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## MEMORANDUM

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Date: May 8, 2020

To: Carmen Chu, Assessor-Recorder, Assessor-Recorder, Office of the Assessor-Recorder

From: *AOC* Angela Calvillo, Clerk of the Board

Subject: Planning Code, Zoning Map - Potrero Power Station Special Use District (File No. 200039)

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On April 21, 2020, the Board of Supervisors finally passed Ordinance No. 061-20, sponsored by Mayor London N. Breed and Supervisor Walton and approved by Mayor London N. Breed on April 24, 2020.

A certified copy of the Ordinance is being forwarded to you, pursuant to Administrative Code, Section 34.1.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Erica Major, Assistant Clerk, at (415) 554-4441 or by email at: [Erica.Major@sfgov.org](mailto:Erica.Major@sfgov.org).

c: Douglas Legg, Office of the Assessor-Recorder  
Holly Lung, Office of the Assessor-Recorder

1 [Planning Code, Zoning Map - Potrero Power Station Special Use District]

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3 **Ordinance amending the Planning Code and Zoning Map to establish the Potrero**  
4 **Power Station Special Use District, generally bound by 22nd Street and the southern**  
5 **portion of the newly created Craig Lane to the north, the San Francisco Bay to the east,**  
6 **23rd Street to the south and Illinois Street to the west; and making findings under the**  
7 **California Environmental Quality Act, findings of consistency with the General Plan and**  
8 **the eight priority policies of Planning Code, Section 101.1, and findings of public**  
9 **necessity, convenience, and welfare under Planning Code, Section 302.**

10 **NOTE: Unchanged Code text and uncodified text are in plain Arial font.**  
11 **Additions to Codes are in single-underline italics Times New Roman font.**  
12 **Deletions to Codes are in ~~strikethrough italics Times New Roman font.~~**  
13 **Board amendment additions are in double-underlined Arial font.**  
14 **Board amendment deletions are in ~~strikethrough Arial font.~~**  
15 **Asterisks (\* \* \* \*) indicate the omission of unchanged Code**  
16 **subsections or parts of tables.**

17 Be it ordained by the People of the City and County of San Francisco:

18 Section 1. Planning and Environmental Findings.

19 (a) In companion legislation adopting a Development Agreement associated with  
20 the Potrero Power Station Mixed-Use Project, the Board of Supervisors adopted  
21 environmental findings pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA)  
22 (California Public Resources Code Sections 21000 et seq.), the CEQA Guidelines (14 Cal.  
23 Code Reg. Sections 15000 et seq.), and Chapter 31 of the Administrative Code. The Board  
24 adopts these environmental findings as though fully set forth herein in relation to this  
25 ordinance. A copy of said companion legislation is in Board of Supervisors File No. 200040  
and it and its environmental findings are incorporated herein by reference.

1 (b) In companion legislation adopting General Plan amendments associated with  
2 the Potrero Power Station Mixed-Use Project, the Board of Supervisors adopted findings that  
3 the actions contemplated in this ordinance are consistent, on balance, with the City's General  
4 Plan and eight priority policies of Planning Code Section 101.1. The Board incorporates these  
5 findings by reference and adopts these findings as though fully set forth herein in relation to  
6 this ordinance. A copy of said companion legislation is in Board of Supervisors File No.  
7 200040.

8 (c) Pursuant to Planning Code Section 302, this Board finds that this Planning Code  
9 amendment will serve the public necessity, convenience, and welfare for the reasons set forth  
10 in Planning Commission Resolution No. 20639 and adopted on January 30, 2019, and the  
11 Board adopts such reasons as its own. A copy of said resolution is on file with the Clerk of  
12 the Board of Supervisors in File No. 200040 and is incorporated herein by reference.

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14 Section 2. The Planning Code is hereby amended by adding Section 249.87, to read  
15 as follows:

16 **SEC. 249.87. POTRERO POWER STATION SPECIAL USE DISTRICT.**

17 **(a) Purpose and Boundaries.** *A Special Use District entitled the "Potrero Power Station*  
18 *Special Use District" (the SUD) is hereby established, generally bounded by 22nd Street and the*  
19 *southern portion of the newly created Craig Lane to the north, the San Francisco Bay to the east, 23rd*  
20 *Street to the south, and Illinois Street to the west, in the southeast part of San Francisco. The precise*  
21 *boundaries of the SUD are shown on Sectional Map SU08 of the Zoning Map. The purpose of the SUD*  
22 *is to implement the land use controls for the Potrero Power Station Mixed-Use Project, which is subject*  
23 *to a Development Agreement, approved by the Board of Supervisors in the ordinance contained in*  
24 *Board File No. 200040. The Project will provide several benefits to the City, such as a significant*  
25 *amount of publicly accessible open space and Community Facilities, increased public access to the*

1 waterfront, neighborhood-serving retail, extensive infrastructure improvements, and affordable  
2 housing, while creating jobs, housing, and a vibrant community.

3 (b) **Role of the Port.** Within the SUD, certain open space properties are subject to the  
4 jurisdiction of the Port of San Francisco. The Developer will develop, operate and maintain the public  
5 parks and open spaces subject to the Public Trust in accordance with a lease with the Port. A copy of  
6 the lease with the Port is on file with the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors in Board File No. 200217.

7 (c) **Relationship to Other Planning Code Provisions.** Applicable provisions of the  
8 Planning Code shall control except as otherwise provided in this Section 249.87. If there is a conflict  
9 between other provisions of the Planning Code and this Section 249.87, this Section 249.87 shall  
10 prevail.

11 (d) **Relationship to Design for Development.** The Design for Development, adopted by the  
12 Planning Commission by Motion No. 26038 on January 30, 2020, and as may be periodically amended,  
13 sets forth design and land use standards and guidelines applicable within the SUD. A copy of the  
14 Design for Development is on file with the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors in Board File No. 200040.  
15 Any capitalized term in this Section 249.87, and not otherwise defined in this Section or elsewhere in  
16 the Planning Code shall have the meaning ascribed to it in the Design for Development. This Section,  
17 remainder of the the Planning Code, and the Design for Development shall be read and construed  
18 together so as to avoid any conflict to the greatest extent possible. If there is a conflict between the  
19 Design for Development and either this Section or the remainder of the Planning Code, this Section or  
20 the other provision of the Planning Code shall prevail. Subject to Section 249.87(c), if a later  
21 amendment to any provision of the Planning Code, including this Section 249.87, results in a conflict  
22 with the Design for Development, such amended Planning Code provision shall prevail. Amendments to  
23 the Design for Development may be made by the Planning Commission, but if there is a conflict  
24 between an amendment to the Design for Development and this Section or the remainder of the  
25 Planning Code, as applicable, this Section or other provision of the Planning Code shall prevail unless

1 and until such time as this Section or the remainder of the Planning Code is amended to be consistent  
2 with the amendment to the Design for Development.

3 (e) **Relationship to the Development Agreement.** This Section 249.87 shall be read and  
4 construed consistent with the Development Agreement, and all development within the Project Site that  
5 is subject to the Development Agreement shall satisfy the requirements of the Development Agreement  
6 for so long as the Development Agreement remains in effect.

7 (f) **Definitions.** For purposes of this Section 249.87, the following definitions shall apply.  
8 If not expressly superseded by definitions set forth in this subsection (f), all definitions of the Planning  
9 Code shall apply.

10 “Apparent Face, Maximum” means the maximum length of any unbroken plane of a given  
11 building elevation.

12 “Base (Podium)” means the lower portion of a midrise or highrise tower that extends vertically  
13 to a height of up to 90 feet.

14 “Bicycle Cage / Storage Room” means a location that provides bicycle storage within an  
15 enclosure accessible only to building residents, non-residential occupants, and employees.

16 “Block” means an area of land bounded by public or private Right-of-Way and/or park.

17 “Building” has the same meaning as “Building Project.”

18 “Building Project” means the construction of a building or group of buildings undertaken as a  
19 discrete project distinct from and not a part of the overall Project.

20 “Building Standards” means the standards applicable to Building Projects and any associated  
21 privately-owned open spaces within the SUD, consisting of the standards specified in subsection (h)  
22 below and the standards and guidelines identified as such in the Design for Development. It does not  
23 mean Building Code requirements under either the California, the San Francisco, or the Port Building  
24 Codes, which this Section 249.87 and the Design for Development do not override.

1 “Cart” means a mobile structure used in conjunction with food service and/or retail uses, that  
2 operates intermittently in a publicly accessible open space, and that is removed daily from such open  
3 space during non-business hours.

4 “City” means the City and County of San Francisco.

5 “Community Facility” has the meaning as set forth in Planning Code Section 102 as amended  
6 from time to time, except that it also includes transit support facilities.

7 “Corner” means the first 30 feet extending from the intersection of two right-of-ways or a right-  
8 of-way and an open space along the Frontage of a building.

9 “Design for Development” means the Potrero Power Station Design for Development adopted  
10 by Planning Commission Motion No. 26038, as may be amended from time to time. The Design for  
11 Development is incorporated into this Section 249.87 by reference.

12 “Developer” means the California Barrel Company, LLC, a Delaware limited liability  
13 company, or its successor(s).

14 “Development Agreement” means the Development Agreement by and between the City and the  
15 Developer, relative to the Project, approved by the Board of Supervisors by the ordinance in Board  
16 File No. 200040, as the Development Agreement may be amended from time to time.

17 “Floorplate” means the gross area of a given floor of a building as bounded by the exterior  
18 walls of a floor, without any exclusions or deductions otherwise permitted under the definition of Gross  
19 Floor Area.

20 “Frontage” means the vertical exterior face or wall of a building and its linear extent that is  
21 adjacent to or fronts on a street, right-of- way, or open space.

22 “Gross Floor Area” has the meaning set forth in Planning Code Section 102 for C-3 districts,  
23 except that the following exemptions from that definition shall not apply to any new construction, and  
24 shall apply only to existing buildings on the Project Site that are rehabilitated or reused as part of the  
25 Project such as Unit 3 or Station A: (1) ground floor area devoted to building or pedestrian circulation

1 and building service, and (2) space devoted to personal services, restaurants, and retail sales of goods  
2 intended to meet the convenience shopping and service needs of area workers and residents, not to  
3 exceed 5,000 occupied square feet per use and, in total, not to exceed 75% of the area of the ground  
4 floor of the building plus the ground level, on-site open space.

