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MEMORANDUM

LAND USE AND TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

SAN FRANCISCO BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

TO: Supervisor Myrna Melgar, Chair
Land Use and Transportation Committee

FROM: John Carroll, Assistant Clerk

DATE: December 4, 2023

SUBJECT **COMMITTEE REPORT, BOARD MEETING**
Tuesday, December 5, 2023

The following file should be presented as COMMITTEE REPORT during the Board meeting on Tuesday, December 5, 2023. This resolution was acted upon during the regular Land Use and Transportation Committee meeting on Monday, December 4, 2023, at 1:30 p.m., by the votes indicated.

BOS Item No. 34

File No. 230948

[Commemorative Street Name Designation - "Panos Place" - 100-200 Block of Corbett Avenue]

Resolution adding the commemorative street name "Panos Place" to Corbin Place between the 100 and 200 block of Corbett Avenue in recognition of San Francisco resident Panagiotis Koutsoyannis.

RECOMMENDED AS COMMITTEE REPORT

Vote: Supervisor Myrna Melgar – Aye
Supervisor Dean Preston – Aye
Supervisor Aaron Peskin – Aye

Cc: Board of Supervisors
Angela Calvillo, Clerk of the Board
Alisa Somera, Legislative Deputy
Anne Pearson, Deputy City Attorney

File No. 230948

Committee Item No. 7

Board Item No. 34

COMMITTEE/BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

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Committee: Land Use and Transportation

Date: December 4, 2023

Board of Supervisors Meeting:

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Prepared by: John Carroll

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Date: _____

1 [Commemorative Street Name Designation - "Panos Place" - 100-200 Block of Corbett
2 Avenue]

3 **Resolution adding the commemorative street name "Panos Place" to Corbin Place**
4 **between the 100 and 200 block of Corbett Avenue in recognition of San Francisco**
5 **resident Panagiotis Koutsoyannis.**

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7 WHEREAS, Corbett Heights Neighbors, a Corona Heights neighborhood association
8 formed in 2004, has formally requested that San Francisco rename Corbin Place, a short
9 stairway with gardens located perpendicular to, and between, Corbett Avenue and 17th Street
10 in the Corona Heights neighborhood of the City, to honor long time San Francisco resident
11 Panagiotis Koutoyannis, aka "Panos"; and

12 WHEREAS, Corbin Place is not a street; rather, it is a 60 foot stairway of 40 concrete
13 steps perpendicular to and linking the 100-200 block of Corbett Avenue to the 4000th block of
14 17th Street; with two gardens, each 21 feet wide on both sides of the stairway; located on
15 Department of Public Works property without any houses or structures accessible from Corbin
16 Place; and is generally identified on internet- accessible maps as the "Corbin Stairs;" and

17 WHEREAS, From the "S.F. Board of Supervisors Proceedings N.S 4" from 1909,
18 Corbin Place was dedicated and so named on 8 December 1909 (San Francisco Bill 1117,
19 Ordinance No. 988); and

20 WHEREAS, Diligent research has not conclusively confirmed the identity of the person,
21 if any, for which Corbin Place was named, speculation is that it may be for a Major General
22 Corbin who was born in Ohio but visited San Francisco for ten days, arriving on October 6 of
23 1904, while en route to the U.S. colony of the Philippines where he was to assume a position
24 as a Commander, this according to the San Francisco Chronicle in its edition of October 6,
25 1904; and

1 WHEREAS, Diligent research has failed to unearth any other indicia of San Francisco
2 related civic accomplishments of said Major Corbin or any contributions he might have made
3 to the betterment or history of the City; and

4 WHEREAS, Panagiotis Koutoyannis has lived in a residence that abuts the west side
5 garden of Corbin Place since 2009; and

6 WHEREAS, The stairway and the two gardens of Corbin Place were not regularly
7 maintained by the City until Mr. Koutoyannis commenced to do so in 2011, and thereafter he
8 continuously replanted and maintained the gardens; installed lights, seasonal decorations,
9 and an irrigation system; and added notable historical and San Francisco-specific artwork to
10 the gardens; and

11 WHEREAS, Thanks to the past and continuing work of Mr. Koutoyannis, all at his own
12 expense, the two gardens at Corbin Place are stunning and beautiful islands of green, light,
13 and delight to adults and children alike, as well as to the many Muni riders who regularly use
14 the stairs to access the 37 bus on Corbett Avenue; and

15 WHEREAS, In 2019 Corbett Heights Neighbors honored Mr. Koutoyannis for his
16 extraordinary work and generous contribution to the neighborhood by hosting an event in his
17 honor there, an event attended by scores of neighbors; and

18 WHEREAS, In view of the generous contribution of Mr. Koutoyannis, in both money
19 and time, in gifting the neighborhood this exceptional, peaceful, and beautiful island of green
20 and whimsy between two well-travelled traffic arteries, Corbett Avenue and 17th Street; now,
21 therefore, be it

22 RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors requests the Municipal Transportation
23 Agency to erect street signs at Corbin Place, located between the 100 and 200 block of
24 Corbett Avenue, indicating both the honorary and the existing names of the street, either on a
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1 single sign or on separate signs, with the honorary name "Panos Place" in smaller letters
2 above or beneath the existing name.

