

530 SANSOME STREET AND FIRE STATION 13

FIRE STATION NO. 13

Land Use and Transportation Committee

September 29, 2025

San Francisco
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Proposed Legislation

Land Use and Transportation Committee

- 250697: Planning Code Amendments; Special Use District
- 250764: General Plan Amendments
- 250802: Major Encroachment Permit
- 250804: Amended and Restated Conditional Property Exchange Agreement (CPEA)

Government Audit & Oversight Committee

- 250698: Development Agreement
- 250803: Hotel and Fire Station Development Incentive Agreement

PROJECT OVERVIEW





447 BATTERY & 530 SANSOME

Project Location

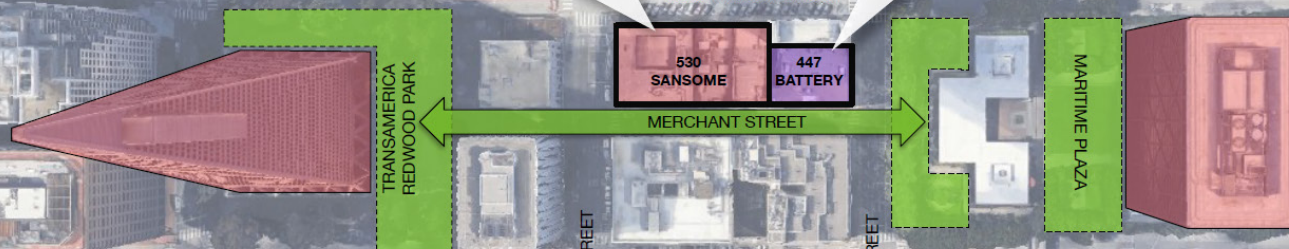
Context Diagram

530 SANSOME STREET

Mixed-Use Tower
±649,510 SF
Between ±344,840 SF and ±390,035 SF Office
Between ±127,710 SF and ±188,820 SF Hotel
(100-200 Keys)
±7,405 SF Retail & Restaurant

