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[Changing the Official Sidewalk Width - Brotherhood Way]

Ordinance amending Ordinance No. 1061 entitled "Regulating the Width of Sidewalks" by adding thereto Section 1588 to change the official sidewalk width on north side of Brotherhood Way west of Chumasero Drive; making environmental findings and findings pursuant to the General Plan and Planning Code Section 101.1; requiring relocation, modification, or both of facilities affected by the sidewalk width change.

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

Section 2. In the abovementioned letter, the Planning Department also determined that the actions contemplated in this Ordinance are in compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act (California Public Resources Code sections 21000 et seq.). Said determination is incorporated herein by reference.

Section 3. In accordance with the Department of Public Works' Order No. 179,152, a copy of which is in the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors File No. 110623 and incorporated herein by reference, Board of Supervisors Ordinance No. 1061, entitled "Regulating the Width of Sidewalks," a copy of which is in the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

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Book of General Ordinances, in effect May 11, 1910, is hereby amended by adding thereto a new section to read as follows:

Section 1588. The official sidewalk width on north side of Brotherhood Way west of Chumasero Drive shall be as shown on Department of Public Works drawings Q-20-661change 1, copies of which are in the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors File No. 110623

Section 4. Jackson Liles Architecture, as is necessary as a result of this Ordinance, shall make arrangements with public utility companies and City Departments for the relocation, modification, or any affected public facilities. Any necessary relocation, modification, or both of such facilities shall be at no cost to the City and County of San Francisco.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

DENNIS J. HERRERA, City Attorney

John D. Malamut Deputy City Attorney

RECOMMENDED:

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

Edward D. Reiskin Director of Public Works

LEGISLATIVE DIGEST

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Existing Law

Board of Supervisors' Ordinance No. 1061 established the official sidewalk widths throughout San Francisco.

Amendments to Current Law

This legislation would amend Ordinance No. 1061 to change the official sidewalk width on the north side of Brotherhood Way west of Chumasero Drive. The Ordinance would make environmental findings and findings of conformity with the General Plan and Planning Code Section 101.1. This legislation also would require any necessary relocation, modification, or both of the facilities affected by the sidewalk width change to be done at no cost to the City.

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July 20, 2009

Mr. Tim Heffeman BKF Engineers 225 Shoreline Drive, Suite 200 Redwood City, CA 94065

Re: Case No. 2008.0418R

Proposed Sidewalk Change, North Side of Brotherhood Way West of Chumasero Drive Assessor's Block No 7331, Lots 005

Dear Mr. Tim Hefferman:

Pursuant to Section 4.105 of the City Charter and Section 2A.53 of the Administrative Code, the Planning Department received the above-referenced General Plan Referral, submitted on your behalf by Kam Hui of SF DPW/BSM. We have determined that the proposed project is, on balance, in conformity with the General Plan, as described in the attached Case Report.

The proposal is to improve the sidewalk along Brotherhood Way for new residents in coordination with the 800 Brotherhood Way development project. The proposal also includes a new access road into the residential development site at 800 Brotherhood Way. The detailed specifications of the project support multiple key objectives including maintaining existing open space, providing adequate pedestrian infrastructure, and safe, calmed auto capacity. Given the scope of the project detailed schematics were reviewed in coordination with Jerry Robins of the Municipal Transportation Agency (MTA) and a detailed proposal, shown in an attached site plan, was agreed on by all parties. Specifically implementation of the project will result in the following dimensions from median to the open space at 800 Brotherhood Way:

Median

Travel lane 1

Travel lane 12

Parking lane 7'

Curb

Planting strip 5

Sidewalk 7

The project should be implemented with these dimensions and consistent with the attached drawing. Any alterations to this proposal should not reduce the width of the pedestrian sidewalk, increase the distance from curb to median (or Curb to Curb), or increase the width of travel lanes. Any proposals of that nature would require resubmittal of the project to the Planning Department for reconsideration of General Plan conformity.

The project sponsor is responsible for re-landscaping the existing public right-of-way (via conditions of approval). Project Sponsors in coordination with the Department of Public Works Bureau of Urban Forestry will complete a comprehensive design package, regarding the landscaping of the right-of-way, which will include specifics as to the nature of the planting bed between the sidewalk and the curb face and all required street trees. This design package will include the specific treatment of the widened planting bed across from the adjacent intersection.

Environmental Review

This proposal was analyzed in the 800 Brotherhood Way Transportation Study and subsequently incorporated into the Negative Declaration, which was appealed and upheld by the City Planning Commission on May 19, 2005 per Motion 17021, Planning Commission Case number 2003.0536E.

