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Board of Supervisors 1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place, Room 244 San Francisco, CA 94102 Attn: Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

RE: Appeal of 2016-010079CUA Categorical Exemption 3620 Buchanan Street (the "Project")

Dear President Yee and Honorable Members of the Board of Supervisors:

Our firm represents 1598 Bay Condominium Association ("1598 Bay"), the homeowner's association for the property located at 1598 Bay Street, which is immediately adjacent to 3620 Buchanan Street (the "Project"). This letter provides the following Statement of Appeal for a finding of Categorical Exemption under the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA"). The Project consists of the demolition of one of two structures on one shared parcel, which parcel is subject to a Landmark Preservation Ordinance as explained below, and the construction of a new 4-story, eight unit residential building. The Planning Department determined that the Project qualified for a Class 32 Urban In-Fill Development Categorical Exemption despite the fact that the proposed Project could result in significant effects as a result of the likely presence of hazardous materials at the Project site and could adversely impact the significance of a historic resource. The Board of Supervisors should overturn the Planning Department's decision to issue a Categorical Exemption to support the Project's approvals and return the Project to staff for additional environmental review. 1598 Bay is also concurrently appealing the Project's Conditional Use Authorization in a separate statement of appeal.

The proposed Project does not qualify for reliance on the Class 32 exemption for several reasons. CEQA Guidelines Section 15300.2 establishes exceptions to the application of a categorical exemption for a project. Furthermore, pursuant to San Francisco Planning Commission Resolution No. 14952, for Class 32 exemptions, this categorical exemption may be used only where it can be seen with certainty that the proposed project could not have a significant effect on the environment. This is the same standard that appears in CEQA Guidelines Section 15061(b)(3), the so-called "general rule exemption", which is rarely relied upon in CEQA determinations because of the very high legal threshold involved. Given the facts below, this high threshold cannot be met, and the Planning Department could not provide with certainty that the proposed Project would not have a significant effect on the environment.

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First, CEQA Guidelines Section 15300.2(e) provides that a categorical exemption shall not be used for a project located on a site that is included on any list compiled pursuant to Section 65962.5 of the Government Code. According to the "Hazardous Waste -EnviroStor/Geotracker" Database map attached hereto as Exhibit A and the Mediated Investigation of MGP Residues Case Report attached hereto as Exhibit B, the Project site is either located on or immediately adjacent to an identified site listed in Government Code Section 65962.5, which may result in a risk to the proposed Project, construction workers, neighbors and future residents. The Project site is also within a Maher Area, which means that it is on a site with known or suspected soil and/or groundwater contamination. In addition, as indicated in the Project's Environmental Evaluation, the proposed Project would require the disturbance of more than 50 cubic yards of soil. The Project sponsor should prepare a Phase I Environmental Site Assessment for the Planning Department's review in order to document the soil and groundwater conditions underlying the Project site, especially considering its location next to a former manufactured gas plant (which included a 250,000 cubic foot gas holding tank) then-turned gas station (which included underground storage tanks). The California Department of Toxic Substances Control apparently has also determined that contaminated soil (to a depth of 15 feet) will need to be removed from the Project site. As 1598 Bay is concerned that contaminated soils exist underneath the Project, the Planning Department should carefully review and analyze the results of any Phase I Environmental Site Assessment before determining that the Project would not result in significant impacts related to hazardous materials. If any cleanup of hazardous materials is required, the California Department of Toxic Substances Control and the Department of Public Health should work in concert with the Project sponsor to prepare a work plan in compliance with all applicable federal, state, and local regulations related to hazardous materials. At this juncture, the Planning Department cannot be certain that the Project would not have a significant effect on the environment with regards to hazardous materials as construction workers, future residents and occupants of neighboring properties could be affected.

Second, CEQA Guidelines Section 15300.2, subdivision (f), provides that a categorical exemption shall not be used for a project that may cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of a historical resource. The proposed Project is located on the same lot that contains the Merryvale Antiques building, the courtyard, and the garden house, all of which are designated as part of Landmark No. 58 (the designating ordinance applies to the entire property and is attached hereto as Exhibit C). While the Historic Preservation Commission ("HPC") approved the Certificate of Appropriateness for the Project by a 4-3 vote, the HPC did not appear to consider the spaces and spatial relationships of the Landmark site. The garden house will be demolished and a portion of the existing landscaped courtyard will be significantly diminished by approximately 25% to 33% based on the scope of the proposed Project. This will severely impact the spatial relationships between the Merryvale Antiques building and the proposed Project, and cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of the historic resource as it involves a "physical demolition, destruction, relocation, or alteration of the resource or its immediate surroundings such that the significance of an historical resource would be materially impaired." See CEQA Guidelines 15064.5(b)(1) (emphasis added). As such, the demolition of a portion of Landmark No. 58 will be a significant impact under CEQA. An exception to the Class President Norman Yee and Honorable Members of the Board of Supervisors March 4, 2019 Page 3

32 Urban Infill Categorical Exemption applies. The Planning Department should require the Project to undergo further environmental review, including the preparation of an initial study and a focused environmental impact report to address this issue.

