

# Certificate of Determination EXEMPTION FROM ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW

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Case No.:

2012.0865E

Project Address:

1198 Valencia Street

Zoning:

Valencia NCT (Neighborhood Commercial Transit) District

55-X

Block/Lot:

3635/014

Lot Size:

14,374 square feet (sf)

Plan Area: Project Sponsor: Eastern Neighborhoods Area Plan

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# PROJECT DESCRIPTION

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# **EXEMPT STATUS**

Exempt per Section 15183 of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines and California Public Resources Code Section 21083.3

# **DETERMINATION**

I do hereby Artify that the above determination has been made pursuant to State and Local requirements.

SARAH B. JONES

**Environmental Review Officer** 

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Date

cc: JS Sullivan Development, Project Sponsor; Supervisor Scott Wiener, District 8; Doug Vu, Current Planning Division; Virna Byrd, M.D.F.; Exemption/Exclusion File

# PROJECT DESCRIPTION (continued)

The site is currently occupied by a vacant service station; the only structures on site include an overhang, above ground storage tanks and a shed. The project site is currently undergoing site remediation and the above ground storage tanks are to be removed. The project is currently fenced off and has no public access. The project site contains three abandoned curb cuts from the previous use as a service station, one along 23<sup>rd</sup> Street and two on Valencia Street. The site is minimally vegetated with non-native shrubbery.

The project sponsor, JS Sullivan Development, proposes to demolish the existing structures at 1198 Valencia Street and construct a five story, 55 foot-tall mixed-use building. The project would provide 52 residential dwelling units and 5,300 sf of ground floor retail. The project would provide a mix of unit types including 31 one-bedroom and 21 two-bedroom units. The project would also provide approximately 4,800 sf of common open space and 2,253 sf of private open space.

The project would include a below grade garage providing off-street parking for 39 vehicles and 52 Class I bicycle parking spaces. Three Class II bicycle parking spaces would be along Valencia Street. Access to the garage would be via a curb cut along 23<sup>rd</sup> Street.

Construction activities would include demolition, excavation, and below and above grade construction. Project construction is expected to last 18 months. Construction activities would require excavation to a depth of approximately 12-14 ft below grade and 6,500 cubic yards of soil disturbance.

# PROJECT APPROVAL

Pursuant to Planning Code Section 121.1, the project would require a Conditional Use authorization by the San Francisco Planning Commission. Approval by the Planning Commission would constitute the Approval Action for the proposed project. The Approval Action date establishes the start of the 30-day appeal period for this CEQA exemption determination pursuant to Section 31.04(h) of the San Francisco Administrative Code.

# **COMMUNITY PLAN EXEMPTION OVERVIEW**

California Public Resources Code Section 21083.3 and CEQA Guidelines Section 15183 provide an exemption from environmental review for projects that are consistent with the development density established by existing zoning, community plan or general plan policies for which an Environmental Impact Report (EIR) was certified, except as might be necessary to examine whether there are project-specific significant effects which are peculiar to the project or its site. Section 15183 specifies that examination of environmental effects shall be limited to those effects that: a) are peculiar to the project or parcel on which the project would be located; b) were not analyzed as significant effects in a prior EIR on the zoning action, general plan or community plan with which the project is consistent; c) are potentially significant off-site and cumulative impacts that were not discussed in the underlying EIR; or d) are previously identified in the EIR, but which, as a result of substantial new information that was not known at the time that the EIR was certified, are determined to have a more severe adverse impact than that discussed in the underlying EIR. Section 15183(c) specifies that if an impact is not peculiar to the parcel or to the proposed project, then an EIR need not be prepared for the project solely on the basis of that impact.

This determination evaluates the potential project-specific environmental effects of the 1198 Valencia Street project described above, and incorporates by reference information contained in the Programmatic

EIR for the Eastern Neighborhoods Rezoning and Area Plans (PEIR)<sup>1</sup>. Project-specific studies were prepared for the proposed project to determine if the project would result in any significant environmental impacts that were not identified in the Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR.

After several years of analysis, community outreach, and public review, the Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR was adopted in December 2008. The Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR was adopted in part to support housing development in some areas previously zoned to allow industrial uses, while preserving an adequate supply of space for existing and future production, distribution, and repair (PDR) employment and businesses. The Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR also included changes to existing height and bulk districts in some areas, including the project site, increasing the height from 50 to 55ft.

The Planning Commission held public hearings to consider the various aspects of the proposed Eastern Neighborhoods Rezoning and Area Plans and related Planning Code and Zoning Map amendments. On August 7, 2008, the Planning Commission certified the Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR by Motion 17659 and adopted the Preferred Project for final recommendation to the Board of Supervisors.<sup>2,3</sup>

In December 2008, after further public hearings, the Board of Supervisors approved and the Mayor signed the Eastern Neighborhoods Rezoning and Planning Code amendments. New zoning districts include districts that would permit PDR uses in combination with commercial uses; districts mixing residential and commercial uses and residential and PDR uses; and new residential-only districts. The districts replaced existing industrial, commercial, residential single-use, and mixed-use districts.

The Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR is a comprehensive programmatic document that presents an analysis of the environmental effects of implementation of the Eastern Neighborhoods Rezoning and Area Plans, as well as the potential impacts under several proposed alternative scenarios. The Eastern Neighborhoods Draft EIR evaluated three rezoning alternatives, two community-proposed alternatives which focused largely on the Mission District, and a "No Project" alternative. The alternative selected, or the Preferred Project, represents a combination of Options B and C. The Planning Commission adopted the Preferred Project after fully considering the environmental effects of the Preferred Project and the various scenarios discussed in the PEIR.

A major issue of discussion in the Eastern Neighborhoods rezoning process was the degree to which existing industrially-zoned land would be rezoned to primarily residential and mixed-use districts, thus reducing the availability of land traditionally used for PDR employment and businesses. Among other topics, the Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR assesses the significance of the cumulative land use effects of the rezoning by analyzing its effects on the City's ability to meet its future PDR space needs as well as its ability to meet its housing needs as expressed in the City's General Plan.

As a result of the Eastern Neighborhoods rezoning process, the project site has been rezoned to NCT (Valencia Street Neighborhood Commercial Transit) District, which promotes moderate-scale buildings, mixed-use housing, and a flexible mix of smaller neighborhood-serving retail and commercial uses that can take advantage of major transit investments in the Mission District area. New neighborhood-serving commercial development is encouraged mainly at the ground story. Most (although not all) PDR uses are not allowed in the Valencia Street Neighborhood Commercial Transit District. The proposed project and

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 $<sup>^{\</sup>rm I}$  Planning Department Case No. 2004.0160E and State Clearinghouse No. 2005032048

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>San Francisco Planning Department. Eastern Neighborhoods Rezoning and Area Plans Final Environmental Impact Report (FEIR), Planning Department Case No. 2004.0160E, certified August 7, 2008. Available online at: <a href="http://www.sf-planning.org/index.aspx?page=1893">http://www.sf-planning.org/index.aspx?page=1893</a>, accessed August 17, 2012.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> San Francisco Planning Department. San Francisco Planning Commission Motion 17659, August 7, 2008. Available online at: <a href="http://www.sf-planning.org/Modules/ShowDocument.aspx?documentid=1268">http://www.sf-planning.org/Modules/ShowDocument.aspx?documentid=1268</a>, accessed August 17, 2012.

its relation to PDR land supply and cumulative land use effects is discussed further in the Community Plan Exemption (CPE) Checklist, under Land Use. The 1198 Valencia Street site, which is located in the Mission District of the Eastern Neighborhoods, was designated as a site with building up to 55 feet in height.

Individual projects that could occur in the future under the Eastern Neighborhoods Rezoning and Area Plans will undergo project-level environmental evaluation to determine if they would result in further impacts specific to the development proposal, the site, and the time of development and to assess whether additional environmental review would be required. This determination concludes that the proposed project at 1198 Valencia Street is consistent with and was encompassed within the analysis in the Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR. This determination also finds that the Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR adequately anticipated and described the impacts of the proposed 1198 Valencia Street project, and identified the mitigation measures applicable to the 1198 Valencia Street project. The proposed project is also consistent with the zoning controls and the provisions of the Planning Code applicable to the project site. Therefore, no further CEQA evaluation for the 1198 Valencia Street project is required. In sum, the Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR and this Certificate of Exemption for the proposed project comprise the full and complete CEQA evaluation necessary for the proposed project.

# **PROJECT SETTING**

The fully developed project block, bounded by Valencia Street on the east,  $23^{rd}$  Street on the south, San Jose Avenue on the west, and  $22^{nd}$  Street on the north, is largely characterized by two to five story residential buildings of varying ages, along with scattered warehouse, commercial and retail structures of varying ages and architectural design. To the immediate north is a three-story residential/commercial building and to the west parcels are zoned as Residential-Mixed, low density (RM-1) providing a number of low density residential buildings, this area generally consists of two-four story buildings. Horace Mann Middle School is located across the street from the project site on the southeast corner of Valencia and  $23^{rd}$  Streets and City College of San Francisco Mission Campus is located along Valencia Street.

The Valencia Street District provides a limited selection of convenience goods for surrounding residents and also serves a wider trade area with retail and wholesale home furnishings and appliance outlets and several automobile-related businesses. Eating and drinking establishments contribute to the street's mixed-use character and activity in the evening hours. The NCT zoning district encourages transit-supportive housing development in new buildings above the ground story.

# POTENTIAL ENVIRONMENTAL EFFECTS

The Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR included analyses of environmental issues including: land use; plans and policies; visual quality and urban design; population, housing, business activity, and employment (growth inducement); transportation; noise; air quality; parks, recreation and open space; shadow; archeological resources; historic architectural resources; hazards; and other issues not addressed in the previously issued initial study for the Eastern Neighborhoods Rezoning and Area Plans. The proposed

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Adam Varat, San Francisco Planning Department, Community Plan Exemption Eligibility Determination, Citywide Planning and Policy Analysis, 1198 Valencia, December 17, 2014. This document is available for review at the San Francisco Planning Department, 1650 Mission Street, Suite 400, as part of Case File No. 2012.0865E.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Jeff Joslin, San Francisco Planning Department, Community Plan Exemption Eligibility Determination, Current Planning Analysis, 1198 Valencia, January 15, 2015. This document is available for review at the San Francisco Planning Department, 1650 Mission Street, Suite 400, as part of Case File No. 2012.0865E.

1198 Valencia Street project is in conformance with the height, use and density for the site described in the Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR and would represent a small part of the growth that was forecast for the Eastern Neighborhoods plan areas. Thus, the plan analyzed in the Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR considered the incremental impacts of the proposed 1198 Valencia Street project. As a result, the proposed project would not result in any new or substantially more severe impacts than were identified in the Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR.

Significant and unavoidable impacts were identified in the Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR for the following topics: land use, historic architectural resources, transportation and circulation, and shadow. Land use impacts were related to the cumulative loss of existing PDR (Production, Distribution, and Repair) space due to the implementation of the Eastern Neighborhoods Area Plan. As a result of the adoption of the Plan, the project site and immediate area were rezoned to Valencia NCT and a mix of uses including residential use was anticipated. The proposed project would not eliminate any existing PDR space. Therefore, this would not constitute a substantial contribution to the significant and unavoidable cumulative land use impact identified in the Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR. The proposed project would not have a substantial contribution to the significant and unavoidable impacts identified in the Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR on transportation and circulation because of the relatively small number of transit and vehicle trips that the project would generate. The proposed project would not considerably contribute to significant and unavoidable historic resource impacts identified in the PEIR, as the project site was constructed less than 45 years ago and is ineligible for inclusion in national, state, or local historic registers and determined not to be a historic resource. Lastly, the proposed project would not cast new shadow on parks and open spaces under the jurisdiction of the Recreation and Parks Department, as determined by the Planning Department. Therefore, the proposed project would not contribute to significant and unavoidable shadow impacts identified in the PEIR.

The Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR identified feasible mitigation measures to address significant impacts related to noise, air quality, archeological resources, historical resources, hazardous materials, and transportation. **Table 1** below lists the mitigation measures identified in the Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR and states whether each measure would apply to the proposed project.

Table 1 – Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR Mitigation Measures

Mitigation Measure	itigation Measure Applicability	
F. Noise		
F-1: Construction Noise (Pile Driving)	Not Applicable: pile driving not proposed.	N/A
F-2: Construction Noise	Applicable: temporary construction noise from use of heavy equipment.	The project sponsor has agreed to develop and implement a set of noise attenuation measures during construction.
F-3: Interior Noise Levels	Not Applicable: mitigation measure applies to single-family housing projects, whereas the proposed project is	N/A

Mitigation Measure	Applicability	Compliance
	a multi-family project.	
F-4: Siting of Noise-Sensitive Uses	Applicable: project includes noise-sensitive uses.	The project sponsor has conducted and submitted a detailed analysis of noise reduction requirements.
F-5: Siting of Noise-Generating Uses	Not Applicable: project does not include noise-generating uses.	N/A
F-6: Open Space in Noisy Environments	Applicable: project includes open space in a noisy environment and proposes noise-sensitive uses.	The project sponsor has conducted and submitted a detailed analysis of proposed measures to reduce noise on the proposed roof terrace.
G. Air Quality		
G-1: Construction Air Quality	Not Applicable: The portion of G-1 relating to construction dust is applicable but superseded by the Construction Dust Control Ordinance (Health Code Article 22B), with which the sponsor must comply. The portion of G-1 relating to diesel PM is not applicable as the project site is not within an identified Air Pollutant Exposure Zone.	N/A
G-2: Air Quality for Sensitive Land Uses	Not Applicable: the project is not located within an area subject to Article 38 of the San Francisco Health Code.	N/A
G-3: Siting of Uses that Emit DPM	Not Applicable: proposed residential use would not emit substantial levels of DPM.	N/A
G-4: Siting of Uses that Emit other TACs	Not Applicable: proposed residential use would not emit substantial levels of other TACs.	N/A
J. Archeological Resources		

Mitigation Measure	Applicability	Compliance
J-1: Properties with Previous Studies	Not Applicable: project site is not located within this mitigation zone.	N/A
J-2: Properties with no Previous Studies	Applicable: the project site is a property with no previous archeological study.	The project underwent a preliminary archeology review and the Planning Department's archeologist determined that the proposed project requires the preparation of an archeological monitoring program (AMP).
J-3: Mission Dolores Archeological District	Not Applicable: project site not located within this mitigation zone.	N/A
K. Historical Resources		
K-1: Interim Procedures for Permit Review in the Eastern Neighborhoods Plan Area	Not Applicable: plan-level mitigation completed by Planning Department	N/A
K-2: Amendments to Article 10 of the Planning Code Pertaining to Vertical Additions in the South End Historic District (East SoMa)	Not Applicable: plan-level mitigation completed by Planning Commission	N/A
K-3: Amendments to Article 10 of the Planning Code Pertaining to Alterations and Infill Development in the Dogpatch Historic District (Central Waterfront)	Not Applicable: plan-level mitigation completed by Planning Commission	N/A
L. Hazardous Materials		
L-1: Hazardous Building Materials	Applicable: project would involve the demolition of a previous gas station on-site and would potentially require the disposal of hazardous building materials.	The project sponsor has agreed to submit a workplan to the Department of Public Health to conduct a subsurface investigation prior to the issuance of the Building Permit
E. Transportation		
E-1: Traffic Signal Installation	Not Applicable: plan-level mitigation by San Francisco Municipal Transportation	N/A

Mitigation Measure	Applicability	Compliance
	Agency (SFMTA)	
E-2: Intelligent Traffic Management	Not Applicable: plan-level mitigation by SFMTA	N/A
E-3: Enhanced Funding	Not Applicable: plan-level mitigation by SFMTA & San Francisco County Transportation Authority (SFTA)	N/A
E-4: Intelligent Traffic Management	Not Applicable: plan-level mitigation by SFMTA & Planning Department	N/A
E-5: Enhanced Transit Funding	Not Applicable: plan-level mitigation by SFMTA	N/A
E-6: Transit Corridor Improvements	Not Applicable: plan-level mitigation by SFMTA	N/A
E-7: Transit Accessibility	Not Applicable: plan-level mitigation by SFMTA	N/A
E-8: Muni Storage and Maintenance	Not Applicable: plan-level mitigation by SFMTA	N/A
E-9: Rider Improvements	Not Applicable: plan-level mitigation by SFMTA	N/A
E-10: Transit Enhancement	Not Applicable: plan-level mitigation by SFMTA	N/A
E-11: Transportation Demand Management	Not Applicable: plan-level mitigation by SFMTA	N/A

Please see the attached Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program (MMRP) for the complete text of the applicable mitigation measures. With implementation of these mitigation measures the proposed project would not result in significant impacts beyond those analyzed in the Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR.

