursday, August 24, 2017 10:13:31 AM  
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**From:** Hue, Melinda (CPC)  
**Sent:** Wednesday, August 23, 2017 5:20 PM  
**To:** CTYPLN - COMMISSION SECRETARY  
**Cc:** Sucre, Richard (CPC)  
**Subject:** Errata for the Pier 70 Mixed-Use District Project EIR (Case No. 2014-001272ENV)

Hello Commission Secretary,

Attached is an Errata for the Pier 70 Mixed-Use District Project EIR which will be heard at tomorrow's August 24 hearing. We will be bringing hard copies of the errata for the Commissioners and we will have extra copies for the public.

We have posted this errata on our website as well at: <http://sf-planning.org/environmental-impact-reports-negative-declarations>

Thanks,

Melinda

**Melinda Hue, AICP, LEED AP  
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**Cc:** [Gerber, Patricia \(CPC\)](#); [Son, Chanbory \(CPC\)](#)  
**Subject:** FW: Mayor Ed Lee invites you to Unite Against Hate - Friday, August 25th, Noon, Civic Center Plaza  
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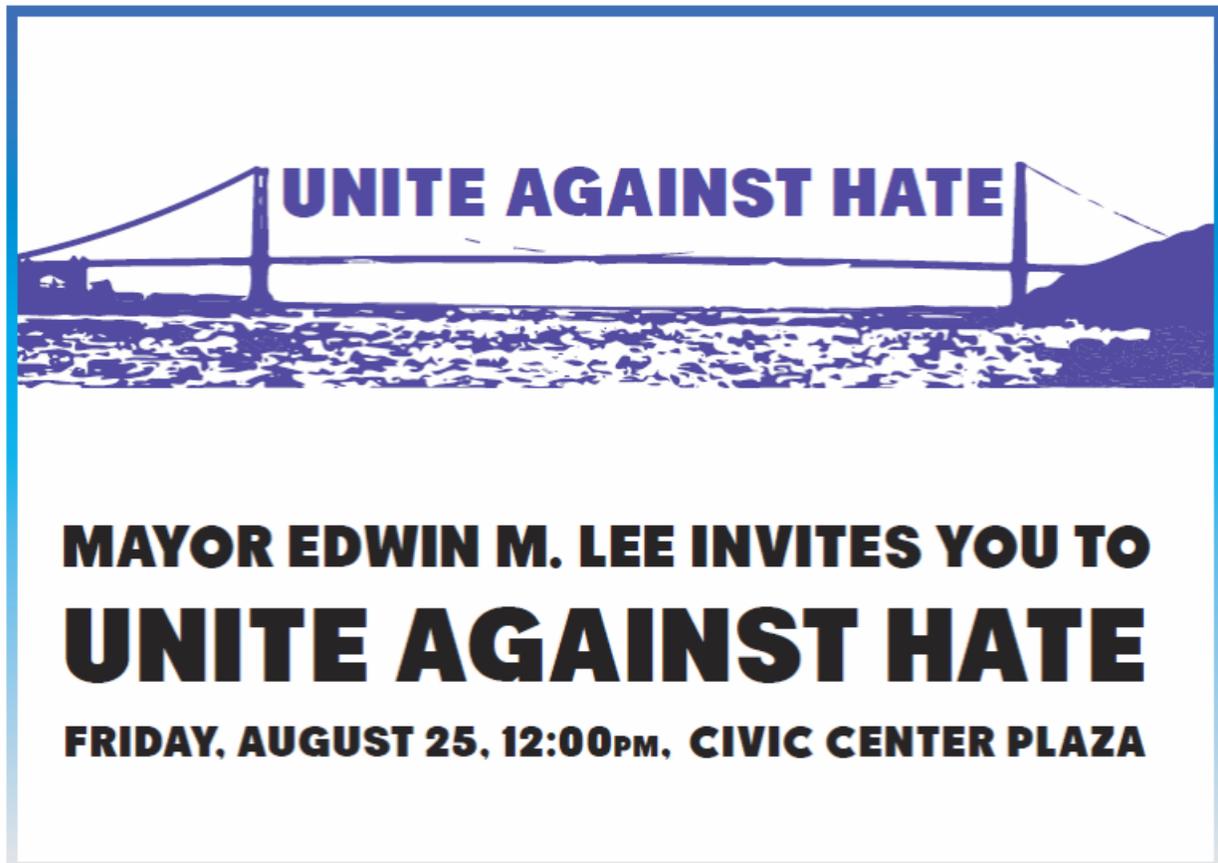
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**Sent:** Wednesday, August 23, 2017 2:06 PM  
**To:** Tsang, Francis  
**Cc:** Sun, Selina (MYR)  
**Subject:** Mayor Ed Lee invites you to Unite Against Hate - Friday, August 25th, Noon, Civic Center Plaza

Please invite all Commissioners. Thanks! Francis



# #UNITEAGAINSTHATE

**#SFSTANDSASONE #LOVENOTHATE #RESPECTOURCITY**

In recent weeks, our nation has witnessed hate and discrimination disguised as free speech rallies by extremist groups. San Francisco has a long history of honoring freedom of expression, but hate speech has no place in our city.