Third, CEQA Guidelines Section 15332(a) requires that Class 32 In-Fill Development Projects meet a number of conditions, including the condition that the project is "consistent with the applicable general plan designation and all applicable general plan policies as well as with applicable zoning designation and regulations." Pursuant to the NC-2 (Neighborhood Commercial) District's zoning regulations and Planning Code Section 134, the proposed Project requires a rear yard modification because it provides no rear yard where a rear yard of at least 25% of lot depth is required, but in no case less than 15 feet. Nor can the proposed Project satisfy any of the three conditions to granting a rear yard modification under Planning Code Section 134(e). The proposed Project does not indicate how it will be able to provide a comparable amount of usable open space nor is that calculation and analysis located anywhere in the Project's Conditional Use Authorization. Accordingly, the Project is not consistent with the zoning (Planning Code) regulations and a Class 32 exemption cannot be used.

We respectfully request that the Board of Supervisors affirm the appeal, and require the Project to undergo additional environmental review.

Sincerely,

Charles R. Olson

CRO/CJL

cc: Jody Knight, Esq. (jknight@reubenlaw.com)

Laura Ajello, San Francisco Planning Department (laura.ajello@sfgov.org)

1598 Bay Condominium Association

Enclosures: Copy of the CEQA Exemption Determination

Appeal to Board of Supervisors Fee

EXHIBIT A

"Hazardous Waste - EnviroStor/Geotracker" Database Map

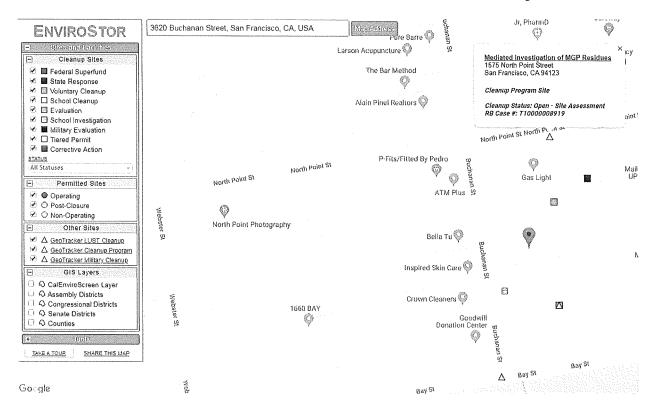


EXHIBIT B

Mediated Investigation of MGP Residues Case Report

3/1/2019 GeoTracker



GEOTRACKER

CASE SUMMARY

REPORT DATE HAZARDOUS MATERIAL INCIDENT REPORT FILED WITH OES?

I. REPORTED BY -

CREATED BY

UNKNOWN

UNKNOWN

III. SITE LOCATION

FACILITY NAME

FACILITY ID

Mediated Investigation of MGP Residues

FACILITY ADDRESS 1575 North Point Street **ORIENTATION OF SITE TO STREET**

San Francisco, CA 94123

CROSS STREET

SAN FRANCISCO COUNTY

V. SUBSTANCES RELEASED / CONTAMINANT(S) OF CONCERN

LEAD

POLYNUCLEAR AROMATIC HYDROCARBONS (PAHS)

VI. DISCOVERY/ABATEMENT

DATE DISCHARGE BEGAN

HOW DISCOVERED

DESCRIPTION

DATE STOPPED

DATE DISCOVERED

STOP METHOD

DESCRIPTION

VII. SOURCE/CAUSE

SOURCE OF DISCHARGE

CAUSE OF DISCHARGE

DISCHARGE DESCRIPTION

VIII. CASE TYPE

CASE TYPE

Soil

Other Groundwater (uses other than drinking water)

IX. REMEDIAL ACTION

NO REMEDIAL ACTIONS ENTERED

X. GENERAL COMMENTS

This case is a court-mediated investigation of manufactured gas plant residues in the Fisherman's Wharf and Marina neighborhoods for areas not already under oversight by the Regional Water Board or DTSC. Related projects where the Water Board is the lead regulatory agency include: SF Marina East Harbor (T10000005263) and Pier 39 Marina Sediment (T10000007367).

DTSC is the lead regulatory agency for several sites with MGP-related residues including:

PG&E Former Fillmore Manufactured Gas Plant (EnviroStor ID #60001254)

PG&E Former North Beach Manufactured Gas Plant (EnviroStor ID #60001239)

PG&E Former Beach Street Manufactured Gas Plant (EnviroStor ID #60001256)

1598 Bay Street (EnviroStor ID #60002282)

3/1/2019 GeoTracker

XI. CERTIFICATION

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE INFORMATION REPORTED HEREIN IS TRUE AND ACCURATE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE.

XII. REGULATORY USE ONLY

LOCAL AGENCY CASE NUMBER

REGIONAL BOARD CASE NUMBER

T10000008919

LOCAL AGENCY

UNKNOWN

REGIONAL BOARD

CONTACT NAME

<u>INITIALS</u>

ORGANIZATION NAME

EMAIL ADDRESS

ROSS STEENSON

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SAN FRANCISCO BAY RWQCB (REGION 2)

