SAN FRANCISCO
PLANNING COMMISSION

Meeting Minutes

Commission Chambers, Room 400
City Hall, 1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place
San Francisco, CA 94102-4689

Thursday, November 8, 2018
1:00 p.m.
Regular Meeting

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: Fong, Hillis, Johnson, Koppel, Melgar, Richards
COMMISSIONERS ABSENT: Moore

THE MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER BY PRESIDENT HILLIS AT 1:08 PM

STAFF IN ATTENDANCE: Aaron Starr, Tim Frye — Preservation Officer, Esmeralda Jardines, Rachel Schuett, Nick Foster, Chris May, Mary Woods, Kimberly Durandet, Michael Christensen, David Winslow, Jonas P. Ionin — Commission Secretary, Christine L. Silva — Acting Commission Secretary

SPEAKER KEY:
+ indicates a speaker in support of an item;
- indicates a speaker in opposition to an item; and
= indicates a neutral speaker or a speaker who did not indicate support or opposition.

A. CONSIDERATION OF ITEMS PROPOSED FOR CONTINUANCE

The Commission will consider a request for continuance to a later date. The Commission may choose to continue the item to the date proposed below, to continue the item to another date, or to hear the item on this calendar.

1. 2017-015810CUA (L. HOAGLAND: (415) 575-6823)
830 RHODE ISLAND – located on the west side of Rhode Island Street, between 20th and 22nd Streets, Lot 006 in Assessor’s Block 4094 (District 10) – Request for Conditional Use Authorization pursuant to Planning Code Sections 303 and 317, to demolish an existing two-story single-family dwelling and construct a new four-story structure with two dwelling units. The subject property is located within a RH-3 (Residential-House, Three-
Family) Zoning District and 40-X Height and Bulk District. This action constitutes the Approval Action for the project for the purposes of CEQA, pursuant to San Francisco Administrative Code Section 31.04(h).

(Proposed Continuance to December 6, 2018)

SPEAKERS: None
ACTION: Continued to December 6, 2018
AYES: Fong, Hillis, Johnson, Koppel, Melgar, Richards
ABSENT: Moore

2. 2016-015675CUA

2990 24th STREET – northeast corner of the Harrison Street and 24th Street intersection, Lot 040 of Assessor’s Block 4206 (District 9) - Request for a Conditional Use Authorization, pursuant to Planning Code Sections 303(c) and 763, to install a new rooftop AT&T Mobility Macro Wireless Telecommunications Facility consisting of (2) new FRP enclosures; (9) new antennas; (24) new RRHs; (1) GPS antenna; ancillary equipment; and (1) equipment room within the existing building as part of the AT&T Mobility Telecommunications Network. The subject property is located within the 24th-Mission NCT (Neighborhood Commercial Transit), and 55-X Height and Bulk Districts. This action constitutes the Approval Action for the project for the purposes of CEQA, pursuant to San Francisco Administrative Code Section 31.04(h).

Preliminary Recommendation: Approve with Conditions
(Continued from Regular hearing on September 13, 2018)
(Proposed Continuance to December 20, 2018)

SPEAKERS: None
ACTION: Continued to December 20, 2018
AYES: Fong, Hillis, Johnson, Koppel, Melgar, Richards
ABSENT: Moore

3. 2015-008351DRP-06

380 HOLLADAY AVENUE – between Holladay and Brewster; Lots 001, 004, 005, and 006 in Assessor’s Block 5577 (District 9) - Request for Discretionary Review of Building Permit Application Nos. 2017.02.27.0142; 2015.06.22.9589; 2015.06.22.9593; and 2015.06.22.9594 for construction of four single family houses within a RH-1 (Residential, House, One-Family) Zoning District and 40-X Height and Bulk District. This action constitutes the Approval Action for the project for the purposes of CEQA, pursuant to San Francisco Administrative Code Section 31.04(h).

Preliminary Recommendation: Take Discretionary Review and Approve with Conditions
(Proposed Continuance to January 10, 2019)

SPEAKERS: None
ACTION: Continued to January 10, 2019
AYES: Fong, Hillis, Johnson, Koppel, Melgar, Richards
ABSENT: Moore

B. CONSENT CALENDAR
All matters listed hereunder constitute a Consent Calendar, are considered to be routine by the Planning Commission, and may be acted upon by a single roll call vote of the Commission. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a member of the Commission, the public, or staff so requests, in which event the matter shall be removed from the Consent Calendar and considered as a separate item at this or a future hearing.

4. **2018-009951CUA**
   (B. HICKS: (415) 575-9054)
   1541 SLOAT BOULEVARD – south side of Sloat Boulevard between Clearfield Drive and Everglade Drive, within Lakeshore Plaza Shopping Center, Lot 004 of Assessor’s Block 7255 (District 7) – Request for a **Conditional Use Authorization**, pursuant to Planning Code Sections 303, 713, and 780.1, to permit a change of use from retail to a limited restaurant (dba Teaspoon). The project scope of work consists of an interior remodel. The subject property is located within a NC-S (Neighborhood Commercial Shopping Center Zoning District), Lakeshore Plaza Special Use District, and 26-40-X Height and Bulk Districts. This action constitutes the Approval Action for the project for the purposes of CEQA, pursuant to San Francisco Administrative Code Section 31.04(h).
   
   **Preliminary Recommendation:** Approve with Conditions

   **SPEAKERS:** None
   **ACTION:** Approved with Conditions
   **AYES:** Fong, Hillis, Johnson, Koppel, Melgar, Richards
   **ABSENT:** Moore
   **MOTION:** 20331

5. **2018-011019CUA**
   (L. HOAGLAND: (415) 575-6823)
   400 WINSTON DRIVE – north side of Winston Drive, adjacent to the Stonestown Galleria, and generally bounded by Eucalyptus Drive to the north, Buckingham Way to the west (privately owned by Stonestown Galleria), Winston Drive to the south, and 19th Avenue to the east; Lot 004 of Assessor’s Block 7295 (District 7) – Request for **Conditional Use Authorization** pursuant to Planning Code Sections 210.1 and 303 to allow a single retail use greater than 50,000 square feet within the C-2 (Community Business) Zoning District and 65-D Height and Bulk District. This action constitutes the Approval Action for the project for the purposes of CEQA, pursuant to San Francisco Administrative Code Section 31.04(h).
   
