

LEGISLATIVE DIGEST

[General Plan - Parcels Adjacent to the Western South of Market, East South of Market, and Market and Octavia Area Plans]

Ordinance amending the General Plan by amending the boundaries of the East South of Market Area Plan to incorporate 40 nearby parcels on Mission Street, generally bounded by 7th Street to the east, 9th Street to the west, and Minna Street to the south; amending the Market and Octavia Planning Area to incorporate 9 adjacent parcels along Mission Street and 10th Street, generally bound by Washburn Street to the east and Minna Street to the south; amending the Western South Market Area Plan to remove one parcel on 10th Street; and making environmental findings and findings of consistency with the General Plan, and the eight priority policies of Planning Code, Section 101.1.

Existing Law

The General Plan of the City and County of San Francisco is a planning document that sets a strategic and long term vision for the City. State law requires that the General Plan address seven issues: land use, circulation, housing, conservation, open space, noise and safety. In addition, a general plan can also contain area plans, which cover specific geographic areas of a city, such as Glen Park, Balboa Park Station, Market and Octavia, East South of Market, and others. In these area plans the more general policies in the General Plan elements are made more precise as they relate to specific parts of the city.

In April, 2013, this Board adopted General Plan Amenments creating the Western South of Market (Western SoMa) Area Plan. (Ord. 41-13, Board File No. 130001).

Amendments to Current Law

This Ordinance adjusts the boudaries of some parcels in the vicinity of the Western SoMa Area Plan. More specifically,

- it incorporates 40 parcels located on Mission Street, between 7th, 9th, and Minna Streets, to the East South of Market (East SoMa) Area Plan;
- it incorporates 9 parcels located Mission Street and 10th Street, between Washburn and Minna Streets to the Market and Octavia Planning Area to; and
- it removes one parcel on 10th Street from the Western SoMa Area Plan.

Background Information

The rezoning of these parcels was studied in the Environmental Impact Report (EIR) that was prepared and certified for the Western SoMa Area Plan.

These parcels were orphaned by other recent planning efforts in the area, including Mid-Market, Market and Octavia, and Western SoMa. As such, they are not currently part of any adopted area plan. Their small area, proposed zoning, and immediate proximity make them ideal candidates for inclusion in the East SoMa and Market and Octavia Plan Areas.