

REVISED LEGISLATIVE DIGEST
(Substituted, 11/8/2016)

[Planning Code - Medical Service Use - Sacramento Street Neighborhood Commercial District]

Ordinance amending the Planning Code to provide that in the Sacramento Street Neighborhood Commercial District a Medical Service use, whether Principal or Accessory, requires a Conditional Use authorization on the ground story and is permitted above the ground story; affirming the Planning Department's determination under the California Environmental Quality Act; and making findings of consistency with the General Plan, and the eight priority policies of Planning Code, Section 101.1, and findings of public necessity, convenience, and welfare under Planning Code, Section 302.

Existing Law

Planning Code Section 703.2 sets forth the uses that are permitted or not permitted in Neighborhood Commercial Districts as principal, conditional, accessory, or temporary uses. Section 724 establishes the Sacramento Street Neighborhood Commercial District. It prohibits new medical service uses at all stories, except that a business or professional service use may be converted to a medical service use on the first story or below if no residential use or active street frontage is lost.

Amendments to Current Law

Section 724 is amended to provide that medical service uses, whether principal or accessory, require a Conditional Use authorization on the ground story and are permitted above the ground story. The exception that allows conversion of a business or professional service use to a medical service use on the first story or below is deleted. Section 703.2 is amended to conform to the amendment to Section 724.

Background Information

The limited exception that is proposed to be deleted was added to the Planning Code in 2013. Adoption of this ordinance will return to the previous working and allow a medical service use but require a Conditional Use authorization for a medical use on the ground story.

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