# PUBLIC NOTICE AND COMMENT

A "Notification of Project Receiving Environmental Review" was mailed on September 30th, 2014 to adjacent occupants and owners of properties within 300 feet of the project site. Overall, concerns and issues raised by the public in response to the notice were taken into consideration and incorporated in the environmental review as appropriate for CEQA analysis. A majority of the comments received were

regarding the number of parking spaces provided for the project. The project will be proposing to provide approximately 39 off street vehicle parking spaces, a number of parking spaces that is conditionally permitted per Section 151.1 of the San Francisco Planning Code. One neighbor expressed concern regarding the location of the proposed entrance/exit to the garage along 23rd Street, and its effect on circulation. However, the proposed project's vehicular circulation was reviewed by transportation planners within the San Francisco Planning Department, and provided recommendations to minimize circulation effects including reducing the number of curb-cuts on-site and consolidating vehicular access to a single curb-cut along 23rd Street. Neighbors also voiced concern regarding shadow on private property and public streets, this comment is addressed within the Community Plan Exemption Checklist. In addition neighbors had questions regarding public open space provided by the project and the Department of Public Health's process for site remediation. The proposed project would not result in significant adverse environmental impacts associated with the issues identified by the public beyond those identified in the Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR.

#### CONCLUSION

As summarized above and further discussed in the CPE Checklist6:

- 1. The proposed project is consistent with the development density established for the project site in the Eastern Neighborhoods Rezoning and Area Plans;
- 2. The proposed project would not result in effects on the environment that are peculiar to the project or the project site that were not identified as significant effects in the Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR;
- 3. The proposed project would not result in potentially significant off-site or cumulative impacts that were not identified in the Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR;
- 4. The proposed project would not result in significant effects, which, as a result of substantial new information that was not known at the time the Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR was certified, would be more severe than were already analyzed and disclosed in the PEIR; and
- 5. The project sponsor will undertake feasible mitigation measures specified in the Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR to mitigate project-related significant impacts.

Therefore, the proposed project is exempt from further environmental review pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 21083.3 and CEQA Guidelines Section 15183.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> The CPE Checklist is available for review at the Planning Department, 1650 Mission Street, Suite 400, San Francisco, in Case File No. 2012.0826E.

# **Community Plan Exemption Checklist**

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The site is currently occupied by a vacant gas station; the only structures on site include an overhang, above ground storage tanks and a shed. The project is currently fenced off and has no public access. The project site contains three abandoned curb cuts from the previous use as a service station, one along 23rd Street and two on Valencia Street. The site is minimally vegetated with non-native shrubbery.

The project sponsor, JS Sullivan Development, proposes to demolish the existing structures at 1198 Valencia Street and construct a five story, 55 ft-tall mixed-use building (72 ft to the top of the elevator penthouse). The project would provide 52 residential dwelling units and approximately 5,300 sf of ground floor retail. The project would provide a mix of unit types including 31 one-bedroom and 21 twobedroom units. The project would also provide approximately 6,900 sf of common and private open space.

The project would include a below grade garage providing off-street parking for 39 vehicles and 52 Class I bicycle parking spaces. The project would also provide 3 Class II bicycle parking spaces along Valencia Street. Access to the garage would be via a curb cut along 23rd Street. Figure 2 shows the proposed project site plan. Figures 3 through 9 show the proposed floor plans. Figures 10, 11 and 12 illustrate elevations.

Construction activities would include demolition, excavation, and below and above grade construction. Project construction is expected to last 18 months. Construction activities would require excavation to a depth of approximately 12-14 ft below grade and 6,700 cubic yards of soil disturbance.

#### SETTING

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The proposed 1198 Valencia Street project would require the following approvals:

# Actions by the Planning Commission

- Pursuant to Planning Code Section 121.1, the project would require Conditional Use authorization for development of a lot exceeding 9,999 sf.
- Pursuant to Planning Code Section 151.1, the project would require Conditional Use authorization by the San Francisco Planning Commission for providing off street parking above 0.50 spaces per residential unit.

Approval of the Conditional Use application by the Planning Commission would constitute the Approval Action date. The Approval Action date establishes the start of the 30-day appeal period for this CEQA exemption determination pursuant to Section 31.04(h) of the San Francisco Administrative Code.

#### Actions by other City Departments

- Approval of a Site Mitigation Plan (SMP) from the San Francisco Department of Public Health (DPH) prior to commencement of any excavation work;
- Building Permit from the Department of Building Inspection (DBI) for the demolition of the existing building on the project site;
- Building Permit from DBI for the Site Permit and construction of the residential building; and
- Encroachment Permit from the Department of Public Works (DPW) for the proposed installation of street trees and Class II bicycle parking.

#### **EVALUATION OF ENVIRONMENTAL EFFECTS**

This Community Plan Exemption (CPE) Checklist evaluates whether the environmental impacts of the proposed project are addressed in the Programmatic Environmental Impact Report for the Eastern Neighborhoods Rezoning and Area Plans (Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR). The CPE Checklist indicates

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> San Francisco Planning Department, Eastern Neighborhoods Rezoning and Area Plans Final Environmental Impact Report (PEIR), Planning Department Case No. 2004.0160E, State Clearinghouse No. 2005032048, certified August 7, 2008. Available online at: <a href="http://www.sf-planning.org/index.aspx?page=1893">http://www.sf-planning.org/index.aspx?page=1893</a>, accessed August 17, 2012.

whether the proposed project would result in significant impacts that: (1) are peculiar to the project or project site; (2) were not identified as significant project-level, cumulative, or off-site effects in the PEIR; or (3) are previously identified significant effects, which as a result of substantial new information that was not known at the time that the Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR was certified, are determined to have a more severe adverse impact than discussed in the PEIR. Such impacts, if any, will be evaluated in a project-specific Mitigated Negative Declaration or Environmental Impact Report. If no such impacts are identified, the proposed project is exempt from further environmental review in accordance with Public Resources Code Section 21083.3 and CEQA Guidelines Section 15183.

Mitigation measures identified in the PEIR are discussed under each topic area, and measures that are applicable to the proposed project are provided under the Mitigation Measures Section at the end of this checklist.

The Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR identified significant impacts related to land use, transportation, cultural resources, shadow, noise, air quality, and hazardous materials. Additionally, the PEIR identified significant cumulative impacts related to land use, transportation, and cultural resources. Mitigation measures were identified for the above impacts and reduced all impacts to less-than-significant except for those related to land use (cumulative impacts on PDR use), transportation (program-level and cumulative traffic impacts at nine intersections; program-level and cumulative transit impacts on seven Muni lines), cultural resources (cumulative impacts from demolition of historical resources), and shadow (program-level impacts on parks).

The proposed project would include construction of an approximately 73,000 gross square foot residential/commercial mixed-use building. As discussed below in this checklist, the proposed project would not result in new, significant environmental effects, or effects of greater severity than were already analyzed and disclosed in the Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR.

#### AESTHETICS AND PARKING IMPACTS FOR TRANSIT PRIORITY INFILL DEVELOPMENT

Public Resources Code Section 21099(d), effective January 1, 2014, provides that, "aesthetics and parking impacts of a residential, mixed-use residential, or employment center project on an infill site located within a transit priority area shall not be considered significant impacts on the environment." Accordingly, aesthetics and parking are no longer to be considered in determining if a project has the potential to result in significant environmental effects for projects that meet all of the following three criteria:

- a) The project is in a transit priority area;
- b) The project is on an infill site; and
- c) The project is residential, mixed-use residential, or an employment center.

The proposed project meets each of the above three criteria and thus, this checklist does not consider aesthetics or parking in determining the significance of project impacts under CEQA.<sup>2</sup> Project elevations are included in the project description, and an assessment of parking demand is included in the Transportation section for informational purposes.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> San Francisco Planning Department. Transit-Oriented Infill Project Eligibility Checklist for 1198 Valencia Street, January 07, 2014. This document is available for review at the San Francisco Planning Department, 1650 Mission Street, Suite 400 as part of Case File No. 2012.0865E.

