

GENERAL PLAN REFERRAL

December 3, 2021

Case No.: 2021-011710GPR

Block/Lot No.: 2139/025 1090 Quintara Street

Project Sponsor: General Services Agency, Real estate Division, City and Cunty of San Francisco

On behalf of the San Francisco Police Department

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Recommended By:

AnMarie Rodgers, Director of Citywide Policy, for Rich Hillis, Director of Planning

Recommendation: Finding the project, on balance, is **in conformity** with the General Plan

Project Description

The Project is the lease of property by the City for use by the San Francisco Police Department (SFPD). The SFPD's Behavioral Science Unit (BSU) would use the basement of the existing church building at this location to provide support through classes and other programs. Section 23 of the Administrative Code requires a General Plan Referral for new leases of City property.

Environmental Review

The proposed project is a real estate transaction only and is not defined as a project under CEQA Guidelines. Sections 15378 and 15060(c)(2) because it would not result in a direct or indirect physical change in the environment.

General Plan Compliance and Basis for Recommendation

As described below, the proposed lease is consistent with the Eight Priority Policies of Planning Code Section 101.1 and is, on balance, in conformity with the Objectives and Policies of the General Plan.

Note: General Plan Objectives are shown in **BOLD UPPER CASE** font; Policies are in **Bold** font; staff comments are in *italic* font.

COMMUNITY FACILITIES ELEMENT

OBJECTIVE 1

DISTRIBUTE, LOCATE, AND DESIGN POLICE FACILITIES IN A MANNER THAT WILL ENHANCE THE EFFECTIVE, EFFICIENT AND RESPONSIVE PERFORMANCE OF POLICE FUNCTIONS.

Policy 1.4

Distribute, locate, and design police support facilities so as to maximize their effectiveness, use, and accessibility for police personnel.

BSU is currently located at Treasure Island but must relocate since it will no longer have use of the current facility. 1090 Quintara is more accessible to police personnel working in the City.

Planning Code Section 101 Findings

Planning Code Section 101.1 establishes Eight Priority Policies and requires review of discretionary approvals and permits for consistency with said policies. The Project is found to be consistent with the Eight Priority Policies as set forth in Planning Code Section 101.1 for the following reasons:

- 1. That existing neighborhood-serving retail uses be preserved and enhanced and future opportunities for resident employment in and ownership of such businesses enhanced;
 - The Project is a new lease of a portion of an existing church building and as such would have no adverse impact to neighborhood-serving retail uses nor on opportunities for resident employment in and ownership of such businesses.
- 2. That existing housing and neighborhood character be conserved and protected in order to preserve the cultural and economic diversity of our neighborhoods;
 - The Project is a new lease of a portion of an existing church building and thus would have no effect on housing or on the neighborhood's character.
- 3. That the City's supply of affordable housing be preserved and enhanced;
 - The Project is a new lease of a portion of an existing church building and thus would not impact the City's



- supply of affordable housing.
- 4. That commuter traffic not impede MUNI transit service or overburden our streets or neighborhood parking;
 - The Project is a new lease of a portion of an existing church building and as such would not result in commuter traffic impeding MUNI transit service or overburdening the streets or neighborhood parking in San Francisco County.
- 5. That a diverse economic base be maintained by protecting our industrial and service sectors from displacement due to commercial office development, and that future opportunities for resident employment and ownership in these sectors be enhanced;
 - The Project is a new lease of a portion of an existing church building and does not include new office uses. Thus the Project would not cause displacement of the industrial or service sectors due to office development, and future opportunities for resident employment or ownership in these sectors would not be impaired.
- 6. That the City achieve the greatest possible preparedness to protect against injury and loss of life in an earthquake;
 - The Project is a new lease of a portion of an existing church building and does not include any physical changes to the building.
- 7. That the landmarks and historic buildings be preserved;
 - The Project is a new lease of a portion of an existing church building and does not include any physical changes to the building.
- 8. That our parks and open space and their access to sunlight and vistas be protected from development;
 - The Project is a new lease of a portion of an existing church building that is neither a park nor an open space. The Project would not have an adverse effect on the City's parks and open space and their access to sunlight and vistas.

Recommendation: Finding the project, on balance, is in conformity with the General Plan

