

From: [Luis Cuadra](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: 530 Sansome Street Letters of Support
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Dear San Francisco Board of Supervisors,

Attached please find letters in support of the proposed 530 Sansome Street development from the Downtown CBD, Hotel Council of San Francisco, and the Gateway Tenants Association.

Thank you.

Luis Cuadra
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September 30, 2021

RE: 530 Sansome Street

Dear San Francisco Board of Supervisors,

On behalf of the Hotel Council of San Francisco, and our board of directors, I am pleased to submit our support of the 530 Sansome Street development. We are a non-profit trade association founded in 1987 to advocate on behalf of our hotel and allied members to ensure economic vitality of the hospitality industry in San Francisco.

As the voice of the hotel industry, we are excited for 530 Sansome's proposal for a 19-story mixed-use building atop a new four-story fire station. The new building will offer a myriad of uses for both visitors and residents including hotel, office, fitness, and ground floor retail. The addition of this hotel will not only bring jobs into the neighborhood and tax revenue to the city, but also generate economic vitality for surrounding businesses. Hotel guests spend more money outside of the hotel than inside which will benefit other small businesses in the neighborhood.

The reimagining of an underutilized site with a new hotel, firehouse, active ground-floor uses, and a vastly improved public realm will be a welcome addition to the hotel industry as we focus on preparing for a post-pandemic recovery.

The Hotel Council of San Francisco encourages your support of the 530 Sansome Street proposed development.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Kevin Carroll".

Kevin Carroll
President and CEO
San Francisco Hotel Council



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September 30, 2021

Board of Supervisors
City and County of San Francisco

RE: Proposed Project at 530 Sansome Street

Dear Board of Supervisors,

On behalf of the Gateway Tenants Association, I am pleased to submit our support of the 530 Sansome Street development. Located adjacent to the proposed development, the Gateway complex is comprised of 1,254 apartments and townhomes.

530 Sansome Street is a public-private partnership between the City and County of San Francisco and Related California to create a 19-story mixed-use building atop a new privately financed \$35 million four-story fire station. Construction of a new fire station (1969) is long overdue and can only come to fruition for the City as a result of this unique partnership.

Additionally, it is GTA's understanding affordable housing fees, paid by Related California would go to funding approximately 30 low-income affordable housing units, potentially at the nearby 772 Pacific Avenue in Chinatown, or at another location designated by the City.

We encourage your support of this important San Francisco project.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "L. Dodge", is written over a faint, light-colored signature line.

Linda Dodge
President, Gateway Tenants Association



September 30, 2021

San Francisco Board of Supervisors
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place
City Hall, Room 244
San Francisco, CA 94102-4689

Subject: Letter of Support for Proposed Development at 530 Sansome Street

Dear San Francisco Board of Supervisors,

We support the proposed development at 530 Sansome Street, a 19-story mixed-use building atop a new four-story San Francisco fire station (#13) comprised of active ground floor uses and significant public realm enhancements. Co-project sponsors Related California and the San Francisco Fire Department recently presented their proposed development plan to the Downtown Community Benefit District (DCBD).

Important aspects of the development align with the DCBD's mission to provide supplemental neighborhood cleaning safety services and support a vibrant public realm. These aspects include:

- A new \$35 million state-of-the-art fire station
- Converting a portion of Merchant Street into a shared street/living alley with approximately 4,830 square feet of privately owned public open space
- A high-quality pedestrian-scale exterior lighting and public safety systems
- Expanded sidewalks and new street trees along Washington and Sansome Streets
- Active ground floor retail uses with transparent storefront windows

Reimagining the currently underutilized site with a new firehouse, neighborhood-serving amenities, and enhanced public realm improvements align with the DCBD's efforts to reinvigorate a post-COVID downtown district. We strongly support this project and look forward to further discussions with the project sponsors throughout the course of the development and beyond.

Sincerely,

Robbie Silver
Interim Executive Director

From: [Nicholson, Jeanine \(FIR\)](#)
To: [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#)
Cc: [Gee, Natalie \(BOS\)](#); [Calvillo, Angela \(BOS\)](#); [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: Letter in Support of 530 Sansome Street Project
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Greetings President Walton,

Please see attached SFFD's letter of support for the 530 Sansome Street Project.

I thank you for your consideration in this matter.