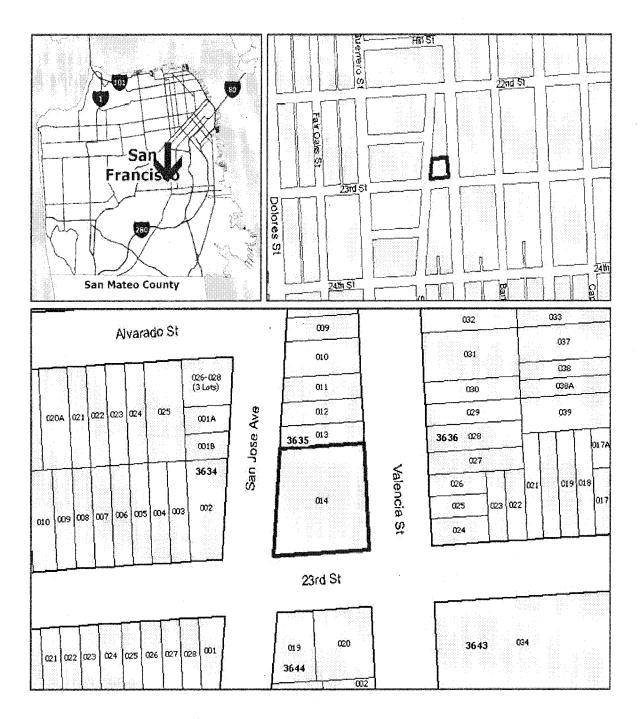


Figure 1: Project Site

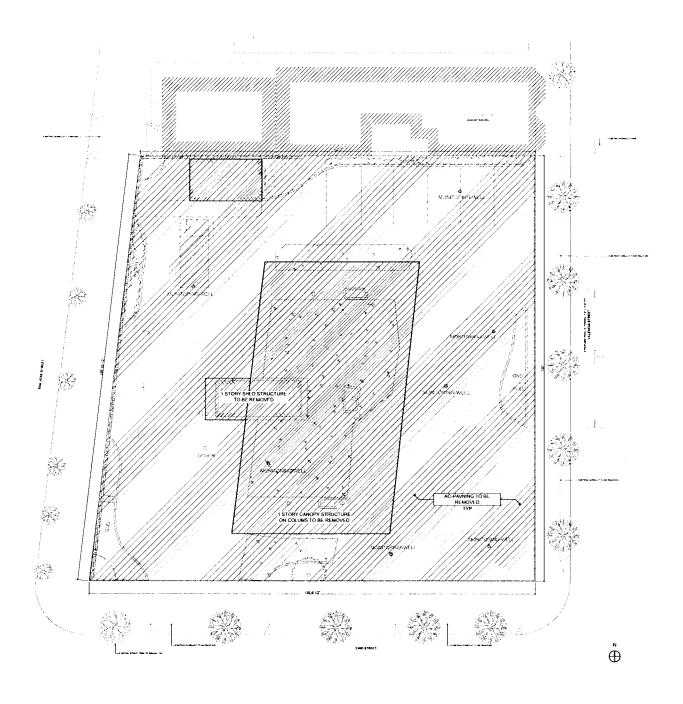


Figure 2: Existing Site Plan

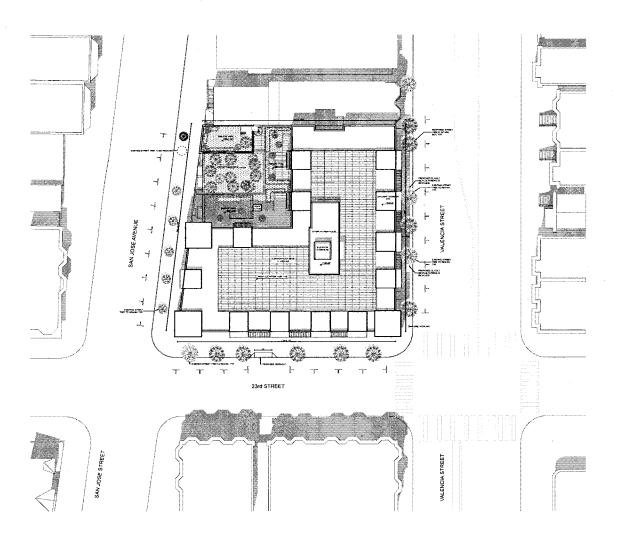


Figure 3: Proposed Site Plan

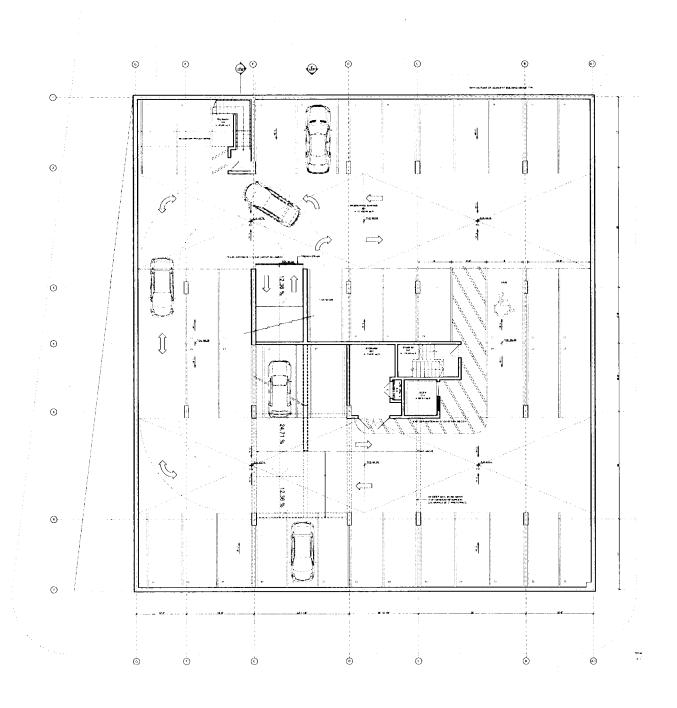


Figure 4: Basement Floor Plan

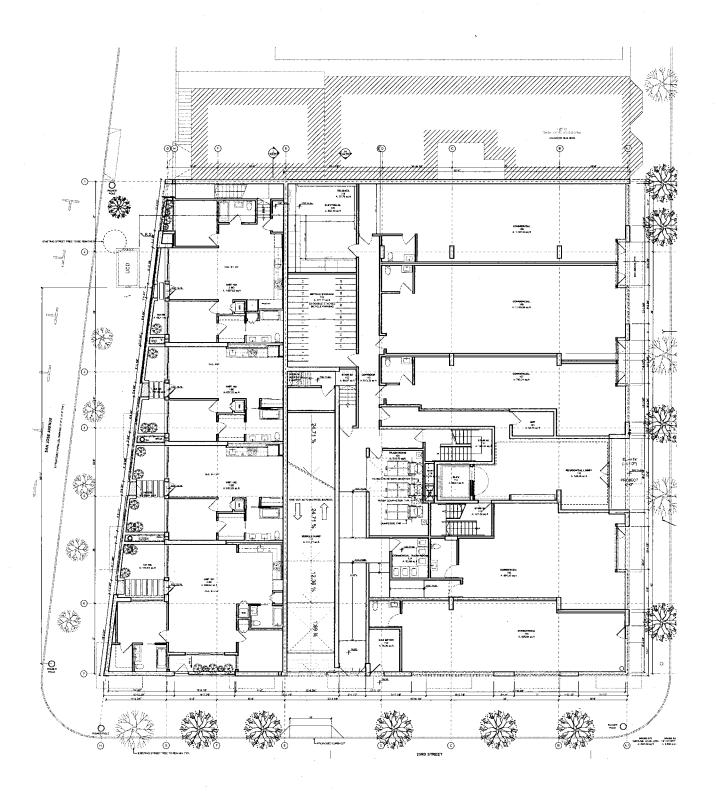


Figure 5: Ground Floor Plan

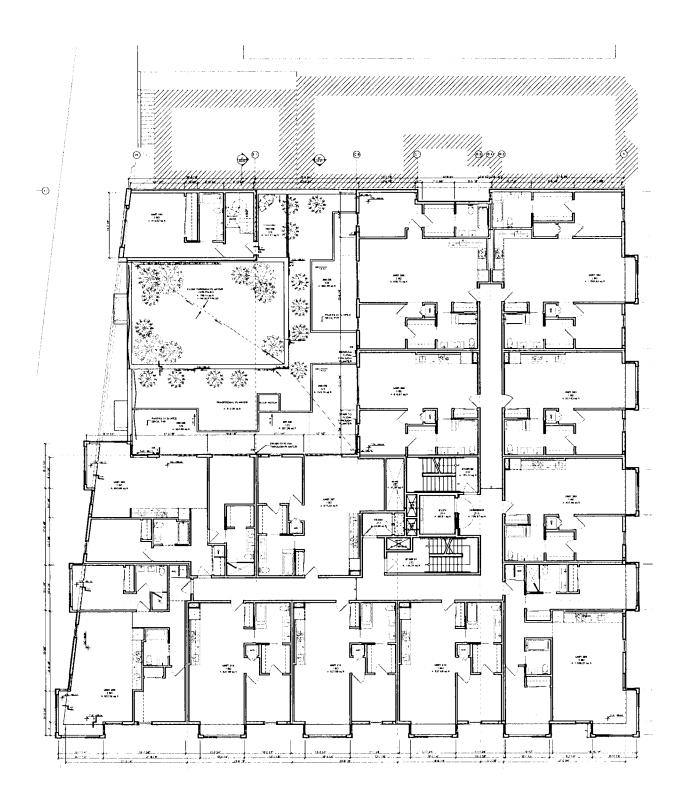


Figure 6: Second Floor Plan

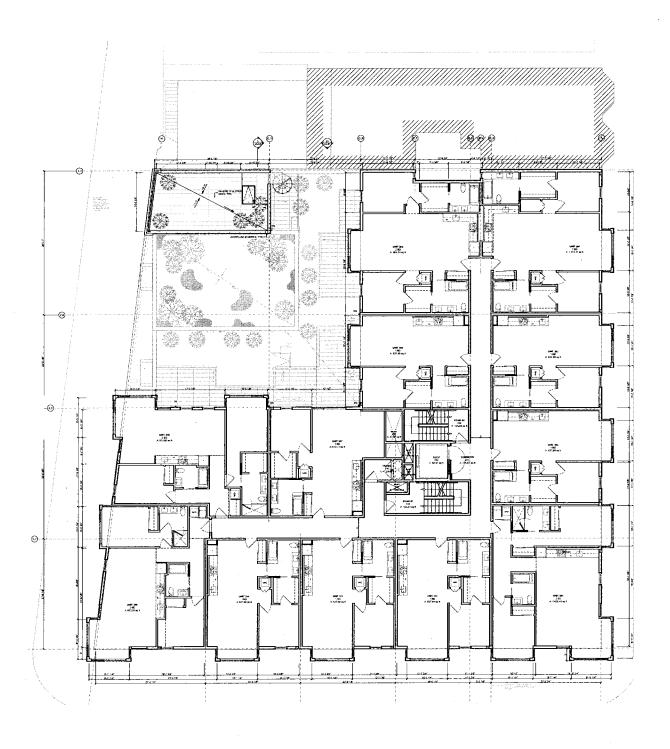


Figure 7: Third Floor Plan

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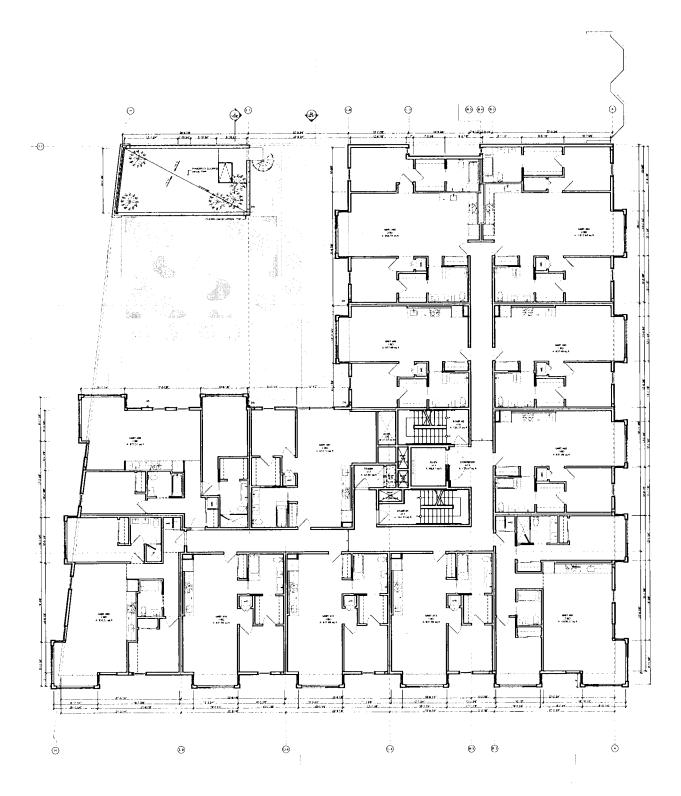


Figure 8: Fourth Floor Plan

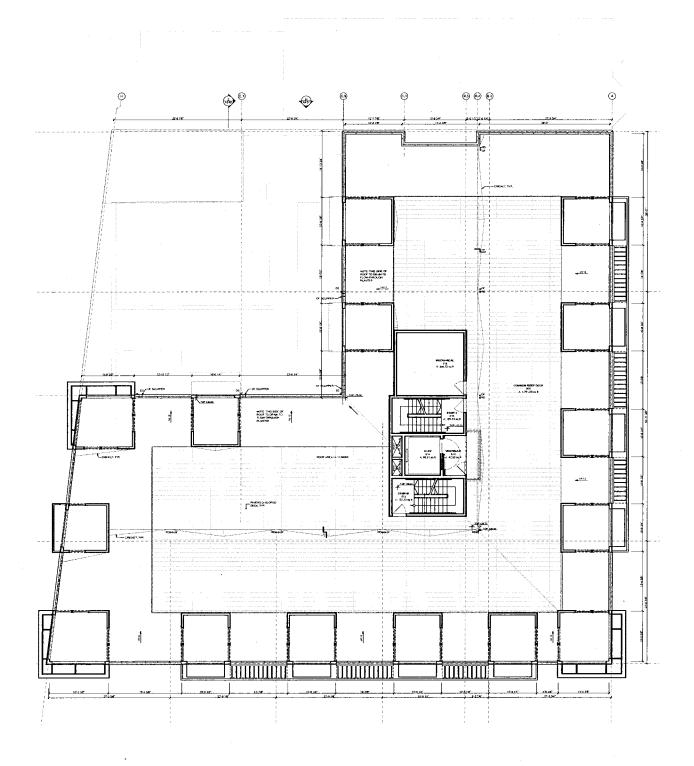


Figure 9: Roof Plan

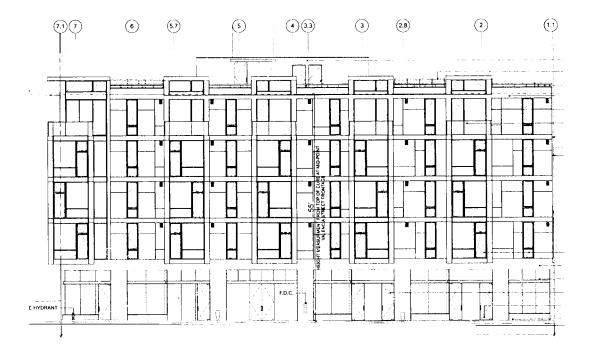


Figure 10: Valencia Elevation

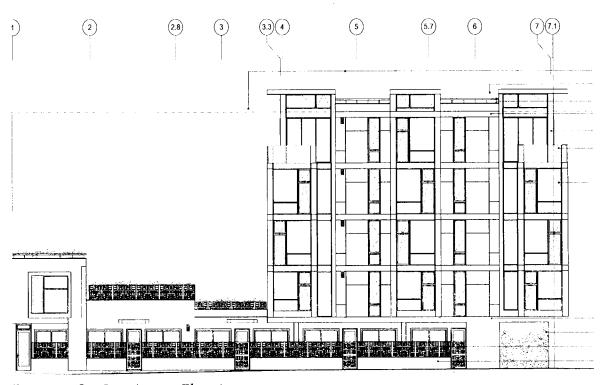


Figure 11: San Jose Avenue Elevation

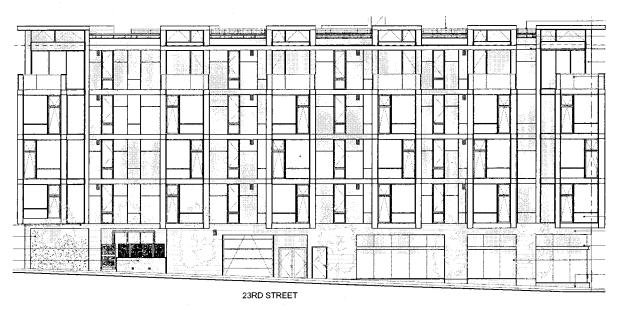


Figure 12: 23rd Street Elevation

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1.	LAND USE AND LAND USE PLANNING— Would the project:				
a)	Physically divide an established community?				$\boxtimes$
b)	Conflict with any applicable land use plan, policy, or regulation of an agency with jurisdiction over the project (including, but not limited to the general plan, specific plan, local coastal program, or zoning ordinance) adopted for the purpose of avoiding or mitigating an environmental effect?				
c)	Have a substantial impact upon the existing character of the vicinity?				$\boxtimes$

The Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR determined that adoption of the Area Plans would result in an unavoidable significant impact on land use due to the cumulative loss of PDR. The proposed project would not remove any existing PDR uses and would therefore not contribute to any impact related to loss of PDR uses that was identified in the Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR. In addition the site was zoned Valencia Neighborhood Commercial District (NCD) prior to the rezoning of Eastern Neighborhoods, which did not encourage PDR uses and the rezoning of the site did not contribute to significant impact.

Furthermore, the Citywide Planning and Current Planning Divisions of the Planning Department have determined that the proposed project is permitted in the Valencia NCT District and is consistent with the bulk density and land uses as envisioned in the Mission Area Plan. The zoning district is meant to encourage higher density transit-oriented development with ground floor commercial uses and residential or office uses above. In addition, the zoning district calls for reduced parking requirements in acknowledgement for the area's good transit service. As a mixed use building with ground floor retail uses and limited parking, the project is consistent with both the zoning designations and the General Plan. <sup>34</sup>

For these reasons, implementation of the proposed project would not result in significant impacts that were not identified in the Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR related to land use and land use planning, and no mitigation measures are necessary.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Adam Varat, San Francisco Planning Department, Community Plan Exemption Eligibility Determination, Citywide Planning and Policy Analysis, 1198 Valencia, December 17, 2014. This document is available for review at the San Francisco Planning Department, 1650 Mission Street, Suite 400, as part of Case File No. 2012.0865E.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Jeff Joslin, San Francisco Planning Department, Community Plan Exemption Eligibility Determination, Current Planning Analysis, 1198 Valencia, January 15, 2015. This document is available for review at the San Francisco Planning Department, 1650 Mission Street, Suite 400, as part of Case File No. 2012.0865Ε.