5 “Kiosk” means a structure that is set upon the ground and is not attached to a foundation, such  
6 as a shipping container, trailer, or similar structure, from which food service and/or retail business is  
7 conducted. A Kiosk operates in a publicly accessible open space, and remains in place until the  
8 business operation is terminated or relocated.

9 “Major Modification” means a deviation of 10% or more from any dimensional or numerical  
10 standard in the Planning Code, including in this Section 249.87 or in the Design for Development,  
11 except as explicitly prohibited per subsection (k) below.

12 “Micro-Retail” means Retail Sales and Service Uses that are 1,000 gross square feet or  
13 smaller.

14 “Mid-Block Alley” means a publicly-accessible alley that runs the entire length of the Block,  
15 generally located toward the middle of the subject Block, and perpendicular to the subject Frontage,  
16 and connecting to any existing streets and alleys. A Mid-Block Alley may be open to both pedestrian  
17 and vehicular traffic, and must have at least 60% of the area of the alley open to the sky.

18 “Mid-Block Passage” means a publicly-accessible passage that runs the entire length of the  
19 building, generally located toward the middle of the subject Block, perpendicular to the subject  
20 Frontage, or diagonal across the Block, and connecting to any existing streets and alleys. A Mid- Block  
21 Passage is accessible only to pedestrians and may be completely covered.

22 “Minor Modification” means a deviation of less than 10% from any dimensional or numerical  
23 standard in the Planning Code, including in this Section 249.87 or in the Design for Development,  
24 except as explicitly prohibited per subsection (k) below, or any deviation from any non-numerical  
25 standard in the Design for Development. Minor Modification also includes a deviation of greater than

1 10% resulting from changes to the following Planning Code sections enacted after the Effective Date of  
2 the Development Agreement: the car share parking requirements per Section 166; freight loading  
3 requirements per Section 154; bicycle parking requirements per Section 155; and shower and locker  
4 requirements of Section 155.4, if the aforementioned deviations are commensurate with avoiding (1)  
5 displacement of any required ground floor uses (including PDR) per subsection (g)(8), (2)  
6 displacement of building or mechanical service areas necessary for the operation of the building, or (3)  
7 a new obligation that would require the construction of a subsurface floor that would otherwise not be  
8 constructed.

9 “Privately-Owned Community Improvement” means those facilities and services that are  
10 privately-owned and privately-maintained, at no cost to the City (other than any public financing set  
11 forth in the Financing Plan, Exhibit C to the Development Agreement), for the public benefit, but not  
12 dedicated to the City. Privately-Owned Community Improvements include certain pedestrian paths,  
13 alleys (such as Craig Lane), storm drainage facilities, open spaces, and community or recreation  
14 facilities to be built on land owned by the Developer, or on land owned by the City subject to the  
15 appropriate permits.

16 “Project” means the Potrero Power Station Mixed-Use Project.

17 “Project Site” means the approximately 29-acre site comprised of the various subareas shown  
18 on Figure 249.87-1 that is within the Special Use District.

19 “Projection” means a part of a building surface that extends outwards from the primary façade  
20 plane. Projections may include balconies, bay windows, and other architectural features. Projections  
21 may extend into the building Setback or the public Right-of-Way. A Projection that extends into the  
22 public right-of-way is also an Encroachment.

23 “Public Trust” refers to tidal and submerged lands subject to the jurisdiction of the Port and  
24 held in trust for the common use by the people for commerce, navigation, and fisheries.

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1           “Setback” means the required or actual distance between the vertical edges of a building above  
2 a specified height, or between the vertical edge of a building and the property line. The Setback may  
3 either start at grade creating an open space between the property line and the primary built structure,  
4 or it may start above a specified height for the purpose of bulk reduction in the mass of the building.  
5 The ground area created by a Setback imposed at the ground floor level may be dedicated for public  
6 use or may be private space between the public Right-of-Way and the building mass.

7           “Social Spaces” means areas that are communal and shared within a building used by building  
8 users, such as fitness rooms, workshops for hands-on projects and to conduct repairs, leasing offices,  
9 shared kitchens, resident libraries or reading rooms, community rooms, children’s playrooms and  
10 classrooms, which may also serve as general assembly rooms, communal kitchens, conference rooms,  
11 employee break rooms, and waiting areas.

12           “Streetwall” means a continuous façade of a building and/or buildings along a street Frontage.

13           “Transparent Frontage” means the condition in which glass, glazing, a window, or other  
14 building feature allows visibility into the building interior. “Transparent Frontage” does not include  
15 heavily tinted or highly mirrored glass.

16           “Upper Building (Tower)” means the portion of a midrise or highrise tower above the Base.

17           (g) Uses.

18           (1) **Potrero Power Station Special Use District Zoning Designations.** As shown on  
19 the Zoning Map, the Potrero Power Station Special Use District is coterminous with the Potrero Power  
20 Station Mixed Use District (PPS-MU), and the Public Trust Property zoned Public (P). This Special  
21 Use District in Section 249.87 and other Sections referenced herein establish all zoning controls for the  
22 PPS-MU district.

23           (2) **Permitted Uses.** The following Uses set forth in Table 249.87-1: Potrero Power  
24 Station Land Uses shall be permitted within the different Blocks of the SUD shown in Figure 249.87-1,  
25 where P means Permitted Use and NP means Non-permitted Use.

***Figure 249.87-1 Potrero Power Station Land Use Plan***



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**Table 249.87-1: Potrero Power Station Land Uses\***

Power Station Blocks	Residential Uses	Institutional Uses	Retail Sales and Service Uses	Non-Retail Sales and Service (including Office Uses)	Entertainment, Arts, and Recreation Uses	PDR Uses	Laboratory Uses	Life Science Uses	Utility and Infrastructure Uses	Parking Garage, Public
Block 1	P	P(1)	P(2)(7)(16)	P(8)	P(3)(9)	P(5)	NP	NP	NP(12)	P(14)
Block 2	NP	P(1)	P(2)(7)(16)	P(13)	P(3)(9)	P(5)	P(13)	P(13)	NP(12)	NP
Block 3	NP	P(1)	P(2)(7)(16)	P(13)	P(3)(9)	P(5)	P(13)	P(13)	NP(12)	NP
Block 4	P	P(1)	P(2)(7)(16)	P(8)	P(3)(9)	P(5)	NP	NP	NP(12)	NP
Block 5	P	P(1)	P(2)(7)(16)	P(8)	P(3)(9)	P(4)	NP	NP	NP(12)(6)	P(14)
Block 6	Block Omitted from Land Use Plan									
Block 7	P	P(1)	P(2)(7)(16)	P(8)	P(3)(9)	P(5)	NP	NP	NP(12)	NP
Block 8	P	P(1)	P(2)(7)(16)	P(8)	P(3)(9)	P(5)	NP	NP	NP(12)	NP
Block 9	P	P(1)	P(10)(16)	P(8)	P(3)(11)	P(5)	NP	NP	NP(12)	NP
Block 10	Block Omitted from Land Use Plan									
Block 11	NP	P(1)	P(2)(7)(16)	P(13)	P(3)(9)	P(4)	P(13)	P(13)	NP(12)	NP
Block 12	NP	P(1)	P(2)(7)(16)	P(13)	P(3)(9)	P(4)	P(13)	P(13)	NP(12)	NP
Block 13	P	P(1)	P(2)(7)(16)	P(8)	P(3)(9)	P(4)	NP	NP	NP(12)(6)	P(14)
Block 14	P	P(1)	P(2)(7)(16)	P(8)	P(3)(9)	P(5)	NP	NP	NP(12)	NP
Block 15	NP	P(1)	P(2)(7)(16)	P(13)	P(3)(9)	P(5)	P(13)	P(13)	NP(12)	NP
The Stack	NP	NP	P(2)(16)	NP	P(3)	NP	NP	NP	NP(12)	NP
Public and Private Open Space	NP	NP	P(15)	NP	NP	NP	NP	NP	NP	NP

**Notes:**

**\* This Special Use District shall not become operative as to Block 13, Block 14, and a portion of Block 1, until the occurrence of a specified condition set forth in Section 6 of the ordinance in Board File No. 200039, enacting this Section 249.87.**

- 1 (1) Hospital is NP. P at basement, ground floor, and mezzanine only for majority Residential buildings;  
2 provided that Residential Care Facility and Child Care Facility are permitted on all floors.
- 3 (2) Hotel is NP.
- 4 (3) Livery Stables are NP.
- 5 (4) Automobile Assembly, Agricultural and Beverage Processing 1, Arts Activities, Business Services,  
6 Catering, Light Manufacturing, Metal Working, Trade Shop, Wholesale Sales are P at the basement  
7 level, ground floor, 2nd floor, and mezzanine only. Other PDR Uses are NP.
- 8 (5) Agricultural and Beverage Processing 1, Light Manufacturing, Arts Activities, Business Services,  
9 Catering, Trade Shop Wholesale Sales are P at the basement level, ground floor, 2nd floor, and  
10 mezzanine only.
- 11 (6) Public Utility Yard and Storage Yards are P.
- 12 (7) P at the basement level, ground floor, mezzanine, and 2nd floor only; on Blocks 2, 3, 11, 12, and 15,  
13 and Block 9 if Block 9 is majority non-residential, Bar, Tourist Oriented Gift Store, Specialty Grocery,  
14 Gym, Liquor Store, Limited Restaurant, General Restaurant, Instructional Service, and Retail Personal  
15 Service Uses are P on rooftops; other Retail Uses are NP on rooftops.
- 16 (8) P at the basement level, ground floor, and mezzanine only.
- 17 (9) P at the basement level, ground floor, mezzanine, and 2nd floor; on Blocks 2, 3, 11, 12, and 15, and  
18 Block 9 if Block 9 is majority non-residential, Arts Activities, General Entertainment, Nighttime  
19 Entertainment, Open Recreation Area, Outdoor Entertainment, and Passive Outdoor Recreation Uses  
20 are P on rooftops; other Entertainment, Arts, and Recreation Uses are NP on rooftops.
- 21 (10) Hotel is P. Bar, Tourist Oriented Gift Store, Specialty Grocery, Gym, Liquor Store, Limited  
22 Restaurant, General Restaurant, Instructional Service, and Retail Personal Service Uses are P on  
23 rooftops; other Retail Uses are NP on rooftops. Only one rooftop bar shall be permitted on Block 9. If  
24 building is majority Residential, P at the basement level, ground floor, mezzanine, 2nd floor and 3rd  
25 floor only.