   **Preliminary Recommendation:** Approve with Conditions

   **SPEAKERS:** None
   **ACTION:** Approved with Conditions
   **AYES:** Fong, Hillis, Johnson, Koppel, Melgar, Richards
   **ABSENT:** Moore
   **MOTION:** 20332

6. **2018-008620CUA**
   (M. CHANDLER: (415) 575-9048)
   693 14TH STREET – south side between Market and Landers Streets; Lot 070 of Assessor’s Block 3544 (District 8) – Request for **Conditional Use Authorization**, pursuant to Planning Code Sections 303 and 764, to establish an Institutional Use (dba Castro/Upper Market Community Benefit District) within a currently vacant 905 square foot ground floor tenant space most recently used as a General Retail Sales and Service Use within the Upper Market NCT (Neighborhood Commercial Transit) Zoning District, Market and Octavia Planning
Area, and split Height and Bulk district of 50/55-X & 40-X. This project was reviewed under the Community Business Priority Processing Program (CB3P). This action constitutes the Approval Action for the project for the purposes of CEQA, pursuant to San Francisco Administrative Code Section 31.04(h).

Preliminary Recommendation: Approve with Conditions

SPEAKERS: None
ACTION: Approved with Conditions
AYES: Fong, Hillis, Johnson, Koppel, Melgar, Richards
ABSENT: Moore
MOTION: 20333

7. 2017-007215DRM (E. TUFFY: (415) 575-9191)
506 VALLEJO STREET – North side of Vallejo between Kearny Street and Grant Avenue, Lot 006 in Assessor’s Block 0132 (District 3) – Application for Mandatory Discretionary Review, pursuant to Planning Code Section 249.49, to permit the installation of a new garage within an existing three-dwelling-unit building. The subject property is located within a RM-2 (Residential – Mixed, Moderate Density), Telegraph Hill-North Beach Residential Special Use District, and 40-X Height and Bulk District.

Preliminary Recommendation: Take Discretionary Review and Approve

SPEAKERS: None
ACTION: Took DR and Approved
AYES: Fong, Hillis, Johnson, Koppel, Melgar, Richards
ABSENT: Moore
DRA: 0623

C. COMMISSION MATTERS

8. Consideration of Adoption:
   • Draft Minutes for October 18, 2018
   • Draft Minutes for October 25, 2018

SPEAKERS: None
ACTION: Adopted
AYES: Fong, Hillis, Johnson, Koppel, Melgar, Richards
ABSENT: Moore

9. Commission Comments/Questions

Commissioner Richards:
I mentioned probably a year and a half ago that somebody from the SFMTA saying, a planner saying, they missed the whole transportation networking company’s ride hailing, Uber and Lyft. They said, “Frankly, we were caught by surprise.” A couple of Sundays ago in the San Francisco Chronicle, the headline caught my eye. They said driverless cars won’t help this traffic, planner says. A noted urban planner, Peter Caltorpe, from Berkeley, actually saying if we think that self-driving cars are going to alleviate congestion, we need to think again. Because he has done simulations and the distinction that he has is a number of people that are going to be driving in each car, it’s still going to be solo. When
people realize the convenience of a self-driving car, they’re going to order it up. They’re going to go to the dry cleaners, they’re going to go and get their groceries, then they are going to go home. And he says that total vehicle miles travelled will probably increase and congestion will increase. So, I think that is one thing. I may send personally a letter to the SFMTA saying let’s not miss this one too, but that was interesting. The other one was I met with Preservation Vice President, HPC Vice President Hyland. And I know we got a whole docket of things we need to talk about this year, housing, being the biggest priority. But we put together a draft, a list of items that we wanted to talk about when we have our joint HPC - Planning Commission hearing and I will send it to the secretary to circulate for a comment.

D. DEPARTMENT MATTERS

10. Director’s Announcements

Dan Sider:
Commissioners, good afternoon, Dan Sider from staff, filling in for director Rahaim, who is overseas at the moment. The only very brief item for your acknowledgement perhaps today, is to call out our Commission Secretary, Jonas Ionin, and wish him a very happy birthday.

Jonas P. Ionin, Commission Secretary:
Thank you. Thank you. Thank you. So now you know why I'll be leaving early today.

11. Review of Past Events at the Board of Supervisors, Board of Appeals and Historic Preservation Commission

Aaron Star:
Land Use Committee Last Week

• **180849** General Plan Amendment - Central Waterfront - Dogpatch Public Realm Plan. Sponsor: Cohen. Staff: Abad/Hrushowy. Recommended

At last week’s land use hearing, the committee considered the Ordinance to amend the Central Waterfront Area Plan within the General Plan to incorporate the Dogpatch Public Realm Plan. Commissioners, this ordinance was originally sponsored by you, but Supervisor Cohen then took up sponsorship once it was introduced at the Board.

The Planning Commission heard item on August 23rd of this year and voted to approve the ordinance.

At the land use hearing there was no public comment and no significant comments or questions by the committee members. The Committee then voted to recommend this unanimously to the Full Board.

• **180892** Planning Code - 1629 Market Street Special Use District. Sponsor: Kim. Staff: Sucre. Recommended

• **180891** Development Agreement Amendment - Strada Brady, LLC - Market and Colton Streets. Sponsor: Kim. Staff: Sucre. Recommended
Next on the agenda were the amendments to the 1629 Market Street SUD and the Development Agreement for 1629 Market Street. Commissioners, you heard these items on October 11 of this year and voted to approve both.

At the land use hearing there were two speakers in favor of the proposed amendments, and no significant questions or comments from the Committee members. The Committee voted to recommend these items to the Full Board.

