

SAN FRANCISCO HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION



Draft – Meeting Minutes
REMOTE HEARING
via video and teleconferencing

**Wednesday, May 6, 2020
12:30 p.m.
Regular Meeting**

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: Black, Foley, Hyland, Johns, Matsuda, Pearlman, So

THE MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER BY PRESIDENT HYLAND AT 12:34 PM

STAFF IN ATTENDANCE: Shannon Ferguson, Melanie Bishop, Shelley Caltagirone, Claudia Flores, Rich Sucre, Jeff Joslin, Rich Hillis – Planning Director, Jonas P. Ionin – 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. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT

SPEAKERS: Ozzie Rohm – Survey SF trees for historic resources

B. DEPARTMENT MATTERS

1. Director's Announcements

Rich Hillis, Planning Director:

Commissioners, good afternoon. I wanted to touch on one thing that Ozzie Rohm touched on during general public comment and just give you a preview about the budget. Certainly, the crisis we are facing has had implications both to the city budget and will have implications to our budget. We don't know the details yet. We will likely be back before you talking about next year's budget when we get instructions and have a better sense of where the budget is heading. But the city's general fund budget is down hundreds of millions of dollars because of hotel tax and sales tax and transport tax issues. Our budget is down about 6 million dollars this year because of a reduction in permit revenues. We think we can absorb that this year. We are looking to what the implications are next year. As far as the survey positions, we did have those in the budget. They are funded by both an ad back and the Historic Preservation Fund committee. We were ramping up hiring. We hadn't fully staffed those positions. So there could be some timing issues with hiring freezes. Currently, the city is not allowing us to move forward with hiring at this point. We're hoping to ramp those up when we get back to the office but there could be some delay in hiring because of this crisis. We will definitely be back before you to talk about next year's budget.

2. Review of Past Events at the Planning Commission, Staff Report and Announcements

Jonas P. Ionin, Commission Secretary:

The Planning commission has successfully held four remote hearings. They have been fairly smooth given the issues associated with remote hearings. But last week they considered 701 Harrison, and part of the conditions or they amended the conditions of approval for that project essentially directing the project sponsor to work with neighborhood organizations to incorporate the cultural heritage district that that project is adjacent to into the programming of the development.

C. COMMISSION MATTERS

3. President's Report and Announcements

None.

4. Consideration of Adoption:

- [Draft Minutes for ARC February 5, 2020](#)

SPEAKERS: None
ACTION: Adopted
AYES: Black, Foley, Hyland, Johns, Matsuda, Pearlman, So

- [Draft Minutes for HPC April 15, 2020](#)

SPEAKERS: None
ACTION: Adopted as amended and corrected
AYES: Black, Foley, Hyland, Johns, Matsuda, Pearlman, So

5. Commission Comments & Questions

None.

6. [Certified Local Government Program \(CLG\) Annual Report](#)

SPEAKERS: = Marcelle Boudreaux – Staff report

ACTION: Reviewed and Commented

D. 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.

7. [2020-000052PCA](#) (V. FLORES: (415) 575-9173)

STANDARD ENVIRONMENTAL REQUIREMENTS [BF TBD] – Various **Code Amendments** – Ordinance amending the Administrative Code to authorize the Planning Commission to standardize policies that avoid or lessen common environmental impacts of Development Projects, as defined; create a program to apply those policies as requirements to Development Projects that meet certain applicability criteria, in order to protect public health, safety, welfare and the environment while expediting environmental review for housing and other Development Projects; and to make conforming amendments to the Planning, Environment and Police Codes; affirming the Planning Department's determination under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA); 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 findings under Planning Code, Section 302.

8Preliminary Recommendation: Adopt a Recommendation for Approval

(Continued from Remote Hearing on April 15, 2020)

Note: On April 15, 2020, after hearing and closing public comment; Continued to May 6, 2020 by a vote of +7 -0.

(Proposed for Continuance to July 15, 2020)

SPEAKERS: - Katherine Howard – Strongly support continuance
- Ozzie Rohm – Support continuance, put on hold indefinitely
+ Sonja Kraus – Against continuance

ACTION: Continued to July 15, 2020

AYES: Black, Foley, Hyland, Johns, Matsuda, Pearlman, So

E. REGULAR CALENDAR8. [2018-009197COA](#) (S. FERGUSON: (415) 575-9074)

1772 VALLEJO STREET – north side between Gough and Franklin streets. Assessor's Block 0552, Lot 029 (District 2) – Request for **Certificate of Appropriateness** for a three-story rear addition. The property is designated City Landmark No. 31 under Article 10 of the Planning

Code. The property is zoned RH-2 (Residential-House, Two Family) District and 40-X Height and Bulk District.

Preliminary Recommendation: Approve

(Continued from Remote Hearing on April 15, 2020)

SPEAKERS: = Shannon Ferguson – Staff report
+ Michael Garavaglia – Project presentation
+ Jeremy Paul – Project presentation
- Daniela Kirshenbaum – Playing catch up, ask to delay for reconsideration
- Richard Emerson – Elevation, massive change

ACTION: After hearing and closing public comment; Continued to May 20, 2020

AYES: Black, Foley, Hyland, Johns, Matsuda, Pearlman, So

9. [2019-022536DES](#) (F. MCMILLEN: (415) 575-9076)

4767-4773 MISSION STREET – east side of Mission Street between Persia and Russia avenues, Assessor's Block 6084, Lot 021 (District 11) - Consideration to Recommend to the Board of Supervisors **Landmark Designation** of 4767-4773 Mission Street (Royal Baking Company) as an individual Article 10 Landmark pursuant to Section 1004.2 of the Planning Code. The Royal Baking Company Building is significant for its association with the history of the Italian-American community in San Francisco, the City's twentieth-century macaroni and bread-baking industries and as an excellent example of Storybook and Art Deco architectural styles. 4767-4773 Mission Street is located within the Excelsior Outer Mission Street Neighborhood Commercial (NCD) Zoning District and 65-X Height and Bulk District.

Preliminary Recommendation: Approve

(Continued from Canceled Hearing on April 1, 2020)

SPEAKERS: = Melanie Bishop – Staff report
+ Monica Chinchilla, legislative aide to Sup. Safai – Support designation
= Rich Sucre – Recognize SF Heritage

ACTION: Approved

AYES: Black, Foley, Hyland, Johns, Matsuda, Pearlman, So

RESOLUTION: 1124

10. (S. CALTAGIRONE: (415) 558-6625)

LEGACY BUSINESS PROGRAM - Informational Presentation by Planning Department staff on status of the program during the COVID-19 crisis. Information will include a status update on the current number of applications pending review, an overview of the Office of Small Business's work to support small businesses during the crisis, and a preview of upcoming research on the progress of the program.

Preliminary Recommendation: None - Informational

SPEAKERS: = Shelley Caltagirone – Staff report
+ Woody LaBounty – Your influence can be great help, increase annual funding
= Richard Kurylo – Response to questions
= Clauria Flores – Response to questions
= Jeff Joslin – Response to questions

ACTION: = Regina Dick-Endrizzi – Response to questions
Reviewed and Commented

ADJOURNMENT 2:39 PM