1 (11) If building is majority non-residential, P on all floors and rooftop, provided that only Arts  
2 Activities, General Entertainment, Nighttime Entertainment, Open Recreation Area, Outdoor  
3 Entertainment, and Passive Outdoor Recreation Uses P on rooftops; other Entertainment, Arts, and  
4 Recreation Uses are NP on rooftops. If building is majority Residential, P at the basement level,  
5 ground floor, mezzanine, 2nd floor, and 3rd floor only.

6 (12) Wireless Telecommunications Services (WTS) Facility, Macro and Wireless Telecommunications  
7 Services (WTS) Facility, Micro are P.

8 (13) Consistent with the Phasing Plan of the Development Agreement, one or more of Blocks 2, 3, 11,  
9 12, or 15 must be deed restricted for Life Science/Laboratory Uses.

10 (14) Up to one District Parking Garage is permitted but not required and may be located only on  
11 Blocks 1, 5, or 13. The maximum amount of parking that may be located in the Garage is subject to the  
12 parking maximums for the Project as built, less the amount of parking that is developed in each  
13 individual building. The maximum height of the Parking Garage shall be 90 feet. The rooftop of the  
14 District Parking Garage shall be used as a publicly accessible recreational sports field.

15 (15) Only Carts and Kiosks permitted.

16 (16) Self Storage Uses are conditionally permitted.

17 (3) **Temporary Uses.** Temporary Uses are permitted consistent with Planning Code  
18 Sections 205.1 through 205.4, subject to the following:

19 (A) Temporary Uses listed in Section 205.1(d) may be authorized for a period  
20 of up to 180 days. Retail Sales and Service Uses as well as Entertainment, Arts, and Recreation Uses  
21 that are permitted as a principal Use pursuant to Table 249.87-1 may be authorized for a period of up  
22 to 180 days as a Temporary Use.

23 (B) Temporary uses listed in Section 205.3 may be authorized for a period up  
24 to 72 hours per event for up to 12 events per year.

25 (C) Carts may be permitted as Temporary Uses pursuant to Section 205.4.

(4) Carts and Kiosks. Any approved Carts and Kiosks shall only be permitted in the numbers reflected in Table 249.87-2, shall not block accessible paths of travel or areas for Emergency Vehicle Access, and shall have a footprint of 200 square feet or less. Kiosks are permitted in the same manner as other permanent uses.

**Table 249.87-2 Standards for Location of Carts and Kiosks**

USE/LOCATION	LOUISIANA PASEO	POWER STATION PARK	HUMBOLDT STREET PLAZA	BLOCK 9 OPEN SPACE	STACK PLAZA	WATERFRONT PARK
Cart (not larger than 200 square feet)	Limit of 1 in this open space	Limit of 2 in this open space	Limit of 1 in this open space	Not permitted	Not permitted	Limit of 3 in this open space
Kiosk (not larger than 200 square feet)	Limit of 1 in this open space	Limit of 1 in this open space	Limit of 1 in this open space	Not permitted	Not permitted	Limit of 1 in this open space

(5) Interim Uses. Prior to completion of the Project, certain interim uses may be authorized for a period not to exceed five years by the Planning Director, without a public hearing if the Planning Director finds that such Interim Use will not impede orderly development consistent with this Section 249.87, the Design for Development, and the Development Agreement. Any authorization granted pursuant to this subsection 249.87(g)(5) shall not exempt Applicant from obtaining any other permit required by law. Additional time for such uses may be authorized upon a new application for the proposed Interim Use. Permitted Interim Uses shall include, but are not limited to:

(A) Retail Sales and Services;

(B) Entertainment, Arts, and Recreation, including but not limited to temporary art installations, exhibits, and sales, recreational facilities and uses (such as play and climbing structures and outdoor fitness classes), and temporary structures to accommodate events (such as stages, seating, and support facilities for patrons and operations);

(C) Public and Private Parking Lots, if accessory to other permitted, temporary, or interim uses;

(D) PDR;

(E) Educational activities, including but not limited to after-school day camp and activities;

1                                    (F) Site management service, administrative functions, and customer  
2 amenities and associated loading;

3                                    (G) Rental or sales offices incidental to new development; and

4                                    (H) Trailers, recreational vehicles, or other temporary housing for  
5 construction workers, seasonal labor, or other workforce employment needs.

6                                    **(6) Outdoor Activity Areas.**

7                                    (A) Outdoor Activity Areas as defined in Section 102 are permitted.

8                                    **(B) Waterfront Outdoor Food Service Areas. Permanent, semi-permanent**  
9 and movable furnishings such as tables, chairs, umbrellas, heat lamps, and fire pits for eating and  
10 drinking use shall be permitted on the east side of the buildings constructed on Blocks 4 and 9. The  
11 shaded areas in Figure 249.87-2 indicate potential locations for this use. Food service areas must  
12 remain clear of the Blue Greenway at all times. Within these areas, up to 60% of the area may be  
13 reserved for exclusive use by eating and drinking establishments during business hours. This reserved  
14 area may be contiguous. The remainder of these areas shall also feature similar seating amenities,  
15 shall be open to the public and shall not require patronage of any eating and drinking establishment.  
16 Public seating should be of high quality and differentiated from reserved seating at adjacent eating and  
17 drinking establishments. Signage shall be provided to clearly indicate that public seating is open to the  
18 public without having to patronize the eating and drinking establishment.

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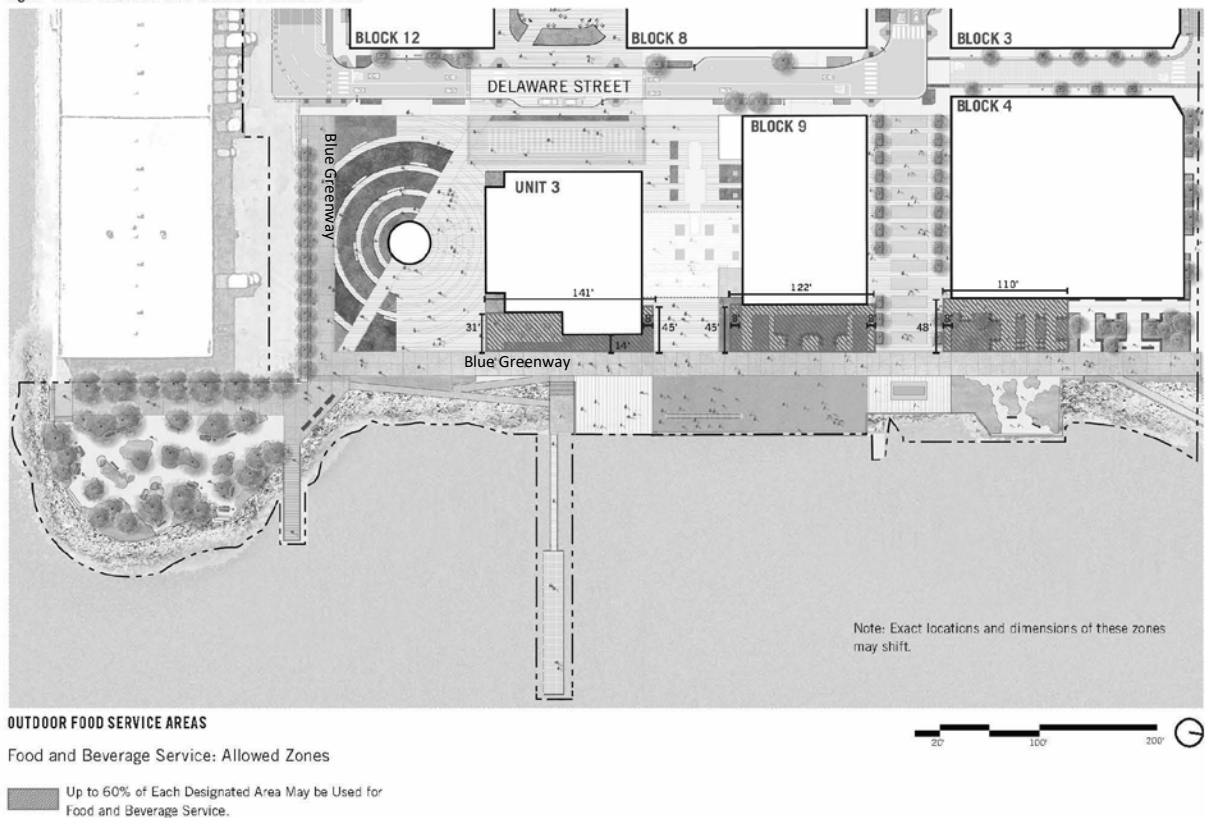
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**Figure 249.87-2 Waterfront Park Outdoor Food Service Areas**



(7) **Nonconforming Uses.** Nonconforming uses and structures may be continued and are otherwise subject to Sections 181-183 and 188 of the Planning Code.

(8) **Ground Floor Use Requirements.** Within this SUD, only the ground floor controls contained in the SUD shall apply. Ground Floor Uses shall be consistent with Section 145.1, subject to the following:

(A) **Active Uses:** Consistent with subsection (g)(8)(C), only the following Uses shall be considered an active uses: Retail Sales and Service Use; PDR Use; Institutional Use; Entertainment, Arts, and Recreation Use; Non-Retail Sales and Service Use; and Residential Use; and Lobbies up to 40 feet in width or 25% of building frontage, whichever is larger. With the exception of



1 space for parking and loading access, building egress, and access to mechanical systems, space for  
2 active uses must be provided within the first 25 feet of building depth on the ground floor for 100% of  
3 the shaded Active Use, Priority Retail, and Priority PDR Frontage zones identified in Figure 249.87-3,  
4 unless specified otherwise in subsection (g)(8)(C).

5 (B) Active Uses for Active Lane Frontages. In addition to the active uses  
6 permitted under subsection (g)(8)(A), the following shall be considered an active uses for areas shown  
7 as Active Lane Frontages in Figure 249.87-3: building insets of at least 4 feet in depth at the ground  
8 floor for pedestrian amenities, including permanent, semi-permanent, and movable furnishings such as  
9 tables, chairs, umbrellas; and Public Art, such as a wall mural, at least 15 feet in height measured from  
10 ground level.