- 180911 Planning Code - Inclusionary Housing Ordinance. Sponsor: Mayor. Staff: Grob. Recommended as Amended

The Committee then heard The Mayor’s proposed ordinance that would extend the entitlement for grandfathered projects w/ lower inclusionary rates for 30 months. Commissioners you heard this item on 10/18 and approved it without modifications.

At the Commission hearing, public comment was mixed, but at this hearing, many members of the development community came to discuss potential impacts to projects, and challenges in the Development process. Those that spoke in opposition stated it went against the will of the voters who voted to increase the Inclusionary rate to 25%.

Committee member comments and questions were mainly specific to projects included on the list of affected projects. The Committee then voted to amend the ordinance to change the 30-month time frame to 18 months from the date of entitlement, and to exclude unentitled projects. The Committee then recommends the amended ordinance to the full board.

Land Use Committee This Week


At the land use hearing this week, the committee first heard Supervisor Brown’s ordinance that would establish specific inclusionary housing requirements in the Divisadero Street NCT district. Commissioners you heard this item on June 30, 2016 and voted to approve with modifications. This item was continued from the October 22 Land Use hearing.

The ordinance was amended so that the inclusionary rates for Divisadero would be 23% for owner occupied units and 20% for rental housing. The Fillmore NCT was also take out of the proposed ordinance and will be subject to the city-wide inclusionary requirements.

The Land Use Committee voted unanimously to accept the amendments, and to continue the ordinance to the November 5 Land Use Committee meeting to allow time for the fee change to be properly noticed.

The Committee then considered Supervisor Fewer’s ordinance that would create the 430-29th Avenue SUD to allow social services in an RH-2 zoning district on property owned by a church. Commissioners, you heard this item on October 11 this year and recommended approval with modifications. The modification was to ensure that there would be no on-site services provide.

During the hearing Supervisor Kim gave Supervisor Fewer’s opening remarks and proposed the ordinance be amended to include the Commission’s recommendation. That amendment was added without objection. There was no public comment on this item and it was recommended to the Full Board with a positive recommendation.


Next, the Committee considered Supervisor Tang’s Flexible Retail ordinance. Commissioners you heard this item on October 18 and voted to approve with modifications. Those modifications included items Supervisor Tang had presented to the Commission, which staff also recommended. After the Commission heard the item, Supervisor Tang reintroduced the ordinance to include the Commission’s recommendation. Those recommendations were to:

1. Require that specific uses within the definition of Flexible Retail definition be principally permitted in the underlying zoning district in order to operate under the Flexible Retail Use;
2. Clarify that all other department’s required approvals still apply;
3. Require that to establish and maintain a Flexible Retail Use, the site must operate at least two of the sub uses at any given time;
4. Amend Planning Code Section 205 to create a new "60-Day Pop-Up Temporary Use" permit;
5. Include Supervisor Districts 1, 5, 10 & 11 in the legislation;
6. Include NCT, NC-S and NC-3 Districts in the legislation;
7. Redefine the boundaries of the legislation to state geographical markers, rather than by using Supervisorial Districts; and
8. Amend all NCD’s and NCT’s in the participating Districts to Permit Arts Activities Uses.

The Supervisor also amended the ordinance to allow Flexible Retail uses 90-days to find replacement sub-uses before becoming non-compliant.
There was no public comment on this item and the committee voted to forward the time to the Full Board with a positive recommendation.


Next the Committee considered Supervisor Kim’s Better Streets Ordinance. Commissioners, you may recall that this item was duplicated on October 22, and the duplicated file was amended to remove minimum parking requirements citywide, as recommended by the Planning Commission at its October 18 hearing.

During the hearing, Supervisor Kim gave a comprehensive overview of how the proposed amendment fits with existing city goals and policy, how most zoning districts no longer have minimum parking controls, and how we already have removed minimum parking requirements city wide by allowing bike parking to replace any car parking space.

Planner Paul Chasan largely reiterated the same comments and affirmed that parking maximums would remain the same. Further the city is most often pushing to reduce parking proposed by developers and hasn’t in recent memory every ask developers to increase parking.

About a dozen people spoke during public comment, all in favor. Speakers included representatives from the SFMTA, the CTA, SPUR, Livable City, Walk SF, SF Bicycle Coalition, HAC, and members from SF YIMBY Action. All expressing full support for this amendment and the direction it would take the city in meeting its environmental and public safety goals.

Supervisor Safai was skeptical of the proposed change citing the need families have to use their cars on a daily basis, and the lack of transit options in his district as justification for opposing the proposed amendment. In response staff and Supervisor Kim reiterate that this did not lower parking maximums or prevent any developer or homeowner from having parking.

Supervisor Tang was concerned about the lack of outreach on this proposed change and said she would feel more comfortable with the amendment if more outreach was done. In the end the Committee voted to continue the item to the November 26 land use hearing. They also requested that in the interim Planning Staff and Supervisor Kim’s office outreach to groups in their community. Staff is currently in the process of setting up those meeting with Supervisor Kim’s office.

- **180490 General Plan Amendments - Central South of Market Area Plan. Sponsor: Planning Commission. Staff: Chen. Item 7**

- **180185 Planning Code, Zoning Map - Central South of Market Special Use District. Sponsors: Mayor; Kim. Staff: Chen. Item 8**
- **180453 Business and Tax Regulations, Planning Codes - Central South of Market Housing Sustainability District. Sponsors: Mayor; Kim. Staff: Chen. Item 9**

- **180184 Administrative, Planning Codes - Central South of Market Area Plan. Sponsors: Mayor; Kim. Staff: Chen. Item 10**

- **180612 Administrative Code - San Francisco Special Tax Financing Law - Central SoMa. Sponsors: Mayor; Kim. Staff: Chen.**

Finally, the Committee heard again the Central SoMa suite of amendments. Supervisor Kim introduced the following key amendments at last week and this week’s land use hearing:

1. Rezoning a 150’ by 200’ portion of the Flower Mart site from CMUO to MUR to encourage housing production at the project.

