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## Planning Commission Resolution No. 20325

HEARING DATE OCTOBER 25, 2018

*Project Name:* Amend Map 1 of the Downtown Plan  
*Case Number:* 2018-007507GPA [Board File No. TBD]  
*Initiated by:* SF Real Estate Division / Introduced May 15, 2018  
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**RESOLUTION APPROVING A PROPOSED ORDINANCE WOULD AMEND THE SAN FRANCISCO GENERAL PLAN TO REVISE MAP 1 OF THE DOWNTOWN AREA PLAN TO INCLUDE 1650, 1660, 1670, AND 1680 MISSION STREET, ASSESSOR'S BLOCK NO. 3512, LOT NOS. 005, 006, 008, 009, AND 010 IN THE C-3-G, DOWNTOWN GENERAL AREA PLAN (EXHIBIT B); ADOPTING FINDINGS, INCLUDING ENVIRONMENTAL FINDINGS, PLANNING CODE SECTION 302 FINDINGS, AND FINDINGS OF CONSISTENCY WITH THE GENERAL PLAN AND PLANNING CODE SECTION 101.1.**

WHEREAS, on May 15, 2018, the City and County of San Francisco's Reals Estate Division introduced a proposed Ordinance under Board of Supervisors (hereinafter "Board") File Number 180474, which would revise the Zoning Map to rezone 1650, 1660, and 1670 Mission Street, Assessor's Parcel Block No. 3512, Lot Nos. 005, 006, and 008, from their current designation as NCT-3 (Moderate-Scale Neighborhood Commercial Transit District) to C-3-G (Downtown General Commercial), and to rezone 1680 Mission Street, Assessor's Parcel Block No. 3512, Lot Nos. 009 and 010, from its current designation as P (Public) to C-3-G; and

WHEREAS, On August 23, 3018, the San Francisco Planning Commission initiated an ordinance that would amend the San Francisco General Plan to revise Map 1 of the Downtown Area Plan to include 1650, 1660, 1670, and 1680 Mission Street, Assessor's Block No. 3512, Lot Nos. 005, 006, 008, 009, and 010 in the C-3-G, Downtown General Area Plan; and

WHEREAS, The Planning Commission (hereinafter "Commission") conducted a duly noticed public hearing at a regularly scheduled meeting to consider the proposed Ordinance on October 25, 2018; and,

WHEREAS, the proposed amendments are not defined as a project under CEQA Guidelines Section 15060(c) and 15378 because they do not result in a physical change in the environment; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission has heard and considered the testimony presented to it at the public hearing and has further considered written materials and oral testimony presented on behalf of Department staff and other interested parties; and

WHEREAS, all pertinent documents may be found in the files of the Department, as the custodian of records, at 1650 Mission Street, Suite 400, San Francisco; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission has reviewed the proposed Ordinance; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission finds from the facts presented that the public necessity, convenience, and general welfare require the proposed amendment; and

MOVED, that the Planning Commission hereby approves the proposed ordinance.

### FINDINGS

Having reviewed the materials identified in the preamble above, and having heard all testimony and arguments, this Commission finds, concludes, and determines as follows:

1. The Commission finds that the proposed ordinance would make the General Plan consistent with the City's Zoning Map should the Board adopt Board File 180474.
2. **General Plan Compliance.** The proposed Ordinance is consistent with the following Objectives and Policies of the General Plan:

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##### OBJECTIVE 2

MAINTAIN AND IMPROVE SAN FRANCISCO'S POSITION AS A PRIME LOCATION FOR FINANCIAL, ADMINISTRATIVE, CORPORATE, AND PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITY.

Policy 2.2: Guide location of office development to maintain a compact downtown core and minimize displacement of other uses.

*The proposed rezoning will be contiguous with the existing C-3-G zoning district maintain the compact downtown core and will not directly lead to the displacement of the existing office uses.*

##### OBJECTIVE 8

PROTECT RESIDENTIAL USES IN AND ADJACENT TO DOWNTOWN FROM ENCROACHMENT BY COMMERCIAL USES.

Policy 8.1: Restrict the demolition and conversion of housing in commercial areas.

*The proposed rezoning will not lead to the demolition or conversion of existing housing.*

3. **Planning Code Section 101 Findings.** The proposed amendments to the Planning Code are consistent with the eight Priority Policies set forth in Section 101.1(b) of the Planning Code in that:
  1. That existing neighborhood-serving retail uses be preserved and enhanced and future

opportunities for resident employment in and ownership of such businesses enhanced;

*The proposed Ordinance would not have a negative effect on neighborhood serving retail uses and will not have a negative effect on opportunities for resident employment in and ownership of neighborhood-serving retail.*

2. That existing housing and neighborhood character be conserved and protected in order to preserve the cultural and economic diversity of our neighborhoods;

*The proposed Ordinance would not have a negative effect on housing or neighborhood character.*

3. That the City's supply of affordable housing be preserved and enhanced;

*The proposed Ordinance would not have an adverse effect on the City's supply of affordable housing.*

4. That commuter traffic not impede MUNI transit service or overburden our streets or neighborhood parking;

*The proposed Ordinance would not result in commuter traffic impeding MUNI transit service or overburdening the streets or neighborhood parking.*

5. That a diverse economic base be maintained by protecting our industrial and service sectors from displacement due to commercial office development, and that future opportunities for resident employment and ownership in these sectors be enhanced;

*The proposed Ordinance would not cause displacement of the industrial or service sectors due to office development, and future opportunities for resident employment or ownership in these sectors would not be impaired.*

6. That the City achieve the greatest possible preparedness to protect against injury and loss of life in an earthquake;

*The proposed Ordinance would not have an adverse effect on City's preparedness against injury and loss of life in an earthquake.*

7. That the landmarks and historic buildings be preserved;

*The proposed Ordinance would not have an adverse effect on the City's Landmarks and historic buildings.*

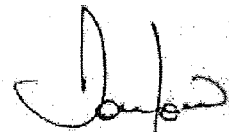
8. That our parks and open space and their access to sunlight and vistas be protected from development;

*The proposed Ordinance would not have an adverse effect on the City's parks and open space and their access to sunlight and vistas.*

4. **Planning Code Section 302 Findings.** The Planning Commission finds from the facts presented that the public necessity, convenience and general welfare require the proposed amendments to the Planning Code as set forth in Section 302.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Commission hereby APPROVES the proposed Ordinance as described in this Resolution.

I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was adopted by the Commission at its meeting on October 25, 2018.



Jonas P. Ionin  
Commission Secretary

AYES: Hillis, Johnson, Koppel, Melgar, Richards

NOES: None

ABSENT: Fong, Moore

ADOPTED: October 25, 2018