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2.	POPULATION AND HOUSING— Would the project:				
a)	Induce substantial population growth in an area, either directly (for example, by proposing new homes and businesses) or indirectly (for example, through extension of roads or other infrastructure)?				
b)	Displace substantial numbers of existing housing units or create demand for additional housing, necessitating the construction of replacement housing?				$\boxtimes$
c)	Displace substantial numbers of people, necessitating the construction of replacement housing elsewhere?		. 🗆		$\boxtimes$

One of the objectives of the Eastern Neighborhoods Area Plans is to identify appropriate locations for housing in the City's industrially zoned land to meet the citywide demand for additional housing. The PEIR concluded that an increase in population in the Plan Areas is expected to occur as a secondary effect of the proposed rezoning and that any population increase would not, in itself, result in adverse physical effects, but would serve to advance key City policy objectives, such as providing housing in appropriate locations next to Downtown and other employment generators and furthering the City's Transit First policies. It was anticipated that the rezoning would result in an increase in both housing development and population in all of the Area Plan neighborhoods. The Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR determined that the anticipated increase in population and density would not result in significant adverse physical effects on the environment. No mitigation measures were identified in the PEIR.

The proposed project would increase the population on site by replacing the existing vacant gas station with 52 residential units and 5,300 sf of retail space. The 52 new units would add approximately 120 new residents to the area.<sup>5</sup> In addition, the existing site does not consist of any residential units; therefore, the proposed project would not involve the displacement of residential units. As such, construction of replacement housing would not be necessary. These direct effects of the proposed project on population and housing are within the scope of the population growth anticipated under the Eastern Neighborhoods Rezoning and Area Plans and evaluated in the Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR.

For the above reasons, the proposed project would not result in significant impacts on population and housing that were not identified in the Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR.

<sup>5</sup> Based on the average household size of 2.15 persons per household identified in the Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR.

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3.	CULTURAL AND PALEONTOLOGICAL RESOURCES—Would the project:				
a)	Cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of a historical resource as defined in §15064.5, including those resources listed in Article 10 or Article 11 of the San Francisco Planning Code?				×
b)	Cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of an archaeological resource pursuant to §15064.5?				$\boxtimes$
c)	Directly or indirectly destroy a unique paleontological resource or site or unique geologic feature?				$\boxtimes$
d)	Disturb any human remains, including those interred outside of formal cemeteries?				$\boxtimes$

#### **Historic Architectural Resources**

Pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Sections 15064.5(a)(1) and 15064.5(a)(2), historical resources are buildings or structures that are listed, or are eligible for listing, in the California Register of Historical Resources or are identified in a local register of historical resources, such as Articles 10 and 11 of the San Francisco Planning Code. The Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR determined that future development facilitated through the changes in use districts and height limits under the Eastern Neighborhoods Area Plans could have substantial adverse changes on the significance of both individual historical resources and on historical districts within the Plan Areas. The PEIR determined that approximately 32 percent of the known or potential historical resources in the Plan Areas could potentially be affected under the preferred alternative. The Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR found this impact to be significant and unavoidable. This impact was addressed in a Statement of Overriding Considerations with findings and adopted as part of the Eastern Neighborhoods Rezoning and Area Plans approval on January 19, 2009.

The project does not propose the alteration of a structure built at least 45 years ago; therefore, the project was not evaluated as a potential historic resource. Therefore, the proposed project would not contribute to the significant historic resource impact identified in the Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR, and no historic resource mitigation measures would apply to the proposed project.

For these reasons, the proposed project would not result in significant impacts on historic architectural resources that were not identified in the Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR.

#### **Archeological Resources**

The Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR determined that implementation of the Area Plan could result in significant impacts on archeological resources and identified three mitigation measures that would reduce these potential impacts to a less than significant level. Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR Mitigation Measure J-1 applies to properties for which a final archeological research design and treatment plan is on file at the Northwest Information Center and the Planning Department. Mitigation Measure J-2 applies to properties for which no archeological assessment report has been prepared or for which the archeological documentation is incomplete or inadequate to serve as an evaluation of potential effects on archeological resources under CEQA. Mitigation Measure J-3, which applies to properties in the Mission Dolores

Archeological District, requires that a specific archeological testing program be conducted by a qualified archeological consultant with expertise in California prehistoric and urban historical archeology.

The project site is subject to Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR Mitigation Measure J-2. Mitigation Measure J-2 states any project resulting in soils disturbance for which no archeological assessment report has been prepared or for which the archeological document is incomplete or inadequate shall be required to conduct a preliminary archeological sensitivity study prepared by a qualified archeological consultant having expertise in California prehistoric and urban historical archeology. Based on the study, a determination shall be made if additional measures are needed to reduce potential effects of a project on archeological resources to a less-than-significant level. The Planning Department's archeologist conducted a Preliminary Archeological Review of the project site in conformance with the study requirements of Mitigation Measure I-2; the results are summarized below.<sup>6</sup> The project involves excavation to a depth of approximately 12-14 ft; therefore, there is reasonable potential that archeological resources may be present within the project site. As a result, in compliance with Mitigation Measure J-2 of the PEIR, the project would be required to implement Project Mitigation Measure 1: Monitoring, which requires the project sponsor to retain the services of an archaeological consultant from the rotational Department Qualified Archaeological Consultants List (QACL) maintained by the Planning Department archaeologist. The project sponsor shall contact the Department archeologist to obtain the names and contact information for the next three archeological consultants on the QACL. The archeological consultant shall undertake an archeological monitoring program. All plans and reports prepared by the consultant as specified herein shall be submitted first and directly to the ERO for review and comment, and shall be considered draft reports subject to revision until final approval by the ERO. Archeological monitoring and/or data recovery programs required by this measure could suspend construction of the project for up to a maximum of four weeks. At the direction of the ERO, the suspension of construction can be extended beyond four weeks only if such a suspension is the only feasible means to reduce to a less than significant level potential effects on a significant archeological resource as defined in CEQA Guidelines Sect. 15064.5 (a)(c).

For these reasons, the proposed project would not result in significant impacts on archeological resources that were not identified in the Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR.

<sup>6</sup> FW: Completions of Preliminary Archeological Reviews & other actions, Randall Dean, September 8, 2014. This email is available for review at the San Francisco Planning Department, 1650 Mission Street, Suite 400, as part of Case File No. 2012.0865E.

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4.	TRANSPORTATION AND CIRCULATION— Would the project:				
a)	Conflict with an applicable plan, ordinance or policy establishing measures of effectiveness for the performance of the circulation system, taking into account all modes of transportation including mass transit and non-motorized travel and relevant components of the circulation system, including but not limited to intersections, streets, highways and freeways, pedestrian and bicycle paths, and mass transit?				
b)	Conflict with an applicable congestion management program, including but not limited to level of service standards and travel demand measures, or other standards established by the county congestion management agency for designated roads or highways?				
c)	Result in a change in air traffic patterns, including either an increase in traffic levels, obstructions to flight, or a change in location, that results in substantial safety risks?				
d)	Substantially increase hazards due to a design feature (e.g., sharp curves or dangerous intersections) or incompatible uses?				
e)	Result in inadequate emergency access?				$\boxtimes$
f)	Conflict with adopted policies, plans, or programs regarding public transit, bicycle, or pedestrian facilities, or otherwise decrease the performance or safety of such facilities?				

The Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR anticipated that growth resulting from the zoning changes would not result in significant impacts related to pedestrians, bicyclists, loading, emergency access, or construction. As the proposed project is within the development projected under the Eastern Neighborhoods Rezoning and Area Plans, there would be no additional impacts on pedestrians, bicyclists, loading, emergency access, or construction beyond those analyzed in the Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR.

However, the Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR anticipated that growth resulting from the zoning changes could result in significant impacts on traffic and transit ridership, and identified 11 transportation mitigation measures. Even with mitigation, however, it was anticipated that the significant adverse cumulative traffic impacts and the cumulative impacts on transit lines could not be fully mitigated. Thus, these impacts were found to be significant and unavoidable.

The project site is not located within an airport land use plan area, or in the vicinity of a private airstrip. Therefore, the Community Plan Exemption Checklist topic 4c is not applicable.

# **Trip Generation**

The proposed project would involve the demolition of a vacant gas station and the construction of a 73,000 sf mixed use, residential and commercial building. The project would provide 52 residential units, 55 bicycle parking spaces (52 Class 1 and 3 Class 2) and 39 off street vehicle parking spaces within a below-grade garage.

Trip generation of the proposed project was calculated using information in the 2002 Transportation Impacts Analysis Guidelines for Environmental Review (SF Guidelines) developed by the San Francisco Planning Department.<sup>7</sup> The proposed project would generate an estimated 1,173 person trips (inbound and outbound) on a weekday daily basis consisting of 668 person trips by auto, 278 transit trips, 202 walk trips and 24 trips by other modes. During the p.m. peak hour, the proposed project would generate an estimated 49 vehicle trips (accounting for vehicle occupancy data for this Census Tract).

#### **Traffic**

The proposed project's vehicle trips would travel through the intersections surrounding the project block. Intersection operating conditions are characterized by the concept of Level of Service (LOS), which ranges from A to F and provides a description of an intersection's performance based on traffic volumes, intersection capacity, and vehicle delays. LOS A represents free flow conditions, with little or no delay, while LOS F represents congested conditions, with extremely long delays; LOS D (moderately high delays) is considered the lowest acceptable level in San Francisco. The intersection near the project site (within approximately 800 feet) includes Valencia and 22<sup>nd</sup>, 23<sup>rd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> Streets, Mission and 22<sup>nd</sup>, 23<sup>rd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> Streets; Guerrero and 22<sup>nd</sup>, 23<sup>rd</sup>, and 24<sup>th</sup> Streets; and Fair Oaks and 23<sup>rd</sup> Streets. Of these, the only intersection analyzed for LOS in the Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR was the 24<sup>th</sup> and Mission Street intersection, for which existing and cumulative LOS data is provided in Table 1.

Table 1

<u>Int</u>	<u>ersection</u>	Existing LOS (2006)	Cumulative LOS (2035)			
Mission/	24th Street	C	С			

Source: Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR8

The proposed project would generate an estimated 49 new p.m. peak hour vehicle trips that could travel through surrounding intersections. This amount of new p.m. peak hour vehicle trips would not substantially increase traffic volumes at these or other nearby intersections, would not substantially increase average delay that would cause intersections that currently operate at acceptable LOS to deteriorate to unacceptable LOS, or would not substantially increase average delay at intersections that currently operate at unacceptable LOS.

The proposed project would not contribute considerably to LOS delay conditions as its contribution of an estimated 49 new p.m. peak-hour vehicle trips would not be a substantial proportion of the overall traffic volume or the new vehicle trips generated by Eastern Neighborhoods' Plan projects. The proposed project would also not contribute considerably to 2025 cumulative conditions and thus, the proposed project would not have any significant cumulative traffic impacts.

For the above reasons, the proposed project would not result in significant impacts on traffic that were not identified in the Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR.

<sup>7</sup> San Francisco Planning Department, Transportation Calculations for 1198 Valencia Street, December 18, 2013. These calculations are available for review at the San Francisco Planning Department, 1650 Mission Street, Suite 400, as part of Case File No. 2012.0865E.

San Francisco Planning Department, Eastern Neighborhoods Rezoning and Area Plans Final Environmental Impact Report (PEIR), Planning Department Case No. 2004.0160E, State Clearinghouse No. 2005032048, certified August 7, 2008. Available online at: <a href="http://www.sf-planning.org/index.aspx?page=1893">http://www.sf-planning.org/index.aspx?page=1893</a>, accessed January 12, 2015.

#### **Transit**

The project site is located within a quarter mile of several local transit lines including Muni lines 12 Folsom/Pacific, 14 Mission, 27 Bryant, 36 Teresita, 48 Quintara/ 24th Street, 49 Van Ness/ Mission, and 67 Bernal Heights. The project is also located within three blocks (1,056 ft) from the 24th Street/Mission Bart Station. The proposed project would be expected to generate 278 daily transit trips, including 40 during the p.m. peak hour. Given the wide availability of nearby transit, the addition of 40 p.m. peak hour transit trips would be accommodated by existing capacity. As such, the proposed project would not result in unacceptable levels of transit service or cause a substantial increase in delays or operating costs such that significant adverse impacts in transit service could result.

Each of the rezoning options in the Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR identified significant and unavoidable cumulative impacts relating to increases in transit ridership on Muni lines, with the Preferred Project having significant impacts on seven lines. Of those lines, the project site is located within a quarter-mile of Muni lines 48 Quintara/ 24th Street and 49 Van Ness/ Mission. Mitigation measures proposed to address these impacts related to pursuing enhanced transit funding; conducting transit corridor and service improvements; and increasing transit accessibility, service information and storage/maintenance capabilities for Muni lines in the Eastern Neighborhoods. Even with mitigation, however, cumulative impacts on the above lines were found to be significant and unavoidable and a Statement of Overriding Considerations related to the significant and unavoidable cumulative transit impacts was adopted as part of the PEIR Certification and project approval.

The proposed project would not contribute considerably to these conditions as its minor contribution of 40 p.m. peak hour transit trips would not be a substantial proportion of the overall additional transit volume generated by Eastern Neighborhood projects. The proposed project would also not contribute considerably to 2025 cumulative transit conditions and thus would not result in any significant cumulative transit impacts.

For the above reasons, the proposed project would not result in significant impacts that were not identified in the Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR related to transit and would not contribute considerably to cumulative transit impacts that were identified in the Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR.

#### **Parking**

Public Resources Code Section 21099(d), effective January 1, 2014, provides that, "aesthetics and parking impacts of a residential, mixed-use residential, or employment center project on an infill site located within a transit priority area shall not be considered significant impacts on the environment." Accordingly, aesthetics and parking are no longer to be considered in determining if a project has the potential to result in significant environmental effects for projects that meet all of the following three criteria:

- a) The project is in a transit priority area;
- b) The project is on an infill site; and
- c) The project is residential, mixed-use residential, or an employment center.

The proposed project meets each of the above three criteria and thus, this determination does not consider the adequacy of parking in determining the significance of project impacts under CEQA.<sup>9</sup> The Planning Department acknowledges that parking conditions may be of interest to the public and the decision makers. Therefore, the following parking demand analysis is provided for informational purposes only.

