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April 21, 2017

Planning Commission  
Attn: Jonas Ionin  
1650 Mission Street, Ste. 400  
San Francisco, CA 94103

Dear Commissioners:

On April 11, 2017, Supervisor Peskin introduced the following legislation:

**File No. 170419**

**Ordinance amending the Planning Code to 1) eliminate the use size exemption for movie theaters in the North Beach Neighborhood Commercial District ("North Beach NCD"); 2) restrict lot mergers in the North Beach NCD, North Beach Special Use District ("North Beach SUD"), and Telegraph Hill-North Beach Residential Special Use District ("Telegraph Hill-North Beach SUD"); 3) require active commercial uses on the ground floor in the North Beach SUD and the North Beach NCD; 4) prohibit garage entries, driveways, or other vehicular access to off-street parking or loading on certain streets and alleys in North Beach NCD and Telegraph Hill-North Beach SUD and other streets; 5) deem restaurants that cease to operate for 18 months in the North Beach NCD to be discontinued; 6) authorize a special ceiling height exception to certain projects in the North Beach NCD; 7) clarify procedures for abating a Conditional Use authorization; 8) prohibit Planned Unit Developments in the North Beach SUD; 9) require active commercial uses on the ground floor and limit hours of operation in the North Beach NCD; 10) regulate Specialty Food Manufacturing, preserve and maintain small-scale, fine grain storefronts, protect and encourage upper-story residential uses, preserve Legacy Businesses, and prohibit certain uses in the North Beach SUD; 11) clarify and modify the requirements for approval of parking garages in the Telegraph Hill-North Beach SUD; 12) reduce lot size square footage that would require Conditional Use authorization in the North Beach District; 13) delete the definition of Take Out Food and amend the definitions of Limited-Restaurant, Restaurant, Restaurant, and Other Retail Sales and Services uses; and 14) update, correct, clarify, and simplify language in other**

**Planning Code Sections; and affirming the Planning Department's determination under the California Environmental Quality Act and making findings of consistency with the General Plan, and the eight priority policies of Planning Code, Section 101.1, and findings of public convenience, necessity, and welfare under Planning Code, Section 302.**

The proposed ordinance is being transmitted pursuant to Planning Code, Section 302(b), for public hearing and recommendation. The ordinance is pending before the Land Use and Transportation Committee and will be scheduled for hearing upon receipt of your response.

Angela Calvillo, Clerk of the Board

*for* By:  Alisa Somera, Legislative Deputy Director  
Land Use and Transportation Committee

- c: John Rahaim, Director of Planning
- Aaron Starr, Acting Manager of Legislative Affairs
- Scott Sanchez, Zoning Administrator
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- Jeanie Poling, Environmental Planning
- Joy Navarrete, Environmental Planning

Not defined as a project under CEQA Guidelines Sections 15378 and 15060(c)(2) because it does not result in a physical change in the environment.

**REVIEWED**

By Joy Navarrete at 12:00 pm, Apr 28, 2017