2. Eliminating the incentive for POPOS to provide playgrounds, community gardens, sport courts, and dog runs.

3. Prohibiting SRO and group housing uses in the Plan Area, except for certain uses, including 100% affordable projects, student and senior housing, and residential care facilities.

4. Requiring that Key Sites that include office or hotel uses provide a child care facility on site, subject to review by the Planning Commission; and

5. Restoring the funding for the US Mint from $15 million to $20 million dollars

There were 14 commenters during public comment, their remarks including:

- Feedback from several Flower Mart vendors and the project sponsors that residential uses on the site would not be compatible with market operations. They also said they plan to acquire and dedicate land elsewhere for affordable housing if the Flower Mart site is allowed to remain commercial; and

- A call to reject the prohibition on SRO/group housing uses, given the potential for affordable modular housing and other emerging housing types

Supervisor Tang asked OEWD to describe the capital planning process for the Old Mint and why the $20 million in funding from Central SoMa is important. Supervisor Safai expressed that that the Flower Mart site should remain CMUO, and any future affordable housing contribution from the project could be decided during the Development Agreement process

The Committee did finally vote to forward the Plan out of Committee and to the Full Board for a hearing on November 13th, with the amendments.

**Full Board**
• 180803 Planning Code - Mission Alcoholic Beverage Special Use District and Mission Street Neighborhood Commercial Transit District. Sponsor: Ronen. Staff: D. Sanchez. Passed First Read

• 180910 Planning Code - Affordable Housing Projects on Undeveloped Lots in Service/Arts/Light Industrial Districts. Sponsor: Kim. Staff: Butkus. Amended to allow the removal of general advertising signs, and Passed First Read


• 180849 General Plan Amendment - Central Waterfront - Dogpatch Public Realm Plan. Sponsor: Cohen. Staff: Abad/Hrushowy. Passed First Read


And finally the Board heard the appeal for 2750 19th Street. This project includes the demolition of three existing industrial buildings and the construction of a six-story, mixed-use building with approximately 10,000 square feet of ground-floor PDR, and 60 residential units. This commission heard this item on August 23, 2018 and approved it as a Large Project Authorization.

The Appellant appealed the Community Plan Evaluation (CPE) citing that:

1. The Eastern Neighborhoods EIR analysis is out-of-date, so cannot be relied upon for a CPE;

2. The CPE does not consider the gentrification and displacement effects of the proposed project; and

3. The Eastern Neighborhoods EIR is not valid because the Plan’s Public Benefits Plan is not fully funded.

All the issues raised have been presented in previous CEQA appeals, including those of 2675 Folsom Street, 1296 Shotwell, 901 16th Street and 2918 Mission Street.

Public comment reiterated the above points of the CEQA appeal. Commenters also referred to the merits of the project, including the need for more affordable housing in the Mission. The proposed project includes replacement of demolished PDR and an agreement for the current PDR tenant to return to the project’s PDR space, once completed. Some public comment expressed concern that the PDR space could become non-PDR space without Department approval; other public comment expressed a desire for a stronger guarantee of a local PDR tenant if the current tenant chose not to return.
Supervisor Ronen and President Cohen asked questions and provided comments. Both discussed transportation issues, including the growth of TNCs. Department staff provided a brief reply on its ongoing efforts to update its Transportation Analysis Guidelines.

In the end, the appeal was denied and CPE affirmed by a unanimous vote.

**Commissioner Richards:**
Just one question Mr. Starr. I know that you mentioned 901 16th Street and the appeal on all these different projects based on the community plan EIR. If you could maybe for next week, see where the appeal of the 901 16th Street is in the courts. They actually appealed the EIR. The eastern neighborhood's EIR and they still winding its way through the courts. If you could get a status, I would really appreciate it.

**Aaron Starr:**
Sure, I’ll ask Environmental Planning for that.

**Commissioner Richards:**
Thank you.

**Jonas P. Ionin, Commission Secretary:**
I will remind members of the public that you can’t block the doors and stand in front of the doors. There is a button that automatically opens the door up against that wall. So, if you are leaning up against it, it might be opening and closing the door. I am not going to arrange for an overflow room yet because I think there are a number of speakers here under general public comment that may end up vacating some seats.

Commissioners, the Board of Appeals met last night and considered the Large Project Authorization for 2750 19th Street. The Commission held multiple hearings on this item before approving it last summer. The Board upheld the approval; however, added a condition of approval requiring ground floor PDR in perpetuity. While the Commission’s approval included the PDR use as part of the project, this condition will require to remain and prohibit a change to a non-PDR use.

**Tim Frye, Preservation Officer:**
Good afternoon Commissioners, Tim Frye, Department Staff. I am here to share with you a few items from yesterday’s Historic Preservation Commission hearing. Also, I would like to update you on the six pending Mills Act applications. Those items were heard at the Government Audit and Oversight Committee yesterday and were given a favorable recommendation and will be forwarded to the Full Board for a vote next week. One Certificate of Appropriateness that I think would be of relevance to you, because this Commission will consider a Conditional Use Authorization forward in the near future. That is 3620 Buchanan Street. The location of the SF Gas and Light Company building and Merryvale Antiques. The property is Landmark No. 58. It was designated in 1973 and as such has a very lean case report and local designation ordinance. To that effect, there is a garden structure on the site that appears to be noncontributing. However, the designating ordinance is silent. There is a proposal right now to build eight residential units on the side of that garden structure. The staff determined that the garden structure was
noncontributing to the site. However, some Commissioners still have concerns over the design of this project. And a motion to continue failed at the hearing +4 to -3, to refer it back to the Architectural Review Committee of the Commission. There was then a motion to approve the project as proposed with department recommendations. The reason for the motion to approve, the Commissioners cited that the project sponsor had complied with all the recommendations from the previous Architectural Review Committee hearing of the HPC and felt that the project should move forward as proposed. That motion passed +4 to -3 as well and again, as there was a good deal of public comment, also stating concern over the overall massing and location of the new structure, these items will likely come up at your hearing as well. In addition to that item, there were two Landmark Designations that are moving forward to the full board. The first one, if I can get the overhead, is 2 Henry Adams Street. As you are probably aware from the news, this item had been tabled for some time at the Full Board, or this nomination. Supervisor Cohen reintroduced the item so the property owner may take advantage of more flexible zoning uses at the site which are afforded by the Planning Code for landmark properties. The Commission voted unanimously to forward that recommendation to the Board of Supervisors for approval. The second designation is for 22 Beaver Street. This is a property from the 1870’s and has been designated with the help of Commissioner Richards for the Benedict-Gieling house. This property is a unique property in the neighborhood and in San Francisco due to its rarity and its age. And again, the Commission felt it warranted local designation for Article 10. And we believe both of these items will be heard within the next few weeks at the full Board of Supervisors. And that concludes my comments, unless you have any questions.

E. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT

SPEAKERS: Anastasia Yovanopoulos – 1979 Mission
Chirag Bhakta – 1979 Mission
Hans Art – 1979 Mission
Jeff Waltz – 1979 Mission
Gwen Kaplan – 1979 Mission
Sherman King – 1979 Mission
Angelica Santiago – 1979 Mission
Bobby Garcia – 1979 Mission
Isaiah – 1979 Mission
Hazel Lee – 1979 Mission
Theresa Wong – 1979 Mission
Joseph Silva – 1979 Mission
Aly Cunningham – 1979 Mission
Donnisha Tucker – 1979 Mission
Speaker – 1979 Mission
Xochitl Gonzalez – 1979 Mission
Selena Salgado – 1979 Mission
Armando Salgado – 1979 Mission
Morris Pineda – 1979 Mission
Susan Cieutat – 1979 Mission
Greg Mack – 1979 Mission
Eranae – 1979 Mission
Chiffona Patterson – 1979 Mission
F. REGULAR CALENDAR

The Commission Hearing Procedures provide for presentations by staff; followed by the project sponsor team; followed by public comment for and against the proposal. Please be advised that the project sponsor team includes: the sponsor(s) or their designee, lawyers, architects, engineers, expediters, and/or other advisors.

12. **2018-013893PCAMAP** *(E. JARDINES: (415) 575-9144)*

**1550 EVANS AVENUE – Planning Code and Zoning Map Amendments** introduced by Supervisor Cohen to establish the 1550 Evans Avenue Special Use District; and affirming the Planning Department’s determination under the California Environmental Quality Act; and making findings of consistency with the General Plan and the eight priority policies of Planning Code, Section 101.1, and findings of public necessity, convenience, and welfare under Planning Code, Section 302.

*Preliminary Recommendation: Approve with Modifications*

**SPEAKERS:**

- Esmerelda Jardines – Staff report
- Sophia Kittler, Aide to Sup. Cohen –
- David Gregg – Project presentation
- Gretta – Design presentation
- Steve Good – Open space without housing component
- Lottie Titus – No housing on this site
- Dorothy Kelley – No housing on this site
- Jesse Campos – No housing
- Karen Chung – No housing

**ACTION:** Approved with Modifications

**AYES:** Fong, Hillis, Johnson, Koppel, Melgar

**NAYS:** Richards
ABSENT: Moore
RESOLUTION: 20334

13. 2017-011878ENV (R. SCHUETT: (415) 575-9030)
POTRERO POWER STATION – Draft Environmental Impact Report – The 29-acre site is located along San Francisco’s central Bayshore waterfront and includes the site of the former Potrero Power Station. The proposed project would rezone the site, establish land use controls, develop design standards, and provide for a multi-phased, mixed-use development, including residential, commercial, parking, community facilities and open space land uses. The proposed project would include amendments to the General Plan and Planning Code, creating a new Potrero Power Station Special Use District. The proposed rezoning would modify the existing height limits of 40 and 65 feet to various heights ranging from 65 to 300 feet. Overall, the proposed project would construct up to approximately 5.3 million gross square feet of mixed uses and approximately 6.2 acres of open space. The project would include demolition of up to 20 existing structures, including up to five historic structures that are contributors to the historic Third Street Industrial District.

Preliminary Recommendation: Review and Comment

SPEAKERS: = Rachel Schuett – Staff presentation
= Enrique Landa – Project presentation
= Karen Alschuler – Project presentation
= John Lau – Project presentation
- Ron Miguel – Public open space and shadow
- Katherine Petrin (SF Heritage) – Historic preservation
+ Zach Brown – Housing and density
+ JR Eppler – Context of project
- Peter Linenthal – Historic preservation
+ Vanessa Aquino – Support
+ Emily Pearl – Proposed program, adaptive reuse
= Katherine Doumani – Livability, quality of life
+ Scott Klein – Amenities to neighborhood
+ Tim Colen – Repurposed land
+ Ray Hernandez – Housing
- Richard Hudson – Public view
+ John Larner – Revitalization of neighborhood
- Phillip Anisovich – Design, destroys historic resources
- Rick Hall – Analysis
+ Guy Carson – Preservation, reuse
+ Jim Worshel – Preservation Alternative C
- Shawn Engels – Lack of public community benefits
- Allison Heath – Poor design, few community benefits
+ Laura Clark – Cost and benefits
- Janet Carpinelli – Alternatives
+ Bruce Huie – Neighborhood amenities, conservation

ACTION: Reviewed and Commented
AYES: Fong, Hillis, Johnson, Koppel, Melgar, Richards
ABSENT: Moore
14a. **2016-000378CUA**