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MYRNA MELGAR

DATE: November 29, 2023

TO: Angela Calvillo
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

FROM: Supervisor Myrna Melgar, Chair, Land Use and Transportation Committee

RE: Land Use and Transportation Committee
COMMITTEE REPORTS

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Pursuant to Board Rule 4.20, as Chair of the Land Use and Transportation Committee, I have deemed the following matters are of an urgent nature and request them be considered by the full Board on Tuesday, December 5, 2023, as Committee Reports:

- File No. 230701** **Planning Code - Citywide Expansion of Allowable Commercial, Restaurant, and Retail Uses**
Sponsors: Mayor; Engardio, Dorsey, Melgar, Stefani and Mandelman
- File No. 230768** **Public Works Code - Authorizing and Permitting Neighborhood Amenities**
Sponsors: Melgar; Stefani, Mandelman, Ronen, Engardio and Chan
- File No. 231091** **Initiating Landmark Designation - Gregangelo & Velocity Art & Entertainment - 225 San Leandro Way**
Sponsor: Melgar
- File No. 230948** **Commemorative Street Name Designation - "Panos Place" - 100-200 Block of Corbett Avenue**
Sponsor: Mandelman
- File No. 231142** **Planning and Subdivision Codes, Zoning Map - Housing Production**
Sponsors: Mayor; Engardio
- File No. 231175** **Urging the City Attorney and the Mayor to Respond to HCD's "Policy and Practice Review" by Seeking Extensions of Deadlines for Required Actions, and Certain Revisions and Corrections; and Setting City Policy for Implementation of the Housing Element**
Sponsors: Peskin; Chan and Mandelman
- File No. 231165** **Fire Code - Lithium-Ion Batteries in Powered Mobility Devices]**
Sponsor: Peskin

These matters will be heard in the Land Use and Transportation Committee at a Regular Meeting on Monday, December 4, 2023, at 1:30 p.m.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
LAND USE AND TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the Land Use and Transportation Committee of the City and County of San Francisco will hold a public hearing to consider the following hearing matter and said public hearing will be held as follows, at which time all interested parties may attend and be heard:

Date: Monday, December 4, 2023

Time: 1:30 p.m.

Location: Legislative Chamber, Room 250, located at City Hall
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place, San Francisco. CA

Subject: File No. 230948. Resolution adding the commemorative street name "Panos Place" to Corbin Place between the 100 and 200 block of Corbett Avenue in recognition of San Francisco resident Panagiotis Koutsoyannis.

In accordance with Administrative Code, Section 67.7-1, persons who are unable to attend the hearing on this matter may submit written comments prior to the time the hearing begins. These comments will be added to the official public record in this matter and shall be brought to the attention of the Board of Supervisors. Written comments should be addressed to Angela Calvillo, Clerk of the Board, City Hall, 1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place, Room 244, San Francisco, CA, 94102 or sent via email (bos@sfgov.org). Information relating to this matter is available with the Office of the Clerk of the Board or the Board of Supervisors' Legislative Research Center (<https://sfbos.org/legislative-research-center-lrc>). Agenda information relating to this matter will be available for public review on Friday, December 1, 2023.

For any questions about this hearing, please contact the Assistant Clerk for the Land Use and Transportation Committee:

John Carroll (john.carroll@sfgov.org) ~ (415) 554-4445)

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Angela Calvillo".

Angela Calvillo
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
City and County of San Francisco

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PROOF OF POSTING

Legislative File No. (230948) Commemorative Street Name Designation - "Panos Place" - 100-200 Block of Corbett Avenue

Description of Items:

Resolution adding the commemorative street name "Panos Place" to Corbin Place between the 100 and 200 block of Corbett Avenue in recognition of San Francisco resident Panagiotis Koutsoyannis.

WE, T. WIELDETENSAE & J. ZHOU, an employee of the City and County of San Francisco, posted the above-described document(s) along the street(s) to be affected at least ten (10) days in advance of the hearing (pursuant to Public Works Code Sec. 789, et seq.):

Date: 11-20-2023

Time: 9:00 am

Location: CORBETT AVE. BTWN ORDSI. & CORBIN PL.

Signature: *T. Wieldetensae & J. Zhou*

Instructions: Upon completion, original must be filed in the above referenced file.

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Jeffrey Tumlin, Executive Director, Municipal Transportation Agency

FROM: Erica Major, Assistant Clerk, Land Use and Transportation Committee

DATE: September 13, 2023

SUBJECT: LEGISLATION INTRODUCED

The Board of Supervisors' Land Use and Transportation Committee has received the following proposed legislation, introduced by Supervisor Mandelman on September 5, 2023.