11 (C) Active Use Requirements:

12 (i) Non-Retail Sales and Service Use and any accessory mail rooms  
13 and bicycle storage rooms that have direct access to the street or lobby space (whether accessory to  
14 Residential, Office or any other use) may collectively occupy up to a maximum of 50% of the building  
15 Frontage.

16 (ii) Non-Retail Sales and Service Use and Institutional Use shall  
17 provide Social Spaces (as defined in this Section 249.87).

18 (iii) Dwelling Units shall have direct access to a street or public open  
19 space.

20 (iv) Micro-Retail Uses shall be provided within the first 10 feet of  
21 building depth.

22 (v) Social Spaces, including those provided pursuant to subsection  
23 (g)(C)(ii) shall be provided within the first 15 feet of building depth, at the front of the space, and  
24 oriented toward the street.

1 (vi) Within Priority Retail Frontage zones, a minimum of 50% of the  
2 active uses shall be Retail Sales and Service Uses to a depth of 40 feet.

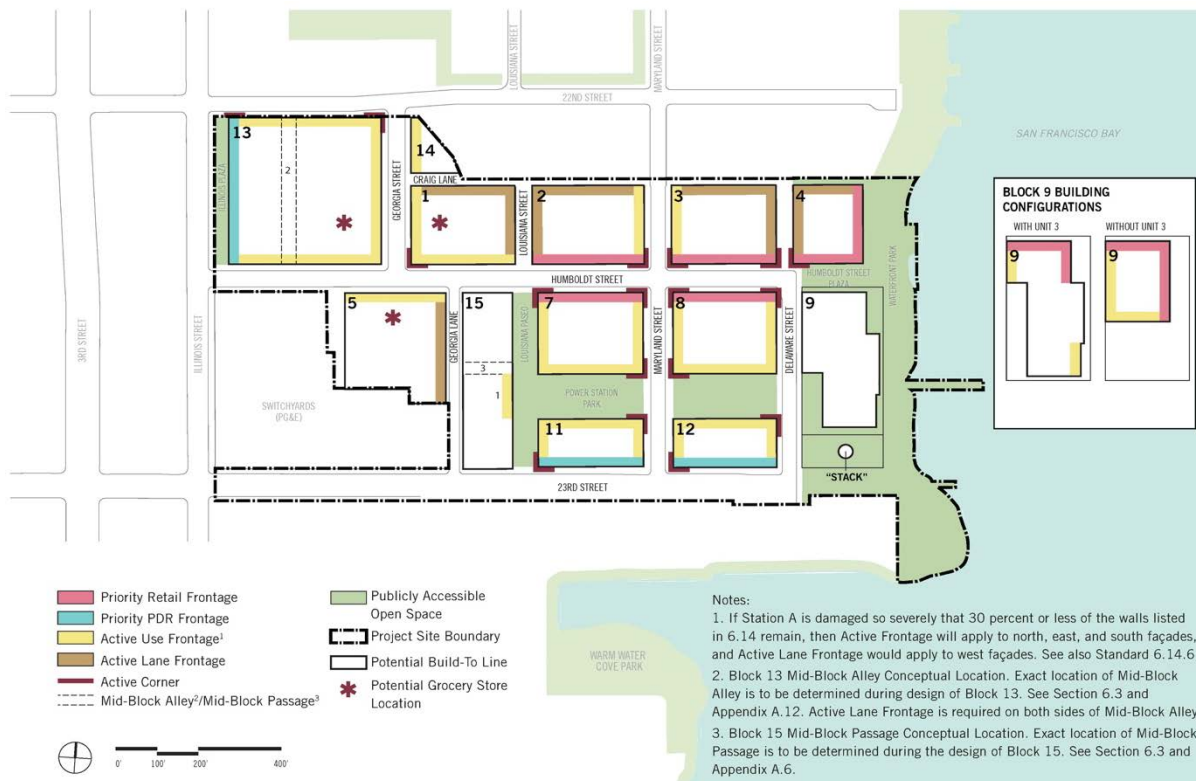
3 (vii) Within Priority PDR Frontage zones, a minimum of 75% of the  
4 active uses shall be PDR Uses to a depth of 40 feet, except that if Childcare and/or Community  
5 Facilities are provided within the subject Priority PDR Frontage(s), then a minimum of 50% of the  
6 active uses shall be limited to PDR uses.

7 (viii) Within Active Lane Frontages, a minimum of 20% of the  
8 Frontage shall contain Active Uses for Active Lane Frontages as described in subsection  
9 (g)(8)(B) of this SUD.

10 (ix) Within Active Corners, as shown in Figure 249.87-3, only the  
11 following active uses are permitted for a minimum of 30 feet of the Frontage from each corner: (1)  
12 Retail Sales, and Service Use; (2) Entertainment, Arts, and Recreation Use; and (3) Community  
13 Facility Use.

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**Figure 249.87-3: Ground Floor Uses**



**(h) Building Standards.** *Building Standards shall be as follows, unless modified in accordance with subsection (k) below.*

**(1) Dwelling Unit Density.** *There shall be no residential density limit or maximum floor area ratio within the SUD.*

**(2) Required Residential Dwelling Unit Mix.**

**(A)** *No less than 30% of the total number of proposed dwelling units in each building or phase in a Development Phase Approval shall contain at least two bedrooms. Any fraction resulting from this calculation shall be rounded to the nearest whole number of dwelling units.*

**(B)** *No less than 10% of the total number of proposed dwelling units in each building or phase in a Development Phase Approval shall contain at least three bedrooms. Any fraction resulting from this calculation shall be rounded to the nearest whole number of dwelling units. Units*

1 counted towards this requirement may also count towards the requirement for units with two or more  
2 bedrooms as described in subsection (A) above.

3 (C) The dwelling unit mix requirement in this subsection (h)(2) shall not  
4 apply to buildings for which 100% of the Residential Uses are: Group Housing, Dwelling Units that  
5 are restricted to a maximum sales or rental price that is affordable to households earning 150% of  
6 Area Median Income or less for Owned Units and 130% of Area Median Income for Rental Units,  
7 Single Room Occupancy (SRO) Units, Student Housing, or housing specifically and permanently  
8 designated for seniors or persons with physical disabilities, including units to be occupied by staff  
9 servicing any of the foregoing Residential Uses.

10 (3) **Building Height Limits.**

11 (A) **Measurement of Height.** Building heights are to be measured from the  
12 highest point of finished grade along the property line of the parcel on which the building is located, up  
13 to the highest point of the uppermost structural slab in the case of a flat roof; or up to the average  
14 height of the rise in the case of a pitched or stepped roof, or similarly sculptured roof form.

15 (B) **Maximum Building Height.** For purposes of the SUD, the height limits  
16 shall be as set forth in Section Map HT08 of the Zoning Map and as further limited and detailed in  
17 Figure 249.87-4: Building Height Maximums, and as further governed by this Section 249.87. The  
18 following rooftop elements may project above given height limits without regard to horizontal area  
19 with the condition that:

20 (i) On rooftops between 45 feet and 100 feet in height, rooftop  
21 elements greater than four feet in height must be set back at a minimum ratio of 1.2 feet in a horizontal  
22 dimension from the roof edge for every one foot that they exceed the maximum height limit;

23 (ii) On Upper Building rooftops, mechanical features must be  
24 screened or enclosed;

1 (iii) Enclosed structures designed for human occupancy may not  
2 exceed 25% of the total roof area of a building (including roof areas of the same building at different  
3 elevations);

4 (iv) The sum of the horizontal areas of the following rooftop elements  
5 may not exceed 40% of the total horizontal area of the roof of the building, and may project for the  
6 number of feet above the permitted height limit as follows:

7 a. Elevator, stair and mechanical penthouses, and other  
8 mechanical equipment and appurtenances necessary to the operation or maintenance of the building or  
9 structure itself, such as chimneys, ventilators, plumbing vent stacks, and/or cooling towers together  
10 with visual screening for any such features, all up to 20 feet in height. Elevators, stair and mechanical  
11 penthouses may exceed 20 feet in height as required by the California Code of Regulations.

12 b. On the roof of majority Residential buildings, structures  
13 related to the recreational use of the rooftop (e.g. greenhouses, sheds for the storage of furniture or  
14 equipment, hot tub enclosures, changing rooms, etc.) up to 16 feet in height.

15 c. On the roof of majority non-residential buildings, Retail  
16 structures up to 16 feet in height containing one or more of the uses permitted in Table 249.87-1. Any  
17 enclosed space for these uses shall not exceed 5,000 square feet of Gross Floor Area and, other than on  
18 Block 9, shall be accompanied by one square foot of Publicly Accessible Open Space for each square  
19 foot of Gross Floor Area.

20 d. Enclosed restrooms up to 10 feet in height.

21 (v) On buildings that contain majority Laboratory Use, mechanical  
22 features necessary to building operations related to Laboratory facilities may exceed 40% of the  
23 horizontal area of the roof provided they do not contain space for human occupancy;

24 (vi) The following rooftop elements may project above given height  
25 limits without regard to horizontal area:

1 a. Non-occupied architectural features, including non-  
2 permeable wind screens, up to 10 feet in height on buildings between 45 and 100 feet (with a minimum  
3 Setback of five feet from the roof edge) and up to 20 feet on Upper Buildings above the maximum  
4 permitted building height, except on Block 7, where these features may extend up to 10% vertically  
5 above the maximum permitted building height;

6 b. Unenclosed structures related to unroofed publicly  
7 accessible recreation facilities, such as sports fields and swimming pools, including lighting required  
8 for the nighttime enjoyment of rooftop fields, all up to 60 feet in height, and/or fencing, goal boxes and  
9 other sports equipment, netting or other semi-transparent enclosure necessary for the safe enjoyment of  
10 unroofed recreation facilities, all up to 30 feet in height;

11 c. Furniture and other unenclosed features intended to allow  
12 for the habitable use of the rooftop, including, but not limited to tables, chairs, umbrellas, lighting,  
13 canopies, lattices, sunshades, and trellises, all up to a height of 10 feet;

14 d. Photovoltaic panels;

15 e. Equipment and appurtenances necessary to Living Roofs  
16 as defined in Planning Code Section 149;

17 f. Wireless Telecommunications Services Facilities and  
18 other antennas, dished and towers and related screening elements;

19 g. Landscaping features, with a maximum height of 48 inches  
20 for planters or other non-plant materials;

21 h. Trees and plants;

22 i. Decking, up to three feet in height;

23 j. Flagpoles and flags;

24 k. Cranes, scaffolding and batch plants erected temporarily  
25 at active construction sites; and

1 l. Railings, parapets and catwalks, up to four feet in height.

