## **LEGISLATIVE DIGEST**

[General Plan - Downtown Area Plan Amendment - 175 Golden Gate Avenue]

Ordinance amending the General Plan to revise Map 1 of the Downtown Area Plan to include 175 Golden Gate Avenue, Assessor's Parcel Block No. 0349, Lot No. 11, in the C-3-G (Downtown General Commercial District) area; and making environmental findings, findings of consistency with the General Plan, and the eight priority policies of Planning Code, Section 101.1, and findings of public necessity, convenience, and welfare under Planning Code, Section 340.

## **Existing Law**

General plans are broad policy documents to guide development. State law requires that general plans include discussion of seven issues: land use, circulation, housing, conservation, open space, noise and safety. These issues are often included in different chapters, or elements, of a general plan. In addition, local jurisdictions have discretion to include other issues in their general plans. The San Francisco General Plan includes ten elements: the Housing Element, the Commerce and Industry Element, the Recreation and Open Space Element, the Transportation Element, the Urban Design Element, the Environmental Protection Element, the Community Facilities Element, the Community Safety Element, the Arts Element, and the Air Quality Element, and a Land Use Index. In addition, the San Francisco General Plan contains a series of Area Plans, such as Downtown, East and West Soma, Glen Park, Market and Octavia, and Mission, adopted to tailor the General Plan policies to the specific realities of the City's diverse neighborhoods.

## Amendments to Current Law

This ordinance would amend Map 1 of the Downtown Area Plan of the General Plan to include 175 Golden Gate Ave., Assessor's Block No. 0349, Lot No. 11, in the C-3-G, Downtown General area.

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