Planning Commission Motion NO. M-19529

HEARING DATE: December 10, 2015

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Case No.: 2010.0515E

Project Address: 1095 Connecticut Street and various parcels

RM-2 (Residential – Mixed, Moderate Density), P - Public Zoning:

40-X Height and Bulk Districts

Showplace Square/Potrero Area Plan

Block/Lot: Assessor's Block/Lots: 4167/004, 004A, 4220A/001, 4223/001, 4285B/001,

and 4287/001A

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ADOPTING FINDINGS RELATED TO THE CERTIFICATION OF A FINAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT/ ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT FOR A PROPOSED PROJECT WHICH INCLUDES DEMOLITION OF THE EXISTING 620 PUBLIC HOUSING UNITS ON SITE AND DEVELOPMENT OF UP TO 1,700 RESIDENTIAL UNITS FOR A RANGE OF INCOME LEVELS, INCLUDING REPLACEMENT PUBLIC HOUSING, NEW VEHICLE AND PEDESTRIAN CONNECTIONS, A NEW STREET AND BLOCK LAYOUT, NEW TRANSIT STOPS, AND NEW WATER, WASTEWATER, AND STORM WATER INFRASTRUCTURE, AS WELL AS RETAIL USES, COMMUNITY FACILITIES, AND OPEN SPACE.

MOVED, that the San Francisco Planning Commission (hereinafter "Commission") hereby CERTIFIES the final Environmental Impact Report/Environmental Impact Statement (hereinafter "FEIR/EIS"), identified as Case No. 2010.0515E, the "Potrero HOPE SF Master Plan Project" at 1095 Connecticut Street and various other parcels, above (hereinafter 'Project"), based upon the following findings:

- 1. The City and County of San Francisco, acting through the Planning Department (hereinafter "Department") fulfilled all procedural requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (Cal. Pub. Res. Code Section 21000 et seq., hereinafter "CEQA"), the State CEQA Guidelines (Cal. Admin. Code Title 14, Section 15000 et seq., (hereinafter "CEQA Guidelines") and Chapter 31 of the San Francisco Administrative Code (hereinafter "Chapter 31").
 - A. The Department determined that an Environmental Impact Report (hereinafter "EIR") was required and provided public notice of that determination by publication in a newspaper of general circulation on November 10, 2010.

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B. The Department held a public scoping meeting on November 22, 2010 in order to solicit public comment on the scope of the Potrero HOPE SF Master Plan Project's environmental review.

- C. The Department, in consultation with the Mayor's Office of Housing, determined that an Environmental Impact Statement (hereinafter "EIS") was also required under the National Environmental Policy Act (hereinafter "NEPA"), thus a combined Environmental Impact Report/ Environmental Impact Statement (hereinafter "EIR/EIS") would be prepared, and provided public notice of that determination by publication in the Federal Register, the United States government's official daily newspaper on May 2, 2012.
- D. The Department and the Mayor's Office of Housing held a public scoping meeting on May 17, 2012 in order to solicit public comment on the scope of the Potrero HOPE SF Master Plan Project's environmental review, consistent with the requirements of NEPA.
- E. On November 5, 2014, the Department published the Draft Environmental Impact Report/Environmental Impact Statement (hereinafter "DEIR/EIS") and provided public notice in a newspaper of general circulation of the availability of the DEIR/EIS for public review and comment and of the date and time of the Planning Commission public hearing on the DEIR/EIS; this notice was mailed to the Department's list of persons requesting such notice.
- F. Notices of availability of the DEIR/EIS and of the date and time of the public hearing were posted near the project site by Department staff on November 5, 2014.
- G. On November 5, 2014 copies of the DEIR/EIS were mailed or otherwise delivered to a list of persons requesting it, to those noted on the distribution list in the DEIR/EIS, to adjacent property owners, and to government agencies, the latter both directly and through the State Clearinghouse.
- H. Notice of Completion was filed with the State Secretary of Resources via the State Clearinghouse on November 5, 2014.
- 2. The Commission held a duly advertised public hearing on said DEIR/EIS on December 11, 2014 at which opportunity for public comment was given, and public comment was received on the DEIR/EIS. The period for acceptance of written comments ended on January 7, 2015.
- 3. The Department prepared responses to comments on environmental issues received at the public hearing and in writing during the 62-day public review period for the DEIR/EIS, prepared revisions to the text of the DEIR/EIS in response to comments received or based on additional information that became available during the public review period, and corrected errors in the DEIR/EIS. This material was presented in a Comments and Responses document, published on October 8, 2015, distributed to the Commission and all parties who commented on the DEIR/EIS, and made available to others upon request at the Department.
- 4. A Final Environmental Impact Report/Environmental Impact Statement (hereinafter "FEIR/EIS") has been prepared by the Department, consisting of the DEIR/EIS, any consultations and comments received during the review process, any additional information that became available, and the Comments and Responses document all as required by law.

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5. Project EIR/EIS files have been made available for review by the Commission and the public. These files are available for public review at the Department at 1650 Mission Street, Suite 400, and are part of the record before the Commission.

- 6. A public hearing was held before the Planning Commission on October 22, 2015. At that hearing the certification of the FEIR/FEIS was continued to December 10, 2015.
- 7. On December 10, 2015, the Commission reviewed and considered the information contained in the FEIR/EIS and hereby does find that the contents of said report and the procedures through which the FEIR/EIS was prepared, publicized, and reviewed comply with the provisions of CEQA, the CEQA Guidelines, and Chapter 31 of the San Francisco Administrative Code.
- 8. The Planning Commission hereby does find that the FEIR/EIS concerning File No. 2010.0515E reflects the independent judgment and analysis of the City and County of San Francisco, is adequate, accurate and objective, and that the Comments and Responses document contains no significant revisions to the DEIR/EIS, and hereby does CERTIFY THE COMPLETION of said FEIR/EIS in compliance with CEQA and the CEQA Guidelines.
- 9. The Commission, in certifying the completion of said FEIR/EIS, hereby does find that the project described in the EIR/EIS:
 - A. Will have significant cumulative effects on the environment by contributing to substantial delays at four study intersections (i.e., Pennsylvania Avenue/SB-280 Off-Ramp; 25th Street/Indiana Street/NB I-280 On-Ramp; Cesar Chavez Street/Vermont Street; and Cesar Chavez Street/US 101 Off-Ramp);
 - B. Will have significant, project-specific impacts to transit capacity on the Muni 10 Townsend line;
 - C. Will have significant, cumulative impacts to transit capacity on the Muni 10 Townsend and 48th-Quintara-24th Street lines;
 - D. Will have significant, cumulative impacts to transit capacity on the Muni Southeast screenline;
 - E. Will have significant, project-specific impacts to exterior noise levels by causing a substantial permanent increase in ambient noise levels;
 - F. Will have significant, project-specific construction-period air quality impacts; and
 - G. Will have significant cumulative construction-period air quality impacts.
- 10. The Planning Commission reviewed and considered the information contained in the FEIR/EIS prior to approving the Project.

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Motion was ADOPTED by the Planning Commission at its regular meeting of December 10, 2015.

Jonas Ionin Commission Secretary

AYES: Commissioners Moore, Richards, Antonini, Johnson, Fong, Wu

NOES: None

ABSENT: Hillis

ADOPTED: December 10, 2015