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Subject: RE: Safeway Fillmore Closure Emergency - BOS File No. 250050
Date: Tuesday, February 4, 2025 10:11:00 AM
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From: lgpetty <lgpetty@juno.com>
Sent: Monday, February 3, 2025 12:26 PM
To: Carroll, John (BOS) <john.carroll@sfgov.org>
Subject: Safeway Fillmore Closure Emergency

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Dear Chair Melgar, Supervisor Mahmood and Supervisor Chen

I am a neighbor of the closed Webster St Safeway and a senior who relied on it for many years. It is critical for myself and my community to have a full service supermarket (with banking and pharmacy) at that location.

This is a full-blown emergency. Our neighborhood has now become a food desert. Facing 5 to 10 years (or more) as a food desert is a cruel reality and not an option. Securing a new farmers market or nearby small grocery store are NOT anywhere near sufficient substitutes.

I think there is only one solution, and that is to have another full service supermarket take Safeway's place. (Trader Joe's or Grocery Outlet are NOT full service.)

I believe the only way to secure another full service supermarket for our neighborhood in any kind of adequately fast, expedient way, is for the city to immediately exercise eminent domain regarding the property and then offer a long term lease with extremely attractive terms to Lucky Supermarket or similar full service supermarket.

Please make sure the city acts rapidly on eminent domain. There is only one way to fill the void. Short and medium term "options" are just more ways to fail our community.

Thank you,

Lorraine Petty

From: [Carroll, John \(BOS\)](#)
To: [regina sneed](#)
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From: regina sneed <reginasneed@yahoo.com>

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Subject: SF Board of Supervisors Land Use and Transportation Committee: item 250050: Hearing on Safeway Closure

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Dear Supervisors Melgar, Chen and Mahmood:

I wish to share some comments for the Committee hearing today, February 3, 2025 by email because I am unable to attend this hearing in person and do not qualify for an accommodation under the ADA act. I hope that the Board of Supervisors will take up the resolution introduced in 2024 (but not acted on before the year end) to restore remote public comment at Board committees so I would be able to respond to the testimony I am hearing presently by the SFGOV channel on Comcast.

I am a senior and a resident of a senior residence on Geary Blvd which is now part of District Two. I support the proposals presented by the Japantown Task Force. I support the efforts of the Police Department to continue to provide public safety solutions in the present and future. I want to thank Supervisor Mahmood for holding this hearing to give citizens a chance to be heard directly on what the community wants first this property.

Here are a few particular concerns I have that I would have testified to via remote comment if it had been available:

1. The need for another food store.
2. A funding source to increase availability of paratransit and shuttle services for seniors and persons with disabilities until there is a permanent food store source in the neighborhood. Yes this is needed despite funding cuts in SFMTA.
3. A public security plan to address problems in the parking lot including the contact points for addressing different types of complaints mentioned in today's hearing.
4. An acknowledgement of the displacement of the Black community back in the 1960's. Perhaps reparations discussions within the City should include this history.
5. A request that there be regular Land Use Committee hearings to continue to allow public input into a solution.

Thank you for your consideration.

Regina Sneed
District Two Resident

Sent from my iPad

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Subject: FW: Safeway Closing - concerns unable to attend meeting - File No. 250050
Date: Monday, February 3, 2025 2:14:49 PM

Dear Supervisors,

Please see below from Aaron Goodman regarding:

File No. 250050 - Hearing to address Safeway Incorporated's scheduled closure of its grocery store, located at 1355 Webster Street, on February 7, 2025, eliminating full-service grocery options, as well as pharmaceutical and banking services which provide basic necessities to its residents; and requesting the Human Rights Commission, Office of Economic Workforce Development, and Food Security Task Force to report.

Regards,

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Sent: Monday, February 3, 2025 9:15 AM
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Subject: Safeway Closing - concerns unable to attend meeting

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Supervisor Mahmood and Staff

I am unable to attend the meeting but am deeply concerned about cuts to services at safeways and walgreens across the city.

We have many opportunities for new housing at these properties but failing to provide the services of these stores and their closing should not be allowed when in areas of hardship and financial concerns for residents.

The single store buildings can easily be replaced with denser housing above the retail components.

The concern is that land sales and private equity issues are taking priority over the needs of the community.

This goes the same with SFMTA muni cuts which impacts seniors and the disabled trying to get to these community hubs for services and goods.

Please do your best to support the communities concerns on the closure and mandate that the service sector provide services due to the inconvenience of the store closure. The financial burden should lie squarely on safeway and muni.

Perhaps taxi and rideshar xoox bus systems can be used for ADA accessibility issues and for seniors to get from communities where stores close to open stores and bill it to the safeway CEO.

Regards

Aaron Goodman (D7) prior D11 and have seen multiple closures impacting communities of concern and equity issues across the city.

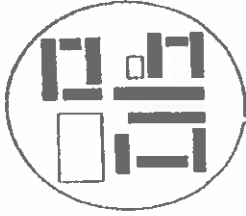
From: [Conny Ford](#)
To: [Melgar, Myrna \(BOS\)](#); [Chen, Chyanne \(BOS\)](#); [Mahmood, Bilal \(BOS\)](#)
Cc: [Carroll, John \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: Fwd: Fwd: Today - Safeway hearing at City Hall
Date: Monday, February 3, 2025 11:53:22 AM
Attachments: [safeway001.pdf](#)

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Good afternoon: Below please find the Memorandum below re: Safeway is Closed in Our Neighborhood. Submitted from St. Francis Square Cooperative to the Land and Transportation Committee on behalf of our 500 residents .

I will be there to represent the residents of our Coop that, who like me, are outraged about Safeway closing and the Fillmore now being a food desert.

Respectfully,
Conny Ford, President
St. Francis Board of Director



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February 3, 2024

To: Myrna Melgar, Chair
Chyanne Chen, Vice Chair
Bilal Mahmood, Committee member
San Francisco Land Use and Transportation Committee

From: Conny Ford, President, St. Francis Square Cooperative

Re: Closing of Safeway in our Neighborhood

Dear Supervisors Melgar, Chen, and Mahmood:

St. Francis Square Cooperative was part of the urban renewal development in the early 1960s. Located between the Japanese community and the African American communities, we were built as part of the 1954 development plan, defined as A-1. When so much unnecessary and horrific displacement took place in the 1950s & 60s, St Francis Square was founded (in 1963) as one step towards showing that this was absolutely the wrong thing to do. We were and are a multi-racial, multi-economic, and, now, market rate cooperative. Our first founder was the Longshore and Warehouse Union (ILWU) and many of our guiding documents today come from that historic working-class union.

Our 299 units are located on 8.25 acres, most of them being three bedrooms, two bathrooms. We are run democratically, wherein members vote on all major issues and work on over twelve committees to keep the Coop running smoothly, with the support of all our union staff members.

Today, although young families are now moving in again, 60% of us are seniors. Many of us walked and shopped at the now closed Safeway. We got our prescriptions filled and our banking needs taken care of at Safeway.

We are a part of this large coalition lead by the African American and the Japanese American communities. We worked with Mayor Breed and Supervisor Preston at the time to try to figure out solutions to the closing of Safeway.



In the 1960s, the Redevelopment Agency sold the property to Safeway for a very low price. Today, with this closure, we can only call Safeway, as it merges with Lucky's and perhaps Kroger's, just another national greedy, multi-national corporation.

The City must step in and support us. We will not allow another decade of gentrification and displacement happen to our community again.

Currently, there are also small local businesses adjacent to the parking lot that need support.

Ideally, we would like the property returned to the City for the good of the neighborhood.

In the short term:

- We would like immediate support for groceries, food banks, food deliveries, and transportation for food shopping. As of today, we could be called a food desert.
- The use of the parking lot is essential to the small businesses on Fillmore, between Ellis & O'Farrell. This is a need for parking for customers and deliveries to businesses to avoid traffic congestion at the Fillmore store fronts.
- If fencing is set up in the parking lot, we need to continue the O'Farrell pedestrian route that goes from Webster to the plaza area on Fillmore. People need a pedestrian corridor through the lot to reach Fillmore businesses, bus stops, and the Saturday Farmers' Market.
- Seniors and people with disabilities need easier registration for Essential Trip Cards and Shop-around Shuttles. It would be very expedient if SFMTA could use existing nonprofits' space to set up "pop-up" registration sites in the neighborhood. Time is of the essence.
- The rats in the Safeway area are horrific. We need rodent control now.

Mid-range

- The City should expedite and facilitate a temporary grocery store or a "community market" like Human Services Agency helped the Bayview to establish – a food bank that allows shopping like in a store.
- Keep communication channels open with the community.
- Expand the Office of Community Investment and Infrastructure (OCII) to include the Fillmore.
- Use of the parking lot, i.e. farmer's markets, cultural and art activities, movie nights.

Long Term

- A permanent grocery store, with union workers
- Establish a Community Benefits Plan to provide important benefits for the neighborhood, providing Certificate of Preference (COP) holders, those displaced in the Fillmore and Japantown, a priority.

- Honor the Community Opportunity to Purchase Act (COPA), that allows qualified nonprofits organizing first right to purchase Multi-Family Residential buildings for Sale in the City.

We urge you to consider our asks and move them forward to the Board and the Mayor's office.

Our neighborhoods cannot be left behind again. We experienced massive gentrification and displacement in the 1950s and 60s; we cannot have this again. Leaving this neighborhood as a "food desert" now is a step that the wrong direction.

As Jane Jacobs famously said: "*Cities have the capability of providing something for everybody, only because, and only when, they are created by everybody.*"

We are eager to get to work with you to support these goals.

From: [Emily Murase](#)
To: [Melgar, Myrna \(BOS\)](#); [MelgarStaff \(BOS\)](#); [Chen, Chyanne \(BOS\)](#); [ChenStaff](#); [Mahmood, Bilal \(BOS\)](#); [MahmoodStaff](#); [Carroll, John \(BOS\)](#)
Cc: [Glynis Nakahara](#); [Glynis Nakahara](#); [Lori Yamauchi](#); [Jeremy Chan](#); [Linda Walsh](#); [Rosalyn Tonaj](#); [Daryl Higashi](#); [Alice Kawahatsu](#)
Subject: [JTF] Support for Community Concerns related to Fillmore/Webster Safeway
Date: Monday, February 3, 2025 8:16:01 AM
Attachments: [25.1.15 JTF Letter of Support for Eminent Domain.pdf](#)

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Board of Supervisors Land Use & Transportation Committee
Chairperson Myrna Melgar
Vice Chair Chyanne Chen
Supervisor Bilal Mahmood

February 3, 2025

To the Board of Supervisors Land Use & Transportation Committee

On behalf of the Japantown Task Force, I write in strong support of the community concerns and demands related to the closure of the Fillmore/Webster Safeway. I am attaching the [January 15, 2025 letter to Mayor Lurie](#) urging the use of **eminent domain** to return the Safeway property back to the community that was copied to all members of the Board of Supervisors that lays out our engagement on this issue. In addition, we amplify the community concerns below.

Short Term Priorities

- Ensure the safety and security of the Safeway parking lot
- Allow continued use of Safeway parking lot for neighboring merchants
- Create a City-led Task Force.
- Convene a Town Hall meeting on the aftermath of the closure.
- Make arrangements for temporary registration for SFMTA transportation programs in the Fillmore and Japantown areas
- Improve communication with the community to get the word out about sources of food and planned meetings.
- Undertake rodent control.

Mid-Term Priorities

- Expedite and facilitate a temporary grocery store such as a "Community Market."
- Schedule more community meetings to ensure maximum outreach.
- Continue hearings and involve Safeway and Align Real Estate.
- Expand use of the parking lot for community events.

Longer-Term Priorities

- Establish a permanent grocery store.
- Establish a Community Benefits Plan to provide important benefits for the neighborhood.
- Employ eminent domain to return the property to the community.
- Find opportunities to identify housing Certificate of Preference (COP) holders.
- Find opportunities to use the Community Opportunity to Purchase Act (COPA) to expand non-profit housing units.

In January, the Japantown Task Force appointed a Working Group on the Safeway Closure. Members are copied above and several will be attending today's hearing to provide public testimony. We look forward to your partnership on this issue vital to the Western Addition and beyond.

Emily

Emily M. Murase, PhD
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Honorable Daniel Lurie
Mayor of San Francisco
City Hall, Room 200
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San Francisco, CA 94102

January 15, 2025

Re: Acquisition of Safeway Lot for Affordable Housing and Grocery Store

Dear Mayor Lurie:

On behalf of the San Francisco Japantown Task Force, I want to communicate that we are seeking your leadership on the Webster Safeway closure issue. JTF stood together with our Western Addition neighbors at the January 23, 2024 community rally, and we participated in the community meetings organized by the Human Rights Commission over the summer. We reviewed the final report of the Commission and was looking forward to additional concrete progress. More recently, we attended community meetings organized by the Fillmore United Alliance, including on Tuesday, December 17, with your staff member Moises Garcia.

After a full discussion at the December 11 JTF board meeting on this issue, the board took a position to urge your administration to discuss and negotiate with the owners of the Webster Safeway lot about purchasing the space for the purpose of developing a full service grocery store and affordable housing. We support investigating all available means to acquire the property, including the use of eminent domain. Under your strong leadership, working with the Board of Supervisors and the City Attorney who are copied below, the City gaining site control will be the first step toward achieving a win-win solution for Safeway, the Fillmore-Japantown communities and the City.

We know that Safeway wants to close the store and sell its property. Since the sale of the property to Align Real Estate has not yet closed, we believe that there is still time for the City to purchase the property or find another buyer that would be willing to work with the City on a joint public-private development. The Fillmore/Japantown communities want affordable grocery services to be provided on the site, as well as affordable housing, especially for those whose families were displaced by the Redevelopment Agency, including those displaced from this site. The communities do not want to see the building boarded up and the property fenced off, leading to vandalism and criminal activity, posting a threat to public safety.

We believe that the City wants housing built on the site, while retaining and growing tax-generating uses on the site that would serve the community. It also wants to prevent the site from attracting vandalism and crime that would require public safety resources to

secure. We further believe that Safeway's, the communities' and the City's objectives can all be met if the City were to gain site control and work with the communities on a plan to develop the site with grocery services and affordable housing, while securing the site in the interim until development takes place.

Given that eminent domain was used by the Redevelopment Agency to forcibly acquire dozens of properties and displace hundreds of people from the Western Addition and Japantown, it is ironic for the Japantown Task Force to be supporting the City's use of eminent domain to acquire the Safeway property. Yet, since it is unlikely that Safeway will be a willing seller to the City, the use of eminent domain may be the only viable means for the City to gain site control.

The threat of eminent domain also opens up negotiations for an interim lease of the space prior to future development. For example, the City could negotiate with Safeway and/or the future developer to organize a Food Empowerment Community Market, like the one currently in District 10, to secure the Fillmore's grocery needs until new development on the property begins. This avoids the problem of the property becoming boarded up, fenced off, and a blight to the community.

We realize that this is literally the "eleventh hour" before Safeway closes its store in February, but there is a path forward, provided that the City leadership demonstrates effective and creative leadership in working with the communities and Safeway as an honest broker to secure site control.

We stand ready to work with the City and our Fillmore neighbors on moving forward on a proactive plan for the Safeway site, and look for your continued leadership on this important issue.

Sincerely,



Emily Murase, PhD
Executive Director

Cc: District 5 Supervisor Bilal Mahmood
Board of Supervisors President Rafael Mandelman
District 1 Supervisor Connie Chan
District 2 Supervisor Stephen Sherill
District 3 Supervisor Danny Sauter
District 4 Supervisor Joel Engardio
District 6 Supervisor Matt Dorsey
District 7 Supervisor Myrna Melgar
District 9 Supervisor Jackie Fielder
District 10 Supervisor Shamann Walton
District 11 Supervisor Chyanne Chen
City Attorney David Chiu
Fillmore United Alliance

From: [Marlayne Morgan](#)
To: [Carroll, John \(BOS\)](#); [Melgar, Myrna \(BOS\)](#); [Mahmood, Bilal \(BOS\)](#); [Alice Kawahatsu](#); [Mary Gassert](#); [Jim Warshell](#); [Linda Walsh](#); [Chen, Chyanne \(BOS\)](#); [Sherrill, Stephen \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: Closure of the Fillmore Street Safeway
Date: Sunday, February 2, 2025 9:14:14 AM
Attachments: [CHNASafeway2.pdf](#)

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Dear Chair Melgar and Committee Members:

Please see enclosed letter from the Cathedral Hill Neighborhood Association.