The parking demand for the new residential and retail uses associated with the proposed project was determined based on the methodology presented in the Transportation Guidelines. On an average weekday, the demand for parking would be for 88 spaces. The proposed project would provide 39 off-street spaces. Thus, as proposed, the project would have an unmet parking demand of an estimated 49 spaces. At this location, the unmet parking demand could be accommodated within existing on-street and off-street parking spaces within a reasonable distance of the project vicinity. Additionally, the project site is well served by public transit and bicycle facilities. Therefore, any unmet parking demand associated with the project would not materially affect the overall parking conditions in the project vicinity such that hazardous conditions or significant delays would be created.

Further, the project site is located in the Valencia NCT zoning district where under Section 151.1 of the Planning Code, the proposed project would not be required to provide any off-street parking spaces. It should be noted that the Planning Commission has the discretion to adjust the number of on-site parking spaces included in the proposed project, typically at the time that the project entitlements are sought. The Planning Commission may not support the parking ratio proposed. In some cases, particularly when the proposed project is in a transit rich area, the Planning Commission may not support the provision of any off-street parking spaces. This is, in part, owing to the fact that the parking spaces are not 'bundled' with the residential units. In other words, residents would have the option to rent or purchase a parking space, but one would not be automatically provided with the residential unit.

If the project were ultimately approved with no off-street parking spaces, the proposed project would have an unmet demand of 88 spaces. As mentioned above, the unmet parking demand could be accommodated within existing on-street and off-street parking spaces nearby and through alternative modes such as public transit and bicycle facilities. Given that the unmet demand could be met by existing facilities and given that the proposed project site is well-served by transit and bicycle facilities, a reduction in the number of off-street parking spaces associated with the proposed project, even if no off-street spaces are provided, would not result in significant delays or hazardous conditions.

Parking conditions are not static, as parking supply and demand varies from day to day, from day to night, from month to month, etc. Hence, the availability of parking spaces (or lack thereof) is not a permanent physical condition, but changes over time as people change their modes and patterns of travel. While parking conditions change over time, a substantial shortfall in parking caused by a project that creates hazardous conditions or significant delays to traffic, transit, bicycles or pedestrians could adversely affect the physical environment. Whether a shortfall in parking creates such conditions will depend on the magnitude of the shortfall and the ability of drivers to change travel patterns or switch to other travel modes. If a substantial shortfall in parking caused by a project creates hazardous conditions or significant delays in travel, such a condition could also result in secondary physical environmental impacts (e.g., air quality or noise impacts caused by congestion), depending on the project and its setting.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> San Francisco Planning Department, Transit-Oriented Infill Project Eligibility Checklist for 1198 Valencia Street, January 07, 2014. This document is available for review at the San Francisco Planning Department, 1650 Mission Street, Suite 400, as part of Case File No. 2012.0865E.

The absence of a ready supply of parking spaces, combined with available alternatives to auto travel (e.g., transit service, taxis, bicycles or travel by foot) and a relatively dense pattern of urban development, induces many drivers to seek and find alternative parking facilities, shift to other modes of travel, or change their overall travel habits. Any such resulting shifts to transit service or other modes (walking and biking), would be in keeping with the City's "Transit First" policy and numerous San Francisco General Plan Polices, including those in the Transportation Element. The City's Transit First Policy, established in the City's Charter Article 8A, Section 8A.115, provides that "parking policies for areas well served by public transit shall be designed to encourage travel by public transportation and alternative transportation."

The transportation analysis accounts for potential secondary effects, such as cars circling and looking for a parking space in areas of limited parking supply, by assuming that all drivers would attempt to find parking at or near the project site and then seek parking farther away if convenient parking is unavailable. The secondary effects of drivers searching for parking is typically offset by a reduction in vehicle trips due to others who are aware of constrained parking conditions in a given area, and thus choose to reach their destination by other modes (i.e. walking, biking, transit, taxi). If this occurs, any secondary environmental impacts that may result from a shortfall in parking in the vicinity of the proposed project would be minor, and the traffic assignments used in the transportation analysis, as well as in the associated air quality, noise and pedestrian safety analyses, would reasonably address potential secondary effects.

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5.	NOISE—Would the project:				
a)	Result in exposure of persons to or generation of noise levels in excess of standards established in the local general plan or noise ordinance, or applicable standards of other agencies?			. 🗆	
b)	Result in exposure of persons to or generation of excessive groundborne vibration or groundborne noise levels?				$\boxtimes$
c)	Result in a substantial permanent increase in ambient noise levels in the project vicinity above levels existing without the project?				
d)	Result in a substantial temporary or periodic increase in ambient noise levels in the project vicinity above levels existing without the project?				$\boxtimes$
e)	For a project located within an airport land use plan area, or, where such a plan has not been adopted, in an area within two miles of a public airport or public use airport, would the project expose people residing or working in the area to excessive noise levels?				
f)	For a project located in the vicinity of a private airstrip, would the project expose people residing or working in the project area to excessive noise levels?				
g)	Be substantially affected by existing noise levels?		. 🗆		$\boxtimes$

The Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR identified potential conflicts related to residences and other noisein proximity to noisy uses such as PDR, retail, sensitive uses cultural/institutional/educational uses, and office uses. In addition, the Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR noted that implementation of the Eastern Neighborhoods Area Plans and Rezoning would incrementally increase traffic-generated noise on some streets in the Eastern Neighborhoods plan areas and result in construction noise impacts from pile driving and other construction activities. The Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR therefore identified six noise mitigation measures that would reduce noise impacts to less-than-significant levels.

Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR Mitigation Measures F-1 and F-2 relate to construction noise. Mitigation Measure F-1 addresses individual projects that include pile-driving, and Mitigation Measure F-2 addresses individual projects that include particularly noisy construction procedures. The project would not involve pile driving and the anticipated foundation type would be a mat slab foundation. Since the project would not involve pile driving, Mitigation Measure F-1 would not be required; however, due to the proposed excavation to approximately 14 ft, Mitigation Measures F-2 would be required.

In addition, all construction activities for the proposed project (approximately 18 months) would be subject to and would comply with the San Francisco Noise Ordinance (Article 29 of the San Francisco Police Code) (Noise Ordinance). Construction noise is regulated by the Noise Ordinance. The Noise Ordinance requires that construction work be conducted in the following manner: (1) noise levels of construction equipment, other than impact tools, must not exceed 80 dBA at a distance of 100 feet from the source (the equipment generating the noise); (2) impact tools must have intake and exhaust mufflers

that are approved by the Director of the Department of Public Works (DPW) or the Director of the Department of Building Inspection (DBI) to best accomplish maximum noise reduction; and (3) if the noise from the construction work would exceed the ambient noise levels at the site property line by 5 dBA, the work must not be conducted between 8:00 p.m. and 7:00 a.m. unless the Director of DPW authorizes a special permit for conducting the work during that period.

DBI is responsible for enforcing the Noise Ordinance for private construction projects during normal business hours (8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.). The Police Department is responsible for enforcing the Noise Ordinance during all other hours. Nonetheless, during the construction period for the proposed project of approximately 18 months, occupants of the nearby properties could be disturbed by construction noise. Times may occur when noise could interfere with indoor activities in nearby residences and other businesses near the project site and may be considered an annoyance by occupants of nearby properties. The increase in noise in the project area during project construction would not be considered a significant impact of the proposed project, because the construction noise would be temporary, intermittent, and restricted in occurrence and level, as the contractor would be required to comply with the Noise Ordinance.

Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR Mitigation Measures F-3 and F-4 require that a detailed analysis of noise reduction requirements be conducted for new development that includes noise-sensitive uses located along streets with noise levels above 60 dBA (Ldn). The project would involve the construction of residential units within an area consisting of noise levels above 60 dBA; therefore, the project would be subject to Mitigation Measures F-3 and F-4. Accordingly, the project sponsor has conducted an environmental noise study demonstrating that the proposed project can feasibly attain acceptable interior noise levels. 10 The noise study stated that the average noise level measured in the area was approximately 70.6 dB(A) Ldn and that the noise generating uses within 900 ft of the project site include Valencia and 23rd Streets and San Jose Avenue, directly surrounding the site. The noise study further stated that to alleviate the indoor noise levels for the proposed project would require glazing; however, final glazing recommendations would be issued once exterior construction elevations are further developed. The glazing requirements would also vary based on the disparity in exterior noise levels surrounding the site. In addition, some units that are exposed to noise levels above 60 dB(A) Ldn would require separate makeup air ventilation to meet Title 24 fresh air requirements. The noise study states that all units will likely require this alternative method of providing fresh air. This noise study demonstrates the proposed project can feasibly attain acceptable interior noise levels and has agreed to implement Project Mitigation Measures 2 and 3, as described under the Mitigation Measures Section below.

Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR Mitigation Measure F-5 addresses impacts related to individual projects that include new noise-generating uses that would be expected to generate noise levels in excess of ambient noise in the proposed project site vicinity. The proposed project would not include noise-generating uses and therefore, the PEIR Mitigation Measure F-5 would not be applicable to the project.

Mitigation Measure F-6 addresses impacts from existing ambient noise levels on open space required under the Planning Code for new development that includes noise sensitive uses. As the proposed project would provide required open space via both a common roof deck and rear yard, Project Mitigation Measure 6 regarding open spaces in noisy environments, would be applicable to the project (see full text under Mitigation Measures Section below). Further, the noise study provided for the proposed project

<sup>10</sup> Environmental Noise Report v2, 1198 Valencia Street Residential Development, San Francisco, CA, Shen Misom Wilke, September 9, 2014.
This document is available for review at the San Francisco Planning Department, 1660 Mission Street, Suite 400, as part of Case No. 2012.0865E

states that because the majority of the open space provided for the project would be located via roof decks, the noise levels of the open space would benefit significantly from the distance to the primary noise sources as well as shielding effects from the building. Ambient noise levels on the roof deck would be reduced by approximately 8 to 10 dB(A) from those measured at the street level.

The project site is not located within an airport land use plan area, within two miles of a public airport, or in the vicinity of a private airstrip. Therefore, topic 12e and f from the CEQA Guidelines, Appendix G is not applicable.

For the above reasons, the proposed project would not result in significant noise impacts that were not identified in the Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR.

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6. AIR QUALITY—Would the project:				
a) Conflict with or obstruct implementation of the applicable air quality plan?				$\boxtimes$
b) Violate any air quality standard or contribute substantially to an existing or projected air quality violation?				$\boxtimes$
c) Result in a cumulatively considerable net increase of any criteria pollutant for which the project region is non-attainment under an applicable federal, state, or regional ambient air quality standard (including releasing emissions which exceed quantitative thresholds for ozone precursors)?				
d) Expose sensitive receptors to substantial pollutant concentrations?				$\boxtimes$
e) Create objectionable odors affecting a substantial number of people?				$\boxtimes$

The Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR identified potentially significant air quality impacts resulting from construction activities and impacts to sensitive land uses<sup>11</sup> as a result of exposure to elevated levels of diesel particulate matter (DPM) and other toxic air contaminants (TACs). The Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR identified four mitigation measures that would reduce these air quality impacts to less-than-significant levels. All other air quality impacts were found to be less than significant.

### CONSTRUCTION DUST CONTROL

Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR Mitigation Measure G-1 Construction Air Quality requires individual projects involving construction activities to include dust control measures and to maintain and operate construction equipment so as to minimize exhaust emissions of particulates and other pollutants. The San Francisco Board of Supervisors subsequently approved a series of amendments to the San Francisco Building and Health Codes, generally referred to as the Construction Dust Control Ordinance (Ordinance 176-08, effective July 30, 2008). The intent of the Construction Dust Control Ordinance is to reduce the quantity of fugitive dust generated during site preparation, demolition, and construction work in order to protect the health of the general public and of on-site workers, minimize public nuisance complaints, and to avoid orders to stop work by DBI. Project-related construction activities would result in construction dust, primarily from ground-disturbing activities. In compliance with the Construction Dust Control Ordinance, the project sponsor and contractor responsible for construction activities at the project site would be required to control construction dust on the site through a combination of watering disturbed areas, covering stockpiled materials, street and sidewalk sweeping and other measures.

The regulations and procedures set forth by the San Francisco Dust Control Ordinance would ensure that construction dust impacts would not be significant. These requirements supersede the dust control

<sup>11</sup> The Bay Area Air Quality Management District (BAAQMD) considers sensitive receptors as: children, adults or seniors occupying or residing in: 1) residential dwellings, including apartments, houses, condominiums, 2) schools, colleges, and universities, 3) daycares, 4) hospitals, and 5) senior care facilities. BAAQMD, Recommended Methods for Screening and Modeling Local Risks and Hazards, May 2011, page 12.

provisions of PEIR Mitigation Measure G-1. Therefore, the portion of PEIR Mitigation Measure G-1 Construction Air Quality that addresses dust control is not applicable to the proposed project.

### **HEALTH RISK**

Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR Mitigation Measure G-1 addresses air quality impacts during construction, Mitigation Measure G-2 addresses the siting of sensitive land uses near sources of TACs and PEIR Mitigation Measures G-3 and G-4 address proposed uses that would emit DPM and other TACs.

Subsequent to certification of the PEIR, San Francisco (in partnership with the Bay Area Air Quality Management District (BAAQMD)) inventoried and assessed air pollution and exposures from mobile, stationary, and area sources within San Francisco and identified portions of the City that result in additional health risks for affected populations ("Air Pollutant Exposure Zone"). The Air Pollutant Exposure Zone was identified based on two health based criteria:

- (1) Areas where the excess cancer risk from all sources is greater than 100; or
- (2) Areas where PM<sub>2.5</sub> concentrations from all sources (including ambient concentrations) are greater than  $10\mu g/m^3$ .

The project site is not located within an identified Air Pollutant Exposure Zone. Therefore, the ambient health risk to sensitive receptors from air pollutants is not considered substantial and the remainder of Mitigation Measure G-1 that requires the minimization of construction exhaust emissions is not applicable to the proposed project.

The proposed project would include development of residential uses and is considered a sensitive land use for purposes of air quality evaluation. As discussed above, the ambient health risk to sensitive receptors from air pollutants is not considered substantial and Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR Mitigation Measure G-2 Air Quality for Sensitive Land Uses is not applicable to the proposed project. Furthermore, the proposed residential land uses are not uses that would emit substantial levels of DPM or other TACs and Eastern Neighborhoods Mitigation Measures G-3 and G-4 are similarly not applicable.