<u>CONTACT DESCRIPTION</u>

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EXHIBIT C

Designating Ordinance for Landmark No. 58

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ordinance no. /2-74

1	DESIGNATING MERBYVALE ANTIQUES AS A LANDMARK PURSUANT TO ARTICLE 10 OF THE CITY
2	PLANNING GODE.
3	se it ordained by the people of the City and County of San Francisco:
4	Section 1. The Board of Supervisors hereby finds that Merryvale Antiques at
5	3640 Buchanan Street, being Lot 3 in Assessor's Block 459, has a special character
6	and special historical, srchitectural and mesthetic interest and value, and that its
7	designation as a Lendmark will be in furtherance of and in conformance with the
8	purposes of Article 16 of the City Planning Code and the standards set forth therein
9	(a) Designation. Pursuant to Section 1804 of the City Planning Code,
10	Chapter II, Part II of the San Francisco Municipal Code, Merryvale Antiques is
11	pereby designated as a Landmark, this designation having been duly approved by
12	resolution Mo. 7076 of the City Planning Commission, which Resolution is on file
13	with the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors under File No.
14	(b) Required Data. The location and boundaries of the landmark site, the
15	characteristics of the landmark which justify its designation, and the particular
16	testures that should be preserved, described and included in the said Resolution,
17	are hereby incorporated herein and made a part hereof as though fully set forth.
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23	APPROVED AS TO FORM: RECOMMENDED:
24	THOMAS N. O'COMOR GITY PLANNING COMMISSION CITY ATTORNEY
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28	By Deputy City Attorney By Alian B. Jacobs
29	Director of Planning
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Allan B. Jacobs Director of Planning

SAN FRANCISCO BEAUTIFUL TO MAINTAIN, RETAIN AND CREATE CIVIC BEAUTY 200 GREEN STREET - SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA 94193 - GA 1-2608 DOWNTOWN OFFICE: 120 BUSH STREET - SAN FRANCISCO, CA. 94104 - YU 6-1010

December 8, 1973

Planning and Development Committee Board of Supervisors City and County of San Francisco Boom 228 - City Hall San Francisco, California 94102

TO: Supervisors Feinstein, Gonzales and vonDeroldingen

SAW FRANCISCO BEAUTIFUL wishes to support the ordinance designating the Haslett Warehouse Located at 680 Beach Street, as a landmark.

 We wish to support also a similar ordinance designating Herryvele Antiques located at 3450 Suchanan Street as a landmark.

These buildings are both not only of greatest historic value but also are an economic asset to their surroundings.

Sincerely,

(Hrs. Hans Klussmann)

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DEPARTMENT OF CITY PLANNING 100 LARKIN STREET · SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA 94102

November 13, 1973

Robert J. Dolan Clerk of the Board Board of Supervisors 235 City Hall San Francisco, CA 94102

Dear Mr. Dolan:

In accordance with Article 10 of the City Planning Code, there is transmitted herewith for appropriate action a proposed ordinance for designation of a Landmark which designation was approved by the City Planning Commission in its Resolution No. 7076.

Three copies of the proposed ordinance and of the Resolution are enclosed.

Sincerely,

Allan B. Jacobs Director of Planning

Enclosures

Landmark Submission Case No. LM 73.3 November 1973

TO: Members of the Board of Supervisors

FROM: Director of Planning

RE: Approval of proposed designation as a landmark of:

Merryvale Antiques at 3640 Buchanan Street

Submitted herewith is background information on the above proposed designation which was approved by the City Planning Commission and is now before the Board of Supervisors for consideration in accordance with Article 10 of the City Planning Code.

- The City Planning Commission Resolution No. 7076 approving the proposed designation at hearing of September 20, 1973. Attached to this resolution and incorporated into it, is
- The Landmarks Preservation Advisory Board Resolution No. 88.
 This resolution incorporates all the historic and architectural description of the structure which appeared in the background case report prepared for that Board.
- Additional information relative to ownership and surrounding land use of the subject property.
- Excerpts from the minutes of the City Planning Commission meeting of September 20, 1973.

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RESOLUTION NO. 7076

WHEREAS, A proposal to designate Merryvale at 3640 Buchanan Street as a Landmark pursuant to the provisions of Article 10 of the City Planning Code was initiated by the Landmarks Preservation Advisory Board on August 22, 1973, and said Advisory Board, after due consideration, has recommended approval of this proposal; and

WHEREAS, The City Planning Commission, after due notice given, held a public hearing on September 20, 1973, to consider the proposed designation and the report of said Advisory Board; and

WHEREAS, The Commission believes that the proposed Landmark has a special character and special historical, architectural and aesthetic interest and value; and that the proposed designation would be in furtherance of and in conformance with the purposes and standards of the said Article 10;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, First, that the proposal to designate Merryvale at 3640 Buchanan Street as a Landmark pursuant to Article 10 of the City Planning Code is hereby APPROVED, the location and boundaries of the landmark site being as follows:

Beginning at the point of intersection of the southerly line of North Point Street and the easterly line of Buchanan Street; thence easterly along the southerly line of North Point Street for a distance of 118 feet; thence at a right angle southerly for a distance of 69.917 feet; thence at a right angle westerly for a distance of 68.803 feet; thence at a right angle southerly for a distance of 104.75 feet; thence at a right angle westerly for a distance of 49.917 feet; thence at a right angle northerly along the easterly line of Buchanan Street for a distance of 174.667 feet to the point of beginning. Being Lot 3 in Assessor's Block 459, which property is known as 3640 Buchanan Street.

Second, That the special character and special historical, architectural and aesthetic interest and value of the said Landmark justifying its designation are set forth in the Landmarks Preservation Advisory Board Resolution No. 88 as adopted on August 22, 1973, which resolution is incorporated herein and made a part hereof as though fully set forth;

Third, That the said Landmark should be preserved generally in all of its particular exterior features as existing on the date hereof and as described and depicted in the photographs, case report and other material on file in the Department of City Planning Docket LM 73.3;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Commission hereby directs its Secretary to transmit the proposal for designation, with a copy of this Resolution, to the Board of Supervisors for appropriate action.