1600 JACKSON STREET – north side of Jackson Street, between Polk Street and Van Ness Avenues, Lots 002 and 003 in Assessor’s Block 0595 (District 3) – Request for **Conditional Use Authorization** to establish a new general grocery store (a Retail Sales and Services Use) operating as a Formula Retail Use (d.b.a. “365 by Whole Foods”) on the first and second floors and add eight (8) Dwelling Units on the second floor of the subject property, pursuant to Planning Code Sections 303, 303.1, 703(d), 703.4, and 723. The Dwelling Units would be comprised of four (4) two-bedroom units, three (3) one-bedroom units, and one (1) studio unit, resulting in 50 percent of the total number of Dwelling Units of at least two-bedrooms. The Project would involve both interior and exterior tenant improvements to the existing two-story-over-garage building, with no expansion of the gross square footage contained within the existing structure. The existing structure contains 43,898 gross square feet, and the general grocery store would occupy the entirety of the first floor, or approximately 22,000 gross square feet, and approximately one-half of the second floor, or approximately 11,000 gross square feet. The first floor would function as the primary sales floor for the general grocery store, with an area dedicated for prepared foods for on- or off-site consumption, and the second floor would contain additional retail floor area, and accessory office space. With respect to alcohol sales, 365 by Whole Foods proposes to hold a Type 20 alcohol license (beer and wine only). The exterior tenant improvements include a horizontal extension of the existing parapet, new paint, and new store signage. The proposed project would utilize the existing below-grade parking garage with 70 vehicular parking spaces (one to be reserved for car-sharing) and off-street loading dock fronting Jackson Street, while adding Class 1 and Class 2 bicycle parking spaces where none existed before. This action constitutes the Approval Action for the project for the purposes of CEQA, pursuant to San Francisco Administrative Code Section 31.04(h).

*Preliminary Recommendation: Approve with Conditions*

(Continued from Regular hearing on October 4, 2018)

**NOTE:** On April 26, 2018, after hearing and closing public comment, continued to July 26, 2018, by a vote of +4 -2 (Moore and Richards against; Melgar absent).

On July 26, 2018, without hearing, continued to September 27, 2018 by a vote of +6 -0 (Hillis absent).

On September 27, 2018, without hearing, continued to October 4, 2018 by a vote of +7 -0.

On October 4, 2018, after hearing and closing public comment, continued to November 8, 2018, with direction from the Commission by a vote of +4 -1 (Moore against; Fong and Melgar absent).

**SPEAKERS:**

= Nick Foster – Staff presentation
= Jim Reuben – Project presentation
= Chris Kavinski – 8 housing units not a benefit
= Duncan Ley – 8 housing units not a benefit
= Jim Worshell – 8 housing units not a benefit
= Frank Canata – Housing crisis
= George Wooding – Opposed
= Anastasia Yovanopoulos – Need more housing
= Stephanie Peek – Housing
= Joshua Devore – Use size limits
= Michael Priollo – Business preservation
= Tim McLaughlin – Small business impacts
+ Barbara Bahagan – Need grocery store in Russian Hill
+ Judith Robby – Need anchor destination with services
+ John Addeo – Need grocery store
+ Diane Carroll – Need services
- Paul Webber – Housing crisis
- Laura Clark – Housing
- Cynthia Gomez – Inappropriate for neighborhood
- Jerry Dratler – Square footage
+ Karen Dold – Empty storefronts
+ Greg Carr – Need grocery store
+ Richard Cardello – Added housing
+ Thomas Madland – Need grocery store
+ Anne Brubaker – Want grocery store
+ Carol Ann Rodgers – Need full service grocery store
+ Sarah Taber – Need grocery store nearby
+ Joyce Kuchervy – Need supermarket, quality of life
- Rick Barry – Need housing not grocery store
- Melissa Gutierrez – Need more housing
- Ray – Merchant, need housing
- Sandra Fish – Death of quality neighborhoods
- (F) Speaker – Small business needs protection
- Roy Chan – Significant impacts
- Leslie Van Dyke – Against proposed development
- Kevin Gleason – Need housing
- Nick Matthiesson – Housing crisis
- Patrick Hawktal – Densification
- Ozzie Rohm – Housing
- Ann Marie Einselen – Need housing
+ Richard Wayland – Supports
- Chris Schulman – Housing
- Dawn Trennert – Inclusionary housing
- Elaine Tangsmen – Traffic
- Marlene Morgan – Impacts
- Kate Chase – Housing
+ Tina Moylan – Need more grocery stores, services
+ Leslie Bull – Need grocery store
- Mitchell Burg – Amazon
- Vasu Narayanan – Housing
- Lorenzo Rios – 7th store in SF

ACTION: Adopted a Motion of Intent to Disapprove supporting a change to Code for grocery store use limits and Continued to November 29, 2018

AYES: Fong, Johnson, Koppel, Melgar, Richards
NAYS: Hillis
ABSENT: Moore

14b. 2016-000378VAR (N. FOSTER: (415) 575-9167)
1600 JACKSON STREET – north side of Jackson Street, between Polk Street and Van Ness Avenues, Lots 002 and 003 in Assessor’s Block 0595 (District 3) – Request for Variance pursuant to Planning Code Section 134 (“Rear Yard”). The basic rear yard requirement for the subject property is 25 percent (or approximately 41 feet) at the lowest story containing
a dwelling unit. The existing structure covers 100% of the lot and Code requires a rear at the lowest story containing a dwelling unit; therefore, the project requires a variance from the rear yard requirements of the Planning Code.

SPEAKERS: Same as item 14a.
ACTION: ZA Continued to November 29, 2019

15a. 2013.1037C (C. MAY: (415) 575-9087)
650 DIVISADERO STREET – southeast corner of Divisadero and Grove Streets; Lot 002B in Assessor's Block 1202 (District 5) - Request for Conditional Use Authorization pursuant to Planning Code Sections 121.1, 271, 303, 746.10 and 746.11 to permit the development of a 6-story mixed-use building containing 66 residential dwelling units above 26 ground floor parking spaces and 3,528 square feet of commercial uses within a Divisadero Street Neighborhood Commercial Transit (NCT) District, the Fringe Financial Services Restricted Use District and 65-A Height and Bulk District. This action constitutes the Approval Action for the project for the purposes of CEQA, pursuant to San Francisco Administrative Code Section 31.04(h).