### **CRITERIA AIR POLLUTANTS**

While the Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR determined that at a program-level the Eastern Neighborhoods Rezoning and Area Plans would not result in significant regional air quality impacts, the PEIR states that "Individual development projects undertaken in the future pursuant to the new zoning and area plans would be subject to a significance determination based on the BAAQMD's quantitative thresholds for individual projects." The BAAQMD's CEQA Air Quality Guidelines (Air Quality Guidelines) provide screening criteria for determining whether a project's criteria air pollutant emissions would violate an air quality standard, contribute to an existing or projected air quality violation, or result in a cumulatively considerable net increase in criteria air pollutants. Pursuant to the Air Quality Guidelines, projects that meet the screening criteria do not have a significant impact related to criteria air pollutants. For projects that do not meet the screening criteria, a detailed air quality assessment is required to further evaluate whether project-related criteria air pollutant emissions would exceed BAAQMD significance thresholds. Criteria air pollutant emissions during construction and operation of the proposed project would meet

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>12</sup> San Francisco Planning Department, Eastern Neighborhood's Rezoning and Area Plans Final Environmental Impact Report. See page 346. Available online at: <a href="http://www.sf-planning.org/Modules/ShowDocument.aspx?documentid=4003">http://www.sf-planning.org/Modules/ShowDocument.aspx?documentid=4003</a>. Accessed June 4, 2014.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>13</sup> Bay Area Air Quality Management District, CEQA Air Quality Guidelines, updated May 2011. See pp. 3-2 to 3-3.

the Air Quality Guidelines screening criteria. Therefore, the project would not have a significant impact related to criteria air pollutants, and a detailed air quality assessment is not required.

For the above reasons, none of the Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR air quality mitigation measures are applicable to the proposed project and the project would not result in significant air quality impacts that were not identified in the PEIR.

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7.	GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS—Would the project:				
a)	Generate greenhouse gas emissions, either directly or indirectly, that may have a significant impact on the environment?				$\boxtimes$
b)	Conflict with any applicable plan, policy, or regulation of an agency adopted for the purpose of reducing the emissions of greenhouse gases?				$\boxtimes$

The Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR assessed the GHG emissions that could result from rezoning of the Mission Area Plan under the three rezoning options. The Eastern Neighborhoods Rezoning Options A, B, and C are anticipated to result in GHG emissions on the order of 4.2, 4.3 and 4.5 metric tons of CO₂E¹⁴ per service population,¹⁵ respectively. The Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR concluded that the resulting GHG emissions from the three options analyzed in the Eastern Neighborhoods Area Plans would be less than significant. No mitigation measures were identified in the PEIR.

Regulations outlined in San Francisco's Strategies to Address Greenhouse Gas Emissions have proven effective as San Francisco's GHG emissions have measurably reduced when compared to 1990 emissions levels, demonstrating that the City has met and exceeded EO S-3-05, AB 32, and the Bay Area 2010 Clean Air Plan GHG reduction goals for the year 2020. The proposed project was determined to be consistent with San Francisco's GHG Reduction Strategy. Other existing regulations, such as those implemented through AB 32, will continue to reduce a proposed project's contribution to climate change. Therefore, the proposed project's GHG emissions would not conflict with state, regional, and local GHG reduction plans and regulations, and thus the proposed project's contribution to GHG emissions would not be cumulatively considerable or generate GHG emissions, either directly or indirectly, that would have a significant impact on the environment.

As the proposed project is within the development projected under the Eastern Neighborhoods Rezoning and Area Plans, there would be no additional impacts on greenhouse gas emissions beyond those analyzed in the Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR.

<sup>14</sup> CO2E, defined as equivalent Carbon Dioxide, is a quantity that describes other greenhouse gases in terms of the amount of Carbon Dioxide that would have an equal global warming potential.

<sup>15</sup> Memorandum from Jessica Range to Environmental Planning staff, Greenhouse Gas Analyses for Community Plan Exemptions in Eastern Neighborhoods, April 20, 2010. This memorandum provides an overview of the GHG analysis conducted for the Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR and provides an analysis of the emissions using a service population (equivalent of total number of residents and employees) metric.

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8.	WIND AND SHADOW—Would the project:				
a)	Alter wind in a manner that substantially affects public areas?				$\boxtimes$
b)	Create new shadow in a manner that substantially affects outdoor recreation facilities or other public areas?				$\boxtimes$

#### Wind

Based upon experience of the Planning Department in reviewing wind analyses and expert opinion on other projects, it is generally (but not always) the case that projects under 80 feet in height do not have the potential to generate significant wind impacts. Although the proposed 55-foot-tall building would be taller than the immediately adjacent buildings, it would be similar in height to existing buildings in the surrounding area. For the above reasons, the proposed project is not anticipated to cause significant impacts related to wind that were not identified in the Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR.

### Shadow

Planning Code Section 295 generally prohibits new structures above 40 feet in height that would cast additional shadows on open space that is under the jurisdiction of the San Francisco Recreation and Park Commission between one hour after sunrise and one hour before sunset, at any time of the year, unless that shadow would not result in a significant adverse effect on the use of the open space. Under the Eastern Neighborhoods Rezoning and Area Plans, sites surrounding parks could be redeveloped with taller buildings without triggering Section 295 of the Planning Code because certain parks are not subject to Section 295 of the Planning Code (i.e., under jurisdiction of departments other than the Recreation and Parks Department or privately owned). The Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR could not conclude if the rezoning and community plans would result in less-than-significant shadow impacts because the feasibility of complete mitigation for potential new shadow impacts of unknown proposed projects could not be determined at that time. Therefore, the PEIR determined shadow impacts to be significant and unavoidable. No mitigation measures were identified in the PEIR.

The proposed project would construct a 55-foot-tall building (72 feet to the top of the elevator penthouse); therefore, the Planning Department prepared a preliminary shadow fan analysis to determine whether the project would have the potential to cast new shadow on nearby parks. <sup>16</sup> Due to the project's close proximity to the Buena Vista Horace Mann K-8 Elementary School, an aggregated shadow diagram was prepared by PreVision Design<sup>17</sup> to provide a shadow fan analysis with the existing building heights of surrounding buildings. This aggregated shadow fan displayed that not only would the project not cast any additional shadow on properties covered by Section 295 of the San Francisco Planning Code, but also the project would not cast shadow on the existing courtyard playgrounds at the elementary school.

The proposed project would shade portions of nearby streets and sidewalks and private property at times within the project vicinity. Shadows upon streets and sidewalks would not exceed levels commonly

<sup>16 1198</sup> Valencia Shadow Fan, San Francisco Planning Department, January 14, 2015. This document is available for review at the San Francisco Planning Department, 1660 Mission Street, Suite 400, as part of Case No. 2012.0865E

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>17</sup> 1198 Valencia Street Shadow Diagram, PreVision Design. This document is available for review at the San Francisco Planning Department, 1660 Mission Street, Suite 400, as part of Case No. 2012.0865E

expected in urban areas and would be considered a less-than-significant effect under CEQA. Although occupants of nearby property may regard the increase in shadow as undesirable, the limited increase in shading of private properties as a result of the proposed project would not be considered a significant impact under CEQA.

For the above reasons, the proposed project would not result in significant impacts related to shadow that were not identified in the Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR.

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9.	RECREATION—Would the project:				
a)	Increase the use of existing neighborhood and regional parks or other recreational facilities such that substantial physical deterioration of the facilities would occur or be accelerated?				
b)	Include recreational facilities or require the construction or expansion of recreational facilities that might have an adverse physical effect on the environment?				$\boxtimes$
c)	Physically degrade existing recreational resources?				$\boxtimes$

The Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR concluded that implementation of the Eastern Neighborhoods Rezoning and Area Plans would not result in substantial or accelerated deterioration of existing recreational resources or require the construction or expansion of recreational facilities that may have an adverse effect on the environment. No mitigation measures related to recreational resources were identified in the Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR.

As the proposed project would not degrade recreational facilities and is within the development projected under the Eastern Neighborhoods Rezoning and Area Plans, there would be no additional impacts on recreation beyond those analyzed in the Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR.

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10.	UTILITIES AND SERVICE SYSTEMS—Would the project:				
a)	Exceed wastewater treatment requirements of the applicable Regional Water Quality Control Board?				
b)	Require or result in the construction of new water or wastewater treatment facilities or expansion of existing facilities, the construction of which could cause significant environmental effects?				
c)	Require or result in the construction of new storm water drainage facilities or expansion of existing facilities, the construction of which could cause significant environmental effects?				$\boxtimes$
d)	Have sufficient water supply available to serve the project from existing entitlements and resources, or require new or expanded water supply resources or entitlements?				$\boxtimes$
e)	Result in a determination by the wastewater treatment provider that would serve the project that it has inadequate capacity to serve the project's projected demand in addition to the provider's existing commitments?				
f)	Be served by a landfill with sufficient permitted capacity to accommodate the project's solid waste disposal needs?				
g)	Comply with federal, state, and local statutes and regulations related to solid waste?				$\boxtimes$

The Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR determined that the anticipated increase in population would not result in a significant impact to the provision of water, wastewater collection and treatment, and solid waste collection and disposal. No mitigation measures were identified in the PEIR.

As the proposed project is within the development projected under the Eastern Neighborhoods Rezoning and Area Plans, there would be no additional impacts on utilities and service systems beyond those analyzed in the Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR.

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11.	PUBLIC SERVICES—Would the project:				
a)	Result in substantial adverse physical impacts associated with the provision of, or the need for, new or physically altered governmental facilities, the construction of which could cause significant environmental impacts, in order to maintain acceptable service ratios, response times, or other performance objectives for any public services such as fire protection, police projection, schools parks or other services?				

The Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR determined that the anticipated increase in population would not result in a significant impact to public services, including fire protection, police protection, and public schools. No mitigation measures were identified in the PEIR.

As the proposed project is within the development projected under the Eastern Neighborhoods Rezoning and Area Plans, there would be no additional impacts on public services beyond those analyzed in the Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR.

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12.	BIOLOGICAL RESOURCES—Would the project:				
a)	Have a substantial adverse effect, either directly or through habitat modifications, on any species identified as a candidate, sensitive, or special-status species in local or regional plans, policies, or regulations, or by the California Department of Fish and Game or U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service?				
b)	Have a substantial adverse effect on any riparian habitat or other sensitive natural community identified in local or regional plans, policies, regulations or by the California Department of Fish and Game or U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service?				
c)	Have a substantial adverse effect on federally protected wetlands as defined by Section 404 of the Clean Water Act (including, but not limited to, marsh, vernal pool, coastal, etc.) through direct removal, filling, hydrological interruption, or other means?				
d)	Interfere substantially with the movement of any native resident or migratory fish or wildlife species or with established native resident or migratory wildlife corridors, or impede the use of native wildlife nursery sites?				
e)	Conflict with any local policies or ordinances protecting biological resources, such as a tree preservation policy or ordinance?				
f)	Conflict with the provisions of an adopted Habitat Conservation Plan, Natural Community Conservation Plan, or other approved local, regional, or state habitat conservation plan?				

As discussed in the Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR, the Eastern Neighborhoods Plan Area is in a developed urban environment that does not provide native natural habitat for any rare or endangered plant or animal species. There are no riparian corridors, estuaries, marshes, or wetlands in the Plan Area that could be affected by the development anticipated under the Area Plan. In addition, development envisioned under the Eastern Neighborhoods Area Plan would not substantially interfere with the movement of any resident or migratory wildlife species. For these reasons, the PEIR concluded that implementation of the Area Plan would not result in significant impacts on biological resources, and no mitigation measures were identified.

As the proposed project is within the development projected under the Eastern Neighborhoods Rezoning and Area Plans, there would be no additional impacts on biological resources beyond those analyzed in the Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR.

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13.	GEOLOGY AND SOILS—Would the project:				
a)	Expose people or structures to potential substantial adverse effects, including the risk of loss, injury, or death involving:				$\boxtimes$
	i) Rupture of a known earthquake fault, as delineated on the most recent Alquist-Priolo Earthquake Fault Zoning Map issued by the State Geologist for the area or based on other substantial evidence of a known fault? (Refer to Division of Mines and Geology Special Publication 42.)				
	ii) Strong seismic ground shaking?				$\boxtimes$
	iii) Seismic-related ground failure, including liquefaction?				
	iv) Landslides?				$\boxtimes$
b)	Result in substantial soil erosion or the loss of topsoil?				$\boxtimes$
c)	Be located on geologic unit or soil that is unstable, or that would become unstable as a result of the project, and potentially result in onor off-site landslide, lateral spreading, subsidence, liquefaction, or collapse?				
d)	Be located on expansive soil, as defined in Table 18-1-B of the Uniform Building Code, creating substantial risks to life or property?				$\boxtimes$
e)	Have soils incapable of adequately supporting the use of septic tanks or alternative wastewater disposal systems where sewers are not available for the disposal of wastewater?				
f)	Change substantially the topography or any unique geologic or physical features of the site?				$\boxtimes$

The Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR concluded that implementation of the Plan would indirectly increase the population that would be subject to an earthquake, including seismically induced ground-shaking, liquefaction, and landslides. The PEIR also noted that new development is generally safer than comparable older development due to improvements in building codes and construction techniques. Compliance with applicable codes and recommendations made in project-specific geotechnical analyses would not eliminate earthquake risks, but would reduce them to an acceptable level, given the seismically active characteristics of the Bay Area. Thus, the PEIR concluded that implementation of the Plan would not result in significant impacts with regard to geology, and no mitigation measures were identified in the Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR.

A geotechnical investigation was prepared for the proposed project.<sup>18</sup> This investigation confirmed that the project is not located within a geologically sensitive area, such as a landslide or liquefaction zone. However, like the majority of the San Francisco Bay Area, the project is located within a seismically active

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>18</sup> Geotechnical Investigation Proposed Residential Building 1198 Valencia Street, Rockridge Geotechnical, November 8, 2013. This document is available for review at the San Francisco Planning Department, 1660 Mission Street, Suite 400, as part of Case No. 2012.0865E

region and the site will experience strong to very strong ground shaking during the lifetime of the site. The geotechnical investigation also noted that the primary geotechnical concerns related to the site involve the depth of excavation (12 to 14 ft) and providing adequate vertical and lateral support for the proposed improvements. The geotechnical investigation concludes by stating that the proposed project could be constructed as planned, provided that recommendations are incorporated during the design and construction phases of the project.

Some recommendations provided through the geotechnical investigation discuss the following topics: foundation support and settlement, site preparation and grading, concrete slab-on-grade floor, basement walls, temporary cut slopes and shoring, underpinning, excavation and seismic design. Recommendations with regards to excavation are as follows; to reduce potential damage to the existing improvements, heavy equipment should not be used within 10 ft from existing shallow footings and basement walls. In addition, the project would require underpinning of the adjacent buildings to provide temporary vertical and lateral support of their foundations during construction for the proposed project; any underpinning should be designed to the specifications outlined within the geotechnical investigation.