RESOLUTION NO. 7076 Page Two

I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED by the City Planning Commission at its regular meeting of September 20, 1973.

Lynn E. Pio Secretary

AYES: Commissioners Farrell, Fleishhacker, Porter, Ritchie, Rueda

NOES: None

ABSENT: Commissioners Mellon, Newman

PASSED: September 20, 1973

LANDMARKS PRESERVATION ADVISORY BOARD

of the

CITY PLANNING COMMISSION

RESOLUTION NO. 88

WHEREAS, A proposal to designate Merryvale at 3640 Buchanan Street as a Landmark pursuant to the provisions of Article 10 of the City Planning Code has been heard and considered by the Landmarks Preservation Advisory Board; and

WHEREAS, The Advisory Board believes that the proposed Landmark has a special character and special historical, architectural and aesthetic interest and value; and that the proposed designation would be in furtherance of and in conformance with the purposes and standards of said Article 10;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, First, that this Advisory Board intends to and does hereby formally initiate proceedings for the designation as a Landmark pursuant to the provisions of Article 10 of the City Planning Code of Merryvale at 3640 Buchanan Street; and that this Board recommends to the City Planning Commission that this designation proposal be APPROVED; the location and boundaries of the landmark site being as follows:

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Second, that the special character and special historical, architectural and aesthetic interest and value of the said Landmark justifying its designation are as follows:

Established in 1873, the San Francisco Gas Light Company was the result of a series of mergers of various companies, the earliestof which was the San Francisco Gas Company, founded in 1852 by Forty-niners Peter Donahue and his brother James. The brothers, with other family members, had previously established the first iron works in California in 1849. Peter Donahue, to whose memory the Mechanics Monument at Market, Bush and Sansome Streets is erected, also headed the successful completion of the second railroad in California which ran between San Francisco and San Jose.

Within the merged gas companies, Peter Donahue held various offices, the last being that of President of San Francisco Gas Light Company from which he resigned in 1883, one year before his death. Upon his resignation, the Presidency of the San Francisco Gas Light

Company was passed on to Eugene P. Murphy who was succeeded in 1885 by Joseph B. Crockett. Although still ext emely young, Mr. Crockett had been with the company since its founding twelve years earlier during which time he conceived the idea of a new gas works which would not only be modern but would also be more than adequate for the growing City's immediate needs. In 1884, under his direction, the company purchased three blocks between Webster, Laguna and Bay Streets with the northerly boundary being the Bay itself. In 1891 construction began on the predominately brick buildings which would comprise the new gas works. Also included was an oiler dock - oil was to replace more expensive coal in operating the boilers a gasometer, and two storage tanks, one with a capacity of two million cubic feet making it the largest of its kind west of Chicago.

Upon its completion in 1893, the complex was hailed as the most modern and best designed in the United States, a tribute to Joseph B. Crockett to whom its design and architecture are attributed. The headquarters building, now occupied by Merryvale, Inc., antiques, and which is the only building of the original complex still standing, housed the company's business offices in the front, upstairs living quarters for the plant manager, and in the main room to the rear, two large gas compression cylinders whose operation was dependent on water pumped from the Bay. The warmed water, returned to the Bay through large pipes, made swimming in what has ever since been known as Gas House Cove, popular indeed.

On December 11, 1896, the firm merged with Edison Light and Power, the whole becoming the San Francisco Gas & Electric Company which was absorbed by Pacific Gas & Electric Company in 1905. By 1906, and after, this building was being used solely for storing company records, a use it continued to serve until it was sold to the present owners in the mid-1950's.

The handsomely-landscaped and spacious areas between the buildings in the original complex were used by refugees following the 1906 Earthquake and Fire as photographs of the period show. Also shown is the damage to a gas storage tank and an arched brick building.

The extremely sensitive restoration (by Mr. and Mrs. Dent W. MacDonough who engaged William Wurster of Wurster, Bernardi & Emmons for this work) and the re-use of the former headquarters building to display primarily Eighteenth Century antiques has been masterful. The most impressive interior feature is the main room which formerly housed the turbines. This two-story room is 28 feet high and approximately 50 feet square; larged arched windows of hand-rolled glass contrast with walls of exposed brick, the whole being surmounted by a particularly handsome coffered ceiling, each large redwood square of which is set off by great beams. The former front offices are distinguished by paneled dados, high ceilings and tall, narrow doors with transoms above.

A year after Merryvale's formal opening in 1958, the owners added an equally impressive garden shop to the south which is directly accessible from the main building.

Also of interest is the iron fence which encloses the front lawn; it is similar to the original and was paced as part of the restoration.