2 (vii) Permitted above-grade pedestrian connections for Turbine Plaza.

3 (C) Height of Existing Structures. The existing heights for Unit 3 (131 feet)  
4 and the Stack (300 feet) are permitted. In the event that the Stack collapses or is otherwise damaged  
5 beyond repair, permitted heights shall be those applicable to open space. Should Unit 3 be demolished,  
6 the height limit for Block 9 shall be 125/85 feet, as set forth on Sectional Map HT08 of the Zoning Map  
7 and as further limited and detailed in Figure 249.87-4.

8 **Figure 249.87-4: Building Heights Maximum**



(4) **Bulk.** The following bulk controls, summarized in Table 249.87-3, apply only to  
building heights greater than 145 feet: the Upper Buildings of the midrise towers on Block 1, and the  
highrise towers on Blocks 5 and 7. For purposes of this subsection a midrise tower is a building

1 between 146 and 180 feet in height and a highrise tower is a building between 181 and 240 feet in  
2 height. Unless otherwise stated, these controls do not apply to Block 15 with or without Station A.

3 (A) The maximum average Floorplate of the Upper Building is defined as the  
4 sum of the area of all of the Floorplates of the Upper Building, divided by the number of floors in the  
5 Upper Building.

6 (B) The Maximum Plan Dimension of an Upper Building is the greatest plan  
7 dimension parallel to the longest side of the building at any given level of the Upper Building. The  
8 Maximum Diagonal Dimension of an Upper Building is the greatest horizontal distance between two  
9 opposing points at any level of the Upper Building. Maximum Plan and Maximum Diagonal Dimension  
10 do not apply to balconies, cornices, decorative Projections, unenclosed building elements, or other  
11 unenclosed obstructions permitted by Planning Code Section 136.

12 (C) The Maximum Apparent Face shall be a maximum of 120 feet of the  
13 Upper Building. The Maximum Apparent Face shall be offset with a change in plane of at least five feet  
14 in depth. This change in plane must be accompanied by a change in height of the roof form (which may  
15 be a reduction or increase in the height of the roof screen) of at least five feet and/or a change in  
16 material. The required change in plane may occur by curving the face of the building.

17 (D) For buildings with curved façades, on those portions of the façade that  
18 are curved, the Maximum Apparent Face shall be measured as the plan dimension between the end  
19 points of each arc. If the building is a circle or ellipse, the Maximum Apparent Face shall be measured  
20 as the longest diameter of the circle or ellipse.

21 (E) For Block 15 without Station A, the building above the 65-foot setback  
22 shall achieve a 15% average reduction in square footage for all floors. The reduction shall apply  
23 relative to a baseline floorplate of 47,089 square feet (i.e. the footprint of Station A) for construction  
24 up to 145 feet and a baseline floorplate of 24,955 square feet for construction between 145 feet and 160  
25 feet.



1 (F) Sculpting of Vertical Addition to Station A on Block 15. New  
 2 construction of a vertical addition to Station A on Block 15 is subject to the building height maximums  
 3 for Block 15 shown on Figure 249.87-4, and shall achieve a 15% reduction in overall exterior volume  
 4 for all mass above the existing Station A walls. The reduction shall apply relative to a baseline  
 5 floorplate of 47,089 square feet (i.e. the footprint of Station A) for construction up to a height of 145  
 6 feet, and a baseline floorplate of 24,955 square feet for construction between 145 feet and 160 feet in  
 7 height.

8 (i) Assuming the existing Station A walls are an average of 65 feet in  
 9 height, the overall volume allowed above shall be calculated as follows:

11	A	Floorplate up to 145' x height between Station A walls and 145' = volume A	47,089 square feet x 80 feet = 3,767,120 cubic feet
12	B	Floorplate above 145' x height above 145' = volume B	24,955 square feet x 15 feet = 374,325 cubic feet
13	C	A + B = total volume	3,767,120 cubic feet + 374,325 cubic feet = 4,141,445 cubic feet
14	D	C x 0.85 = maximum buildable volume	4,141,445 cubic feet x 0.85 = 3,520,228 cubic feet
15	E	C x 0.15 = required volumetric reduction	4,141,445 cubic feet x 0.15 = 621,217 cubic feet

16 (ii) The 15% reduction may be achieved by providing setbacks, a  
 17 Vertical Hyphen, or a combination of these or other sculpting strategies. Where a Vertical Hyphen is  
 18 utilized as a design element, it shall be at least 10 feet in depth and at least one story in height  
 19 beginning at the height of the cornice of the existing walls of Station A.

20 (iii) A project applicant may request and the Planning Director may  
 21 grant a waiver from the 15% reduction requirement if the Planning Director determines that new  
 22 construction on Block 15 above the height of the Station A walls demonstrates superior design quality  
 23 consistent with the provisions of this Section 249.87 and with the following sculpting purposes:

24 a. Differentiation in mass from the existing Station A  
 25 structure below;

b. Reduction in mass to ensure that development on Block 15 does not overwhelm adjacent open spaces and sensitively responds to its immediate context, including adjacent structures, streets, open spaces, and to the existing walls of Station A itself, and;

c. Sculpting of the mass with an architectural expression that distinguishes Block 15 as a high-quality, character-defining element of the site’s urban design.

(iv) Projections in new construction above the existing Station A walls are permitted per Planning Code Section 136 for Streets, Alleys, and Useable Open Space, except that such projections shall be measured from the outer face of the existing Station A wall that faces a street, alley, or open space.

(v) To allow for the possibility of a design response that results in a superior design consistent with the provisions of this Section 249.87, particularly Section 249.87(h)(4)(F)(iii), the Planning Director may approve projections on the eastern wall of Station A (facing Louisiana Paseo and Power Station Park) that deviate from Planning Code Section 136 provided that no projection extends farther than 10 feet beyond the outer face of the existing Station A walls, and projections are limited to no more than 25% of the square footage of the building face above the existing Station A walls.

**Table 249.87-3: Summary of Bulk Controls and Separation Requirements**

	LOWRISE & MIDRISE BUILDINGS (UP TO 145' IN HEIGHT)	MIDRISE TOWER ON BLOCK 1 (146'-180' IN HEIGHT)	MIDRISE TOWER ON BLOCK 15 (146'-160' IN HEIGHT)	HIGHRISE TOWERS ON BLOCKS 5 AND 7 (181'-240' IN HEIGHT)
<b>UPPER BUILDING BULK CONTROLS</b>				
Maximum Average Floorplate	N/A	12,000 gross square feet	See D4D Standard 6.5.1	12,000 gross square feet
Maximum Plan	N/A	150'	N/A	140'
Maximum Diagonal	N/A	190'	N/A	160'
Maximum Apparent Face	N/A	120'	N/A	120'
Upper Building Separation	N/A	85'	115'	115'

(5) Upper Building Separation. The applicable Upper Building separation requirements shall be as set forth in Table 249.87-3. Separation shall be measured horizontally from the building face of the subject Upper Building to the nearest building face of the closest Upper Building, exclusive of permitted obstructions pursuant to Planning Code Section 136.

1                   (6) Streetwalls. *New buildings must provide a Streetwall for at least 65% of each*  
2 *Frontage from sidewalk grade to the required maximum Streetwall height as established in Figure*  
3 *249.87-5. The Streetwall requirements of this subsection do not apply to the following:*

4                   (A) Existing buildings on the Project Site that are rehabilitated or reused as  
5 *part of the Project (such as Unit 3 or Station A), including additions to such existing buildings;*

6                   (B) Pocket parks that extend at least 10 feet horizontally inward from the  
7 *property line; or*

8                   (C) The Frontage of any new building facing Waterfront Park (including  
9 *Humboldt Street Plaza), Power Station Park, or Louisiana Paseo, provided that deviations from the*  
10 *minimum 65% standard shall contribute to differentiated architecture.*

11                  (7) Setbacks. *All building mass shall be set back from the building's Streetwall*  
12 *above a certain height, as summarized in Figure 249.87-5 and further regulated below.*

13                  (A) Setbacks are not required along Mid-Block Alleys, except that, on  
14 *Frontages facing the Mid-Block Alley on Block 13, buildings shall be set back at least 10 feet from the*  
15 *Streetwall at a height of 70 feet.*

16                  (B) The Setback requirements do not apply to the highrise tower on Block 7.  
17 *Instead the highrise tower must be set back at least 15 feet in the horizontal dimension for at least 60%*  
18 *of the Upper Building's Frontages along Humboldt Street or Louisiana Paseo.*

19                  (C) Setbacks are not required for the District Parking Garage.

20                  (D) If the eastern wall of Station A is not retained, at least 60% of the eastern  
21 *façade of Block 15 framed by the southern façade of Block 7 and the northern façade of Block 11*  
22 *should include a volumetric projection of approximately 10 feet in plan from the primary façade of the*  
23 *building and that is at least 5 stories. The projection must provide a pedestrian passage way between*  
24 *Louisiana Paseo and Georgia Lane that is no less than 20 feet wide and 30 feet tall. If the projection*  
25 *reaches the ground floor, it must be permeable and open to pedestrians. Any building constructed*

1 within the Mid-Block Alley on Block 15 without Station A shall be set back at least five feet from the  
 2 eastern and western faces of the building.

3 **Figure 249.87-5: Setbacks**



19 (8) **Rear Yard.** There shall be no rear yard requirement within the Potrero Power  
 20 Station Special Use District.

21 (9) **Usable Open Space.** Usable open space shall be required for Residential Uses as  
 22 follows: For each dwelling unit there shall be: (i) a minimum of 36 square feet of open space if private,  
 23 or (ii) 48 square feet of open space if common. For Group Housing or Single Room Occupancy units, the  
 24 minimum open space requirements shall be one-third the amount specified in this subsection for a  
 25 dwelling unit. Required open space shall be on the same development block as the units it serves. To

1 count as usable open space, the area credited on a deck, balcony, porch, or roof must either face a street,  
2 or face or be within an open area per Subsection 249.87(h)(10).

