



SAN FRANCISCO PLANNING DEPARTMENT

November 25, 2014

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 2014.0156T:
Reasonable Modification Ordinance**

**BOS File No: _____ (pending)
Planning Commission Recommendation: Approval**

Dear Ms. Calvillo,

On November 20, 2014, the Commission conducted a duly noticed public hearing at a regularly scheduled meeting to consider a Department sponsored Ordinance that would amend Sections 305 of the Planning Code (hereinafter "Code") to provide a process for individuals with a disability to request a reasonable modification to residential properties. The new code section would provide an administrative path for requests such as:

- Parking with no physical structure proposed, which must be renewed every 5 years
- Access ramps that do not impact the historical structure of the building
- Elevators that are not visible from the property line and are set back 10 feet
- Additional habitable space that does not result in an additional dwelling unit.

Requests for reasonable modifications in residential uses that do not meet the criteria described above would continue to be reviewed through the existing variance process as described in Section 305 of the Planning Code.

The proposed Ordinance is covered under Case No. 2014.0156E, and would be exempt from environmental review under the General Rule Exclusion (GRE), pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15061(b)(3).

At the November 20, hearing, the Commission unanimously voted to recommend **approval** of the proposed Ordinance. 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.

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Sincerely,

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Aaron Starr
Manager of Legislative Affairs

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Supervisor Scott Wiener
Supervisor Jane Kim
Supervisor Malia Cohen
City Attorney, Judy Boyajian

Attachments (one copy of the following):

Planning Commission Resolution No. 19282
Planning Commission Executive Summary for Case No. 2014.0156T
Environmental Review: General Rule Exclusion
Draft Ordinance (original sent via interoffice mail)