

GENERAL PLAN REFERRAL

10/12/2022

Case No.: 2008.1396GPR-02

Address: N/A

Block/Lot No.: South San Francisco, CA: 010-423-020, 010-423-050, Colma, CA: 093-330-120

Project Sponsor: San Francisco City and County Public Utilities Commission

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Finding: The project, on balance, is **in conformity** with the General Plan.

Project Description

The two below real estate transaction items to establish new easement are a part of the Regional Groundwater Storage and Recovery Project, which, in partnership with Daly City, San Bruno and CalWater, seeks to collectively manage San Francisco Public Utilities Commission (SFPUC) supplied surface water and San Mateo County supplied ground water so that ground water can be recharged during normal wet years and used to supplement surface water during dry years. The Storage and Recovery Project includes multiple components including new well facilities in San Mateo County. The two below easements, which are the subjects of this General Plan Referral, are described below.

PARCEL 17 ELECTRICAL SERVICE FOR REMOTE WATER SAMPLING CABINET: The San Francisco SFPUC seeks to obtain electrical service from San Francisco PG&E to power a remote water sampling cabinet located on property owned by the City and County of San Francisco (City). The property, SFPUC Parcel 17, is located behind 1755 Mission Road in South San Francisco, California.

SFPUC staff is currently negotiating a service agreement with PG&E, the fulfillment of which is subject to delivery of easements to PG&E for the required overhead electrical service line, which PG&E would own (PG&E Line). PG&E requires a 10-foot-wide right-of-way for overhead service lines for access to the lines; operation, maintenance, and repair of the lines; and for the removal of encroaching vegetation. SFPUC and PG&E staff identified an alignment for the PG&E Line, beginning at an existing PG&E pole located within an existing PG&E easement on property located at 1725 Mission Road, South San Francisco.

The necessary 10-foot-wide right-of-way crosses over two private commercial properties before reaching SFPUC Parcel 17. The SFPUC seeks to acquire an easement over each of the two properties. More particularly, the SFPUC seeks to acquire an approximately 179-square-foot easement over Assessor's Parcel 010-423-050, owned by Carlos Alberto Olivarez-Gonzalez and Griselda I. Gonzalez, and an approximately 1.7-square-foot easement over Assessor's Parcel 010-423-020, owned by Cypress Lawn Cemetery Association. Additionally, the SFPUC seeks to grant to PG&E a 10-foot-wide easement, comprising approximately 300-square-feet, over SFPUC Parcel 17.

MISSION ROAD ACCESS TO TREASURE ISLAND GROUNDWATER WELL STATION: The SFPUC seeks to acquire an approximately 14,619-square-foot Access Easement over, along, and across Assessor's Parcel No. 093-330-120 to reach a groundwater well station located on SFPUC property known internally as SFPUC MUNI ROW Parcels 2 and 3. The parcel is located in Colma, California; and owned by the Bay Area Rapid Transit (BART) Agency. The groundwater well station was constructed as part of Project No. CUW30103, Regional Groundwater Storage and Recovery. The groundwater well site has no practical vehicular access, which does not support the large bi-weekly deliveries of chemicals and other equipment and materials necessary to operate and maintain a groundwater well for production of potable water.

Environmental Review

The project received CEQA clearance under the Regional Groundwater Storage and Recovery Project EIR, certified by the Planning Commission on August 7, 2014, Motion No. 19210, Case No. 2008.1396E.

General Plan Compliance and Basis for Recommendation

As described below, the proposed components of the Regional Groundwater Storage and Recovery project is consistent with the Eight Priority Policies of Planning Code Section 101.1 and is, on balance, **in conformity** with the San Francisco General Plan.

Note: General Plan Objectives are shown in **BOLD UPPER CASE** font; Policies are in **Bold** font; staff comments are in *italic* font.

