



# SAN FRANCISCO PLANNING DEPARTMENT

---

## Historic Preservation Commission Resolution No. 926 HEARING DATE DECEMBER 20, 2017

1650 Mission St.  
Suite 400  
San Francisco,  
CA 94103-2479

Reception:  
**415.558.6378**

Fax:  
**415.558.6409**

Planning  
Information:  
**415.558.6377**

*Case No.:* 2017-011910DES  
*Project :* Diamond Heights Safety Wall  
Recommendation to Board of Supervisors  
*Staff Contact:* Desiree Smith – (415) 575-9093  
desiree.smith@sfgov.org  
*Reviewed By:* Tim Frye – (415) 575-6822  
[tim.frye@sfgov.org](mailto:tim.frye@sfgov.org)


### RESOLUTION TO RECOMMEND TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ARTICLE 10 LANDMARK DESIGNATION OF WALL AT THE INTERSECTION OF DIAMOND HEIGHTS BOULEVARD AND CLIPPER STREET (DIAMOND HEIGHTS SAFETY WALL), AS LANDMARK NO. XXX

1. WHEREAS, a community-sponsored Application for Article 10 Landmark Designation for the wall at the intersection of Diamond Heights Boulevard and Clipper Street on Assessor's Parcel No. 7504, Lot 011 (aka Diamond Heights Safety Wall) was submitted to the Planning Department by Robert Pullum, a member of the public; and
2. WHEREAS, additional research and analysis of the significance of the wall at the intersection of Diamond Heights Boulevard and Clipper Street on Assessor's Parcel No. 7504, Lot 011 (aka Diamond Heights Safety Wall) was conducted by Department staff Hannah Lise Simonson and reviewed by Department staff Desiree Smith and Tim Frye, all of whom meet the Secretary of Interior's Professional Qualification Standards; and
3. WHEREAS, the Historic Preservation Commission, at its regular meeting of November 1, 2017 reviewed Department staff's analysis of the historical significance of the wall at the intersection of Diamond Heights Boulevard and Clipper Street on Assessor's Parcel No. 7504, Lot 011 (aka Diamond Heights Safety Wall) pursuant Article 10 as part of the Landmark Designation Case Report dated November 1, 2017 and initiated Landmark designation process through Resolution No. 914; and
4. WHEREAS, the Historic Preservation Commission finds that the nomination of the wall at the intersection of Diamond Heights Boulevard and Clipper Street on Assessor's Parcel No. 7504, Lot 011 (aka Diamond Heights Safety Wall) is in the form prescribed by the Historic Preservation Commission and contains supporting historic, architectural, and/or cultural documentation; and

5. WHEREAS, the Historic Preservation Commission finds that the wall at the intersection of Diamond Heights Boulevard and Clipper Street on Assessor's Parcel No. 7504, Lot 011 (aka Diamond Heights Safety Wall) conveys its historical and architectural significance for its association with the Diamond Heights Redevelopment Project, as a notable work of Bay Area artist and architect Stefan Alexander Novak, and as a visual landmark – a gateway into the Diamond Heights neighborhood; and
6. WHEREAS, the Historic Preservation Commission finds that the wall at the intersection of Diamond Heights Boulevard and Clipper Street on Assessor's Parcel No. 7504, Lot 011 (aka Diamond Heights Safety Wall) meets two of the Historic Preservation Commission's priorities for designation: the designation of underrepresented Landmark property types including Modernist properties and the designation of buildings located in geographically underrepresented areas; and
7. WHEREAS, the Historic Preservation Commission finds that the wall at the intersection of Diamond Heights Boulevard and Clipper Street on Assessor's Parcel No. 7504, Lot 011 (aka Diamond Heights Safety Wall) meets the eligibility requirements per Section 1004 of the Planning Code and warrants consideration for Article 10 landmark designation; and
8. WHEREAS, the Historic Preservation Commission finds that the boundaries and the list of character-defining features, as identified in the community-sponsored Article 10 Landmark Designation Application and Department-prepared Case Report, should be considered for preservation under the proposed landmark designation as they relate to the building's historical significance and retain historical integrity; and
9. WHEREAS, the proposed designation is consistent with the General Plan priority policies pursuant to Planning Code Sections 101.1 and 302; and furthers Priority Policy No. 7, that historic buildings be preserved; and
10. WHEREAS, the Department has determined that landmark designation is exempt from environmental review, pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15308 (Class Eight - Categorical); and

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Historic Preservation Commission hereby recommends to the Board of Supervisors approval of landmark designation of the wall at the intersection of Diamond Heights Boulevard and Clipper Street on Assessor's Parcel No. 7504, Lot 011 (aka Diamond Heights Safety Wall), pursuant to Article 10 of the Planning Code.

I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was adopted by the Historic Preservation Commission at its meeting on December 20, 2017.



Jonas P. Ionin  
Commission Secretary

AYES: Hyland, Johns, Johnck, Matsuda, Pearlman, Wolfram

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

ADOPTED: December 20, 2017