File No. 230948

Resolution adding the commemorative street name "Panos Place" to Corbin Place between the 100 and 200 block of Corbett Avenue in recognition of San Francisco resident Panagiotis Koutsoyannis.

If you have comments or reports to be included with the file, please forward them to me at the Board of Supervisors, City Hall, Room 244, 1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place, San Francisco, CA 94102 or by email at: Erica.Major@sfgov.org.

cc: Kate Breen, Municipal Transportation Agency
Janet Martinsen, Municipal Transportation Agency
Joel Ramos, Municipal Transportation Agency

From: [Lucille Henry](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors \(BOS\)](#)
Cc: [Paula Macchello](#)
Subject: File No. 230948 Commemorative street name "Panos Place"
Date: Saturday, November 25, 2023 5:10:12 PM

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You cannot walk by the Corbin Place without being drawn to the magic of the garden that Panagiotis Koutsoyannis has labored in creating for the delight of all the neighbors and people walking on Corbett Avenue.

I fully support the Resolution adding the commemorative street name "PANos Place" to Corbin Place between the 100 and 200 block of Corbett Avenue.

I reside at 181A Corbett Avenue, San Francisco and I benefit from the love, care, and gardening genius of PANos. We get to mark the passing of seasons and holidays. Children are invited to "find surprises" amongst the sculpture and whimsy that PANos creates in the open spaces.

It is terrific that a neighbor thought to honor all of his volunteer labor and purchases for the garden by getting this commemorative designation made for "PANos Place"
Let's do this!

From: [Paula Macchello](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: File No. 230948 adding to st. name "Panos Place"
Date: Friday, November 24, 2023 5:23:24 PM

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Angela Cavillo, Clerk of the Board
City Hall, 1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place, Rm 244
San Francisco CA 94102

To the Board Of Supervisors:

I have lived on Corbett Ave. within view of the Corbin stairs since 1990. I have had the pleasure of watching the transformation of this space over the years through the care and hard work of Panagiotis Koutsoyannis. He has spent countless hours beautifying the garden he has planted and cultivated. His continually changing themes, and decorations delight all of us who walk by. This level of commitment and community contribution is rare. I heartily support recognizing him by adding the commemorative street name.

Paula Macchello
181 Corbett Ave.

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"Be not dismayed by these terrible times. You possess power, great power. Our problem is to harness and hitch it up for action on the broadest, daring, and most gigantic scale."

A. Phillip Randolph

From: [teddytei](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: Letter In Support of Changing Corbin Pl to Panos Place
Date: Friday, November 24, 2023 1:06:53 PM

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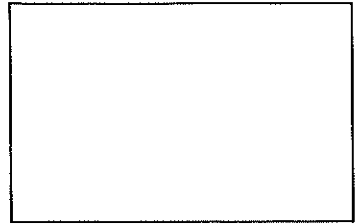
Angela Cavillo, Clerk of the Board
City Hall, 1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place, Rm 244
San Francisco CA 94102

To the Board Of Supervisors. As residents very close to the Corbin Pl stairs, I heartily endorse changing the name to "Panos Place".

Theodore and Marcia Teipel
4373 17th St
San Francisco CA 94114

Introduction Form

(by a Member of the Board of Supervisors or the Mayor)



I hereby submit the following item for introduction (select only one):

- 1. For reference to Committee (Ordinance, Resolution, Motion or Charter Amendment)
- 2. Request for next printed agenda (For Adoption Without Committee Reference)
(Routine, non-controversial and/or commendatory matters only)
- 3. Request for Hearing on a subject matter at Committee
- 4. Request for Letter beginning with "Supervisor [] inquires..."
- 5. City Attorney Request
- 6. Call File No. [] from Committee.
- 7. Budget and Legislative Analyst Request (attached written Motion)
- 8. Substitute Legislation File No. []
- 9. Reactivate File No. []
- 10. Topic submitted for Mayoral Appearance before the Board on []

The proposed legislation should be forwarded to the following (please check all appropriate boxes):

- Small Business Commission Youth Commission Ethics Commission
- Planning Commission Building Inspection Commission Human Resources Department

General Plan Referral sent to the Planning Department (proposed legislation subject to Charter 4.105 & Admin 2A.53):

- Yes No

(Note: For Imperative Agenda items (a Resolution not on the printed agenda), use the Imperative Agenda Form.)

Sponsor(s):

Mandelman

Subject:

[Commemorative Street Name Designation – "Panos Place" – 100-200 Block of Corbett Avenue]

Long Title or text listed:

Resolution adding the commemorative street name "Panos Place" to Corbin Place between the 100 and 200 block of Corbett Avenues in recognition of San Francisco resident Panagiotis Koutsoyannis.

Signature of Sponsoring Supervisor: