

LEGISLATIVE DIGEST

[Development Agreement – India Basin Investment LLC - Innes Avenue at Griffith Street]

Ordinance approving a Development Agreement between the City and County of San Francisco and India Basin Investment LLC, a California limited liability company, for the India Basin Project at the approximately 28-acre site located at Innes Avenue between Griffith Street and Earl Street, with various public benefits including 25% affordable housing and 11 acres of parks and open space; making findings under the California Environmental Quality Act and findings of conformity with the City's General Plan and with the eight priority policies of Planning Code, Section 101.1(b); approving a Public Trust Exchange Agreement, making public trust findings, and authorizing the transfer and acceptance of real property and the recording of a land use covenant consistent with the Public Trust Exchange Agreement; approving specific development impact fees and waiving any conflicting provision in Planning Code, Article 4 or Administrative Code, Article 10; confirming compliance with or waiving certain provisions of Administrative Code Chapters 14B, 23, 56, and 82 and Subdivision Code, Section 1348, and ratifying certain actions taken in connection therewith.

Existing Law

California Government Code sections 65864 et seq. (the “Development Agreement Statute”) and San Francisco Administrative Code Chapter 56 (“Chapter 56”) authorize the City to enter into a development agreement regarding the development of real property. There are no amendments to existing law.

Background Information

India Basin Investment LLC, a California limited liability company (“Developer”), has proposed a mixed-use development project for the approximately 28-acre site along Innes Street, between Earl and Griffith Streets. The proposed project includes the construction of new streets and infrastructure, up to 1,575 dwelling units (25% affordable), and approximately 15.5 acres of publicly accessible open space, including approximately 6 acres along the Bay shoreline currently owned by the City. To assemble the land and to remove the public trust from certain development parcels, the parties intend to enter a public trust exchange agreement with the State Lands Commission. To fund future maintenance of the park lands and future sea level rise improvements, the parties intend to form a community facilities district (CFD).

City staff has negotiated a development agreement with Developer for a term of 15 years, with two extension options for another 15 years. Under the development agreement, Developer will attain the vested right to develop the Project in return for specified community benefits, including the affordable housing, parks, and workforce commitments made by Developer.

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Approval of the ordinance would allow City staff to enter into the development agreement and the public trust exchange agreement, and waive specified provisions of the Administrative Code, Planning Code, and Subdivision Code for the Project.

By separate legislation, the Board is considering a number of other actions in furtherance of the Project, including amendments to the City's General Plan, Planning Code, and Zoning Map.

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