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[Adopting Findings <u>Rescinding Motion</u> Reversing the Community Plan Exemption Determination and <u>Requesting Additional Information</u> - Proposed Project at 1515 South Van Ness Avenue]

Motion adopting findings rescinding Board of Supervisors Motion No. 16-156 reversing the Planning Department's determination that a proposed project at 1515 South Van Ness Avenue does not require further environmental review under a Community Plan Exemption; removing the motion in Board File No. 161002 from the table; and requesting further information from the Planning Department related to the potential environmental impacts of the proposed project.

WHEREAS, On July 12, 2016, the Planning Department issued a Community Plan Exemption under the Eastern Neighborhoods Rezoning and Area Plan Final Environmental

Impact Report (FEIR), finding that the proposed project located at 1515 South Van Ness

Avenue ("Project"): is consistent with the development density established by the zoning,

community plan, and general plan policies in the Eastern Neighborhoods Rezoning and Area

Plan project area, for which the FEIR was certified; would not result in new significant

environmental effects, or effects of greater severity than were already analyzed and disclosed

in the FEIR; and therefore does not require further environmental review under the California

Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), Public Resources Code Section 21000 et seq., the CEQA

Guidelines, and San Francisco Administrative Code Chapter 31, in accordance with CEQA

Section 21083.3 and CEQA Guidelines Section 15183; and

WHEREAS, The proposed project involves the demolition of an existing, vacant building used for production, distribution, repair (PDR) and a surface parking lot and construction of a five- to six-story, approximately 180,300-square-foot mixed-use building.

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consisting of 157 residential dwelling units and approximately 1,080 square feet of retail uses, as well as six ground floor trade shop spaces of approximately 4,200 square feet total; and

WHEREAS, By letter to the Clerk of the Board, received by the Clerk's Office on September 12, 2016, J. Scott Weaver, on behalf of Calle 24 Latino Cultural District Community Council (Appellant) appealed the exemption determination; and

WHEREAS, The Appellant provided a copy of the Planning Commission's Motion No. 19727, adopted on August 11, 2016, approving a conditional use authorization under Planning Code Section 303 and a Planned Unit Development, finding that the proposed project was within the scope of the FEIR and does not require further environmental review under CEQA Section 21083.3 and CEQA Guidelines Section 15183; and

WHEREAS, The Planning Department's Environmental Review Officer, by memorandum to the Clerk of the Board dated September 15, 2016, determined that the appeal had been timely filed; and

WHEREAS, On October 25 November 15, 2016, this Board held a duly noticed public hearing to consider the appeal of the exemption determination filed by Appellant and, by Motion No. 16-156 following the public hearing, reversed the Planning Department's determination and requested additional information and analysis be provided; and

WHEREAS, In reviewing the appeal of the environmental determination, this Board reviewed and considered the Planning Department's determination, the appeal letter, the responses to the appeal documents that the Planning Department prepared, the other written records before the Board of Supervisors and all of the public testimony made in support of and opposed to the exemption determination appeal; and

WHEREAS, Following the conclusion of the public hearing, the Board of Supervisors by Motion No. 16-156 reversed the exemption determination for the project based on the

written record before the Board of Supervisors as well as all of the testimony at the public hearing in support of and opposed to the appeal; and

WHEREAS, The Board of Supervisors also tabled the proposed motion in Board File

No. 161002, affirming the determination by the Planning Department that a proposed project

at 1515 South Van Ness Avenue is exempt from further environmental review under a

Community Plan Exemption; and

WHEREAS, The written record and oral testimony in support of and opposed to the appeal and deliberation of the oral and written testimony at the public hearing before the Board of Supervisors by all parties and the public in support of and opposed to the appeal of the exemption determination is in the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors File No. 161001 and is incorporated in this motion as though set forth in its entirety; and

WHEREAS, Public Resources Code Section 21083.3 and CEQA Guidelines Section 15183 require that where a proposed project is consistent with the development density established by the zoning, community plan, and general plan policies in the Eastern Neighborhoods Rezoning and Area Plan project area, for which the FEIR was certified and would not result in new significant environmental effects, or effects of greater severity than were already analyzed and disclosed in the FEIR, further environmental review under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), Public Resources Code Section 21000 et seq., the CEQA Guidelines, and San Francisco Administrative Code Chapter 31, shall not be required; and

WHEREAS, CEQA Guidelines Section 15382 states that "economic or social change by itself shall not be considered a significant effect on the environment" but that "social or economic change related to a physical change may be considered in determining whether the physical change is significant"; and

WHEREAS, This Board considered these issues, heard testimony, and shared concerns that further information and analysis was required regarding whether the proposed project would result in social or economic change such as displacement and gentrification and, if so, whether such social or economic change could lead to physical impacts on the environment with regard to traffic or air quality within the geographic boundaries of the Calle 24 Latino Cultural District; and

WHEREAS, This Board heard and shared concerns that any such additional environmental analysis should consider both potential project specific and cumulative impacts to the physical environment resulting from any such social or economic change; <u>and</u>

WHEREAS, This Board now finds that this additional information and analysis should be brought before this Board so that such information and analysis may be considered as part of the Board's decision regarding whether to uphold the appeal of the environmental determination for the proposed Project; and

WHEREAS, It was not the intent of the Board to reverse the Community Plan

Exemption on November 15, 2016, but rather to request that further information be provided to aid this Board in its decisionmaking; now, therefore, be it

MOVED, That because the Board of Supervisors has not yet adopted findings as required by Administrative Code, Section 31.16(b)(8), to support its decision to reverse the exemption determination for the project, the appeal is not yet fully resolved and the Board has requested further information to aid in its decisionmaking; and, be it

FURTHER MOVED, That this Board of Supervisors rescinds Motion No. 16-156, reversing the determination by the Planning Department that a proposed project at 1515

South Van Ness Avenue is exempt from further environmental review under a Community

Plan Exemption, and in so doing waives any requirement of the Board of Supervisors Rule of Order 5.24 that a motion be rescinded at the same meeting at which it was passed; and be it

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FURTHER MOVED. That pursuant to Rule 5.34 of the Board of Supervisors' Rules of Order, this Board of Supervisors removes from the table the proposed motion in Board File No. 161002, affirming the determination by the Planning Department that a proposed project at 1515 South Van Ness Avenue is exempt from further environmental review under a Community Plan Exemption: and, be it

FURTHER MOVED, That this Board of Supervisors directs the Planning Department to provide additional information and analysis by report to this Board regarding whether the proposed project would result in new significant environmental effects, or effects of greater severity than were already analyzed and disclosed in the FEIR with regard to whether the proposed project would cause social or economic change such as displacement or gentrification that would result in physical impacts to the environment, either cumulatively or at the projects-specific level, within the geographic area of the Calle 24 Latino Cultural District.; and be it

FURTHER MOVED, That the appeal regarding the project at 1515 South Van Ness, <u>the motion in Board File No. 161002 that the Board has removed from the table, and the</u> motion in Board File No. 161003 that the Board adopted and has now rescinded, shall all be continued to such date the Clerk of the Board shall specify within 30 days following receipt of the report requested above.

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