



LANDMARK RESOLUTION RECOMMENDATION RESOLUTION NO. 1264

HEARING DATE: AUGUST 17, 2022

Record No.: 2022-005199DES
Project Address: Site of the Compton's Cafeteria Riots and 101 Taylor Street (Site of the Compton's Cafeteria Riot)
Zoning: None; RC-4
None; 80-T-120-T Height and Bulk District
Block/Lot: None, 0339/003
Project Sponsor: Board of Supervisors
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Property Owner: San Francisco Public Works (Streets and sidewalks)
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RESOLUTION TO RECOMMEND TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS LANDMARK DESIGNATION OF THE "SITE OF THE COMPTON'S CAFETERIA RIOT", INTERSECTION OF TURK AND TAYLOR STREETS, AND A PORTION OF 101-121 TAYLOR STREET ASSESSOR'S PARCEL BLOCK NO. 0339, LOT NO. 003, AS LANDMARK NO. XXX CONSISTENT WITH THE PURPOSES AND STANDARDS OF ARTICLE 10

1. WHEREAS, on April 26, 2022, Supervisors Preston, Mandelman and Melgar introduced a proposed Resolution under Board of Supervisors (hereinafter "Board") File No. 220461 to initiate the Landmark designation process for the intersection of Turk Street and Taylor Street situated within The Transgender Cultural District and
2. WHEREAS, on May 23, 2022, the Board of Supervisors at its Land Use and Transportation Committee meeting amended and recommended unanimously to Recommend to the full Board approval of the Resolution to initiate Landmark Designation, with Supervisor Safai also becoming a co-sponsor (Board File No. 220461); and
3. WHEREAS, on June 7, 2022, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the Resolution to initiate Landmark

Designation, and on June 17, 2020, Resolution No. 283-22 became effective (Board File No. 220461); and

4. WHEREAS, Department Staff, who meet the Secretary of Interior's Professional Qualification Standards, prepared the Landmark Designation Fact Sheet for the "Site of the Compton's Cafeteria Riot", which was reviewed for accuracy and conformance with the purposes and standards of Article 10; and
5. WHEREAS, the Historic Preservation Commission, at its regular meeting of August 17, 2022, reviewed Department staff's analysis of the "Site of the Compton's Cafeteria Riot" historical significance pursuant to Article 10 as part of the Landmark Designation Executive Summary dated August 17, 2022, and recommended Landmark designation through this Resolution; and
6. WHEREAS, the Historic Preservation Commission finds that the nomination of the "Site of the Compton's Cafeteria Riot" as a Landmark is in the form prescribed by the Historic Preservation Commission and contains supporting historic, architectural, and/or cultural documentation; and
7. WHEREAS, the Historic Preservation Commission finds that the "Site of the Compton's Cafeteria Riot" is identified as a significant event in the CITYWIDE HISTORIC CONTEXT STATEMENT FOR LGBTQ HISTORY IN SAN FRANCISCO by Donna J. Graves & Shayne E. Watson, 2015; and
8. WHEREAS, the Historic Preservation Commission finds that the designation of "Site of the Compton's Cafeteria Riot" is also proper given its association with the first large-scale collective direct action on the part of people marginalized by sexuality/gender that resulted in lasting institutional change, surpassing Cooper Donut in impact, Dewey's in militancy, and preceding the more important/larger Stonewall in time. By acting collectively, instead of as individuals, members of the community were able to further the cause to enable a greater freedom of gender expression without oppression. Moreover, after the Riot, the City's Health and Police Departments began to develop supportive programs for the transgender people in San Francisco, some of which would also enable people to gain access to State and Federal anti-poverty programs. The Riot to demand dignity succeeded in starting the long process to change society; and
9. WHEREAS, the Historic Preservation Commission finds that the "Site of the Compton's Cafeteria Riot" meet one of the Historic Preservation Commission's four priority areas for designation: property types associated with under-represented social and/or cultural groups; and
10. WHEREAS, the Historic Preservation Commission finds that designation of the "Site of the Compton's Cafeteria Riot" advances the objectives outlined in Historic Preservation Commission (HPC) Resolution No. 1127, adopted in 2020, otherwise called *Centering Preservation Planning on Racial and Social Equity*, which states goals for how the Commission and the Planning Department can develop proactive strategies to address structural and institutional racism and center their work and resource allocation on racial and social equity, focused on preservation; and
11. WHEREAS, the Historic Preservation Commission finds that the "Site of the Compton's Cafeteria Riot" meets the eligibility requirements of Section 1004 of the Planning Code and warrants consideration for Article 10 landmark designation; and
12. WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 1004.2(b), the Historic Preservation Commission finds that the boundaries be

expanded to include minor portions of Turk and Taylor Streets as well as portions of 101-Taylor street, and the list of character-defining features, as identified in the Landmark Designation Fact Sheet, should be considered for preservation under the proposed landmark designation as they relate to the Site's historical significance and retain historical integrity; and

13. WHEREAS, the proposed designation is consistent with the General Plan priority policies pursuant to Planning Code, Section 101.1 and furthers Priority Policy No. 7, which states that landmarks and historic buildings be preserved, and will serve the public necessity, convenience and welfare pursuant to Planning Code, Section 302; and
14. WHEREAS, the Department has determined that landmark designation is exempt from environmental review, pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15308 (Class Eight - Categorical); and,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Historic Preservation Commission hereby recommends to the Board of Supervisors approval of landmark designation of the "Site of the Compton's Cafeteria Riot", the intersection of Turk and Taylor Streets together with portions of 101 Taylor Street, Assessor's Parcel Block No. 0339, Lot No. 003 consistent with the purposes and standards of Article 10 of the Planning Code.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Historic Preservation Commission hereby directs directed Staff to work with appropriate agencies and community to further emphasize the site with more information.

I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was adopted by the Historic Preservation Commission at its meeting on August 17, 2022.



Jonas P. Ionin
Commission Secretary

AYES: Wright, Black, Foley, So, Nageswaran, Matsuda
NOES: None
ABSENT: Johns
ADOPTED: August 17, 2022