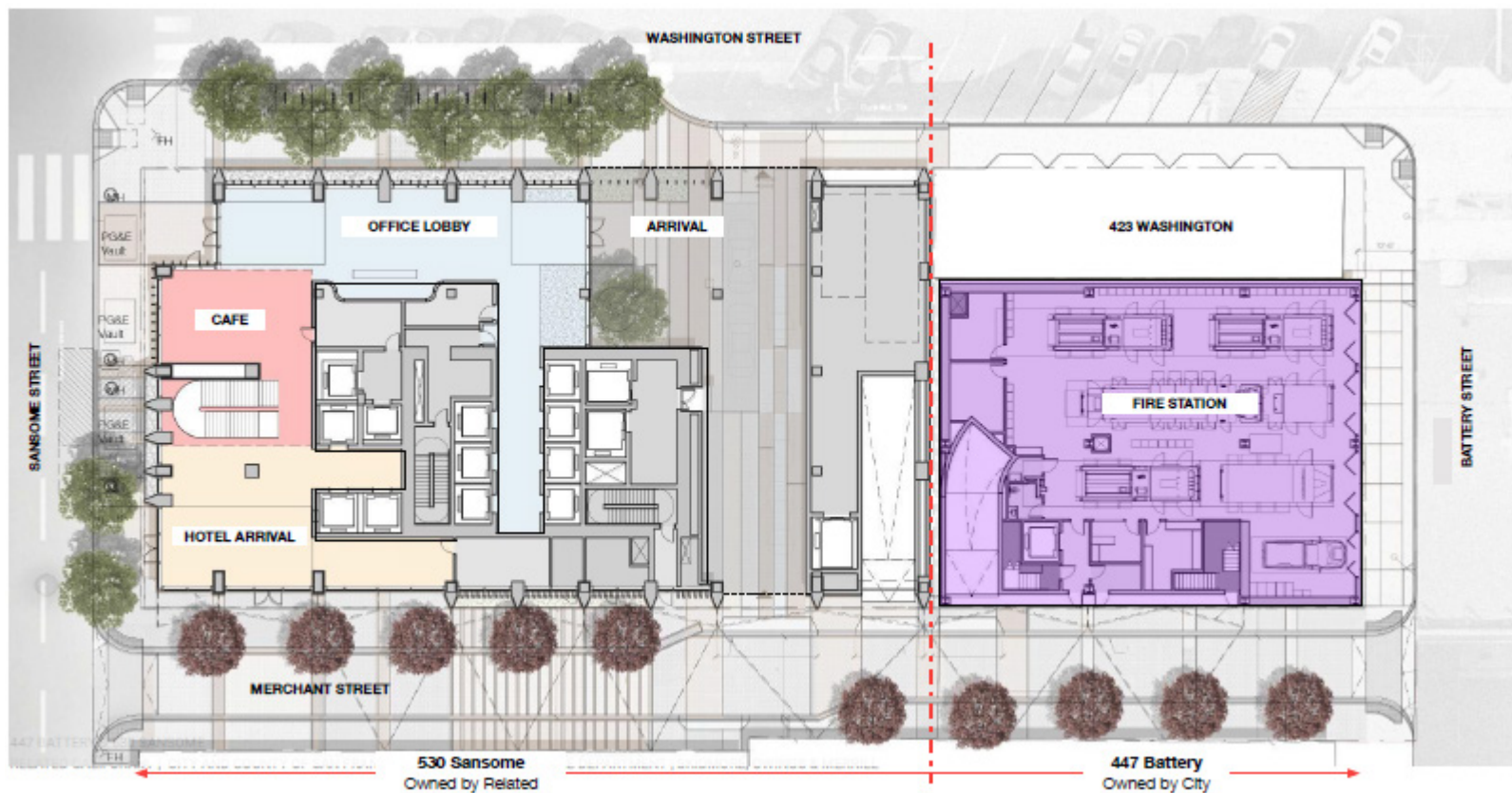
447 BATTERY STREET

New SFFD Fire Station 13
60' (4 Stories) Tall
±31,200 SF
4 Apparatus Bays



Proposed Site Plan

Public Realm Improvements





SHVO | Foster + Partners Plan for Mark Twain Alley



Proposed View of Merchant Street

Fire Station 13

Existing and Proposed Locations



Fire Station 13



SFFD FIRE STATION DESIGN STANDARDS

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Untitled 1976

Henri Marie-Rose Sculpture



Untitled
1976
48 x 60 in.

Henri Marie-Rose aka Henri Marie-Rose Dite Cetoute, French, (1922–2010)

Object Type: Sculpture

Medium and Support: Copper

Credit Line: Collection of the City and County of San Francisco; Purchased by the San Francisco Art Commission for Firehouse #13

Accession Number: 1976.93

Abstract image of fireman at their task, with "SFFD" copper lettering, on the exterior facade of Fire Station #13 at Washington and Sansome Streets.

<https://kiosk.sfgartscollection.org/objects-1/info/2496?records=60&sort=0&objectName=Untitled>

Tower Form



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Increasing setbacks of north face of tower eliminate new shadow on playground at Sue Bierman Park



Proposed Building is south of
Washington St, within the existing
downtown high-rise Financial District

Washington Street

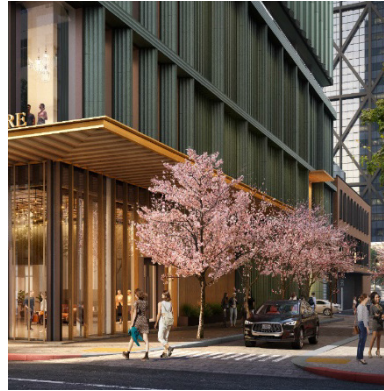


DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT KEY TERMS



Development Agreement

Community Benefits and Key Terms



- Contract between City and project sponsor, with 8-year term
- Vests permitted uses, zoning controls, impact fees
- Project subject to updates of building codes, fire code, public works code
- Integrates with other proposed ordinances, including property exchange agreement