The project is required to conform to the San Francisco Building Code, which ensures the safety of all new construction in the City. DBI will review the project-specific geotechnical report during its review of the building permit for the project. In addition, DBI may require additional site specific soils report(s) through the building permit application process, as needed. The DBI requirement for a geotechnical report and review of the building permit application pursuant to DBI's implementation of the Building Code would ensure that the proposed project would have no significant impacts related to soils, seismic or other geological hazards.

In light of the above, the proposed project would not result in a significant effect related to seismic and geologic hazards. Therefore, the proposed project would not result in significant impacts related to geology and soils that were not identified in the Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR, and no mitigation measures are necessary.

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14.	HYDROLOGY AND WATER QUALITY—Would the project:				
a)	Violate any water quality standards or waste discharge requirements?				$\boxtimes$
b)	Substantially deplete groundwater supplies or interfere substantially with groundwater recharge such that there would be a net deficit in aquifer volume or a lowering of the local groundwater table level (e.g., the production rate of pre-existing nearby wells would drop to a level which would not support existing land uses or planned uses for which permits have been granted)?				
c)	Substantially alter the existing drainage pattern of the site or area, including through the alteration of the course of a stream or river, in a manner that would result in substantial erosion or siltation on- or off-site?				
d)	Substantially alter the existing drainage pattern of the site or area, including through the alteration of the course of a stream or river, or substantially increase the rate or amount of surface runoff in a manner that would result in flooding on- or off-site?				
e)	Create or contribute runoff water which would exceed the capacity of existing or planned stormwater drainage systems or provide substantial additional sources of polluted runoff?				
f)	Otherwise substantially degrade water quality?				$\boxtimes$
g)	Place housing within a 100-year flood hazard area as mapped on a federal Flood Hazard Boundary or Flood Insurance Rate Map or other authoritative flood hazard delineation map?				
h)	Place within a 100-year flood hazard area structures that would impede or redirect flood flows?				
i)	Expose people or structures to a significant risk of loss, injury or death involving flooding, including flooding as a result of the failure of a levee or dam?				$\boxtimes$
j)	Expose people or structures to a significant risk of loss, injury or death involving inundation by seiche, tsunami, or mudflow?				$\boxtimes$

The Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR determined that the anticipated increase in population would not result in a significant impact on hydrology and water quality, including the combined sewer system and the potential for combined sewer outflows. No mitigation measures were identified in the PEIR.

The project site is currently occupied by an existing building and is entirely covered by impervious surfaces, aside from minimal shrubbery; thus, the proposed project would not increase the impervious surfaces on site. As a result, the proposed project would not increase stormwater runoff.

Therefore, the proposed project would not result in any significant impacts related to hydrology and water quality that were not identified in the Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR.

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15.	HAZARDS AND HAZARDOUS MATERIALS— Would the project:				
a)	Create a significant hazard to the public or the environment through the routine transport, use, or disposal of hazardous materials?				
b)	Create a significant hazard to the public or the environment through reasonably foreseeable upset and accident conditions involving the release of hazardous materials into the environment?				
c)	Emit hazardous emissions or handle hazardous or acutely hazardous materials, substances, or waste within one-quarter mile of an existing or proposed school?				
d)	Be located on a site which is included on a list of hazardous materials sites compiled pursuant to Government Code Section 65962.5 and, as a result, would it create a significant hazard to the public or the environment?				
e)	For a project located within an airport land use plan or, where such a plan has not been adopted, within two miles of a public airport or public use airport, would the project result in a safety hazard for people residing or working in the project area?				
f)	For a project within the vicinity of a private airstrip, would the project result in a safety hazard for people residing or working in the project area?				
g)	Impair implementation of or physically interfere with an adopted emergency response plan or emergency evacuation plan?				
h)	Expose people or structures to a significant risk of loss, injury, or death involving fires?				$\boxtimes$

The Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR noted that implementation of any of the proposed project's rezoning options would encourage construction of new development within the project area. The PEIR found that there is a high potential to encounter hazardous materials during construction activities in many parts of the project area because of the presence of 1906 earthquake fill, previous and current land uses associated with the use of hazardous materials, and known or suspected hazardous materials cleanup cases. However, the PEIR found that existing regulations for facility closure, Underground Storage Tank (UST) closure, and investigation and cleanup of soil and groundwater would ensure implementation of measures to protect workers and the community from exposure to hazardous materials during construction.

### Hazardous Building Materials

The Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR determined that future development in the Plan Area may involve demolition or renovation of existing structures containing hazardous building materials. Some building materials commonly used in older buildings could present a public health risk if disturbed during an accident or during demolition or renovation of an existing building. Hazardous building materials addressed in the PEIR include asbestos, electrical equipment such as transformers and fluorescent light ballasts that contain PCBs or di (2 ethylhexyl) phthalate (DEHP), fluorescent lights containing mercury vapors, and lead-based paints. Asbestos and lead based paint may also present a health risk to existing building occupants if they are in a deteriorated condition. If removed during demolition of a building, these materials would also require special disposal procedures. The Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR identified a significant impact associated with hazardous building materials including PCBs, DEHP, and mercury and determined that that Mitigation Measure L-1: Hazardous Building Materials, as outlined below, would reduce effects to a less-than-significant level. Because the proposed development includes demolition of an existing structure, Mitigation Measure L-1 would apply to the proposed project. See full text of Mitigation Measure L-1 in the Mitigation Measures Section below.

### Soil and Groundwater Contamination

The proposed project would demolish what was once a gas station and construct 52 residential units. Therefore, the project is subject to Article 22A of the Health Code, also known as the Maher Ordinance, which is administered and overseen by the Department of Public Health (DPH). The Maher Ordinance requires the project sponsor to retain the services of a qualified professional to prepare a Phase I Environmental Site Assessment (ESA) that meets the requirements of Health Code Section 22.A.6.

A Phase I Environmental Site Assessment (ESA)19 was prepared for the proposed project to determine the potential for site contamination and level of exposure risk associated with the project. The ESA noted that the project was previously used as a gas station until 2007. Since closure of the gas station, four underground storage tanks were removed. In addition, groundwater and soil monitoring was conducted at the site, the results of the investigation showed elevated levels of gasoline, benzene, toluene, ethylbezene, xylenes, and methyl tertiary-butyle. Since then, the project site has placed a dual phase extraction remediation system to remediate the site. Remediation also required three monitoring wells and four extraction wells on site; in addition, the neighboring site consists of four monitoring wells, three vapor wells, and one extraction well. The project sponsor may be required to conduct additional soil and/or groundwater sampling and analysis. Where such analysis reveals the presence of hazardous substances in excess of state or federal standards, the project sponsor is required to submit a site mitigation plan (SMP) to the DPH or other appropriate state or federal agency(ies), and to remediate any site contamination in accordance with an approved SMP prior to the issuance of any building permit. The property owner received a letter<sup>20</sup> from the DPH regarding the proposed project at 1198 Valencia Street, due to the previous uses and the potential excavation to a depth of 14 ft bgs, a subsurface investigation should be conducted to assess potential presence of contaminates associated with the former activities onsite. A workplan to conduct the subsurface investigation would be submitted for review and approval by the DPH. Further, the Phase 1 concluded that previous groundwater monitoring suggests that the local

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>19</sup> Phase I Environmental Site Assessment, 1198 Valencia Street, Investigative and Creative Environmental Solutions, November 2, 2013. This document is available for review at the San Francisco Planning Department, 1660 Mission Street, Suite 400, as part of Case No. 2012.0865E

<sup>20 1198</sup> Valencia Street, EHB-SAM Case Number 1083, Department of Public Health, March 1, 2015. This document is available for review at the San Francisco Planning Department, 1660 Mission Street, Suite 400, as part of Case No. 2012.0865E

groundwater flows in a northeasterly direction and the previous gas station would be unlikely to impact water quality.

The proposed project would be required to remediate potential soil and groundwater contamination described above in accordance with Article 22A of the Health Code. Therefore, the proposed project would not result in any significant impacts related to hazardous materials that were not identified in the Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR.

Therefore, the proposed project would not result in significant impacts related to hazards or hazardous materials that were not identified in the Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR.

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16.	MINERAL AND ENERGY RESOURCES— Would the project:				
a)	Result in the loss of availability of a known mineral resource that would be of value to the region and the residents of the state?				
b)	Result in the loss of availability of a locally important mineral resource recovery site delineated on a local general plan, specific plan or other land use plan?				
c)	Encourage activities which result in the use of large amounts of fuel, water, or energy, or use these in a wasteful manner?				$\boxtimes$

The Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR determined that the Area Plan would facilitate the construction of both new residential units and commercial buildings. Development of these uses would not result in use of large amounts of fuel, water, or energy in a wasteful manner or in the context of energy use throughout the City and region. The energy demand for individual buildings would be typical for such projects and would meet, or exceed, current state and local codes and standards concerning energy consumption, including Title 24 of the California Code of Regulations enforced by DBI. The Plan Area does not include any natural resources routinely extracted and the rezoning does not result in any natural resource extraction programs. Therefore, the Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR concluded that implementation of the Area Plan would not result in a significant impact on mineral and energy resources. No mitigation measures were identified in the PEIR.

As the proposed project is within the development projected under the Eastern Neighborhoods Rezoning and Area Plans, there would be no additional impacts on mineral and energy resources beyond those analyzed in the Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR.

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17.	AGRICULTURE AND FOREST RESOURCES:—Would the project:				
a)	Convert Prime Farmland, Unique Farmland, or Farmland of Statewide Importance, as shown on the maps prepared pursuant to the Farmland Mapping and Monitoring Program of the California Resources Agency, to non-agricultural use?				
b)	Conflict with existing zoning for agricultural use, or a Williamson Act contract?				$\boxtimes$
c)	Conflict with existing zoning for, or cause rezoning of, forest land (as defined in Public Resources Code Section 12220(g)) or timberland (as defined by Public Resources Code Section 4526)?				
d)	Result in the loss of forest land or conversion of forest land to non-forest use?				$\boxtimes$
e)	Involve other changes in the existing environment which, due to their location or nature, could result in conversion of Farmland to non-agricultural use or forest land to non-forest use?				

The Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR determined that no agricultural resources exist in the Area Plan; therefore the rezoning and community plans would have no effect on agricultural resources. No mitigation measures were identified in the PEIR. The Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR did not analyze the effects on forest resources.

As the proposed project is within the development projected under the Eastern Neighborhoods Rezoning and Area Plans, there would be no additional impacts on agriculture and forest resources beyond those analyzed in the Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR.

### MITIGATION MEASURES

### Project Mitigation Measure 1 - Monitoring.

Based on the reasonable potential that archeological resources may be present within the project site, the following measures shall be undertaken to avoid any potentially significant adverse effect from the proposed project on buried or submerged historical resources. The project sponsor shall retain the services of an archaeological consultant from the rotational Department Qualified Archaeological Consultants List (QACL) maintained by the Planning Department archaeologist. The project sponsor shall contact the Department archaeologist to obtain the names and contact information for the next three archeological consultants on the QACL. The archeological consultant shall undertake an archeological monitoring program. All plans and reports prepared by the consultant as specified herein shall be submitted first and directly to the ERO for review and comment, and shall be considered draft reports subject to revision until final approval by the ERO. Archeological monitoring and/or data recovery programs required by this measure could suspend construction of the project for up to a maximum of four weeks. At the direction of the ERO, the suspension of construction can be extended beyond four weeks only if such a suspension is the only feasible means to reduce to a less than significant level potential effects on a significant archeological resource as defined in CEQA Guidelines Sect. 15064.5 (a) and (c).

Consultation with Descendant Communities: On discovery of an archeological site<sup>21</sup> associated with descendant Native Americans or the Overseas Chinese an appropriate representative<sup>22</sup> of the descendant group and the ERO shall be contacted. The representative of the descendant group shall be given the opportunity to monitor archeological field investigations of the site and to consult with ERO regarding appropriate archeological treatment of the site, of recovered data from the site, and, if applicable, any interpretative treatment of the associated archeological site. A copy of the Final Archaeological Resources Report shall be provided to the representative of the descendant group.

The archeological monitoring program shall minimally include the following provisions:

- The archeological consultant, project sponsor, and ERO shall meet and consult on the scope of the AMP reasonably prior to any project-related soils disturbing activities commencing. The ERO in consultation with the project archeologist shall determine what project activities shall be archeologically monitored. In most cases, any soils disturbing activities, such as demolition, foundation removal, excavation, grading, utilities installation, foundation work, driving of piles (foundation, shoring, etc.), site remediation, etc., shall require archeological monitoring because of the potential risk these activities pose to archaeological resources and to their depositional context;
- The archeological consultant shall advise all project contractors to be on the alert for evidence of the presence of the expected resource(s), of how to identify the evidence of the expected resource(s), and of the appropriate protocol in the event of apparent discovery of an archeological resource;
- The archaeological monitor(s) shall be present on the project site according to a schedule agreed upon by the archeological consultant and the ERO until the ERO has, in consultation with the

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- archeological consultant, determined that project construction activities could have no effects on significant archeological deposits;
- The archeological monitor shall record and be authorized to collect soil samples and artifactual/ecofactual material as warranted for analysis;
- If an intact archeological deposit is encountered, all soils disturbing activities in the vicinity of the deposit shall cease. The archeological monitor shall be empowered to temporarily redirect demolition/excavation/pile driving/construction crews and heavy equipment until the deposit is evaluated. If in the case of pile driving activity (foundation, shoring, etc.), the archeological monitor has cause to believe that the pile driving activity may affect an archeological resource, the pile driving activity shall be terminated until an appropriate evaluation of the resource has been made in consultation with the ERO. The archeological consultant shall immediately notify the ERO of the encountered archeological deposit. The archeological consultant shall, after making a reasonable effort to assess the identity, integrity, and significance of the encountered archeological deposit, present the findings of this assessment to the ERO.

If the ERO in consultation with the archeological consultant determines that a significant archeological resource is present and that the resource could be adversely affected by the proposed project, at the discretion of the project sponsor either:

- A) The proposed project shall be re-designed so as to avoid any adverse effect on the significant archeological resource; or
- B) An archeological data recovery program shall be implemented, unless the ERO determines that the archeological resource is of greater interpretive than research significance and that interpretive use of the resource is feasible.

Consultation with Descendant Communities: On discovery of an archeological site<sup>23</sup> associated with descendant Native Americans or the Overseas Chinese an appropriate representative<sup>24</sup> of the descendant group and the ERO shall be contacted. The representative of the descendant group shall be given the opportunity to monitor archeological field investigations of the site and to consult with the ERO regarding appropriate archeological treatment of the site, of recovered data from the site, and, if applicable, any interpretative treatment of the associated archeological site. A copy of the Final Archaeological Resources Report shall be provided to the representative of the descendant group.