The project has also been reviewed for consistency with the Eight Priority Policies of the Planning Code Section 101.1 and the findings are attached.

Sincerely,

Director of Planning

Attachments:

- 1. General Plan Case Report
- 2. Planning Code Section 101.1 Priority Policies
- 3. Plan of proposed Improvements 800 Brotherhood Way

Kearstin Dischinger, Planner Kam Hui, SF DPW/BSM

Attachment 1.

GENERAL PLAN REFERRAL CASE REPORT

Staff Reviewer:

Kearstin Dischinger

General Plan Objectives and Policies are in **bold** font. Policy text is in regular font. Staff comments are in *italic* font.

General Plan Considerations

Recreation and Open Space Element

OBJECTIVE 2

DEVELOP AND MAINTAIN A DIVERSIFIED AND BALANCED CITYWIDE SYSTEM OF HIGH QUALITY PUBLIC OPEN SPACE.

POLICY 2.2 Preserve existing public open space

Development sometimes threatens public open spaces regardless of whether or not it is a formal part of the City's park and open space system. While few public open spaces have been lost in their entirety to other uses, almost all public open spaces at one time or another has been viewed as a source of vacant land for new construction. The shortage of vacant sites and the intensity of development in San Francisco produce pressures on the city's public open space. These same factors generate considerable demand for open space and leave few opportunities to expand the open space system. Consequently, it is essential that the City preserve the public open space, which remains.

The proposal aims to maintain the existing the existing open space and increase pedestrian access to this space and the nearby Lake Merced recreation area.

OBJECTIVE 4

PROVIDE OPPORTUNITIES FOR RECREATION AND THE ENJOYMENT OF OPEN SPACE IN EVERY SAN FRANCISCO NEIGHBORHOOD.

POLICY 4.1

Make better use of existing facilities

The proposal aims to maintain the existing open space and increase pedestrian access to this space and the near by Lake Merced.

URBAN DESIGN ELEMENT - NEIGHBORHOOD ENVIRONMENT

POLICY 4.13

Improve pedestrian areas by providing human scale and interest.

TRANSPORTATION ELEMENT

IMPROVE THE CITY'S PEDESTRIAN CIRCULATION SYSTEM TO PROVIDE FOR EFFICIENT, PLEASANT, AND SAFE MOVEMENT.

Provide sufficient pedestrian movement space with a minimum of pedestrian congestion in accordance with a pedestrian street classification system.

The proposed sidewalk improvements would result in an improved pedestrian environment along Brotherhood Way.

Widen sidewalks where intensive commercial, recreational, or institutional activity is present, sidewalks are congested and where residential densities are high.

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Maintain a strong presumption against reducing sidewalk widths, eliminating crosswalks and forcing indirect crossings to accommodate automobile traffic.

Minimize obstructions to through pedestrian movement on sidewalks by maintaining an unobstructed width that allows for passage of people, strollers and wheelchairs.

IMPROVE THE AMBIENCE OF THE PEDESTRIAN ENVIRONMENT.

CONSIDER THE SIDEWALK AREA AS AN IMPORTANT ELEMENT IN THE CITYWIDE OPEN SPACE PROGRAM.

General Plan Summary Findings

_ not inconformity with the General Plan. The project is, on balance X in conformity ___

Attachment 2.

EIGHT PRIORITY POLICIES FINDINGS

Proposition M Findings

Planning Code Section 101.1 establishes Eight Priority Policies and requires review of permits for consistency with said policies. The project, demolition and replacement of the Chinese Recreation Center, is found to be consistent with the Eight Priority Policies as set forth in Planning Code Section 101.1 for the following reasons:

