

**LEGISLATIVE DIGEST**

[Planning Code - Castro Street Neighborhood Commercial District Use Size Limits]

**Ordinance amending the Planning Code, Sections 121.2 and 715.1, the Castro Street Neighborhood Commercial District controls, to allow a neighborhood-serving nonprofit institution to exceed the use size limits with a Conditional Use Authorization; making environmental findings, Planning Code, Section 302, findings, and findings of consistency with the General Plan and the Priority Policies of Planning Code, Section 101.1.**

Existing Law

Planning Code Section 121.2 establishes a 2,000 square foot size limit for permitted uses in the Castro Street Neighborhood Commercial District. Section 715.21 allows a use size between 2,000 and 3,999 square feet by Conditional Use Authorization and prohibits use sizes 4,000 square feet and above.

Amendments to Current Law

Planning Code Sections 121.2 and 715.21 are amended to allow a large neighborhood-serving non-profit institution to exceed the 4,000 square foot limit through a Conditional Use Authorization.

Background Information

The intent of the amendments is to allow for carefully-vetted and community-supported larger institutional uses within the Neighborhood Commercial District in order to provide services closer to resident populations.