Development Agreement

Fire Station 13

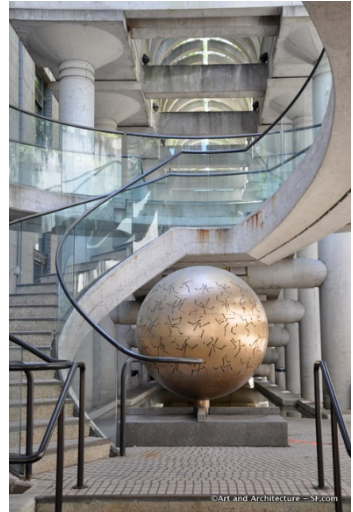
- Delivery of new state-of-the-art facility built to current operational, seismic (Risk Category IV), accessibility, and green building (LEED Gold) standards
- Standalone property to be transferred to City, in amended property exchange agreement
- Maximum 30-month fire station construction duration, with completion required before completion of tower



Development Agreement

Downtown Investment and Activation

- Significant new investment in the future of downtown, with a mix of uses that will generate daytime and nighttime activity
- Merchant Street pedestrian streetscape improvements, with ongoing private maintenance obligation
- Payment of approx. \$1 million into Downtown Park Fund
- Participation in “1% for Art” program (and relocation of existing *Untitled* sculpture to new Fire Station)
- Collection of approx. \$600,000 per year from hotel taxes to support Grants for the Arts, the Arts Commission, and Cultural Districts



Development Agreement

Funding for 100% Affordable Housing; Impact Fees



- Affordable housing payments totaling nearly \$15 million
 - \$2.16 million paid to City six months after entitlements are effective
 - Prioritization of funds for senior housing at 772 Pacific Avenue in Chinatown, with second priority to other 100% affordable housing in District 3
- Other impact fees, including approximately \$7.6M in transportation funding

Development Agreement

Workforce Agreement

- **Prevailing wages** for tower and fire station construction
- **First Source Hiring** for Construction and Operations for tower
- **Local Hiring** for fire station construction
- **Local Business Enterprise** obligations, including Micro-LBE goal

Economic & Fiscal Impact

- **Construction period jobs:** 390 annually
- **Permanent jobs:** 1,600 on-site (full and part time)
- Ongoing **direct economic impact:** \$816M annually in San Francisco
- \$9.5 million annually (after expenditures) in net new **General Fund, SFMTA, and arts revenue**



PROPOSED LEGISLATION



File 250697: Planning Code Amendments; Special Use District



Sansome Street Elevation

- Creates 530 Sansome Mixed-Use Tower and Fire Station Special Use District (SUD), Planning Code Section 249.11
- Implements land use controls, and provides for a conditional use review and approval process for project
- Revises Section Map HT01 to increase the maximum height for the future tower parcels to 555'

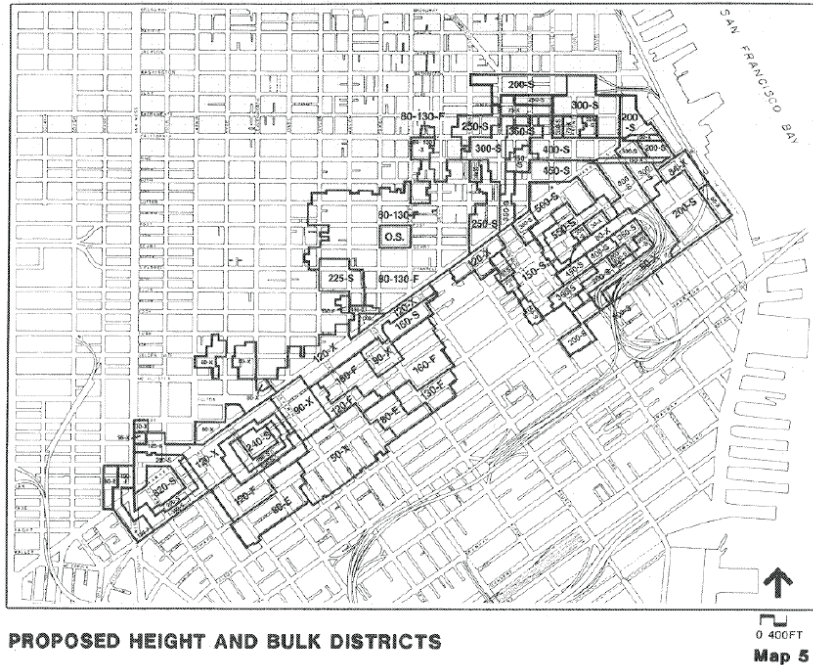
File 250697: Planning Code Amendments (continued)