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SPEAKERS: = Chris May – Staff presentation
= Juan Carlos / Sup. Brown’s Aide – Project presentation
= Patrick Szeto – Project presentation
= Warner Schmalz – Project presentation
= Supervisor Brown – Legislation
+ Laura Clark – Community engagement
- Gus Hernandez – Continuance for legislation
- Jim Hillis – Legislation
- Heike Kilian – Tree protection plan, bulk
- Bill Thomson – Density, off-street parking
= Donna Thomson – Negatively impacts building next door
- Norm Degelman – Continue
- Charles D. – Increase density, continuance
+ Tim Colen – Housing
+ Richard Kay – Support, continuance
+ Rev. Arnold Townsend – Diverse tenant mix
- Jeff – Noise concerns
+ Phillip Robernich – More housing near transit
+ Owen O’Donnell – Not big enough, need housing
- David Wu – Continue until legislation finalized

ACTION: Approved with Conditions and include licensed arborist be hired for tree protection plan.

AYES: Fong, Hillis, Johnson, Koppel, Melgar, Richards
ABSENT: Moore
MOTION: 20335

15b. 2013.1037V (C. MAY: (415) 575-9087)
650 DIVISADERO STREET – southeast corner of Divisadero and Grove Streets; Lot 002B in Assessor’s Block 1202 (District 5) - Request for Rear Yard Modification pursuant to Planning
Code Section 134 to permit the development of a 6-story mixed-use building containing 66 residential dwelling units above 26 ground floor parking spaces and 3,528 square feet of commercial uses within a Divisadero Street Neighborhood Commercial Transit (NCT) District, the Fringe Financial Services Restricted Use District and 65-A Height and Bulk District.

(Continued from Regular Meeting on September 27, 2018)

SPEAKERS: Same as item 15a.  
ACTION: ZA Closed the PH and indicated an intent to Grant.

16a. 2007.1347CUA (M. WOODS: (415) 558-6315)  
3637-3657 SACRAMENTO STREET – south side between Locust and Spruce Streets, Lots 012 and 020 in Assessor’s Block 1018 (District 2) - Request for Conditional Use Authorization, pursuant to Planning Code Sections 102, 121.1, 121.2, 303 and 724 to demolish three existing buildings, and construct a 40-foot tall, four-story mixed use building over three levels of below-grade parking, containing retail, medical office, 18 dwelling units, 64 parking spaces (including one car share space), and 35 bicycle spaces, totaling approximately 84,000 square feet. The proposal is seeking Conditional Use authorization for lot size exceeding 5,000 square feet, use size exceeding 2,500 square feet, and public parking garage for short term use. The proposal is also seeking a Modification of the rear yard requirement from the Zoning Administrator pursuant to Planning Code Sections 134 and 136. The project site is located within a Sacramento Street Neighborhood Commercial District and 40-X Height and Bulk District. This action constitutes the Approval Action for the purposes of CEQA, pursuant to San Francisco Administrative Code Section 31.04(h).

Preliminary Recommendation: Approve with Conditions

SPEAKERS:  
= Mary Woods – Staff report  
= Scott Emblidge – Project presentation  
= Gary Gee – Project presentation  
- John Herby – Construction concerns  
+ Jason McDonald – Housing  
- Linda Eislund – Not affordable housing, light  
+ Matthew Holmes – Housing, mixed-use project  
- Steven Krolik – Garage, traffic  
+ Tim Colen – Housing  
- Dr. Karel Kretzschmar – Parking, traffic  
- Patrick Richards – Project scale  
+ Julie & Raymond Aviles – Underground parking  
- Alex Thompson – Massing and scale  
- Jennifer Kopczynski – Scale, not appropriate  
- Brandon Ponce – Scale, traffic, small businesses  
- Cynthia Silverstein – Scale  
+ Douglas Matthew – Support  
- Carol Bronanski – Parking  
+ Nick Simpson – Alleviates pressure, needed  
+ Jim Sobel – Benefits neighborhood  
+ Barbra Devini – Support  
+ Craig Greenwood – New housing opportunities
- (F) Speaker – Size
  - Maggie Chafen – Small business in crisis
  - John Burns – Disruption, scale
  - Marsha Herman – Construction noise
  - Natasha Kofsky – Scale, design
  + Jeff Leopold – Parking, growth, housing
  - Doug Engmann – Scale, construction
  + Michael Reichmuth – High density housing
  + Jeff Litke – Project sponsor

ACTION: Approved with Conditions as amended removing one floor of parking.
AYES: Fong, Hillis, Johnson, Koppel
NAYS: Melgar, Richards
ABSENT: Moore
MOTION: 20336

16b. **2007.1347VAR** (M. WOODS: (415) 558-6315)
3637-3657 SACRAMENTO STREET – south side between Locust and Spruce Streets, Lots 012 and 020 in Assessor’s Block 1018 (District 2) – Request for a Zoning Administrator Modification from the rear yard requirement (Planning Code Sections 134 and 136). The proposed project is to demolish three existing buildings, and construct a 40-foot tall, four-story mixed use building over three levels of below-grade parking, containing retail, medical office, 18 dwelling units, 64 parking spaces (including one car share space), and 35 bicycle spaces. The project site is located within a Sacramento Street Neighborhood Commercial District and 40-X Height and Bulk District.

SPEAKERS: Same as item 16a.
ACTION: ZA Closed the PH and indicated an intent to Grant.

17a. **2016-008438SHD** (K. DURANDET: (415) 575-6816)
1075-1089 FOLSOM STREET – south side of Folsom Street between 7th and Sherman Streets, Lots 038 and 039 of Assessor’s Block 3766 (District 6) - Request for Adoption of Findings, pursuant to Planning Code Section 295, regarding the shadow study that concluded, with the recommendation of the general manager of the Recreation and Park Department, in consultation with the Recreation and Park Commission, that net new shadow on Victoria Manalo Draves Park by the proposed project at 1075-1089 Folsom Street would not be adverse to the use of the public park. The proposed project would demolish the existing buildings on the site, and construct a six-story, 65-foot tall, approximately 25,756 square-foot (sf) mixed-use building consisting of 48 single room occupancy (SRO) residential units with balconies and decks on the first through sixth floors, and a rear yard, residential lobby, bicycle storage, 1,088 sf of commercial space, and utility areas on the ground floor. The subject property is located within the SoMa NCT (Neighborhood Commercial Transit) Zoning District and 65-X Height and Bulk Districts.