3 (A) **Common Open Space.** All common open space shall have a minimum 10  
4 feet in every horizontal dimension and be unobstructed and open to the sky, except for obstructions  
5 permitted under Planning Code Section 136. Mid-Block Alleys may count as common open space  
6 provided that the Alley does not allow vehicular access. Common Open Space may be publicly accessible.

7 (B) **Private Open Space.** Private open space shall have a minimum dimension  
8 of six feet in every horizontal dimension. Private open space shall be directly accessible from the dwelling  
9 unit it serves.

10 (10) **Minimum Dwelling Unit Exposure.** All dwelling units shall face onto a public or  
11 private right- of-way, or onto an open area, defined as:

12 (A) A public street, publicly accessible alley, or Mid-Block Passage (public or  
13 private) at least 20 feet in width that is unobstructed and at least 60% open to the sky;

14 (B) An outer court or terrace that is open to a public street, public alley, Mid-  
15 Block Alley (public or private), or public open space and at least 25 feet in width;

16 (C) An inner court which is unobstructed (except for obstructions permitted in  
17 Planning Code sections 136(c)(14), (15), (16), (19), and (20)) and is no less than 40 feet in one horizontal  
18 dimension and 25 feet in the other horizontal dimension at the lowest two floors which have dwelling  
19 units facing onto the inner court. The horizontal dimension that is at least 25 feet shall increase five feet  
20 at each subsequent floor;

21 (D) For below grade units, an open space at the same grade as the units, that  
22 is no less than 7.5 feet wide in every horizontal dimension, at least 136 square feet in area, and 60%  
23 open to the sky. Such open spaces shall face onto a street, alley or open space. Below grade units shall  
24 be maximum 6 feet below the grade of the street, alley or public open space.

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1                    (11) **Ground Floor Design.**

2                    (A) **Ground Floor Height.** All non-residential ground floor spaces shall have  
3 a minimum floor-to-floor height of 15 feet as measured from grade. At least 30% of the cumulative PDR  
4 space pursuant to Figure 249.87-3 shall contain floor-to- floor heights of 17 feet.

5                    (B) **Awnings and Canopies.** Awnings and canopies must be at least eight feet  
6 above sidewalk grade. Awnings that are more than 100 feet in length must be at least 15 feet above  
7 sidewalk grade. Awnings or canopies that are between eight and 15 feet above sidewalk grade may  
8 project up to 10 feet beyond the building facade (including into the public right of way). Awnings or  
9 canopies that are higher than 15 feet above sidewalk grade may project up to 15 feet beyond the building  
10 facade (including into the public right of way). In no instance shall any awning or canopy project beyond  
11 the width of the sidewalk they cover. Awnings and canopies shall be designed so as not to interfere with  
12 street tree canopy.

13                    (C) **Transparent Frontages.** Portions of frontages that contain active uses per  
14 section 249.87(g)(8), other than Residential Units or PDR Uses, shall be fenestrated with transparent  
15 windows and doorways for not less than 60% of the street frontage at between two feet and 12 feet vertical  
16 above grade, and must allow visibility of at least four feet in depth inside of the building. PDR frontages  
17 shall be fenestrated with transparent windows or doors for no less than 50% of the street frontage from  
18 sidewalk grade up to 12 feet vertical above grade, and must allow visibility of at least four feet in depth  
19 inside of the building. The use of dark, mirrored, or opaque glass shall not count toward the required  
20 transparent area. Ground-floor transparent frontage standards shall not apply to historic or adaptively-  
21 reused buildings.

22                    (12) **Maximum Off-Street Parking.** The location and design standards for off-street  
23 automobile parking shall be governed by the Design for Development. Off-Street parking is not required  
24 and shall be limited to the following maximum ratios:

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**Table 249.87-4: Maximum Off-Street Parking Ratios per Land Use\***

<u>Land Use</u>	<u>Off-Street Parking Ratio</u>
<u>Residential</u>	<u>0.6 space: 1 unit</u>
<u>Non-Retail Sales and Service, Industrial, PDR, Laboratory, or Life Science Uses</u>	<u>1 space: 1,500 gross square feet of Occupied Floor Area</u>
<u>Hotel</u>	<u>1 space: 16 Hotel guest rooms, plus 1 space for a hotel manager</u>
<u>General Grocery or Special Grocery Uses</u>	<u>3 spaces: 1,000 gross square feet of Occupied Floor Area</u>
<u>All Other Uses</u>	<u>No off-street parking permitted</u>

\*Pursuant to subsection (n)(4), parking amounts may be greater on a Parcel-by-Parcel basis than otherwise allowed by Table 249.87-4.

(13) **Signage.** All signs shall be defined as described by Article 6 of the San Francisco Planning Code. The provisions of Section 607.2 (“Mixed-Use Districts”) of the San Francisco Planning Code applicable to Urban Mixed Use (“UMU”) Districts shall apply such that a sign that is permitted or prohibited in a UMU District shall likewise be permitted or prohibited in the Potrero Power Station SUD. All signs shall be defined as described by Article 6 of the San Francisco Planning Code. Provided further that:

(A) **Concealed Electrical Signage Elements.** All electrical signage elements such as wires, exposed conduits, junction boxes, transformers, ballasts, switches, and panel boxes shall be concealed from view.

(B) **Portable Signage.** Portable signs, such as sandwich boards and valet parking signs, are permitted and limited to one per business. All portable signage shall be located within frontage or furnishing zones on sidewalks, or within open spaces fronting the businesses.

1                                    (C) Temporary Sale or Lease Signs. No permit shall be required for  
2 temporary Sale or Lease Signs. Such signs are permitted only when all of the following criteria are  
3 met:

4                                    (i) No more than two such signs are permitted at any one time on any  
5 building;

6                                    (ii) The area of each sign is no larger than 40 square feet;

7                                    (iii) The height of each sign is no higher than 10 feet;

8                                    (iv) The sign is a wall sign or a window sign;

9                                    (v) The sign is not directly illuminated;

10                                   (vi) The sign indicates the availability of a particular space within the  
11 building on or in which the sign is placed; and

12                                   (vii) The sign directs attention to a space which is available for  
13 immediate sale or lease.

14                                   (D) Signage Along the Waterfront and Power Station Park. Signage for  
15 buildings fronting Power Station Park or the Bay Trail (including the eastern Frontage of Blocks 4, 9,  
16 12 and a portion of 15 directly facing Power Station Park; northern Frontage of Blocks 11 and 12; and  
17 Southern Frontage of Blocks 7 and 8 shall:

18                                   (i) Be 50 square feet or less and its highest point may not reach a  
19 height greater than 35 feet;

20                                   (ii) Consist only of indirect illumination, pursuant to Section 602 of  
21 this Code, including but not limited to halo-style lighting.

22                                   (14) Mid-Block Alleys and Mid-Block Passages.

23                                   (A) Mid-Block Alleys. There shall be a Mid-Block Alley on Block 13. Any Mid-  
24 Block Alley shall:

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1 (i) Be located as close to the middle portion of the subject block as possible,  
2 and connect to existing adjacent streets and alleys;

3 (ii) Have a minimum width of 20 feet at all points, exclusive of those  
4 obstructions allowed within Setbacks pursuant to San Francisco Planning Code Section 136;

5 (iii) Provide public pedestrian access with dual sidewalks each of not less  
6 than six feet in width with not less than four feet minimum clear walking width, unless the alley is  
7 designed as a shared street;

8 (iv) Have at least 60% of the area of the Alley open to the sky. Obstructions  
9 permitted within Setbacks pursuant to Planning Code Section 136 may be located within the portion of  
10 the alley or pathway that is required to be open to the sky. All portions of the Alley not open to the sky  
11 shall have a minimum clearance height from grade of 15 feet at all points;

12 (v) Provide such ingress and egress as will make the area easily accessible  
13 to the general public;

14 (vi) Have appropriate paving, furniture, and other amenities that encourage  
15 pedestrian use;

16 (vii) Be landscaped;

17 (viii) Have sufficient pedestrian lighting to ensure pedestrian comfort and  
18 safety;

19 (ix) Be free of any changes in grade or steps not required by the underlying  
20 natural topography and average grade; and

21 (x) Be fronted by Active Lane Uses.

22 (B) **Mid-Block Passage.** There shall be a Mid-Block Passage on Block 15. The  
23 Mid-Block Passage shall:

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1 (i) Be located as close to the middle portion of the subject block as possible,  
2 connect to existing adjacent streets and alleys, and can be either perpendicular to the subject Frontage  
3 or diagonal across the Block;

4 (ii) Provide publicly accessible east-west access through the entire depth of  
5 Block 15 on the ground floor with at least 20 feet of continuous clear width and 15 feet of continuous  
6 clear height; and may be completely enclosed to facilitate preservation of the existing Station A walls;  
7 and shall be pedestrian only. If Station A is damaged such that 30% or less of the eastern wall  
8 remains, a Mid-Block Alley shall be provided pursuant to the standards set forth in subsection  
9 (h)(14)(A), except that the pathway shall be pedestrian only, and if the pathway is enclosed it shall have  
10 a continuous clear height of 30 feet.

11 (C) **Relationship to Open Space Requirements.** Any non-vehicular portions of such  
12 a Passage or Alley, including sidewalks or other walking areas, seating areas, or landscaping, are  
13 permitted to count toward any open space requirements that include or require publicly accessible  
14 open space on the same block where the Passage or Alley is located.

15 (i) **Compliance with Article 4 of the Planning Code.**

16 (A) **Inclusionary Housing Requirements.** Proposed Building Projects in areas of  
17 the Special Use District that are subject to a Development Agreement shall comply with the affordable  
18 housing requirements of the Development Agreement. Proposed Building Projects in areas of the  
19 Special Use District that are not subject to a Development Agreement shall comply with the affordable  
20 housing requirements as set forth in Section 415.1 et seq. Upon expiration or termination of the  
21 Development Agreement as applied to a portion of the Project Site not yet permitted for construction,  
22 the then-applicable affordable housing requirements of the Planning Code shall apply to that portion of  
23 the Project Site, without reference to the date of any earlier environmental evaluation or development  
24 application.