Third, that the said Landmark should be preserved generally in all of its particular exterior features as existing on the date hereof and as described and depicted in the photographs, case report and other material on file in the Department of City Planning in Docket No. LM 73.3, the summary description being as follows:

Richardsonian-Romanesque in its styling, this red brick rectangular building is, except for a corner tower, of uniform height. It is capped by a hipped roof, without projecting eaves, resting on a corbelled cornice. On its narrower facade facing Buchanan Street, a centered arched main entrance is assymetrically balanced by the Queen Anne tower to the left whose conical roof rises to its apex at an elevation slightly higher than that of the roof ridge behind. From the exterior, the fenestration reflects the interior division of the building into two elements: the front, or westerly, one-third possessing windows indicating two floors with a heavy string course of brickwork at the upper floor level; the remaining two-thirds of the building, equal in height to the front, contains tall windows, divided into panes with fanlights above, whose sill line is uniform with those on the lower floor at the front, but whose tops extend upward about three-quarters of the total wall height. On its south elevation, two-story pilasters divide the building into six evenly spaced bays. However, on the north, along North Point Street, this same division is only partially carried out, the pilasters here defining only the four bays containing the taller windows. The rear of the building is divided, also by two-story pilasters, into three bays slightly wider than those on the north and south sides. The center bay houses a double doorway extending its full width and equal in height to the windows in the adjacent bays. The doorway is topped by a flattened arch similar in its arc to that above the second story windows on the front portion of the building; all other windows and the main entry have semi-circular arched tops. All wall openings are surmounted and protected by slightly projecting cast stone moldings and, except for that over the main entrance, are divided into sections containing a patera. The main entrance arch, resting on short brick pilasters, frames a recessed doorway; here a deeper molding than that over the windows retains the name of the original occupant of the structure:

S.F. GAS LIGHT CO.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board hereby directs its Secretary to report this action and to submit a copy of this Resolution to the Planning Commission for further action in accordance with the said Article 10.

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing Resolution was adopted by the Landmarks Preservation Advisory Board at its regular meeting of August 22, 1973.

Edward N. Michael Secretary to the Board

AYES: de Losada, Jacobs, Platt, Shumate, Whisler

NOES: None

ABSENT: Mailliard, McGloin, Whitaker

DATED: August 22, 1973

LANDMARKS PRESERVATION ADVISORY BOARD Case Report - Approved December 5, 1972

MERRYVALE ANTIQUES (Formerly San Francisco Gas Light Company)

OWNER:

Merryvale, Incorporated. (Mr. & Mrs. Dent W. Macdonough)

LOCATION:

3640 Buchanan, the southeast corner of Buchanan and North Point Streets, being Lot 3 in Assessor's Block 459.

HISTORY:

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HISTORY: (Continued)

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Also of interest is the iron fence which encloses the front lawn; it is similar to the original and was placed as part of the restoration.

ARCHITECTURE:

Richardsonian-Romanesque in its styling, this red brick rectangular building is, except for a corner tower, of uniform height. It is capped by a hipped roof, without projecting eaves, resting on a corbelled cornice. On its narrower facade facing Buchanan Street, a centered arched main entrance is asymetrically balanced by the Queen Anne tower to the left whose conical roof rises to its apex at an elevation slightly higher than that of the roof ridge behind. From the exterior, the fenestration reflects the interior division of the building into two elements: the front, or westerly, one-third possessing windows indicating two floors with a heavy string course of brickwork at the upper floor level; the remaining two-thirds of the building, equal in height to the front, contains tall windows divided into panes with famlights above, whose sill line is uniform with those on the lower floor at the front, but whose tops extend upward about three-quarters of the total wall height. On its south elevation, two-story pilasters divide the building into six evenly spaced bays. However, on the north, along North Point Street, this same division is only partially carried out, the pilasters here defining only the four bays containing the taller windows. The rear of the building is divided, also by two-story pilasters, into three bays slightly wider than those on the north and south sides. The center bay houses a double doorway extending its full width and equal in height to the windows in the adjacent bays. The doorway is topped by a flattened arch similar in its arc to that above the second story windows on the front portion of the building; all other windows and the main entry have semi-circular arched tops. All wall openings are surmounted and protected by slightly projecting cast stone moldings and, except for that over the main entrance, are divided into sections containing a patera. The main entrance arch, resting on short brick pilasters, frames a recessed doorway; here a deeper molding than that over the windows retains the name of the original occupant of the structure:

S.F. GAS LIGHT CO.

SURROUNDING LAND USE AND ZONING:

Zoning of the subject property is C-2 for a depth of 100 feet along Buchanan Street; the rear 18 feet of the parcel along North Point is zoned R-4. A PG&E substation is located to the east, a service station to the south. An apartment complex occupies most of the remainder of the block. Residential and commercial uses are located across Buchanan Street and a supermarket and parking lot across North Point Street faces into Gas House Cove. Fort Mason lies one block to the east.

EXCERPTS FROM MINUTES CITY PLANNING COMMISSION

MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 20, 1973

RE: LM 73.3 Merryvale Antiques 3640 Buchanan Street

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When the question was called, the Commission voted unanimously to adopt Resolution No. 7075 and to approve the proposal to designate the Haslett Warehouse, 680 Beach Street, as a Landmark.

The Director requested that the State report to the Department of City Planning if landmark designation should, in fact, have the effect of lessening the sale value of the property. The Department of City Planning would then be in a position to use that alleged savings as leverage in working with the new owner of the building to achieve successful rehabilitation of the structure.

LM73.3 - CONSIDERATION OF PROPOSAL TO DESIGNATE THE MERRYVALE BUILDING, 3640 BUCHANAN STREET, AS A LANDMARK.

Edward Michael, Planner III, summarized the architectural and historic characteristics of the subject building as outlined in greater detail in a case report which had been prepared for the Landmarks Preservation Advisory Board and which is available in the files of the Department of City Planning.