On Friday, community leaders, faith-based representatives, local labor members and city officials will gather at the Civic Center Plaza to celebrate our San Francisco values of compassion, love and inclusiveness. Every San Francisco resident who rejects racist rhetoric and violent demonstrations is invited to attend this peaceful rally.

Our city will stand together to prove that in the face of hate, we will show love.

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**Subject:** FW: \*\*\* FOR PLANNING PURPOSES ONLY \*\*\* SF UNITE AGAINST HATE RALLY TO TAKE PLACE ON THE STEPS OF CITY HALL, FRIDAY AT NOON  
**Date:** Thursday, August 24, 2017 10:10:54 AM  
**Attachments:** [8.25.17 SF Unite Against Hate Rally.pdf](#)

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**From:** MayorsPressOffice, MYR (MYR)  
**Sent:** Wednesday, August 23, 2017 3:57 PM  
**Subject:** \*\*\* FOR PLANNING PURPOSES ONLY \*\*\* SF UNITE AGAINST HATE RALLY TO TAKE PLACE ON THE STEPS OF CITY HALL, FRIDAY AT NOON

**MEDIA ADVISORY:**

Wednesday, August 23, 2017

Contact: Mayor's Office of Communications, 415-554-6131

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**SF UNITE AGAINST HATE RALLY TO TAKE PLACE  
ON THE STEPS OF CITY HALL, FRIDAY AT NOON**

**San Francisco, CA** – Mayor Edwin M. Lee, President London Breed, members of the Board of Supervisors, community leaders, faith-based representatives, labor organizations, local musicians and residents will gather at City Hall to peacefully celebrate San Francisco values of compassion, love and inclusiveness.

**WHERE:** City Hall, Polk Street Steps and Civic Center Plaza

**DATE:** Friday, August 25, 2017

**WHEN:** 12:00 p.m. start

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**From:** [Ionin, Jonas \(CPC\)](#)  
**To:** [Johnson, Christine \(CPC\)](#); [Richards, Dennis \(CPC\)](#); [Koppel, Joel \(CPC\)](#); [Moore, Kathrin \(CPC\)](#); [Melgar, Myrna \(CPC\)](#); [Rich Hillis](#); [Rodney Fong](#)  
**Cc:** [Gerber, Patricia \(CPC\)](#)  
**Subject:** FW: \*\*\* STATEMENT \*\*\* MAYOR LEE ON GGNRA PERMIT ISSUANCE FOR AUGUST 26 EXTREMIST RALLY AT CRISSY FIELD  
**Date:** Thursday, August 24, 2017 10:07:39 AM  
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**To:** MayorsPressOffice, MYR (MYR)  
**Subject:** \*\*\* STATEMENT \*\*\* MAYOR LEE ON GGNRA PERMIT ISSUANCE FOR AUGUST 26 EXTREMIST RALLY AT CRISSY FIELD

**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:**

Wednesday, August 23, 2017

Contact: Mayor's Office of Communications, 415-554-6131

**\*\*\* STATEMENT \*\*\***

**MAYOR LEE ON GGNRA PERMIT ISSUANCE FOR AUGUST  
26 EXTREMIST RALLY AT CRISSY FIELD**

“The shameful, anti-American trend of hate-filled extremist rallies will unfortunately be allowed to continue this weekend in our city.

Since the beginning of this process, we have repeatedly stated that the public safety of San Francisco residents and visitors is our top priority. With the event now officially permitted, the San Francisco Police Department is working with the Golden Gate National Recreation Area and the United States Park Police on a comprehensive public safety plan.

Let us show this nation that San Francisco is a city of peace and unity. Do not engage with the members of this group, whose only priority is to incite violence through divisive rhetoric. Instead of dignifying their display of hatred, we ask that residents join peaceful gatherings taking place at the Civic Center Plaza on [Friday](#) and [Saturday](#) at 12 p.m.

Over the course of history, we have been tested by movements designed to magnify our differences and sow distrust. We will not allow that fear and anger to break our spirit. Like

we have so many times before, we will overcome ideologies based on hatred by showing the power of unity and compassion.

This year marks the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Summer of Love, a movement for peace, inclusiveness and unity that started in this City and spread throughout the country. Half a century later, those values still drive our City. This weekend, we will echo once again that love triumphs over hate.”

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Attached, please find correspondence from Supervisor Sheehy related to medical cannabis dispensaries. Please distribute to the honorable members of the Planning Commission.

Thank you.

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**Subject:** Letters in Opposition to Proposed Moratorium on Medical Cannabis Dispensaries

Greetings,

Attached please find letters in opposition to the proposed moratorium on all new medical cannabis dispensaries in San Francisco from the California Music and Culture Association, the Brownie Mary Democratic Club of San Francisco, and the San Francisco Council of District Merchants Associations. We understand that Senator Wiener has also submitted a letter on this matter.

Regards,

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California Music and Culture Association

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