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[Initiating Landmark Designation - Golden Gate Spiritualist Church]

Resolution initiating landmark designation under Article 10 of the Planning Code for the Golden Gate Spiritualist Church, located at 1901 Franklin Street, Assessor's Parcel Block No. 0617, Lot No. 004.

WHEREAS, Under Planning Code, Section 1004.1, the Board of Supervisors may by Resolution initiate landmark designations; and

WHEREAS, Planning Code, Section 1004.2(b), requires the Historic Preservation Commission to respond to historic district or individual landmark designations initiated by the Board of Supervisors within 90 days, and authorizes the Board, by Resolution, to extend the time within which the Historic Preservation Commission is to render its decision; and

WHEREAS, the Golden Gate Spiritualist Church, located at 1901 Franklin Street, Assessor's Parcel Block No. 0617, Lot No. 004, was constructed in 1901 in the Pacific Heights neighborhood; and

WHEREAS, The 1968 book "Here Today, San Francisco's Architectural Heritage", by the Junior League of San Francisco, Inc. discusses the property; and

WHEREAS, the property is an excellent example of a Beaux Arts style residence from the early 1900's; and

WHEREAS, The property exhibits extant Beaux Arts features including an asymmetrical facade, windows surmounted by triangular pediments, Doric columns and pilasters, elaborate corner quoins, cornice and roof balustrade; and

WHEREAS, In 2023, the San Francisco Historic Preservation Commission adopted the Progressive Era & Early Revival Styles (1890-1930) Historic Context Statement, which

provided frameworks for identifying and evaluating Beaux Arts and early revival style buildings for historical significance and integrity; and

WHEREAS, Through applying the evaluative frameworks outlined in the Progressive Era & Early Revival Styles (1890-1930) Historic Context Statement, the property can be considered as an individually eligible historic resource based on its year built, extant character-defining features, and sufficient integrity; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, The Board of Supervisors hereby initiates landmark designation of the Golden Gate Spiritualist Church under Planning Code, Section 1004.1; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, The Board requests that the Planning Department prepare a landmark designation report to submit to the Historic Preservation Commission for its consideration of the full historical, architectural, aesthetic, and cultural interest and value of the Golden Gate Spiritualist Church; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, The Board of Supervisors requests that the Historic Preservation Commission consider whether the Golden Gate Spiritualist Church warrants landmark designation and submit its recommendation to the Board according to Article 10 of the Planning Code.

Member, Board of Supervisors
District 7

City and County of San Francisco

MYRNA MELGAR

DATE: March 18, 2026

TO: Angela Calvillo
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

FROM: Supervisor Myrna Melgar, Chair, Land Use and Transportation Committee

RE: Land Use and Transportation Committee
COMMITTEE REPORTS

Pursuant to Board Rule 4.20, as Chair of the Land Use and Transportation Committee, I have deemed the following matters are of an urgent nature and request them be considered by the full Board on Tuesday, March 24, 2026:

File No. 260249	**Initiating Landmark Designation - Century Club of California** Sponsors: Sherrill; Mandelman
File No. 260250	**Initiating Landmark Designation - Religious School for the Congregation Emanu-El/Grabhorn Press Building** Sponsors: Sherrill; Mandelman
File No. 260251	**Initiating Landmark Designation - Inverness Garage** Sponsors: Sherrill; Mandelman
File No. 260252	**Initiating Landmark Designation - Allen-Weaver-Durant-Smith Auto Showroom** Sponsors: Sherrill; Mandelman
File No. 260253	**Initiating Landmark Designation - First Church of Christ Scientist** Sponsors: Sherrill; Mandelman
File No. 260254	**Initiating Landmark Designation - Golden Gate Spiritualist Church** Sponsors: Sherrill; Mandelman
File No. 260255	**Initiating Landmark Designation - Pacific States Telephone and Telegraph Company / National Urban League** Sponsors: Sherrill; Mandelman
File No. 260256	**Initiating Landmark Designation - Mr. Cudworth's House** Sponsors: Sherrill; Mandelman
File No. 260257	**Initiating Landmark Designation - Upper Fillmore Storefronts** Sponsors: Sherrill; Mandelman

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File No. 260258	**Initiating Landmark Designation - Lincoln Grill** Sponsors: Sherrill; Mandelman
File No. 260259	**Initiating Landmark Designation - First AME Zion Church** Sponsors: Sherrill; Mandelman
File No. 260260	**Initiating Landmark Designation - International Institute** Sponsors: Sherrill; Mandelman
File No. 260261	**Initiating Landmark Designation - Presidio Theatre** Sponsors: Sherrill; Mandelman
File No. 260262	**Initiating Landmark Designation - Arthur Castle Home** Sponsors: Sherrill; Mandelman
File No. 260263	**Initiating Landmark Designation - Hannibal Lodge No. 1** Sponsors: Sherrill; Mandelman
File No. 260264	**Initiating Landmark Designation - The Bridge Theatre** Sponsors: Sherrill; Mandelman
File No. 260265	**Initiating Landmark Designation - The Vogue** Sponsors: Sherrill; Mandelman
File No. 260266	**Initiating Landmark Designation - Mel's Drive-In** Sponsors: Sherrill; Mandelman

These matters will be heard in the Land Use and Transportation Committee at a Regular Meeting on Monday, March 23, 2026.

Introduction Form

(by a Member of the Board of Supervisors or the Mayor)

I hereby submit the following item for introduction (select only one):

- [x] 1. For reference to Committee (Ordinance, Resolution, Motion or Charter Amendment)
- [ ] 2. Request for next printed agenda (For Adoption Without Committee Reference)
  (Routine, non-controversial and/or commendatory matters only)
- [ ] 3. Request for Hearing on a subject matter at Committee
- [ ] 4. Request for Letter beginning with "Supervisor _____ inquires…"
- [ ] 5. City Attorney Request
- [ ] 6. Call File No. _____ from Committee.
- [ ] 7. Budget and Legislative Analyst Request (attached written Motion)
- [ ] 8. Substitute Legislation File No. _____
- [ ] 9. Reactivate File No. _____
- [ ] 10. Topic submitted for Mayoral Appearance before the Board on _____

The proposed legislation should be forwarded to the following (please check all appropriate boxes):

☐ Small Business Commission ☐ Youth Commission ☐ Ethics Commission

☐ Planning Commission ☐ Building Inspection Commission ☐ Human Resources Department

General Plan Referral sent to the Planning Department (proposed legislation subject to Charter 4.105 & Admin 2A.53):

☐ Yes ☐ No

(Note: For Imperative Agenda items (a Resolution not on the printed agenda), use the Imperative Agenda Form.)

Sponsor(s):

Sherrill

Subject:

Initiating Landmark Designation - Golden Gate Spiritualist Church

Long Title or text listed:

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Signature of Sponsoring Supervisor: /s/ Stephen Sherrill