



# SAN FRANCISCO PLANNING DEPARTMENT

## Planning Commission Motion No. 19790

### Design Standards and Guidelines Approval

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*Case No.:* 2010.0305 E GPA PCT PCM DEV GEN SHD  
*Project Address:* **Sunnydale Hope SF Master Plan Project**  
*Zoning:* RM-1 (Residential – Mixed, Moderate Density)  
 40-X Height and Bulk Districts  
*Block/Lot:* Assessor’s Block/Lots: 6356/ 061, 062, 063 ,064, 065, 066, 067 and 068; 6310/  
 001; 6311/001; 6312/ 001; 6313/001; 6314/ 001; 6315/001  
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### APPROVING THE SUNNYDALE HOPE SF DESIGN STANDARDS AND GUIDELINES DOCUMENT, AND MAKING VARIOUS FINDINGS, INCLUDING CEQA FINDINGS AND FINDINGS OF CONSISTENCY WITH THE GENERAL PLAN AND PLANNING CODE SECTION 101.1.

WHEREAS, Section 4.105 of the Charter of the City and County of San Francisco provides to the Planning Commission the opportunity to periodically recommend General Plan Amendments to the Board of Supervisors; and

Pursuant to Planning Code Section 302(b), on October 25, 2016, the San Francisco Board of Supervisors initiated Planning Code Amendments that would add Planning Code Section 249.75, “The Sunnydale HOPE SF Special Use District” and Planning Code Section 263.30, “Sunnydale HOPE SF Special Use District and the 40/65-X Height and Bulk District”.

The Planning Code Text Amendments establish the Sunnydale HOPE SF Special Use District. The Special Use District, in turn, refers to the Sunnydale HOPE SF Design Standards and Guidelines for further controls and guidelines specific to the site, providing development requirements for both infrastructure and community facilities as well as private development of buildings.. The Design Standards and Guidelines document would therefore be an extension of the Special Use District.

As an extension of the Planning Code Text amendments, the Design Standards and Guidelines document would enable the Sunnydale Hope SF Project. HOPE SF is the nation’s first large-scale public housing transformation collaborative aimed at disrupting intergenerational poverty, reducing social isolation, and creating vibrant mixed-income communities without mass displacement of current

residents. Launched in 2007, HOPE SF is a twenty-year human and real estate capital commitment by the City. HOPE SF, the City's signature anti-poverty and equity initiative, is committed to breaking intergenerational patterns related to the insidious impacts of trauma and poverty, and to creating economic and social opportunities for current public housing residents through deep investment in education, economic mobility, health and safety.

The Sunnydale HOPE SF Master Plan project ("Project") includes demolishing all existing units, vacating portions of the right of way and building new streets that would better relate to the existing street grid. The Project would transform the six existing super blocks into about 34 new fine-grained blocks. The site is designed with a central "Hub" that would feature a series of parks, open spaces, a community center, space for retail, and other community-serving uses.

At completion, the Project would include up to 1,770 units, including Housing Authority replacement units (775 units), a mix of additional affordable units (a minimum of approximately 200 low-income units), and market rate units (up to 694 units). New buildings within Sunnydale would provide a consistent street wall with "eyes-on-the-street" active ground floor treatment. A variety of building types would be constructed throughout including individual townhomes, small apartment buildings and larger corridor apartment buildings. Approximately 1,437 parking spaces would be provided for the units largely below grade. Approximately 60,000 gross square feet of community serving uses, including retail, would also be constructed.

This Motion approving this Design Standards and Guidelines document is a companion to other legislative and other approvals relating to the Sunnydale HOPE SF Project, including General Plan amendments, Planning Code Text amendments, Planning Code Map amendments, the approval of a Development Agreement, and Shadow Impact Findings pursuant to Planning Code section 295.

This Planning Code Text Amendment would create the Sunnydale HOPE SF Special Use District, which would provide specific controls for the site regarding land use, and building design controls, largely by referring to a separate Sunnydale Design Standards and Guidelines document. The Special Use District would also set forth design review procedures specific to the site.

On July 9, 2015, the Planning Commission reviewed and considered the Final EIR/EIS for the Sunnydale HOPE SF Project and found the Final EIR/EIS was adequate, accurate and objective, reflected the independent analysis and judgment of the Department and the Commission, and that the summary of comments and responses contained no significant revisions to the Draft EIR/EIS, and approved the Final EIR/EIS for the Project in compliance with CEQA, the CEQA Guidelines and Chapter 31.

On July 9, 2015, by Motion No. 19704, the Commission certified the Final Environmental Impact Report ("FEIR") as accurate, complete and in compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA"); and

On November 17, 2016, by Motion No. 19784, the Commission adopted findings in connection with its consideration of, among other things, the adoption of amendments to the General Plan and related zoning text and map amendments, under CEQA, the State CEQA Guidelines and Chapter 31 of the San Francisco Administrative Code and made certain findings in connection therewith, which findings are hereby incorporated herein by this reference as if fully set forth; and

On November 17, 2016, by Motion No. 19785, The Commission adopted findings establishing the Project, on balance, consistent with the General Plan and Planning Code Section 101.1; and

**NOW THEREFORE BE IN RESOLVED**, That the Planning Commission approves the Sunnydale HOPE SF Standards and Guidelines for the following reasons:

1. The Design Standards and Guidelines document would help implement the City's HOPE SF Program, thereby addressing intergenerational poverty, social isolation of underserved communities and providing a framework for ongoing community building at the HOPE SF sites.
2. The Design Controls and Guidelines document would help implement the City's HOPE SF Program, which in turn will provide employment opportunities for current public housing residents, and provide community facilities, including space for on-site services and programs.
3. The Design Controls and Guidelines document would help implement the City's HOPE SF by enabling the creation of a mixed-use predominately residential neighborhood that would feature fully rebuilt infrastructure and community facilities. The new neighborhood would greatly improve the site's connectivity to and integration with the surrounding City fabric.
4. The Design Controls and Guidelines document would enable the construction of a new vibrant, safe, and connected neighborhood including new parks and open spaces. The Design Controls and Guidelines document would help assure a dynamic urban form through setting forth specific design requirements to address use activation along streets, the modulation and shape of buildings, and relationship between buildings and their surrounding streets and open spaces.

**AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, That the Planning Commission finds the Design Standards and Guidelines are in general conformity with the General Plan as set forth in Planning Commission Motion 19785:

**AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, That the Planning Commission finds the Design Standards and Guidelines are in general conformity with Planning Code Section 101.1 as set forth in Planning Commission Motion 19785:

I hereby certify that the foregoing Motion was ADOPTED by the San Francisco Planning Commission on November 17, 2016.

  
Jonas P. Ionin  
Commission Secretary

AYES: Richards, Hillis, Johnson, Koppel, Melgar, Moore

NOES: None

ABSENT: Fong

ADOPTED: November 17, 2016