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION ELEMENT

OBJECTIVE 1

ACHIEVE A PROPER BALANCE AMONG THE CONSERVATION, UTILIZATION, AND DEVELOPMENT OF SAN FRANCISCO'S NATURAL RESOURCES.

Policy 1.3

Restore and replenish the supply of natural resources.

The project recharges underground water storage thus is restoring and replenishing the supply of natural resources.



OBJECTIVE 2

IMPLEMENT BROAD AND EFFECTIVE MANAGEMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES.

Policy 2.1

Coordinate regional and local management of natural resources.

Natural resources often extend beyond local and regional boundaries. Since the project site is in South San Francisco and Colma, CA, the project is making a coordinated effort to manage resources across municipalities.

OBJECTIVE 5

ASSURE A PERMANENT AND ADEQUATE SUPPLY OF FRESH WATER TO MEET THE PRESENT AND FUTURE NEEDS OF SAN FRANCISCO.

Policy 5.1

Maintain an adequate water distribution system within San Francisco.

The project makes sure that San Francisco, an intensely developed area and with great water demand, is served by facilities at their best capacity.

POLICY 5.3

Ensure water purity.

San Francisco's drinking water must meet State and Federal water quality standards. The project ensures water quality by supporting the water sampling and purification processes and by monitoring storage facilities and transmission lines for threats to the water supply.

COMMUNITY SAFETY ELEMENT

OBJECTIVE 5

BE PREPARED FOR THE ONSET OF A DISASTER BY PROVIDING PUBLIC EDUCATION AND TRAINING ABOUT EARTHQUAKES AND OTHE RNATURAL AND MAN-MADE DISASTERS, BY READYING THE CITY'S INFRASTRUCTURE, AND BY ENSURING THE NECESSARY COORDINATION IS IN PLACE FOR A READY RESPONSE.

Policy 5.1

Ensure potable water is available in an emergency.

The Regional Groundwater Storage and Recovery Project is a part of the SFPUC's Water System Improvement Project, which, in part, seeks to reduce vulnerability to earthquakes. The Regional Groundwater Storage and Recovery Project would provide increased regional operational flexibility to respond to and restore water service during unplanned outages and loss of a water source, or both.



Planning Code Section 101 Findings

Planning Code Section 101.1 establishes Eight Priority Policies and requires review of discretionary approvals and permits for consistency with said policies. The Project is found to be consistent with the Eight Priority Policies as set forth in Planning Code Section 101.1 for the following reasons:

1. That existing neighborhood-serving retail uses be preserved and enhanced and future opportunities for resident employment in and ownership of such businesses enhanced;

The proposed transactions would not affect neighborhood-servicing uses in San Francisco.

2. That existing housing and neighborhood character be conserved and protected to preserve the cultural and economic diversity of our neighborhoods;

The proposed transactions would not affect existing housing and neighborhood character in San Francisco.

3. That the City's supply of affordable housing be preserved and enhanced;

The proposed transactions are not related to housing therefore they would not affect the San Francisco's supply of affordable housing.

4. That commuter traffic does not impede MUNI transit service or overburden our streets or neighborhood parking;

The proposed transactions would not affect commuter traffic, Muni transit, streets or neighborhood parking in San Francisco.

5. That a diverse economic base be maintained by protecting our industrial and service sectors from displacement due to commercial office development, and that future opportunities for resident employment and ownership in these sectors be enhanced;

The proposed transactions would not affect the City's diverse economic base or its industrial and service sectors.

6. That the City achieve the greatest possible preparedness to protect against injury and loss of life in an earthquake;

The proposed transactions would not affect earthquake preparedness in San Francisco.

7. That the landmarks and historic buildings be preserved;

The proposed transactions would not affect landmarks and historic buildings in San Francisco.

8. That our parks and open space and their access to sunlight and vistas be protected from development;



The proposed transactions would not affect parks and open space in San Francisco.

Finding:

The project, on balance, is **in conformity** with the General Plan.