Best regards,

Marlayne Morgan, President



Cathedral Hill Neighborhood Association

1200 Gough Street, San Francisco, CA 94109

sfchna.org

February 1, 2025

To: Chair Myrna Melgar, SF BOS Land Use and Transportation Committee

Re: Closure of the Fillmore Safeway

Dear Supervisor Melgar:

Beginning in January 2024, the *Cathedral Hill Neighborhood Association (CHNA)* has engaged in city sponsored community meetings and hearings on the closure of the Fillmore Safeway. Cathedral Hill is a D2 neighborhood created by the SF Redevelopment Agency in the 1960s and borders the Safeway site on the western side of the site. Many long term residents and seniors in our neighborhood rely on Safeway as their primary source for groceries, pharmacy and banking services.

We understand that the Human Rights Commission, the Office of Economic Workforce Development, and Food Security Task Force will report on their involvement in the community engagement process over the last year. *CHNA* as well as other community organizations will also report on our perceptions of this year long process and our concerns about the lack of any acceptable plan for the residents and businesses that are adjacent to this 3.68 acre site currently providing critical neighborhood resources.

Short term priorities

Establishing food banks, food deliveries and shuttles to alternate food shopping locations are an immediate priority.

The large parking lot must be partially fenced and patrolled on a 24 hour basis. Access to merchant parking and deliveries needs to be provided to businesses backing on this parking lot to avoid traffic congestion on Fillmore and Geary Streets.

Reports of rats and other vermin swarming out of the Safeway site need to be immediately addressed.

Mid term priorities

Activating the site with farmers markets, pop up fairs, festivals, overflow events for Fillmore Jazz, etc. is a priority. Any grocery related use of the supermarket should also be explored.

Long term

There is little specific information about future uses for this site, although there has been mention of 1,000 proposed housing units. We expect considerable debate once the details emerge from the project sponsor. In addition to other community benefits, we anticipate the community prioritizing affordable housing and a grocery store on site along with a robust transportation plan.

Thank you for your consideration of our concerns.

Best regards,

Marlayne Morgan, President

TO: Supervisor Bilal Mahmood,

FR: FUA

DT: 01/31/2025

Just - DR. AMOS
Big ISSUES
Safeway is Not
at table

- Continue the Hearing and Subpoenas Safeway and Align Real Estate, and invite OCII the coalition to give input.
- (COPA) Community Opportunity to Purchase Act.
- **Eminent Domain:**
City Attorney Office need to brief and asses a legal challenge.
- **Community Benefits Plan** that is community driven must be a part of the Development Agreement for the 3.68 acres of the Vacant Lot.
- **(COP) Certificate of Preferences Holders** for housing and businesses must be included.
- Schedule a future joint meeting between the BOS Committee and the Planning Commission.

Hearing: What have the City Already done
Short - Med, - & long term Plans

STUDIES: Problems before coming up with a Solution
Purpose of Reviews,

From: [Carroll, John \(BOS\)](#)
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Subject: RE: 2/3/25 Meeting, Item 2 - BOS File No. 250050
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[Public Comment - 2.3.25 LUT Meeting.pdf](#)

Thank you for your comment letter.

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Subject: 2/3/25 Meeting, Item 2

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Dear Supervisors,

For the reason that I will not be able to attend Monday's meeting, please accept the attached letter as my public comment on Item 2, Addressing Closure of Safeway at 1355 Webster Street in the Fillmore District.

Thank you,

Richard Hashimoto

D-5 Resident and an Employee

From: [Carroll, John \(BOS\)](#)
To: [Lisa Awbrey](#)
Cc: [Melgar, Myrna \(BOS\)](#); [Low, Jen \(BOS\)](#); [Chen, Chyanne \(BOS\)](#); [Charlie Sciammas](#); [Mahmood, Bilal \(BOS\)](#); [Cooper, Raynell \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: RE: Land Use and Transportation Hearing on 2/3/24 re: closure of Fillmore Safeway @ 1335 Webster Street - BOS File No. 250050
Date: Wednesday, January 29, 2025 10:39:00 AM
Attachments: [image001.png](#)

Thank you for your comment letter.

I am forwarding your comments to the members of the LUT committee, and I will include your comments in the file for this hearing matter.

I invite you to review the entire matter on our [Legislative Research Center](#) by following the link below:

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Sent: Tuesday, January 28, 2025 11:05 AM

To: MahmoodStaff <MahmoodStaff@sfgov.org>; Cooper, Raynell (BOS) <raynell.cooper@sfgov.org>

Cc: Carroll, John (BOS) <john.carroll@sfgov.org>

Subject: Land Use and Transportation Hearing on 2/3/24 re: closure of Fillmore Safeway @ 1335 Webster Street

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Dear Supervisor Bilal Mahmood and staff:

Thank you for heeding the call of community leaders Gloria Berry and Daniel B. Landry for an emergency hearing on the closure of the Safeway located at 1335 Webster Street. For decades members of the Fillmore, Western Addition and Japantown, along with many Tenderloin residents, have relied upon this their local neighborhood grocery store, the Fillmore Safeway.

The well documented history of red lining and displacement of Black citizens and the forcible removal and internment of Japanese Americans and their businesses has never been forgotten; this terrible history underscores the need for inclusion and consultation with local communities in all future planning decisions and development.

Local residents and D5 neighbors have anxiously followed events and plans for the site since 2015, when the venture capital group Cerberus Capital Management purchased and acquired the Safeway chain for \$8 billion.

Media reports indicate that Align Real Estate is poised to purchase this massive parcel with plans to develop 1000 housing units and retail there, but with no guarantee of an affordable grocery store, neighborhood serving businesses or affordable housing for existing residents. As you may know, local community members and your predecessor D5 Supervisor Dean Preston have called for community meetings with Align for over a year, but were repeatedly rebuffed.

It is noteworthy too that Jessie Stuart, Vice President of Align Real Estate, sits on the Board and is Treasurer of local non profit Collective Impact, a group that does work in the Fillmore community. Community members are curious to learn more about Stuart's intentions and her role in the future sale and possible participation in plans for development of the parcel including 1335 Webster. Have you invited Ms. Stuart to the upcoming hearing at the Land Use and Transportation Committee, and will she attend?

As D5's newly elected district supervisor, it is critical that you prioritize and foster the participation of local residents and community members in future discussions regarding negotiations and planning, especially for a site as vast,

central and important to our diverse communities. Fillmore and Japantown residents and the community deserve and must have a seat at the table in planning for development of this valuable property that is so essential to our neighborhoods.

very truly yours,
Lisa Awbrey

From: [Carroll, John \(BOS\)](#)
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Subject: FW: Pending... "Land Use Hearing - Safeway Lot in D5"
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January 19, 2025

Dear Supervisor Mahmood,

Attached below to this email is a pdf. doc. of a list of presenters we humbly request be invited to attend the pending Board of Supervisors' subcommittee Land Use Hearing on the Safeway Lot in D5.

Thank you.

DANIEL LANDRY

To: Supervisor Bilah Mamahood

Dt: 01/19/2025

Subject: Land Use Hearing on Safeway Lot:

Idea presenters to help fact finding

- Safeway Representatives
- Align Real Estate Representatives
- Mayor Daniel Lurie's Office
- MOHCD Director Dan Adams
- Dept. of Real Estate Director Pennick
- SF City Attorney Office
- OCII Representative
- Daniel Landry/Gloria Berry/Amos Brown: (Rep. the SF Black Reparations Report)
- Erris Edgerly (FUA)
- Japantown Task Force Representative