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1                    (B) **Other Impact Fees.** For so long as the Development Agreement remains in effect  
2 with respect to a portion of the Project Site, the developer impact fees payable for any Vertical  
3 Development on that portion of the Project Site will be determined in accordance with the Development  
4 Agreement. Upon expiration or termination of the Development Agreement as applied to a portion of  
5 the Project Site, the then-applicable developer impact fees in the Planning Code shall apply to that  
6 portion of the Project Site.

7                    (j) **Relationship to State or Local Density Bonus Programs.** In exchange for the benefits  
8 expressed in the Development Agreement and this Section 249.87, and as set forth in the Development  
9 Agreement, any Building Projects within the SUD shall not be eligible for additional density or  
10 modifications to development standards allowed in any state or local law allowing additional density  
11 or modifications to development in exchange for on-site affordable housing, including but not limited to  
12 the State Density Bonus Law (California Government Code § 65915 et seq), the Affordable Housing  
13 Bonus Program (Planning Code section 206 et seq.), and Planning Code Sections 207.

14                    (k) **Modifications to Building Standards and Use Requirements.**

15                    (1) **No Modifications or Variances.** No variances, exceptions, modifications or  
16 other deviations from the requirements and standards of the Planning Code, including this SUD, and of  
17 the Design for Development are permitted except through the procedures for granting of Minor and  
18 Major Modifications established in this SUD. No modifications or variances are permitted for  
19 permitted Uses (with the exception of numerical standards related to Ground Floor Uses), maximum  
20 building height, or maximum automobile parking spaces.

21                    (2) **Modification of Other Building Standards and Use Requirements.** A  
22 dimensional or numerical standard for Building Standards and Ground Floor Use Requirements may  
23 only be modified as provided in subsections (k)(3) and (k)(4), on a project-by-project basis. In order to  
24 grant a modification, the Director or Commission must find that the proposed modification achieves  
25 equal or superior design quality and public benefit as strict compliance with the applicable standard

1 and meets the intent of the SUD and the Design for Development.

2 (3) **Minor Modifications.** The Planning Director may approve a Minor  
3 Modification administratively in accordance with the procedures set forth in subsection (n).

4 (4) **Major Modifications.** The Planning Commission may approve any application  
5 for a Major Modification in accordance with the procedures set forth in subsection (n).

6 (l) **Development Phase Approval.** Consistent with the Development Agreement, the  
7 Developer shall submit Development Phase Plan to the Planning Director for approval, and no  
8 development may be approved within a Development Phase until after the Planning Director issues a  
9 Development Phase Approval. The Development Phase Approval process, as set forth in the  
10 Development Agreement, is to ensure that all Community Improvements and Building Projects within a  
11 Development Phase are consistent with the Development Agreement and this SUD. Planning shall  
12 review Development Phase Applications within 30 days of receipt in order to determine completeness.  
13 If the Planning Director fails to respond within such 30-day period, the Development Phase  
14 Application will be deemed complete. The Planning Director shall act on a Development Phase  
15 Application within 60 days after submittal of a complete Development Phase Application. Changes  
16 proposed by the Planning Department will be reasonably considered by Developer, and changes  
17 proposed by Developer will be reasonably considered by the Planning Department. If there are no  
18 objections, or upon resolution of any differences, the Planning Director shall approve the Development  
19 Phase Application with such revisions, comments, or requirements as may be permitted in accordance  
20 with the terms of the Development Agreement and the Phasing Plan.

21 (m) **Design Review and Approval.** The Planning Department shall approve only those  
22 applications for individual Building Projects that are consistent with a Development Phase Approval.  
23 To ensure that Buildings and Privately-Owned Community Improvements meet the requirements of the  
24 Planning Code, including this Section 249.87, and the Design for Development, an Applicant shall  
25 submit a Design Review Application and receive approval from the Planning Director, or the Planning

1 Commission if required, before obtaining any permits for the applicable construction. Standards and  
2 limitations on design review approval are set forth in subsection (n), below. Nothing in this Section  
3 249.87 limits the Charter authority of any City department or commission or the rights of City agencies  
4 to review and approve proposed infrastructure as set forth in the Development Agreement.

5 (n) **Design Review Applications and Process.**

6 (1) **Applications.** Each Design Review Application shall include the documents and  
7 other materials necessary to determine consistency with the Planning Code, including this Section  
8 249.87, and the Design for Development, including site plans, floor plans, sections, elevations,  
9 renderings, landscape plans, and exterior material samples to illustrate the overall concept design of  
10 the proposed buildings. If an Applicant requests a Major or Minor Modification, the application shall  
11 describe proposed changes in reasonable detail, and to the satisfaction of the Planning Director,  
12 including narrative and supporting images, if appropriate, and a statement of the purpose or benefits of  
13 the proposed modification(s).

14 (2) **Completeness.** Planning Department staff shall review the application for  
15 completeness and advise the Applicant in writing of any deficiencies within 30 days of the date of the  
16 application.

17 (3) **Design Review of Buildings and Privately-Owned Community Improvements.**

18 (A) **Building Pre-Application Meeting.** Prior to submittal of a Design  
19 Review Application, the Applicant shall conduct a minimum of one pre-application public meeting. The  
20 meeting shall be conducted at, or within a one-mile radius of, the Project Site, but otherwise subject to  
21 the Planning Department's pre-application meeting procedures, including but not limited to the  
22 submittal of required meeting documentation. A Planning Department representative shall be invited to  
23 such meeting.

24 (B) **Parks and Open Space Outreach.** Prior to the Planning Department's  
25 approval of any Design Review Application for any parks or open space within the Power Station park

1 system, the Applicant shall conduct a minimum of two community meetings; additional meetings may be  
2 required at the discretion of the Planning Director. The meetings shall be conducted at, or within a  
3 one-mile radius of, the Project Site, but otherwise subject to the Planning Department's pre-application  
4 meeting procedures, including but not limited to the submittal of required meeting documentation. A  
5 Planning Department representative shall be invited to such meetings.

6 (C) **Design Review Process.** Following submittal of the Design Review  
7 Application, upon a determination of completeness, Planning Department staff shall conduct design  
8 review and prepare a staff report determining compliance with this Section 249.87, the Planning Code,  
9 and the Design for Development, including a recommendation regarding any modifications sought.  
10 The staff report shall be delivered to the Applicant and any third parties requesting notice in writing,  
11 shall be kept on file, and shall be posted on the Department's website for public review, within 60 days  
12 of the determination of completeness. If Planning Department staff determines that the design is not  
13 compliant with this Section 249.87, the Planning Code, or the Design for Development, the Applicant  
14 may resubmit the Application, in which case the requirements of this subsection (n) for determination  
15 of completeness, staff review and determination of compliance, and delivery, filing, and posting of the  
16 staff report, shall apply anew.

17 (4) **Off-Street Parking.** Design Review Applications for Buildings shall include the  
18 requested number of off-street parking spaces sought for the Building. It is the intent of Section 249.87  
19 that at full build-out of all Parcels in the SUD, the total number of off-street parking spaces within the  
20 SUD shall not exceed the applicable maximum parking ratios specified in Table 249.87-4. The  
21 maximum parking ratios shall not apply to individual Buildings or Parcels, but shall be considered  
22 cumulatively for the Buildings within the SUD as a whole, as set forth in the Development Agreement.  
23 In the event an individual Building results in parking that exceeds the applicable maximum parking  
24 ratios for the then cumulative development on the Project Site, the excess parking shall not be put into  
25 operation and shall be excluded from the available parking supply until such time as additional

1 development within the Project Site occurs and the then applicable maximum parking ratios no longer  
2 are exceeded. Each application shall include both the individual request for off-street parking related  
3 to the specific location and the cumulative number of off-street parking spaces previously approved.

4 (5) **Approvals and Public Hearings for Buildings and Privately-Owned**

5 **Community Improvements.**

6 (A) **Buildings and Privately-Owned Community Improvements Seeking No**  
7 **Modifications.** Within 10 days after the delivery and posting of the staff report on the Design Review  
8 Application, the Planning Director shall approve or disapprove the design based on its compliance  
9 with the Planning Code, including this Section 249.87, the Design for Development, and the General  
10 Plan. If the Design Review Application is consistent with the numeric standards set forth in this  
11 Section 249.87 and the Design for Development, the Planning Director's discretion to approve or  
12 disapprove the Design Review Application shall be limited to the Application's consistency with the  
13 non-numeric elements of the Design for Development and the General Plan. Prior to approval of a  
14 Design Review Application for any building and/or Privately-Owned Community Improvement that is  
15 200 feet or more in height, or for the rehabilitation and development of Station A on Block 15 or of  
16 Unit 3 on Block 9, the Planning Director shall refer the Design Review Application to the Planning  
17 Commission for an informational hearing. Such informational hearing shall consider any pedestrian  
18 bridge proposed for attachment to Station A, regardless of whether such bridge is initially proposed as  
19 part of the Station A building or an adjacent building that proposes a bridge that would ultimately  
20 connect to Station A. In accordance with San Francisco Administrative Code Section 71.5, any Mills  
21 Act contract would also require approval by the Historic Preservation Commission.

22 (B) **Buildings and Privately-Owned Community Improvements Seeking**  
23 **Minor Modifications.** Within 10 days after the delivery and posting of the staff report on the Design  
24 Review Application including a Minor Modification, the Planning Director, shall approve or  
25 disapprove any Minor Modification based on its compliance with the Planning Code, including this

1 Section 249.87, the Design for Development, and the General Plan. Notwithstanding any other  
2 provisions of this Section 249.87, the Planning Director may, at his or her discretion, refer any  
3 Application that proposes a Minor Modification to the Planning Commission if the Planning Director  
4 determines that the proposed Modification does not meet the intent of the Design for Development or  
5 the SUD.

6 (C) **Buildings and Privately-Owned Community Improvements Seeking**  
7 **Minor or Major Modifications.** If an application for Design Review seeks one or more Major  
8 Modifications, or if a Design Review Application that proposed a Minor Modification is otherwise  
9 referred to the Planning Commission, the Planning Commission shall calendar the item for a public  
10 hearing, subject to any required noticing. The Planning Commission’s review shall be limited to the  
11 proposed Major Modification or the modifications referred by the Planning Director for failure to meet  
12 the Design for Development standards. The Planning Commission shall consider all comments from the  
13 public and the recommendations of the staff report and the Planning Director in making a decision to  
14 approve or disapprove the Design Review Application, including the granting of any Major  
15 Modifications.