No one was present in the audience to speak in favor of or in opposition to the proposal to designate the building as a Landmark.

Allan B. Jacobs, Director of Planning, recommended that the proposal to designate the building as a Landmark be approved.

After further discussion it was moved by Commissioner Ritchie, seconded by Commissioner Rueda, and carried unanimously that Resolution No. 7076 be adopted and that the proposal to designate the Merryvale Building, 3640 Buchanan Street, as a Landmark be approved.

PUBLIC HEARING ON WORK PROGRAM AND BUDGET FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF CITY PLANNING FOR THE FISCAL YEAR JULY 1, 1974, THROUGH JUNE 30, 1975.

Allan B. Jacobs, Director of Planning, summarized the major work elements in the Department's work program for the current fiscal year and mentioned additional projects which are being considered for inclusion in the 1974-75 work program.

Robert Kirkwood, President of the San Francisco Planning and Urban Renewal Association, submitted and summarized the following prepared statement:

"My name is Robert Kirkwood, and I am President of SPUR, the San Francisco Planning and Urban Renewal Association. In the past, SPUR has offered comments on the City Planning Department's proposed work program only after it was nearing completion. This year, SPUR is attempting to participate earlier in the process of developing a planning work program and budget.

LEGISLATIVE HISTORY SHEET

File No. 90-73-8

Ordina	ance, Resolution, etc. Ordinance	
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	Designating Merryvale Antiques as alandmark Article 10 of the City Planning Code.	pursuant to
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RECEIVED BOARD OF SUPERVISORS SAN FRANCISCO

CEQA Categorical Exemption Determination 2019 MAR - L PM 3: 42

PROPERTY INFORMATION/PROJECT DESCRIPTION

Project Address		Block/Lot(s)
3620 Buchanan Street		0459003
Case No.		Permit No.
2016-010079ENV		201610059619
Addition/	Demolition (requires HRE for	New
Alteration	Category B Building)	Construction
Project description for	Planning Department approval.	
	existing structures on one shared parcel. Constru	
residential building with	eight bicycle parking spaces and one accessible	vehicle parking space.
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STEP 1: EXEMPTION CLASS

*Note	*Note: If neither class applies, an <i>Environmental Evaluation Application</i> is required.*					
	Class 1 - Existing Facilities. Interior and exterior alterations; additions under 10,000 sq. ft.					
	Class 3 - New Construction. Up to three new single-family residences or six dwelling units in one building; commercial/office structures; utility extensions; change of use under 10,000 sq. ft. if principally permitted or with a CU.					
	Class 32 - In-Fill Development. New Construction of seven or more units or additions greater than 10,000 sq. ft. and meets the conditions described below: (a) The project is consistent with the applicable general plan designation and all applicable general plan policies as well as with applicable zoning designation and regulations. (b) The proposed development occurs within city limits on a project site of no more than 5 acres substantially surrounded by urban uses. (c) The project site has no value as habitat for endangered rare or threatened species. (d) Approval of the project would not result in any significant effects relating to traffic, noise, air quality, or water quality. (e) The site can be adequately served by all required utilities and public services. FOR ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNING USE ONLY					
	Class					

STEP 2: CEQA IMPACTS

TO BE COMPLETED BY PROJECT PLANNER

If any box is checked below, an Environmental Evaluation Application is required.						
	Air Quality: Would the project add new sensitive receptors (specifically, schools, day care facilities, hospitals, residential dwellings, and senior-care facilities within an Air Pollution Exposure Zone? Does the project have the potential to emit substantial pollutant concentrations (e.g., backup diesel generators, heavy industry, diesel trucks, etc.)? (refer to EP_ArcMap > CEQA Catex Determination Layers > Air Pollution Exposure Zone)					
	Hazardous Materials: If the project site is located on the Maher map or is suspected of containing hazardous materials (based on a previous use such as gas station, auto repair, dry cleaners, or heavy manufacturing, or a site with underground storage tanks): Would the project involve 50 cubic yards or more of soil disturbance - or a change of use from industrial to residential? If yes, this box must be checked and the project applicant must submit an Environmental Application with a Phase I Environmental Site Assessment. Exceptions: do not check box if the applicant presents documentation of enrollment in the San Francisco Department of Public Health (DPH) Maher program, a DPH waiver from the Maher program, or other documentation from Environmental Planning staff that hazardous material effects would be less than significant (refer to EP_ArcMap > Maher layer).					
	Transportation: Does the project create six (6) or more net new parking spaces or residential units? Does the project have the potential to adversely affect transit, pedestrian and/or bicycle safety (hazards) or the adequacy of nearby transit, pedestrian and/or bicycle facilities?					
	Archeological Resources: Would the project result in soil disturbance/modification greater than two (2) feet below grade in an archeological sensitive area or eight (8) feet in a non-archeological sensitive area? (refer to EP_ArcMap > CEQA Catex Determination Layers > Archeological Sensitive Area)					
	Subdivision/Lot Line Adjustment: Does the project site involve a subdivision or lot line adjustment on a lot with a slope average of 20% or more? (refer to EP_ArcMap > CEQA Catex Determination Layers > Topography)					
	Slope = or > 20%: Does the project involve any of the following: (1) square footage expansion greater than 1,000 sq. ft. outside of the existing building footprint, (2) excavation of 50 cubic yards or more of soil, (3) new construction? (refer to EP_ArcMap > CEQA Catex Determination Layers > Topography) If box is checked, a geotechnical report is required.					
	Seismic: Landslide Zone: Does the project involve any of the following: (1) square footage expansion greater than 1,000 sq. ft. outside of the existing building footprint, (2) excavation of 50 cubic yards or more of soil, (3) new construction? (refer to EP_ArcMap > CEQA Catex Determination Layers > Seismic Hazard Zones) If box is checked, a geotechnical report is required.					
	Seismic: Liquefaction Zone: Does the project involve any of the following: (1) square footage expansion greater than 1,000 sq. ft. outside of the existing building footprint, (2) excavation of 50 cubic yards or more of soil, (3) new construction? (refer to EP_ArcMap > CEQA Catex Determination Layers > Seismic Hazard Zones) If box is checked, a geotechnical report will likely be required.					
If no boxes are checked above, GO TO STEP 3. If one or more boxes are checked above, an Environmental Evaluation Application is required, unless reviewed by an Environmental Planner.						
Comments and Planner Signature (optional): Stephanie Cisneros						
Spor	Sponsor enrolled in DPH Maher Program on 7/18/2016.					