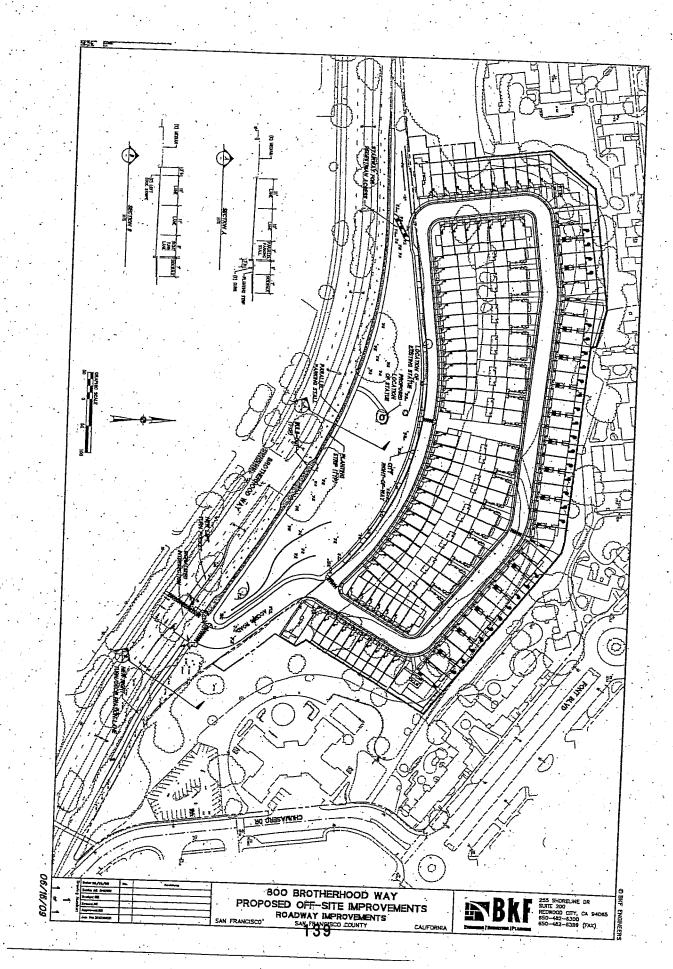
Eight Priority Policies Findings

The project is found to be consistent with the Eight Priority Policies of Planning Code Section 101.1 in that:

- 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 Project would have no adverse effect on neighborhood serving retail uses or opportunities for employment in or ownership of such businesses.
- 2. That existing housing and neighborhood character be conserved and protected in order to preserve the cultural and economic diversity of our neighborhood. The proposed Project would have no adverse effect on the City's housing stock or on neighborhood character. The existing housing and neighborhood character will be conserved and only improved by its implementation.
- 3. That the City's supply of affordable housing be preserved and enhanced. The proposed Project would have no adverse effect on the City's supply of affordable housing.
- 4. That commuter traffic not impede MUNI transit service or overburden our streets or neighborhood parking. The proposed Project would not result in commuter traffic impeding MUNI's transit service, overburdening the streets or altering current neighborhood parking.
- 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 residential employment and ownership in these sectors be enhanced. The proposed Project would not affect the existing economic base in this area.

- 6. That the City achieve the greatest possible preparedness to protect against injury and loss of life in an earthquake. The proposed Project would not adversely affect achieving the greatest possible preparedness against injury and loss of life in an earthquake.
- 7. That landmarks and historic buildings be preserved. This site is not a landmark or of historic significance.
- 8. That our parks and open space and their access to sunlight and vistas be protected from development. This proposed Project would have no adverse effect on parks and open space or their access to sunlight and vistas. The proposed improvements to the pedestrian amenities would enhance access to Lake Merced and the existing open space on Brotherhood Way.

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File 1106236

CITY AND COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

ORDER NO. 179,152

TRANSMITTING TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS LEGISLATION CHANGING OFFICIAL SIDEWALK WIDTH ON NORTH SIDE OF BROTHERHOOD WAY WEST OF CHUMASERO DR., AS SHOWN ON DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS DRAWING Q-20-661 CHANGE 1.

The Department of Public Works has received a request from Jackson Liles Architecture to change the official sidewalk width on north side of Brotherhood Way as shown on Department of Public Works drawing Q-20-661 Change 1.

The proposed change is to improve the sidewalk along Brotherhood Way for new residents in coordination with the 800 Brotherhood Way development project.

SFMTA (San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency) recommended approval of the sidewalk width change on June 3, 2010.

The following have been approved by the Department of Public Works, including its City Engineer, and are hereby transmitted to the Board of Supervisors:

- 1. Three (3) copies of the proposed Ordinance changing the official sidewalk width on north side of Brotherhood Way west of Chumasero Drive as shown on Department of Public Works drawing Q-20-661 Change 1.
- 2. Three (3) sets of said drawing showing the proposed change of official sidewalk as described above.
- 3. A copy of the Planning Department's letter dated July 20, 2009, finding that the proposed change of official sidewalk width is in conformity with the General Plan and consistent with the Eight Priority Policies of Section 101.1 of the Planning Code.

It is recommended that the Board of Supervisors adopt this Ordinance.

Edward D. Reiskin

Director of Public Works

Certified:

Fuad S. Sweiss, PE, PLS

City Engineer and Deputy of Engineering

RECOMMENDED:

Jerry Sanguinetti, Bureau Manager

cc: File (2)`
Board of Supervisors (signed)

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APPROVED: February 16, 2011

City and County Surveyor

EDWARD D. REISKIN, DIRECTOR

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