447 Battery Street

- 3-story commercial building, constructed in 1907
- Designated a Planning Code Article 10 landmark in 2022 by Board of Supervisors (Jones-Thierbach Coffee Company Building)
- Ordinance would conditionally rescind the Article 10 landmark designation, contingent on City acquiring the property for new fire station
- Required mitigation measures include historic documentation, a materials salvage plan, and a public interpretive plan



File 250764: General Plan Amendments



- Amends Downtown Area Plan (Map 1 and Map 5) with notes to reference the height and bulk designations within SUD
- Amends Urban Design Element (Map 4 and Map 5) to reference new SUD and show new height designation within SUD
- Updates Land Use Index accordingly
- Planning Commission initiated the General Plan amendments at its May 15, 2025 meeting and adopted findings of consistency at its July 17, 2025 meeting

File 250802: Major Encroachment Permit (Merchant Street)

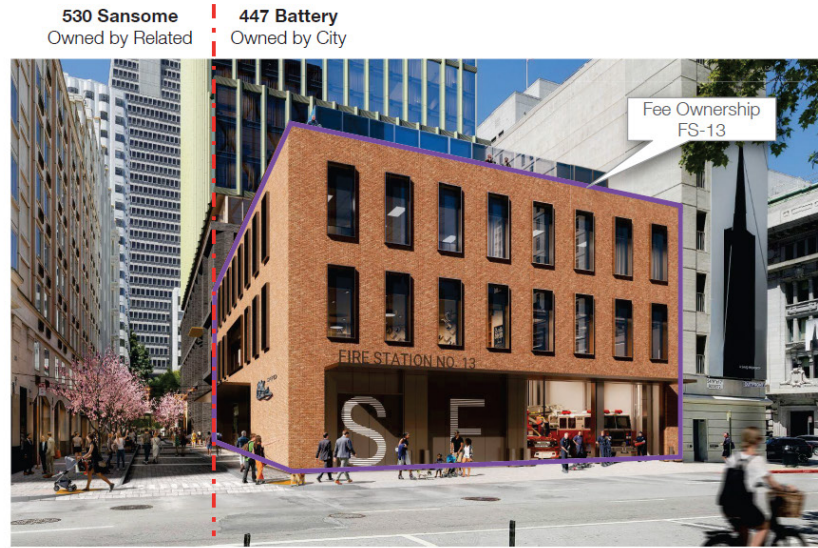


- Developer to construct public open space improvements, and maintain for life of the tower
- Widened sidewalks along entire width of Merchant Street, from Sansome to Battery
- Delegates to Public Works Director to accept any new public infrastructure
- Subject to detailed design approval by City agencies, proposed developer-maintained improvements generally include:
 - Decorative roadway paving
 - Tabletop crosswalks
 - String lighting
 - New street trees
 - Bike racks and other improvements