16 (D) **Notice of Hearings.** In addition to complying with the notice  
17 requirements of the Brown Act and the Sunshine Ordinance, notice of Planning Commission hearings  
18 shall be provided as follows:

19 (i) by mail not less than 20 days prior to the date of the hearing, to  
20 the Applicant, to residents within 300 feet of the exterior boundaries of the property that is the subject  
21 of the application, using for this purpose the names and addresses as shown on the citywide assessment  
22 roll in the Office of the Tax Collector, and to any person who has requested such notice; and

23 (ii) by posting on the subject property not less than 10 days prior to  
24 the date of the hearing.

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1           (o) **Building Permits.** Each building permit application submitted to the Department of  
2 Building Inspection for Buildings shall be forwarded to the Planning Department. The applicable  
3 department shall review the building permit application for consistency with the authorizations granted  
4 pursuant to this Section 249.87. For improvements to be built upon Port property, the Chief Harbor  
5 Engineer shall review all permit applications on behalf of the Port.

6           (p) **Change of Use.** No building permit may be issued for any building and/or Privately-  
7 Owned Community Improvement or for a Certificate of Occupancy or Certificate of Temporary  
8 Occupancy that would authorize a new use unless the Planning Department determines such permit or  
9 Certificate is consistent with the controls in this Section 249.87. Upon expiration or termination of the  
10 Development Agreement, any new development, other than replacement of what was built under the  
11 Development Agreement, shall require a conditional use approval under Section 303 of this Code.

12           (q) **Discretionary Review.** No requests for discretionary review shall be accepted by the  
13 Planning Department or heard by the Planning Commission for any Building in the SUD.

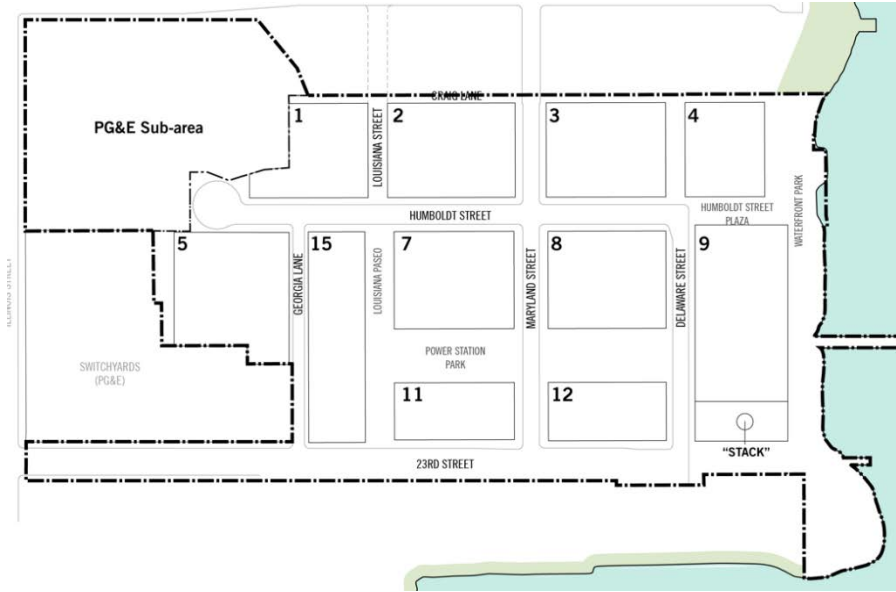
14           (r) **Waiver of Planning Code Section 138.1.** The streetscape design set forth in the Design  
15 for Development attached to the Development Agreement shall set forth sufficient standards for  
16 pedestrian and streetscape improvements for so long as the Development Agreement remains in effect.

17           (s) **Compliance with Planning Code Section 169.** The TDM provisions included in the  
18 Development Agreement shall govern in this SUD.

19           (t) **Operative Date for the PG&E Sub-Area.** The zoning controls expressed in this Section  
20 249.87 shall not become operative as to the PG&E Sub-Area, as shown on Map 249.87-1, or any  
21 portion thereof, until a Notice of Joinder to the Development Agreement approved by the Board of  
22 Supervisors in Board file No. 200040 has been recorded, or until the PG&E Sub-Area, or any portion  
23 thereof, is conveyed to the Developer. Copies of the Development Agreement, including a form of the  
24 Notice of Joinder, and a legal description of the PG&E Sub-Area are on file with the Clerk of the  
25 Board of Supervisors in Board File No. 200040.

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**Map 249.87-1**



Section 3. The Planning Code is hereby amended in accordance with Planning Code Section 106 by revising Sectional Map ZN[08], Height Map HT[08], and Special Use District Map SU[08] of the Zoning Map, as follows:

(a) To change the Zoning Map (ZN[X08]) as follows:

Assessor's Parcels (Blocks/Lot Numbers)	Current Zoning to be Superseded	Proposed Zoning to be Approved
4175/002; 4175/017; 4175/018 (partial), 4232/001; 4232/006 and non-assessed Port and City and County of San Francisco properties, the legal descriptions of which are found in Exhibits A-1, A-2, A-4	M-2	PPS-MU

1 through A-7 to the Development Agreement (District 10)		
3 Non-assessed Port properties, the legal description for which is found in Exhibit A-3 to the Development Agreement (District 10)	M-2 and PDR-1-G	P

7 (b) To change the Height and Bulk Map (HT[08]) from 40-X and 65-X to 65-PPS  
8 and 240-PPS.

9 <b>Assessor's Parcels (Blocks/Lot Numbers)</b>	10 <b>Height and Bulk District Superseded</b>	11 <b>New Height and Bulk District</b>
12 4175/002; 4175/017; 4175/018 13 (partial), 4232/001; 4232/006 and 14 non-assessed Port and City and 15 County of San Francisco properties, 16 the legal descriptions for which are 17 found in Exhibits A-1 through A-7 to 18 the Development Agreement (District 19 10)	40-X / 65-X	65-PPS / 240-PPS

20 (c) To change the Special Use District Map (SU[08]) by creating the new Potrero  
21 Power Station Special Use District and assigning the following Parcels to be within the Potrero  
22 Power Station Special Use District:

23 <b>Assessor's Parcels (Blocks/Lot Numbers)</b>	24 <b>Special Use District</b>
24 4175/002; 4175/017; 4175/018 (partial), 4232/001; 25 4232/006 and non-assessed Port and City and County of	Potrero Power Station Special Use District

<p>1 San Francisco properties, the legal descriptions for which  2 are found in Exhibits A-1 through A-7 to the Development  3 Agreement (District 10)</p>	
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5 Section 4. The Planning Code is hereby amended to revise Section 201 as follows:

6 To add the Potrero Power Station Special Use District, after the “Mission Rock Mixed  
7 Use District”, as follows:

<p>8 <u>Potrero Power Station Mixed Use District</u>  9 <u>(Also see Sec. 249.87)</u></p>	
<p>10 <u>PPS-MU</u></p>	<p>11 <u>Potrero Power Station Mixed Use District</u>  12 <u>(Defined in Sec. 249.87(g)(1))</u></p>

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14 Section 5: The Figures presented in this ordinance (Figures 249.87-1 through 249.87-  
15 5) have been placed in Board of Supervisors File No. 200039, and are incorporated herein by  
16 this reference.

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18 Section 6. Effective and Operative Dates.

19 (a) This ordinance shall become effective 30 days after enactment. Enactment  
20 occurs when the Mayor signs the ordinance, the Mayor returns the ordinance unsigned or  
21 does not sign the ordinance within ten days of receiving it, or the Board of Supervisors  
22 overrides the Mayor’s veto of the ordinance.

23 (b) This ordinance shall become operative on its effective date or on the effective  
24 date of the Development Agreement for the Potrero Power Station Mixed-Use Project,  
25 enacted by the ordinance in Board of Supervisors File No. 200040, whichever date occurs

1 later; provided, that this ordinance shall not become operative if the ordinance regarding the  
2 Development Agreement is not approved.

3 (c) Notwithstanding subsection (b) above, this ordinance shall not become  
4 operative as to the areas labeled as “PG&E Sub-Area” on Map 249.87-1, or any portion  
5 thereof, until the conditions in Section 249.87(t) have been satisfied. A copy of the Map, and  
6 a legal description of the area subject to this subsection (c) is on file with the Clerk of the  
7 Board of Supervisors in Board File No. 200039.

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9 APPROVED AS TO FORM:  
10 DENNIS J. HERRERA, City Attorney

11 By:                               /s/                                
12 AUSTIN M. YANG  
13 Deputy City Attorney

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City and County of San Francisco  
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Ordinance

City Hall  
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place  
San Francisco, CA 94102-4689

File Number: 200039

Date Passed: April 21, 2020

Ordinance amending the Planning Code and Zoning Map to establish the Potrero Power Station Special Use District, generally bound by 22nd Street and the southern portion of the newly created Craig Lane to the north, the San Francisco Bay to the east, 23rd Street to the south, and Illinois Street to the west; and making findings under the California Environmental Quality Act, findings of consistency with the General Plan, the eight priority policies of Planning Code, Section 101.1, and findings of public necessity, convenience, and welfare under Planning Code, Section 302.

April 13, 2020 Land Use and Transportation Committee - AMENDED, AN AMENDMENT OF THE WHOLE BEARING SAME TITLE

April 13, 2020 Land Use and Transportation Committee - RECOMMENDED AS AMENDED AS A COMMITTEE REPORT

April 14, 2020 Board of Supervisors - PASSED ON FIRST READING

Ayes: 11 - Fewer, Haney, Mandelman, Mar, Peskin, Preston, Ronen, Safai, Stefani, Walton and Yee

April 21, 2020 Board of Supervisors - FINALLY PASSED

Ayes: 11 - Fewer, Haney, Mandelman, Mar, Peskin, Preston, Ronen, Safai, Stefani, Walton and Yee

File No. 200039

I hereby certify that the foregoing Ordinance was FINALLY PASSED on 4/21/2020 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

Angela Calvillo  
Clerk of the Board

London N. Breed  
Mayor

Date Approved