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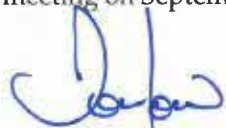
RESOLUTION TO RECOMMEND TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ARTICLE 10 LANDMARK DESIGNATION OF 449 14TH STREET (AKA FORMER WELSH PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH), ASSESSOR'S PARCEL NO. 3546, LOT 026, AS LANDMARK NO. 978

1. WHEREAS, a nomination for Article 10 Landmark Designation for 449 14th Street (aka former Welsh Presbyterian Church), Assessor's Parcel No. 3546, Lot 026, was submitted to the Planning Department by the owner of the property, Noe Vista LLC; and
2. WHEREAS, Historic Preservation Consultant, VerPlanck Historic Preservation Consulting, prepared the Landmark Designation nomination for 449 14th Street, which was reviewed by Planning Department Staff Desiree Smith and Tim Frye, who meet the Secretary of Interior's Professional Qualification Standards, for accuracy and conformance with the purposes and standards of Article 10; and
3. WHEREAS, the Historic Preservation Commission, at its regular meeting of August 15, 2018 reviewed Department staff's analysis of 449 14th Street's historical significance pursuant to Article 10 as part of the Landmark Designation Case Report dated August 15, 2018 and initiated Landmark designation process through Resolution 969; and
4. WHEREAS, the Historic Preservation Commission finds that the nomination of 449 14th Street as a landmark is in the form prescribed by the Historic Preservation Commission and contains supporting historic, architectural, and/or cultural documentation; and
5. WHEREAS, the Historic Preservation Commission finds that 449 14th Street is significant in the area of events for its associations with the reconstruction of San Francisco following the 1906 Earthquake and Fire and as the best remaining building associated with San Francisco's Welsh community; and
6. WHEREAS, the Historic Preservation Commission finds that 449 14th Street is also significant in the area of design/construction as a modest but well-preserved example of a neighborhood church designed in the Gothic Revival style; and

7. WHEREAS, the Historic Preservation Commission finds that 449 14th Street is further significant as the work of a master architect, the MIT and *École des Beaux Arts*-trained Edward T. Foulkes.
8. WHEREAS, the Historic Preservation Commission finds that 449 14th Street meets the eligibility requirements of Section 1004 of the Planning Code and warrants consideration for Article 10 landmark designation; and
9. WHEREAS, the Historic Preservation Commission finds that the boundaries and the list of exterior and interior character-defining features, as identified in the Landmark Designation Report dated June 27, 2018, should be considered for preservation under the proposed landmark designation as they relate to the building's historical significance and retain historical integrity; and
10. 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 historic buildings be preserved, and will serve the public necessity, convenience and welfare pursuant to Planning Code, Section 302; and
11. 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 449 14th Street (aka former Welsh Presbyterian Church, Assessor's Parcel No. 3546, Lot 026 pursuant to Article 10 of the Planning Code.

I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was adopted by the Historic Preservation Commission at its meeting on September 19, 2018.



Jonas P. Ionin
Commission Secretary

AYES: Hyland, Johnck, Matsuda, Pearlman, Wolfram

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Johns

ADOPTED: September 19, 2018