

1 [Planning Code - Landmark Designation - Sacred Heart Parish Complex]

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3 **Ordinance amending the Planning Code to designate the Sacred Heart Parish Complex,**
4 **located at 546-548 Fillmore Street, 554 Fillmore Street, 735 Fell Street, and 660 Oak**
5 **Street, Assessor's Parcel Block No. 0828, Lot Nos. 12, 21, 22, and 22A, as a Landmark**
6 **consistent with the standards set forth in Article 10 of the Planning Code; affirming the**
7 **Planning Department's determination under the California Environmental Quality Act;**
8 **and making public necessity, convenience, and welfare findings under Planning Code,**
9 **Section 302, and findings of consistency with the General Plan, and the eight priority**
10 **policies of Planning Code, Section 101.1.**

11 NOTE: **Unchanged Code text and uncodified text** are in plain Arial font.
12 **Additions to Codes** are in *single-underline italics Times New Roman font*.
13 **Deletions to Codes** are in *strikethrough italics Times New Roman font*.
14 **Board amendment additions** are in double-underlined Arial font.
15 **Board amendment deletions** are in ~~strikethrough Arial font~~.
16 **Asterisks (* * * *)** indicate the omission of unchanged Code
17 subsections or parts of tables.

18 Be it ordained by the People of the City and County of San Francisco:

19 Section 1. CEQA and Land Use Findings.

20 (a) The Planning Department has determined that the actions contemplated in this
21 ordinance comply with the California Environmental Quality Act (California Public Resources
22 Code section 21000 et seq., "CEQA"). Said determination is on file with the Clerk of the
23 Board of Supervisors in File No. 231045 and is incorporated herein by reference.

24 (b) Pursuant to Planning Code Section 302, the Board of Supervisors finds that the
25 proposed landmark designation of the Sacred Heart Parish Complex, located at 546-548
Fillmore Street, 554 Fillmore Street, 735 Fell Street, and 660 Oak Street, Assessor's Parcel
Block No. 0828, Lot Nos. 12, 21, 22, 22A, will serve the public necessity, convenience, and

1 welfare, for the reasons set forth in Historic Preservation Commission Resolution No. 1345,
2 recommending approval of the proposed designation, which is incorporated herein by
3 reference.

4 (c) On September 20, 2023, the Historic Preservation Commission, in Resolution
5 No. 1345, adopted findings that the actions contemplated in this ordinance are consistent, on
6 balance, with the City's General Plan and with the eight priority policies of Planning Code
7 Section 101.1. The Board adopts these findings as its own.

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9 Section 2. General Findings.

10 (a) On October 5, 2016, the Historic Preservation Commission adopted Resolution
11 No. 806, initiating landmark designation of the Sacred Heart Parish Complex as a San
12 Francisco Landmark pursuant to Section 1004.1 of the Planning Code. Said resolution is on
13 file with the Clerk of the Board in Board File No. 231045 and incorporated herein by reference.

14 (b) Pursuant to Section 4.135 of the Charter of the City and County of San Francisco,
15 the Historic Preservation Commission has authority "to recommend approval, disapproval, or
16 modification of landmark designations and historic district designations under the Planning
17 Code to the Board of Supervisors."

18 (c) Historic preservation consultant Elaine Brown Stiles prepared a Landmark
19 Designation Report for the Sacred Heart Parish Complex. All preparers meet the Secretary of
20 the Interior's Professional Qualification Standards for historic preservation program staff, as
21 set forth in Code of Federal Regulations Title 36, Part 61, Appendix A, and Planning
22 Department staff reviewed the report for accuracy and conformance with the purposes and
23 standards of Article 10 of the Planning Code.

1 (d) The Historic Preservation Commission, at its regular meeting of
2 September 20, 2023, reviewed the analysis of the Sacred Heart Parish Complex's historical
3 significance set forth in the Landmark Designation Fact Sheet dated September 20, 2023.
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5 (e) On September 20, 2023, after holding a public hearing on the proposed
6 designation, and having considered the specialized analyses prepared by consultants and
7 Planning Department staff, and the Landmark Designation Fact Sheet dated
8 September 20, 2023, the Historic Preservation Commission recommended designation of the
9 Sacred Heart Parish Complex as a landmark under Article 10 of the Planning Code in
10 Resolution No. 1345. Said resolution is on file with the Clerk of the Board in Board File
11 No. 231045.

12 (f) The Board of Supervisors hereby finds that the Sacred Heart Parish
13 Complex has a special character and special historical, architectural, and aesthetic interest
14 and value, and that its designation as a Landmark will further the purposes of and conform to
15 the standards set forth in Article 10 of the Planning Code. In doing so, the Board hereby
16 incorporates by reference the findings of the Landmark Designation Fact Sheet dated
17 September 20, 2023.
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19 Section 3. Designation.

20 Pursuant to Section 1004 of the Planning Code, the Sacred Heart Parish Complex,
21 located at 546-548 Fillmore Street, 554 Fillmore Street, 735 Fell Street, and 660 Oak Street,
22 Assessor's Parcel Block No. 0828, Lot Nos. 21, 22, 22A, and 12, in, is hereby designated as a
23 San Francisco Landmark under Article 10 of the Planning Code. Appendix A to Article 10 of
24 the Planning Code is hereby amended to include this property.
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1 Section 4. Required Data.

2 (a) The description, location, and boundary of the Landmark site consists of the parcel
3 located at 546-548 Fillmore Street, 554 Fillmore Street, 735 Fell Street, and 660 Oak Street,
4 Assessor's Parcel Block No. 0828, Lot Nos. 21, 22, 22A and 12, in in San Francisco's
5 Western Addition neighborhood.

