

LEGISLATIVE DIGEST

[Summary Street Vacation, New Sidewalks, and Property Transfer - Michigan Street]

Ordinance ordering the summary street vacation of portions of Michigan Street generally along Assessor's Parcel Block No. 4110, Lot No. 001, and Block No. 4111, Lot No. 004; quitclaiming the City's interest in certain portions of Michigan Street to the Port; establishing new official sidewalks on Michigan Street by amending Ordinance No. 1061, entitled "Regulating the Width of Sidewalks;" accepting a Public Works Order concerning the street vacation and establishment of new sidewalks; waiving the provisions of Administrative Code, Chapter 23, for interdepartmental transfer of property; authorizing official acts in connection with this Ordinance, as defined herein; affirming the Planning Department's determination under the California Environmental Quality Act; adopting findings that the actions contemplated in this Ordinance are consistent with the General Plan, and the eight priority policies of Planning Code, Section 101.1; and making findings of public necessity, convenience, and welfare pursuant to Planning Code, Section 302.

Existing Law

Pursuant to the California Streets and Highways Code sections 8300 et seq. and the San Francisco Public Works Code, the City may summarily vacate a right-of-way, if the subject area is not needed for purposes of a non-motorized transit facility, constitutes excess right-of-way, and does not contain in-place functioning utilities

Ordinance No. 1061, entitled "Regulating the Width of Sidewalks" is an uncodified ordinance that tracks changes to and the establishment of new sidewalks in San Francisco.

Administrative Code Chapter 23 sets forth procedures for interdepartmental transfers of property.

Amendments to Current Law

The ordinance would amend Ordinance No. 1061, entitled "Regulating the Width of Sidewalks" by adding a new section 1620 to that ordinance.

Background Information

The Pier 70 Mixed-Use project is a large phased development project. The legislation takes several steps to effectuate that project. First, the ordinance would vacate the 12' wide portion of Michigan Street adjacent to Assessor's Parcel No. 4110-001. This is necessary to create Parcel K North, which the Port intends to sell at or above its fair market value. The proceeds

from this sale would be used to pay for the entitlement costs of the Pier 70 project. It would also vacate a 20.6' wide strip portion of Michigan Street adjacent to Assessor's Parcel 4111-004. The Department of Real Estate would transfer this vacated strip to the Port. The Port would then merge the vacated area with the existing parcel.

Second, the ordinance would transfer to the Port the remaining portion of Michigan Street, south of the Pueblo line, that remains a right-of-way. Once the project is complete, Michigan Street will be a Port street.

Third, the ordinance would establish new sidewalks along Michigan Street.

Fourth, the ordinance would permit an expedited interdepartmental transfer of property by waiving the provisions of Administrative Code Chapter 23.