



SAN FRANCISCO PLANNING DEPARTMENT

HEARING DATE: March 16, 2016
CASE NUMBERS: 2015-003877DES – 35-45 Onondaga Avenue
TO: Historic Preservation Commission
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RE: Landmark Recommendation Resolution

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Dear President Wolfram and Members of the Commission:

On February 17, 2016, the Historic Preservation Commission (HPC) approved with conditions Resolution No. 758 to initiate Article 10 landmark designation of 35-45 Onondaga Avenue, known historically as the Alemany Emergency Hospital and Health Center. Please note the character defining features listed in the Designation Ordinance have been amended to include the skylights and their relationship to the space below.

Under Article 10, initiation and recommendation are two distinct steps of the landmark designation process which require separate hearings and resolutions. Attached is a draft Resolution to recommend approval to the Board of Supervisors the designation of 35-45 Onondaga Avenue, the Alemany Emergency Hospital and Health Center, as a San Francisco landmark under Article 10 of the Planning Code, Section 1004.1. The Planning Department (Department) recommends adopting this Resolution.

ATTACHMENTS:

Draft Resolution
February 17, 2016 Case Report
Landmark Designation Fact Sheet
Exhibits
Community Support Letters
Community Sponsored Landmark Designation Application
Designation Ordinance
Resolution 758



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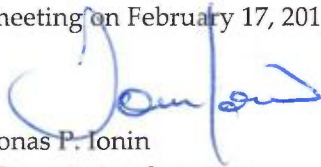
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RESOLUTION TO INITIATE 35-45 ONONDAGA AVENUE, HISTORICALLY KNOWN AS THE ALEMANY EMERGENCY HOSPITAL AND HEALTH CENTER, LOTS 016 AND 017 IN ASSESSOR'S BLOCK 6956, AS AN ARTICLE 10 LANDMARK.

1. WHEREAS, a community-sponsored Application for Article 10 Landmark Designation for 35-45 Onondaga Avenue was submitted to the Planning Department by members of the New Mission Terrace Improvement Association; and
2. WHEREAS, on May 20, 2015 the Historic Preservation Commission added 35-45 Onondaga Avenue to the Landmark Designation Work Program; and
3. WHEREAS, the Historic Preservation Commission finds that 35-45 Onondaga Avenue, built in 1933, is significant as the last buildings constructed as part of San Francisco's emergency hospital system; and
4. WHEREAS, the Historic Preservation Commission finds that 35-45 Onondaga Avenue, is significant as the work of master City Architect Charles H. Sawyer, and embodies the distinctive characteristics of the Spanish Baroque and Spanish Colonial Revival architectural styles; and
5. WHEREAS, 45 Onondaga Avenue, the former Alemany Health Center, also contains two significant interior frescoes by noted artist, Bernard Zakheim, "Birth" and "Community Spirit," painted in 1934;; and
6. WHEREAS, the Historic Preservation Commission finds that 35-45 Onondaga Avenue meets the eligibility requirements per Section 1004 of the Planning Code and warrants consideration for Article 10 landmark designation; and
7. WHEREAS, the Historic Preservation Commission finds that the boundaries and the list of character-defining features, as identified in the Department's 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.

RESOLVED, that the Historic Preservation Commission hereby initiates 35-45 Onondaga Avenue, Assessor's Block 6596, Lots 016 and 017, as Article 10 Landmarks 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 February 17, 2016.



Jonas P. Ionin
Commission Secretary

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

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

ADOPTED: February 17, 2016