Preliminary Recommendation: Adopt Shadow Findings

SPEAKERS: = Kimberly Durandet – Staff report
- Kevin Wu – DR requestor
- Mary Claire Amable – SUD, shadow
- Alexa Drapiza – Park use, SUD, shadow
- PJ Eugenio – Parks, open space
+ Mark Loper – Project presentation
+ Jonathan Pearlman – Project presentation
+ Rudy Asercion – Housing
+ Katherine Wolfe – Added housing
+ George McNabb – Support
+ Christian Brand – Housing
- Sue Hestor – DR rebuttal

ACTION: Adopted Shadow Findings
AYES: Fong, Hillis, Johnson, Koppel, Melgar, Richards
ABSENT: Moore
MOTION: 20337

17b. 2016-008438DRP (K. DURANDET: (415) 575-6816)
1075-1089 FOLSOM STREET – south side of Folsom Street between 7th and Sherman Streets, Lots 038 and 039 of Assessor’s Block 3766 (District 6) – Request for Discretionary Review of Building Permit Application No. 2017.0214.9384. The proposed project would demolish the existing buildings on the site, and construct a six-story, 65-foot tall, approximately 25,756 square-foot (sf) mixed-use building consisting of 48 single room occupancy (SRO) residential units with balconies and decks on the first through sixth floors, and a rear yard, residential lobby, bicycle storage, 1,088 sf of commercial space, and utility areas on the ground floor. The subject property is located within the SoMa NCT (Neighborhood Commercial Transit) Zoning District and 65-X Height and Bulk Districts.

Preliminary Recommendation: Do Not Take Discretionary Review and Approve

SPEAKERS: Same as item 17a.
ACTION: Did NOT Take DR and Approved
AYES: Fong, Hillis, Johnson, Koppel, Melgar, Richards
ABSENT: Moore
DRA: 0624

G. DISCRETIONARY REVIEW CALENDAR

The Commission Discretionary Review Hearing Procedures provide for presentations by staff; followed by the DR requestor team; followed by public comment opposed to the project; followed by the project sponsor team; followed by public comment in support of the project. Please be advised that the DR requestor and project sponsor teams include: the DR requestor and sponsor or their designee, lawyers, architects, engineers, expediters, and/or other advisors.

18a. 2015-004717DRP (M. CHRISTENSEN: (415) 575-8742)
11 GLADYS STREET – southeast side of Gladys Street; Lot 027 of Assessor’s Block 5710 (District 9) – Request for Discretionary Review of Building Permit Application #201612084425 within a RH-2 (Residential, House – Two Family) and 40-X Height and Bulk District. The proposal includes a vertical addition to an existing single-family home. The proposal also includes interior alterations. This action constitutes the Approval Action for the project for the purposes of CEQA, pursuant to San Francisco Administrative Code Section 31.04(h).

Preliminary Recommendation: Do Not Take Discretionary Review and Approve
(Continued from Regular hearing on October 18, 2018)
SPEAKERS: = Michael Christensen – Staff report
- David Donofrio – DR requestor
- Mike Garavaglia – DR requestor
- Pat Buskovich – DR Requestor
- Ryan Patterson – DR requestor
- Dan Greeman – Decks, privacy
- Amy Kyle – Variance
- (M) Speaker – Natural light
- Geraldine Bosco – Home value
+ Rob Oliver – Project presentation
+ Jodie Knight – Project presentation
+ Ian Thompson – Families in SF, diversity
+ Patrick Crowe – Families in SF
+ Mason Kirby – Project sponsor rebuttal

ACTION: Did NOT Take DR and Approved with direction to staff to work on privacy screening.

AYES:  Fong, Hillis, Koppel, Melgar, Richards
ABSENT: Johnson, Moore
DRA:  0625

18b.  2015-004717VAR
11 GLADYS STREET – southeast side of Gladys Street; Lot 027 of Assessor’s Block 5710
(District 9) – Request for Variance to the front setback requirement pursuant to Planning
Code Section 132 and rear yard requirement pursuant to Planning Code Section 134 for the
project involving a vertical addition to an existing single-family home. The proposal also
includes interior alterations. The project is located within a RH-2 (Residential, House – Two
Family) and 40-X Height and Bulk District.
(Continued from Regular hearing on October 18, 2018)

SPEAKERS: Same as item 18a.
ACTION: Acting ZA closed the public hearing and took the matter under advisement.

19.  2018-007690DRP
269 AVILA STREET – between Beach and Capra; Lot 002 in Assessor’s Block 0441A (District
2) - Request for Discretionary Review of Building Permit Application No. 2018.0524.0036,
for construction of an Accessory Dwelling Unit per ordinance 162-16 in an existing 3-story
two-family house within a RH-1 (Residential, House, One-Family) Zoning District and 40-X
Height and Bulk District. This action constitutes the Approval Action for the project for the
purposes of CEQA, pursuant to San Francisco Administrative Code Section 31.04(h).
Preliminary Recommendation: Do Not Take Discretionary Review and Approve

SPEAKERS: = David Winslow – Staff report
- Kelly Woodruff – DR requestor
- Amy Rosewall-Godley – Non-conforming property
- Dave Tower – Negative change
- Katy Wahl – Opposed
+ (F) Speaker – Project sponsor presentation

ACTION: Did NOT Take DR and Approved
AYES: Fong, Hillis, Koppel, Melgar, Richards
ABSENT: Johnson, Moore
DRA: 0626

ADJOURNMENT – 11:00 PM
ADOPTED NOVEMBER 29, 2018