



SAN FRANCISCO PLANNING DEPARTMENT

May 22, 2013

Ms. Angela Calvillo, Clerk
Board of Supervisors
City and County of San Francisco
City Hall, Room 244
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place
San Francisco, CA 94102

Re: Transmittal of Planning Department Case Number 2011.0397M,T:
Two Proposed Ordinances:

1. General Plan Amendments with Amended CEQA Findings Related to the 2009 Bicycle Plan
BOS File No: _____ (pending)
2. Planning Code Amendments Related to New Bicycle Parking Requirements
BOS File No: _____ (pending)

Planning Commission Recommendation: Approval of Two Proposed Ordinances

Dear Ms. Calvillo,

This transmittal includes Planning Commission Resolutions on two pieces of Planning Commission proposed legislation:

- 1) General Plan Amendments related to the 2009 Bicycle Plan: Ordinance proposing to re-adopt the General Plan Amendments related to the 2009 Bicycle Plan with amended CEQA findings pursuant to a Court of Appeal decision on January 14, 2013.
- 2) Planning Code Amendments on Bicycle Parking: Ordinance proposing to repeal the existing Planning Code requirements for bicycle parking and adding new requirements, which are summarized below.

On August 9th, 2012 the San Francisco Planning Commission (hereinafter "Commission") conducted a duly noticed public hearing at a regularly scheduled meeting to consider the initiation of a proposed Ordinance on bicycle parking requirements.

On April 4th, 2013 the Commission conducted a duly noticed public hearing at a regularly scheduled meeting to consider the initiation of a proposed Ordinance re-adopting the General Plan Amendments related to the 2009 Bicycle Plan.

On May 16th, 2013 the Commission conducted a duly noticed public hearing at a regularly scheduled meeting to consider adoption of both proposed Ordinances.

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The Ordinance amending the General Plan includes revisions to the Transportation Element, the Downtown Area Plan, and corresponding revisions to the Land Use Index of the General Plan. This Ordinance would re-adopt the General Plan amendments originally adopted by the Board of Supervisors in August 2009 in Ordinance 188-09. On January 14, 2013, the California Court of Appeal found that although the environmental impact report prepared for the 2009 Bicycle Plan was adequate in all respects, also found that the City failed to make a handful of findings related to the infeasibility of alternatives identified in the EIR and findings related to significant environmental impacts that cannot be mitigated. This Ordinance re-adopts the General Plan Amendments and makes findings under CEQA which have been amended to address the issues found by the Court of Appeal.

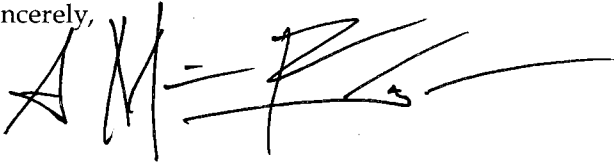
The proposed Ordinance amending the Planning Code regulations related to bicycle parking would repeal Sections 155.1 to 155.5 of the Planning Code in their entirety and add new Sections 155.1 to 155.4 regarding bicycle parking requirements. This Ordinance also amends other sections of the Code to update requirements related to bicycle parking. The major proposals of this Ordinance include but are not limited to:

- Increasing bicycle parking requirements and calibrating the requirements for all use categories;
- Differentiate requirements for long-term (Class 1) and short-term (Class 2) requirements;
- Establishing clear and easy to implement triggers for bicycle parking requirements: addition of a dwelling unit, enlargement by 20%, change of use when bicycle parking requirement would increase by 15%, addition of vehicle parking, and alterations when DBI determines such alteration would trigger the bicycle parking requirements per State law.
- Allowing conversion of auto parking to bicycle parking
- Requiring City-owned buildings to comply with new requirements within one year since this Ordinance is effective

The Planning Commission certified an environmental impact report on the 2009 Bicycle Plan in Resolution 17912 on June 25, 2009, which was affirmed by the Board of Supervisors in Motion M09-136. On May 9, 2013, the Planning Department staff determined that no further environmental review was required in relation to the Planning Code amendments herein.

At the May 16th hearing, the Commission voted to recommend approval of the two proposed Ordinances to amend: 1) the Planning Code as described above and 2) to readopt the previously adopted General Plan Amendments with amended CEQA findings. Please find attached documents relating to the Commission's action. If you have any questions or require further information please do not hesitate to contact me or project planner, Kimia Haddadan.

Sincerely,



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Attachments (one copy of the following):

Planning Commission Resolution No. 18870

Planning Commission Resolution No. 18871

Planning Commission Executive Summary for Case No. 2011.0397T,M: Note this Executive Summary is being provided as a stand-alone document, only certain attachments that were before the Commission are included (Exhibit A, B, and D). Other attachments are available by contacting the Planning Department at 1650 Mission Street, Suite 400, San Francisco, CA 94103.

Amended CEQA Findings for the General Plan Amendments in track changes -- for informational purposes

Draft Ordinance: General Plan Amendments related to the 2009 Bicycle Plan (original sent via interoffice mail)

Draft Ordinance: Planning Code Amendments for Bicycle Parking Legislation (original sent via interoffice mail)