6 (b) The characteristics of the Landmark that justify its designation are described and
7 shown in the Landmark Designation Fact Sheet dated October 5, 2016 and other supporting
8 materials contained in Planning Department Case No. 2015-005890DES. In brief, the Sacred
9 Heart Parish Complex is eligible for local designation under National Register of Historic
10 Places Criteria A (associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the
11 broad patterns of our history), B (associated with a significant person; and embodies
12 distinctive characteristics of a type, period, or method of construction), and C (represents the
13 work of a master architect). Under Criterion A, designation of Sacred Heart Parish Complex is
14 proper due to its association with the growth and development of the Western Addition and
15 Catholic religious institutions in San Francisco in the late nineteenth and early twentieth
16 centuries. Under Criterion B, its designation is proper because of its association with
17 prominent and influential civil rights activist Father Eugene Boyle, pastor of the church from
18 1968 to 1972. Under Criterion C, it is proper as a distinctive and well-executed example of a
19 Romanesque Revival-style Catholic parish grouping and for its association with master
20 architect Thomas J. Welsh.

21 (c) The particular features that shall be preserved, or replaced in-kind as determined
22 necessary, are those generally shown in photographs and described in the Landmark
23 Designation Fact Sheet dated September 20, 2023, which can be found in Planning
24 Department Case No. 2015-005890DES, and which are incorporated in this designation by
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1 reference as though fully set forth. Specifically, the following features shall be preserved or
2 replaced in kind:

3 (1) All exterior elevations, architectural ornament, and rooflines of the Sacred
4 Heart Parish Complex, which includes the Church, Rectory, School, and Convent buildings,
5 identified as:

6 (A) Original locations and spatial relationships between the four
7 component buildings of the Sacred Heart Parish Complex (Church, Rectory, School, and
8 Convent), identified as;

9 (B) All exterior elevations, form, massing, structure, architectural
10 ornament, and materials of the Church building, identified as:

11 (i) Form, massing, and roof forms of the rectangular plan nave,
12 projecting transepts, sacristies, and sanctuary;

13 (ii) Form, massing, and height of square campanile with hipped,
14 terra cotta tiled roof and a variety of arched and circular openings;

15 (iii) Porch configuration, three primary entrances with wood doors,
16 and arched and squared window openings, circular opening at half story on the primary
17 elevation;

18 (iv) Three elongated rectangular window openings on north and
19 south nave elevations;

20 (v) Circular window openings at the transepts;

21 (vi) Materials including buff colored face and ornamental brick,
22 and buff colored, slip glazed terra cotta ornament;

23 (vii) Extant stained glass windows with wood sash at north and
24 south nave elevations, transept, baptistery, narthex, and choir loft; including wood tracery at
25 the nave and transept;

- 1 (viii) Bell located in campanile;
- 2 (ix) Metal roof ornaments in a cross shape at ridge of church and
- 3 campanile;
- 4 (x) Concrete wall topped by wrought iron fence at north elevation;

5 (C) The exterior elevations, form, massing, structure, architectural
6 ornament, and materials of the rectory identified as:

- 7 (i) Rectangular plan and massing of the flat roof, brick main block;
- 8 (ii) Raised, centered, recessed entrance and exterior vestibule;
- 9 (iii) Regularly spaced fenestration pattern on front, some with
- 10 decorative mullions, and arched window openings at the third floor;
- 11 (iv) Wood window sash, including decorative muntin patterns
- 12 where present;
- 13 (v) Overhanging cornice supported by paired, oversized brackets
- 14 that wraps around to north and south elevations;
- 15 (vi) Materials including buff colored face and ornamental brick;
- 16 molded tin detailing at third story; and stucco ornament below third story and surrounding
- 17 entrance;

18 (D) The exterior elevation, form, massing, structure, architectural ornament, and
19 materials of the school building, identified as:

- 20 (i) Rectangular plan and massing of the flat roof school building;
- 21 (ii) Centered, recessed entrance;
- 22 (iii) Regularly spaced fenestration pattern with arched and
- 23 rectangular window openings;
- 24 (iv) Multi-paned, wood sash windows; multi-paned, wood sash fan
- 25 lights at first story;

1 (v) Plaster decorative features surrounding entrance and above
2 first story windows; frieze separating basement and first floors, frieze separating first and
3 second stories, and frieze at cornice;

4 (vi) Deeply scored concrete at basement and lightly scored plaster
5 of first through third stories;

6 (E) The exterior elevations, form, massing, structure, architectural
7 ornament, and materials of the convent, identified as:

8 (i) Rectangular plan and massing of flat roof main building and
9 chapel ell;

10 (ii) Raised, centered entrance with vestibule, arched main
11 entrance, and wood door at primary façade;

12 (iii) Regularly spaced fenestration pattern with rectangular
13 openings at first floor and arched openings at second floor of primary façade;

14 (iv) Wood, multi-paned, casement window sash;

15 (v) Smooth stucco cladding;

16 (vi) Decorative plaster details at window and door openings,
17 including balconette and stucco cross on primary façade;

18 (vii) Frieze near cornice and slightly overhanging cornice with
19 terra cotta roof tiles that wrap around to east and west elevations;

20 (viii) Extant stained glass windows that previously filled the
21 convent chapel window openings.

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24 Section 5. Effective Date. This ordinance shall become effective 30 days after
25 enactment. Enactment occurs when the Mayor signs the ordinance, the Mayor returns the

1 ordinance unsigned or does not sign the ordinance within ten days of receiving it, or the Board
2 of Supervisors overrides the Mayor's veto of the ordinance.

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