Regards,

Jeanine R. Nicholson (*she/her/hers*)

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CITY AND COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO

October 4, 2021

Hon. Shamann Walton
President of the Board
San Francisco Board of Supervisors
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place, Room 244
San Francisco, CA 94102

Dear President Walton,

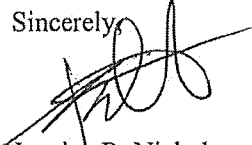
I write this letter to confirm the San Francisco Fire Department's (SFFD) full support of the new Fire Station 13 to be located at 530 Sansome Street.

The current Station 13 is over 50 years old. It is outdated, crowded, and is in need of major capital improvements as follows: kitchen repairs and upgrades, complete replacement of its HVAC system, electrical upgrades and improvements, and window replacement. These repairs and upgrades have been estimated by the Department of Public Work's Bureau of Architecture and Engineering at over \$2.5M. Funding for capital improvements and replacement fire stations comes from Earthquake Safety Emergency Response (ESER) Bonds. At this time, there is no ESER Bond funding to improve Station 13, as all current Bond funds have been earmarked for critical focused scope work at other facilities, as well as demolishing and rebuilding Fire Station 7 and building the new Fire Training Facility to replace the Training Facility on Treasure Island which is slated for teardown and redevelopment. The next ESER Bond is not scheduled until 2027.

The 530 Sansome Street project will provide the SFFD, the City, and its citizens with a brand new, state-of-the-art fire station that includes built-in training props, ADA compliant upgrades, all-gender facilities, a lactation room, as well as decontamination areas where members can change out of and stow their gear. This is a very rare opportunity. SFFD and Related Development have been working together since this project was first conceived to ensure that the new fire house meets the design standards criteria established during recent fire station new builds. Its proposed location on Washington Street meets the operational needs of the SFFD. SFFD is very much looking forward to this project moving forward.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,


Jeanine R. Nicholson
Chief of Department

cc: Members, San Francisco Board of Supervisors
Clerk of the Board

From: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#)
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Cc: [Calvillo, Angela \(BOS\)](#); [Somera, Alisa \(BOS\)](#); [Ng, Wilson \(BOS\)](#); [Laxamana, Junko \(BOS\)](#); [BOS Legislation, \(BOS\)](#)
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From: Rudy Gonzalez <rudy@sfbctc.org>
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Subject: Appeal of CEQA; 530 Sansome

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President Walton and Clerk Calvillo,

Please see the attached letter requesting a denial of the appeal of CEQA as it relates to 530 Sansome. Thanks for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Rudy
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Please update your contact information as my role has changed. I have now joined the SF Building & Construction Trades Council.

Scheduling requests: **Sandra Duarte**.

Also, join me in welcoming **Kim Tavaglione** as the SFLC Interim Executive Director.

Scheduling requests for her office should be made through **Emily Nelson**.

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October 4, 2021

Honorable Shamann Walton
President of the Board of Supervisors
Via Email: waltonstaff@sfgov.org

Ms. Angela Calvillo
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
Via Email: angela.calvillo@sfgov.org

Dear Sir and Madam,

The delegates, officers, and staff of the SFBCTC are grateful for your public service and ask for your kind attention to the Appeal of CEQA Issuance of Final MND concerning the 530 Sansome Street project. As you have likely been made aware, a joint meeting of the Recreation and Parks and Planning Commissions noticed a hearing and received public comment in July 2021. At the time, this Council notified commissioners of an exciting agreement that was reached between the project sponsor, Related California, and our affiliated Unions. That agreement remains in effect and unfortunately the economic conditions that made it urgent and important persist.

At present, the construction workforce in San Francisco has approximately 1,400 union journeymen and apprentices who are unemployed. This number represents workers across the spectrum of crafts and their need to return to work is underscored by the realities of an employer-based healthcare system amidst a global pandemic. When other "owners", sometimes competitors, leverage CEQA to block otherwise good builds, it has a very real impact. On the other hand, when the city approves responsible projects with strong workforce protections, it has a multiplier effect with good jobs and the local dollars that return to the community. This fuels the economic engine of the City and is key to our economic recovery.

It should be noted there is a binding agreement with the project sponsor to build with area standards and support apprenticeship on all aspects of the construction. Also included in the project is a community benefit in the rebuilding of Fire Station 13. This will improve the City's emergency response and disaster preparedness. We believe the design, community and workforce commitments are why Planning Commissioners approved this project initially. We urge support for the project and respectfully ask that you deny the appeal

Sincerely,

Rudy Gonzalez, Secretary-Treasurer