

From: [Laimonas Turauskas](#)
To: [Major, Erica \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: Please do not delay a renewed UCSF Parnassus Heights and solutions for SF
Date: Tuesday, January 19, 2021 9:38:02 AM

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Greetings,

My name is Laimonas Turauskas and I am a SF resident, and advocate for UCSF's plans to revitalize Parnassus Heights. I recently learned about the plans for renewed campus, hospital, and neighborhood improvements and am excited by the vision. These updates reflect both the University's mission and community's priorities based on years of internal collaboration, neighborhood engagement, and community input. I appreciate UCSF and the City/County of San Francisco have been working together to advance local investments that best serve our community.

This project should be an obvious yes for San Francisco. More housing, more jobs, why is it being blocked by a few people? A renovated campus with state-of-the-art facilities will help UCSF continue driving world-renowned innovation in research, education, and care delivery for decades to come. Without the CPHP, UCSF will be unable to update UCSF's clinically obsolete facilities that hamstring frontline workers and face a seismic safety deadline.

Please support this important plan for the future of UCSF Parnassus Heights and San Francisco.

Many thanks,

Laimonas Turauskas
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From: [Matthew Spitzer](#)
To: [Major, Erica \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: Delaying a renewed UCSF Parnassus Heights and solutions for SF is a terrible idea
Date: Monday, January 18, 2021 10:55:40 AM

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Greetings,

My name is Matthew Spitzer and I am a Parnassus Heights neighbor, UCSF researcher, supporter, and advocate for UCSF's plans to revitalize Parnassus Heights. I appreciate UCSF led an extensive community engagement and internal planning process. I heard about the plan and associated benefits during the planning process and am excited about the vision. I provided input into the CPHP and community benefits. These updates reflect both the University's mission and community's priorities based on years of internal collaboration, neighborhood engagement, and community input. I appreciate UCSF and the City/County of San Francisco have been working together to advance local investments that best serve our community.

UCSF is a landmark institution that, in many ways, is the foundation of our neighborhood and community. The campus is in dire need of modernization to support cutting-edge science, maintain excellence in patient care, and to enhance its appearance and integration with the neighborhood. I am so excited that the plans to renovate the campus achieve all of these pressing goals and have been developed with community input every step of the way. A renovated campus with state-of-the-art facilities will help UCSF continue driving world-renowned innovation in research, education, and care delivery for decades to come. Without the CPHP, UCSF will be unable to invest millions in transportation, affordable housing, and a new hospital for the community.

I am also deeply troubled by the misinformation campaign that has been launched against this project, paralleling troubling developments in our national discourse. Adversaries of progress in San Francisco have warped and distorted the facts about this project to suit their own mission, and I have been very frustrated to be targeted with this messaging as a member of our wonderful neighborhood. Placating those who abuse their platforms to spread falsehoods about our institutions will only encourage them to further adopt these dangerous tactics, and recent national events make painfully obvious just where that road leads.

Please support this important plan for the future of UCSF Parnassus Heights and San Francisco.

Many thanks,

Matthew Spitzer
1546 9th Ave
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From: [Brendan Dunnigan](#)
To: [Major, Erica \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: Modernizing UCSF Parnassus Heights
Date: Monday, January 18, 2021 8:35:02 PM

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Hello,

My name is Brendan Dunnigan. I am a SF resident, supporter, and support the UCSF Comprehensive Parnassus Heights Plan, which will allow UCSF to expand patient care, construct new housing, and bring transit solutions to San Francisco.

My support stems from the balanced approach of adding 40% affordable housing to the plan.

Without the plan to revitalize UCSF Parnassus Heights and build a new hospital, UCSF will be unable to invest millions in transportation, affordable housing, and a new hospital for the community.

These updates reflect years of internal collaboration, neighborhood engagement, and community input. I appreciate UCSF led an extensive community engagement and internal planning process. I heard about the plan and associated benefits during the planning process and am excited about the vision. I attended information sessions to learn more about the CPHP and community benefits. I also appreciate UCSF and the City and County of San Francisco have been working together to advance local investments that best serve the community.

Thank you, and I ask for your support of UCSF's commitment to the community and Parnassus Heights.

Brendan Dunnigan
132 10th Ave
San Francisco, CA 94118

From: [Shahin Saneinejad](#)
To: [Major, Erica \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: A vital project that will advance the health and well-being of San Francisco
Date: Tuesday, January 19, 2021 11:18:03 PM

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To whom it may concern,

I am writing today to ask for your support of UCSF's Comprehensive Parnassus Heights Plan and associated community investments including affordable housing, thousands of new jobs, and transit improvements. UCSF Parnassus is one of the closest medical campuses to my home and would increase access to healthcare for me. I also believe we need more density in the center of our city, and I'm looking forward to the transit improvements that UCSF will be contributing.

UCSF cannot maintain the status quo. Without the CPHP, UCSF cannot invest millions in transportation, affordable housing, and a new hospital for the community. I recently learned about the plans for renewed campus, hospital, and neighborhood improvements and am excited by the vision. These updates reflect both the University's mission and community's priorities based on years of internal collaboration, neighborhood engagement, and community input. I also appreciate UCSF and the City and County of San Francisco have been working together to advance local investments that best serve the community.

A renovated campus with state-of-the-art facilities will help UCSF expand patient care, construct new housing, and bring transit solutions to San Francisco. As a SF resident, supporter, UCSF patient, I am in full support the UCSF Comprehensive Parnassus Heights Plan and community benefits.