File 250804: Amended and Restated CPEA



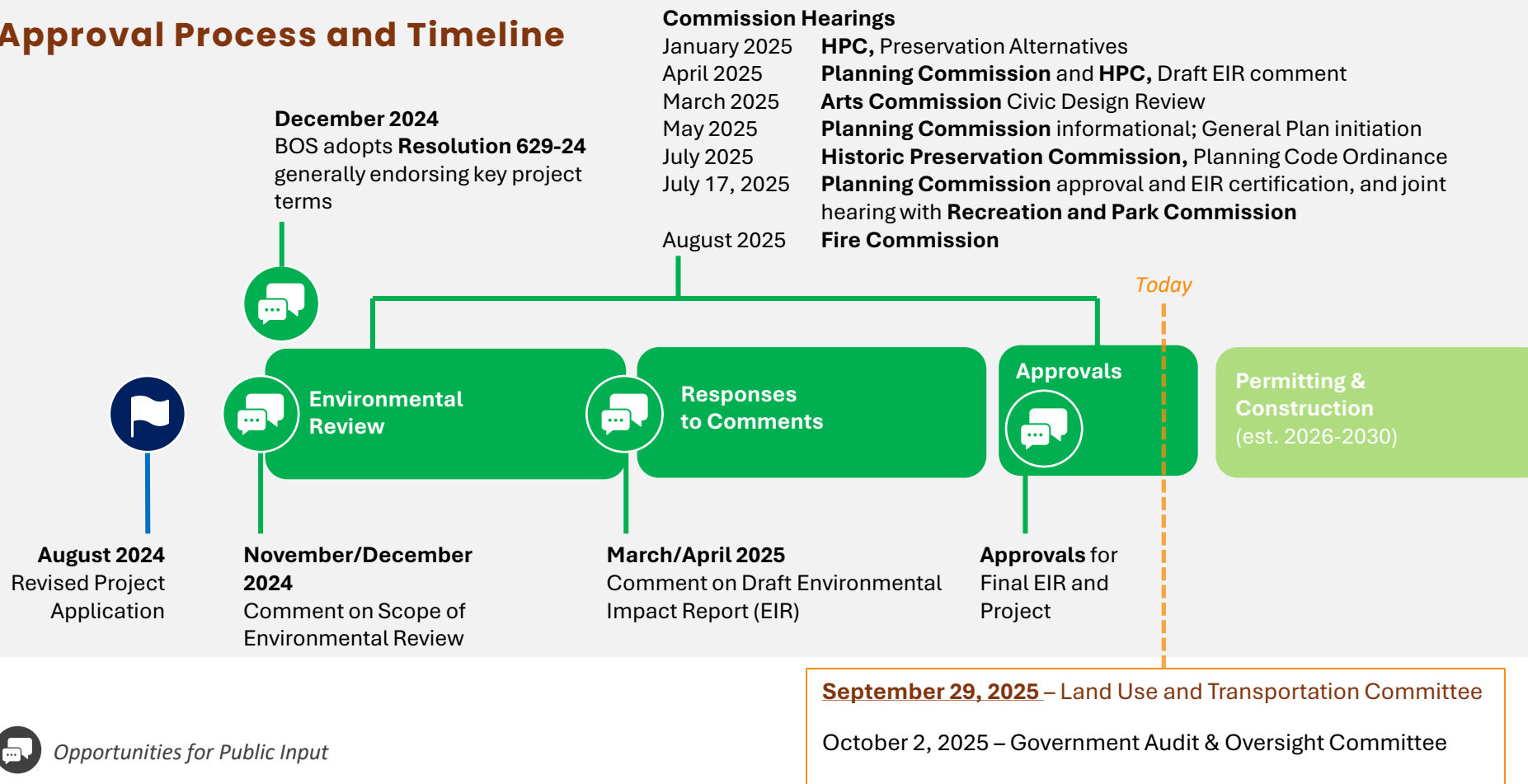
2020 proposed location (Washington Street)



2025 proposed location (Battery Street)

- Original property exchange agreement signed in July 2020 (with two subsequent amendments)
- Amended and Restated CPEA changes the parcel City would receive; City to own standalone building
- Removal of cost cap; Construction by developer at its sole cost to SFFD-approved design, other than any City-initiated design additions

Approval Process and Timeline





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