If an archeological data recovery program is required by the ERO, the archeological data recovery program shall be conducted in accord with an archeological data recovery plan (ADRP). The project archeological consultant, project sponsor, and ERO shall meet and consult on the scope of the ADRP. The archeological consultant shall prepare a draft ADRP that shall be submitted to the ERO for review and approval. The ADRP shall identify how the proposed data recovery program will preserve the significant information the archeological resource is expected to contain. That is, the ADRP will identify what scientific/historical research questions are applicable to the expected resource, what data classes the resource is expected to possess, and how the expected data classes would address the applicable research questions. Data recovery, in general, should be limited to the portions of the historical property that could be adversely

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affected by the proposed project. Destructive data recovery methods shall not be applied to portions of the archeological resources if nondestructive methods are practical.

The scope of the ADRP shall include the following elements:

- Field Methods and Procedures. Descriptions of proposed field strategies, procedures, and operations.
- Cataloguing and Laboratory Analysis. Description of selected cataloguing system and artifact analysis procedures.
- Discard and Deaccession Policy. Description of and rationale for field and post-field discard and deaccession policies.
- *Interpretive Program.* Consideration of an on-site/off-site public interpretive program during the course of the archeological data recovery program.
- Security Measures. Recommended security measures to protect the archeological resource from vandalism, looting, and non-intentionally damaging activities.
- Final Report. Description of proposed report format and distribution of results.
- *Curation*. Description of the procedures and recommendations for the curation of any recovered data having potential research value, identification of appropriate curation facilities, and a summary of the accession policies of the curation facilities.

Human Remains, Associated or Unassociated Funerary Objects. The treatment of human remains and of associated or unassociated funerary objects discovered during any soils disturbing activity shall comply with applicable State and Federal Laws, including immediate notification of the Coroner of the City and County of San Francisco and in the event of the Coroner's determination that the human remains are Native American remains, notification of the California State Native American Heritage Commission (NAHC) who shall appoint a Most Likely Descendant (MLD) (Pub. Res. Code Sec. 5097.98). The archeological consultant, project sponsor, ERO, and MLD shall make all reasonable efforts to develop an agreement for the treatment of, with appropriate dignity, human remains and associated or unassociated funerary objects (CEQA Guidelines. Sec. 15064.5(d)). The agreement should take into consideration the appropriate excavation, removal, recordation, analysis, curation, possession, and final disposition of the human remains and associated or unassociated funerary objects.

Final Archeological Resources Report. The archeological consultant shall submit a Draft Final Archeological Resources Report (FARR) to the ERO that evaluates the historical significance of any discovered archeological resource and describes the archeological and historical research methods employed in the archeological testing/monitoring/data recovery program(s) undertaken. Information that may put at risk any archeological resource shall be provided in a separate removable insert within the draft final report.

Copies of the Draft FARR shall be sent to the ERO for review and approval. Once approved by the ERO copies of the FARR shall be distributed as follows: California Archaeological Site Survey Northwest Information Center (NWIC) shall receive one (1) copy and the ERO shall receive a copy of the transmittal of the FARR to the NWIC. The Environmental Planning division of the Planning Department shall receive one bound, one unbound and one unlocked, searchable PDF copy on CD of the FARR along with copies of any formal site recordation forms (CA DPR 523 series) and/or documentation for nomination to the National Register of Historic Places/California Register of Historical Resources. In instances of high public interest or interpretive value, the ERO may require a different final report content, format, and distribution than that presented above.

# Project Mitigation Measure 2 – Construction Noise (Mitigation Measure F-2 of the Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR)

The project sponsor shall develop a set of site-specific noise attenuation measures under the supervision of a qualified acoustical consultant. Prior to commencing construction, a plan for such measures shall be submitted to the Department of Building Inspection (DBI) to ensure that maximum feasible noise attenuation will be achieved. These attenuation measures shall include as many of the following control strategies as feasible:

- Erect temporary plywood noise barriers around a construction site, particularly where a site adjoins noise-sensitive uses;
- Utilize noise control blankets on a building structure as the building is erected to reduce noise emission from the site;
- Evaluate the feasibility of noise control at the receivers by temporarily improving the noise reduction capability of adjacent buildings housing sensitive uses;
- Monitor the effectiveness of noise attenuation measures by taking noise measurements; and
- Post signs on-site pertaining to permitted construction days and hours and complaint procedures and who to notify in the event of a problem, with telephone numbers listed.

# Project Mitigation Measure 3 - Open Space in Noisy Environments (Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR Mitigation Measure F-6)

In order to minimize ambient noise effects on users of the project's outdoor decks, the project sponsor shall develop a set of site-specific noise attenuation measures under the supervision of a qualified acoustical consultant. Prior to commencing construction, a plan for such measures shall be submitted to the Planning Department to ensure that maximum feasible noise attenuation for users of the outdoor deck areas will be achieved. As determined feasible by the qualified acoustical consultant, these attenuation measures may include construction of noise barriers between noise sources and open space, consistent with other principles of urban design.

## Project Mitigation Measure 4 - Hazardous Building Materials (Eastern Neighborhoods Mitigation Measure L-1)

In order to minimize impacts to public and construction worker health and safety during demolition of the existing structure, the sponsor shall ensure that any equipment containing PCBs or DEPH, such as fluorescent light ballasts, are removed and property disposed of according to applicable federal, state, and local laws prior to the start of renovation, and that any florescent light tubes, which could contain mercury, are similarly removed and properly disposed of. Any other hazardous materials identified, either before or during work, shall be abated according to applicable federal, state, and local laws.

## EXHIBIT C: MITIGATION MONITORING AND REPORTING PROGRAM

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Adopted Mitigation Measures	Responsibility for Implementation	Mitigation Schedule	Monitoring/ Reporting Responsibility	Monitoring Schedule
Project Mitigation Measure 1 - Archeology (Monitoring).  Archeological monitoring program (AMP). The archeological monitoring program shall minimally include the following provisions:  The archeological consultant, project sponsor, and ERO shall meet and consult on the scope of the AMP reasonably prior to any project-related soils disturbing activities commencing. The ERO in consultation with the project archeologist shall determine what project activities shall be archeologically monitored. In most cases, any soils disturbing activities, such as demolition, foundation removal, excavation, grading, utilities installation, foundation work, driving of piles (foundation, shoring, etc.), site remediation, etc., shall require archeological monitoring because of the potential risk these activities pose to archaeological resources and to their depositional context;  The archeological consultant shall advise all project contractors to be on the alert for evidence of the presence of the expected resource(s), and of the appropriate protocol in the event of apparent discovery of an archeological resource;  The archaeological monitor(s) shall be present on	qualified archaeological consultant, and Planning Department's Environmental Review Officer	Prior to issuance of any permit for soil-disturbing activities and during construction.	Environmental Review Officer, sponsor and sponsor's archeologist.	Considered complete upon ERO's approval of FARR.

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the project site according to a schedule agreed upon by the archeological consultant and the ERO until the ERO has, in consultation with the archeological consultant, determined that project construction activities could have no effects on significant archeological deposits;  The archeological monitor shall record and be authorized to collect soil samples and artifactual/ecofactual material as warranted for analysis;  If an intact archeological deposit is encountered, all soils disturbing activities in the vicinity of the deposit shall cease. The archeological monitor shall be empowered to temporarily redirect demolition/excavation/pile driving/construction crews and heavy equipment until the deposit is evaluated. If in the case of pile driving activity (foundation, shoring, etc.), the archeological monitor has cause to believe that the pile driving activity may affect an archeological resource, the pile driving activity shall be terminated until an appropriate evaluation of the resource has been made in consultation with the ERO. The archeological consultant shall immediately notify the ERO of the encountered archeological deposit. The archeological consultant shall, after making a reasonable effort to assess the identity, integrity, and significance of the encountered archeological	Implementation	Schedule	Responsibility	Schedule
deposit, present the findings of this assessment to the ERO.				

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If the ERO in consultation with the archeological consultant determines that a significant archeological resource is present and that the resource could be adversely affected by the proposed project, at the discretion of the project sponsor either:				
A) The proposed project shall be re-designed so as to avoid any adverse effect on the significant archeological resource; or  B) An archeological data recovery program shall be implemented, unless the ERO determines that the archeological resource is of greater interpretive than research significance and that interpretive use of the resource is feasible.				
If an archeological data recovery program is required by the ERO, the archeological data recovery program shall be conducted in accord with an archeological data recovery plan (ADRP). The project archeological consultant, project sponsor, and ERO shall meet and consult on the scope of the ADRP. The archeological consultant shall prepare a draft ADRP that shall be submitted to the ERO for review and approval. The ADRP shall identify how the proposed data recovery program will preserve the significant information the archeological resource is expected to contain. That is, the ADRP will identify what scientific/historical research questions are applicable to the expected resource, what data classes the resource is expected to possess, and how the				

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The scope of the ADRP shall include the following elements:				
<ul> <li>Field Methods and Procedures. Descriptions of proposed field strategies, procedures, and operations.</li> <li>Cataloguing and Laboratory Analysis. Description of selected cataloguing system and artifact analysis procedures.</li> <li>Discard and Deaccession Policy. Description of and rationale for field and post-field discard and deaccession policies.</li> <li>Interpretive Program. Consideration of an on-</li> </ul>				
<ul> <li>site/off-site public interpretive program during the course of the archeological data recovery program.</li> <li>Security Measures. Recommended security measures to protect the archeological resource from vandalism, looting, and non-intentionally damaging activities.</li> <li>Final Report. Description of proposed report format and distribution of results.</li> <li>Curation. Description of the procedures and</li> </ul>				

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recommendations for the curation of any recovered				
data having potential research value, identification				
of appropriate curation facilities, and a summary of				
the accession policies of the curation facilities.				
Human Remains, Associated or Unassociated Funerary Objects.				
The treatment of human remains and of associated or				
unassociated funerary objects discovered during any soils	I I			
disturbing activity activity shall comply with applicable	1			
State and Federal Laws, including immediate notification of	1 1			
the Coroner of the City and County of San Francisco and in				
the event of the Coroner's determination that the human				
remains are Native American remains, notification of the	1			
California State Native American Heritage Commission				
(NAHC) who shall appoint a Most Likely Descendant				
(MLD) (Pub. Res. Code Sec. 5097.98). The archeological				
consultant, project sponsor, ERO, and MLD shall have up to				
but not beyond six days of discovery to make all reasonable				
efforts to develop an agreement for the treatment of human	l I			
remains and associated or unassociated funerary objects with appropriate dignity (CEQA Guidelines. Sec.				
with appropriate dignity (CEQA Guidelines. Sec. 15064.5(d)). The agreement should take into consideration				
the appropriate excavation, removal, recordation, analysis,				
curation, possession, and final disposition of the human				
remains and associated or unassociated funerary objects.				
Nothing in existing State regulations or in this mitigation				
measure compels the project sponsor and the ERO to accept				
recommendations of an MLD. The archeological consultant				
shall retain possession of any Native American human	1			
remains and associated or unassociated burial objects until				

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completion of any scientific analyses of the human remains				
or objects as specified in the treatment agreement if such as				*
agreement has been made or, otherwise, as determined by				
the archeological consultant and the ERO.				
Final Archeological Resources Report. The archeological				
consultant shall submit a Draft Final Archeological				
Resources Report (FARR) to the ERO that evaluates the				
historical significance of any discovered archeological				
resource and describes the archeological and historical				
research methods employed in the archeological				
testing/monitoring/data recovery program(s) undertaken.				
Information that may put at risk any archeological resource	,			
shall be provided in a separate removable insert within the				
draft final report.				
Copies of the Draft FARR shall be sent to the ERO for				
review and approval. Once approved by the ERO copies of				
the FARR shall be distributed as follows: California				
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report content, format, and distribution than that presented above.				
Project Mitigation Measure 2 - Construction Noise (Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR Mitigation Measure F-2).  The project sponsor shall develop a set of site-specific noise attenuation measures under the supervision of a qualified acoustical consultant. Prior to commencing construction, a plan for such measures shall be submitted to the Department of Building Inspection to ensure that maximum feasible noise attenuation will be achieved. These attenuation measures shall include as many of the following control strategies as feasible:  • Erect temporary plywood noise barriers around a construction site, particularly where a site adjoins noise-sensitive uses;  • Utilize noise control blankets on a building structure as the building is erected to reduce noise emission from the site;  • Evaluate the feasibility of noise control at the receivers by temporarily improving the noise reduction capability of adjacent buildings housing sensitive uses;  • Monitor the effectiveness of noise attenuation	Project Sponsor and Contractor	During construction	Project Sponsor to provide Planning Department with monthly reports during construction period.	Considered complete upon receipt of final monitoring report at completion of construction.
<ul> <li>measures by taking noise measurements; and</li> <li>Post signs on-site pertaining to permitted construction days and hours and complaint</li> </ul>				

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procedures and who to notify in the event of a problem, with telephone numbers listed.				
Project Mitigation Measure 3 - Open Space in Noisy Environments (Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR Mitigation Measure F-6). In order to minimize ambient noise effects on users of the project's outdoor decks, the project sponsor shall develop a set of site-specific noise attenuation measures under the supervision of a qualified acoustical consultant. Prior to commencing construction, a plan for such measures shall be submitted to the Planning Department to ensure that maximum feasible noise attenuation for users of the outdoor deck areas will be achieved. As determined feasible by the qualified acoustical consultant, these attenuation measures may include construction of noise barriers between noise sources and open space, consistent with other principles of urban design.	Project Sponsor and Architect	Design measures to be incorporated into project design and evaluated in environmental/ building permit review	Planning Department and Department of Building Inspection	Considered complete upon approval of final construction drawing set.
Project Mitigation Measure 4 - Hazardous Building Materials (Eastern Neighborhoods Mitigation Measure L-1). In order to minimize impacts to public and construction worker health and safety during demolition of the existing structure, the sponsor shall ensure that any equipment or fixtures containing PCBs or DEPH, such as fluorescent light ballasts, are removed and property disposed of according to applicable federal, state, and local laws prior to the start of renovation, and that any florescent light tubes, which could contain mercury, are	Planning Department and DPH	Prior to approval of project.	Site Mitigation Plan is required, Project Sponsor or	Considered complete upon receipt of final monitoring report at completion of construction.

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similarly removed and properly disposed of. Any other hazardous materials identified, either before or during work, shall be abated according to applicable federal, state, and local laws.				