STEP 3: PROPERTY STATUS - HISTORIC RESOURCE TO BE COMPLETED BY PROJECT PLANNER PROPERTY IS ONE OF THE FOLLOWING: (refer to Parcel Information Map) Category A: Known Historical Resource. GO TO STEP 5. Category B: Potential Historical Resource (over 45 years of age). GO TO STEP 4. Category C: Not a Historical Resource or Not Age Eligible (under 45 years of age). GO TO STEP 6. STEP 4: PROPOSED WORK CHECKLIST TO BE COMPLETED BY PROJECT PLANNER Check all that apply to the project. 1. Change of use and new construction. Tenant improvements not included. 2. Regular maintenance or repair to correct or repair deterioration, decay, or damage to building. 3. Window replacement that meets the Department's Window Replacement Standards. Does not include storefront window alterations. 4. Garage work. A new opening that meets the Guidelines for Adding Garages and Curb Cuts, and/or replacement of a garage door in an existing opening that meets the Residential Design Guidelines. 5. Deck, terrace construction, or fences not visible from any immediately adjacent public right-of-way. 6. Mechanical equipment installation that is not visible from any immediately adjacent public right-of-way. 7. Dormer installation that meets the requirements for exemption from public notification under Zoning Administrator Bulletin No. 3: Dormer Windows. 8. Addition(s) that are not visible from any immediately adjacent public right-of-way for 150 feet in each direction; does not extend vertically beyond the floor level of the top story of the structure or is only a single story in height; does not have a footprint that is more than 50% larger than that of the original building; and does not cause the removal of architectural significant roofing features. Note: Project Planner must check box below before proceeding. Project is not listed. GO TO STEP 5. Project does not conform to the scopes of work. GO TO STEP 5. Project involves four or more work descriptions. GO TO STEP 5. Project involves less than four work descriptions. GO TO STEP 6. STEP 5: CEQA IMPACTS - ADVANCED HISTORICAL REVIEW TO BE COMPLETED BY PROJECT PLANNER Check all that apply to the project. 1. Project involves a known historical resource (CEQA Category A) as determined by Step 3 and conforms entirely to proposed work checklist in Step 4. 2. Interior alterations to publicly accessible spaces. 3. Window replacement of original/historic windows that are not "in-kind" but are consistent with existing historic character. 4. Façade/storefront alterations that do not remove, alter, or obscure character-defining features. 5. Raising the building in a manner that does not remove, alter, or obscure character-defining features. 6. Restoration based upon documented evidence of a building's historic condition, such as historic

photographs, plans, physical evidence, or similar buildings.

	7. Addition(s) , including mechanical equipment that are minimally visible from a public right-of-way and meet the <i>Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation</i> .						
	8. Other work consistent with the Secretary of the Interior Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties (specify or add comments):						
Sisso	New construction on a landmark site. Will be setback from historic building and will be differentiated yet compatible. Meets SOI Standards 2, 9, 10.						
	9. Other work that would not materially impair a historic district (specify or add comments):						
	(Requires approval by Senior Preservation Planner/Preservation Coordinator)						
	10. Reclassification of property status . (Requires Planner/Preservation	approval by S	Senior Preservation				
	Reclassify to Category A	Reclas	sify to Category C				
	a. Per HRER dated	(attach HRE	ER)				
	b. Other (specify):						
	Note: If ANY box in STEP 5 above is checked,	a Preservation	on Planner MUST check one box below.				
	Further environmental review required. Based on the information provided, the project requires an Environmental Evaluation Application to be submitted. GO TO STEP 6.						
	Project can proceed with categorical exemption r Preservation Planner and can proceed with categor	review. The p	roject has been reviewed by the				
Comm	ents (optional):						
Prese	rvation Planner Signature: Stephanie Cisner	os					
	EP 6: CATEGORICAL EXEMPTION DETERM BE COMPLETED BY PROJECT PLANNER	IINATION		HEDIOLOGICA CONTROL CO			
	Further environmental review required. Proposed	project does	not meet scopes of work in either				
	(check all that apply): ☐ Step 2 - CEQA Impacts		•				
	Step 5 - Advanced Historical Review						
	STOP! Must file an Environmental Evaluation App						
	No further environmental review is required. The project is categorically exempt under CEQA. There are no unusual circumstances that would result in a reasonable possibility of a significant effect.						
	Project Approval Action:		Signature:				
	Commission Hearing If Discretionary Paylew before the Planning Commission is required.	estod	Stephanie Cisneros				
	If Discretionary Review before the Planning Commission is reque the Discretionary Review hearing is the Approval Action for the p	oroject.	11/07/2018				
	Once signed or stamped and dated, this document constitutes a categorical exemption pursuant to CEQA Guidelines and Chapter 31of the Administrative Code. In accordance with Chapter 31 of the San Francisco Administrative Code, an appeal of an exemption determination can only be filed within 30 days of the project receiving the first approval action. Please note that other approval actions may be required for the project. Please contact the assigned planner for these approvals.						

STEP 7: MODIFICATION OF A CEQA EXEMPT PROJECT

TO BE COMPLETED BY PROJECT PLANNER

In accordance with Chapter 31 of the San Francisco Administrative Code, when a California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) exempt project changes after the Approval Action and requires a subsequent approval, the Environmental Review Officer (or his or her designee) must determine whether the proposed change constitutes a substantial modification of that project. This checklist shall be used to determine whether the proposed changes to the approved project would constitute a "substantial modification" and, therefore, be subject to additional environmental review pursuant to CEQA.

PROPERTY INFORMATION/PROJECT DESCRIPTION

Proje	ct Address (If different than fron	rt page)	Block/Lot(s) (If different than front page)			
3620	Buchanan Street		0459/003			
Case	No.	Previous Building Permit No.	New Building Permit No.			
2016-	010079PRJ	201610059619				
Plans	s Dated	Previous Approval Action	New Approval Action			
		Commission Hearing				
Modi	fied Project Description:					
DET	TERMINATION IF PROJECT	CONSTITUTES SUBSTANTIAL MODIF	ICATION			
Com	pared to the approved project, w	vould the modified project:				
	Result in expansion of the building envelope, as defined in the Planning Code;					
	Result in the change of use that would require public notice under Planning Code Sections 311 or 312;					
	Result in demolition as defined under Planning Code Section 317 or 19005(f)?					
	Is any information being presented that was not known and could not have been known at the time of the original determination, that shows the originally approved project may no longer qualify for the exemption?					
If at I	east one of the above boxes is	s checked, further environmental review i	s required.			
DET	ERMINATION OF NO SUBSTA	NTIAL MODIFICATION				
	The proposed modification would not result in any of the above changes.					
approv	al and no additional environmental revi	ons are categorically exempt under CEQA, in accord ew is required. This determination shall be posted o the applicant, City approving entities, and anyone re	n the Planning			
Plani	ner Name:	Date:				



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PRESERVATION TEAM REVIEW FORM

1650 Mission St.

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Complies with the Secretary's Standards/Art 10/Art 11:	← Yes	Ç No	- CN/A
CEQA Material Impairment to the individual historic resource:	○ Yes	C No	
CEQA Material Impairment to the historic district:	(Yes	C No	
Requires Design Revisions:	○ Yes	CNo	
Defer to Residential Design Team:	○ Yes	CNo	

PRESERVATION TEAM COMMENTS:

According to the information presented in the Historic Resource Evaluation (HRE) prepared by Page & Turnbull (July 2018) and information found in the Planning Department files, the subject building at 3620 Buchanan Street is a one-story vernacular garden house with Neo-French and Ranch elements. The garden house is located on the south end of the L-shaped lot occupied by City Landmark No. 58 (Merryvale Antiques/S.F. Gas Light Co. building). The lot also contains a garden between the landmark building and the garden house. The S.F. Gas Light Co. building was constructed ca. 1891 - 1893 and was owned and occupied by the S.F. Gas Light Company (later to become Pacific Gas & Electric) and was one component of the larger industrial complex surrounding the site named the Gas Cove Complex. The subject site became the main component of the S.F. Gas Light Co.'s North Beach Station.

The property was sold to Dent Macdonough and his wife Margaret in 1958. The Macdonoughs undertook an extensive rehabilitation of the property immediately upon ownership, which included restoration and reuse of the 1890s landmark building as a high end antique shop; construction of the garden house designed by Clifford Conly; construction of a garden designed by Jean Wolff (who often assisted with the execution of Thomas Church designs); and installation of the extant six-foot tall brick wall around the garden. The property was again sold in 1980 to the Pacific Union Land Company and again in 1998 to Roger Walther, a real estate developer, who also undertook extensive renovations to the entire site in 2000 as detailed in the HRE.

Staff is in agreement with the findings presented in the HRE regarding 3620 Buchanan Street. The building and garden do not appear to be significant under Criteria 1, 2 or 3 such that they would qualify individually for listing in the California Register. They are not associated with events or people that have made significant contributions to the broad patterns of local or regional history. Merryvale Antiques, who occupied the site from 1958 until 1980, does not appear to have made significant contributions to local, state or regional history. The building and garden are not architecturally distinct such that they would qualify individually for listing in the California Register.

Staff is also in agreement with the findings of the HRE that 3620 Buchanan Street and the adjacent garden are not contributing features of the landmark site. The site is significant for its association with the construction and operation of the S.F. Gas Light Co., the period of which can be defined as 1891-1958. The subject building and garden were constructed after this period.

Signature of a Senior P	reservation Planner / Preservation Coordina	itor: Date:	
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