Kind regards,

Shahin Saneinejad
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From: [Susan Maerki](#)
To: [Breed, Mayor London \(MYR\)](#); [ChanStaff \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [MandelmanStaff, \[BOS\]](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [MelgarStaff \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#)
Cc: [Joshua.Switsky@sfgov.org](#); [Sheila.Nickolopolous@sfgov.org](#); [Major, Erica \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: Memorandum of Understanding : City and County of San Francisco and UCSF re Comprehensive Parnassus Heights Plan
Date: Wednesday, January 20, 2021 4:44:46 PM
Attachments: [UCSF MOU Comments to the San Francisco Board of Supervisors 1.20.21.pdf](#)

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I respectfully submit these comments in regard to the Draft MOU with UCSF re the Comprehensive Parnassus Heights Plan. I believe the current draft is not sufficient to meet city and community concerns.

If there are questions, I can be reached at the email or telephone numbers below.

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From: [Tim Duncheon](#)
To: [Major, Erica \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: Investments in UCSF Parnassus Heights and surrounding neighborhoods
Date: Tuesday, January 19, 2021 7:27:29 AM

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I hope this email finds you well.

I ask for your support of UCSF's commitment to our community and revitalization of UCSF Parnassus Heights.

I am a neighbor and supporter of UCSF's Comprehensive Parnassus Heights Plan. I live in Cole Valley, and my roommate has worked at UCSF for sixteen years. This summer and fall, because of the pandemic, I have spent more time than ever before walking through the streets of our lovely neighborhood. I firmly believe that UCSF's plan will make our area even more of a destination.

UCSF is a longtime community institution that provides valuable services and jobs for our neighborhood and our city. But it cannot maintain the status quo. Without the CPHP, UCSF will be unable to invest millions in transportation, affordable housing, and a new hospital for the community. Furthermore, the project will fuel the neighborhood's economy and permit even more to live here. It addresses many challenges identified by Parnassus Heights neighbors, such as transit, housing, and open space.

UCSF has already engaged in significant community input. In fact, I heard about the plan and associated benefits during the planning process and attended information sessions to learn more about the CPHP and community benefits. These updates reflect UCSF's mission and the community's priorities - based on years of internal collaboration, neighborhood input, and community outreach.

I ask for your support of UCSF's Comprehensive Parnassus Heights Plan and associated community investments including affordable housing, thousands of new jobs, and transit improvements. I appreciate UCSF and the City/County of San Francisco have been working together to advance local investments that best serve our community. Please do not delay this essential project that will benefit all San Franciscans.

Thank you,

Tim Duncheon
721 Clayton St
San Francisco, CA 94117

From: [Michelle Moritz](#)
To: [Major, Erica \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: Please do not delay a renewed UCSF Parnassus Heights and solutions for SF
Date: Friday, January 15, 2021 7:07:31 AM

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Greetings,

My name is Michelle Moritz and I am a UCSF researcher, and advocate for UCSF's plans to revitalize Parnassus Heights. I appreciate UCSF led an extensive community engagement and internal planning process. These updates reflect both the University's mission and community's priorities based on years of internal collaboration, neighborhood engagement, and community input. I appreciate UCSF and the City/County of San Francisco have been working together to advance local investments that best serve our community.

In order to support healthcare and scientific research in San Francisco, it is vital for UCSF to be able to modernize and expand affordable housing at the Parnassus campus. UCSF also plans to facilitate the improvement of public transportation in the area. San Francisco needs to stop delaying such improvements and provisions for affordable housing and transportation. A renovated campus with state-of-the-art facilities will help UCSF remain committed to San Francisco and UCSF's mission to serve the community. Without the CPHP, UCSF will be unable to invest millions in transportation, affordable housing, and a new hospital for the community.

Please support this important plan for the future of UCSF Parnassus Heights and San Francisco.

Many thanks,

Michelle Moritz
383 28th Ave
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From: [Cynthia Hinkle](#)
To: [Major, Erica \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: Opposition to UCSF Parnassus Expansion Plan
Date: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 10:10:02 AM

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Dear Madam Clerk -

I spoke at the Board of Supervisors meeting on Monday 1/11, but I would appreciate it if you could please pass this message along to the board of supervisors as well.

Dear Distinguished Supervisors,

I am writing to express my strong opposition to the proposed UCSF expansion plan. My family home is at the end of Farnsworth Lane, which is quite literally in the backyard of the proposed UCSF hospital. Consequently, as I am sure you can imagine, we are strongly opposed to the building of a 300-foot hospital in this proposed site for a multitude of reasons. My parents have lived in this house for over 35 years, have raised three children there and have enjoyed this very unique and special corner of the city for most of their adult lives. The area surrounding their house is populated by countless Eucalyptus and other trees and plants and is home to lots of wildlife. (According to the Golden Gate Audubon Society, The Mt Sutro Open Space Reserve is home to 47 species of birds. A study prepared by expert biologist Dr. Shawn Smallwood estimates that the new hospital will kill more than **6000 birds each year**, because of its height and location, which would intrude into the reserve) The dust, noise and traffic that the construction of a 300-foot tall tower will generate will be a death sentence to the wildlife and plantlife in the surrounding area, and will continue non-stop for 30 years.

My father will be 80 in 2021 and his wife, my stepmother, is in her mid-70's. Were this plan to get approved they would be forced to leave their home of 37 years as the prospect of 30 years of construction with a 300-foot tower in their backyard at the end of the 30 years is not acceptable to them. Perhaps forcing two elderly people from of their family home doesn't feel equal to the care that so many would receive with a new hospital, but I am very confident that there must be a more appropriate site in the City of San Francisco somewhere (Mission Bay?) for said hospital that would not be disrupting the Edgewood neighborhood, nor the animal and birdlife present in the Mt. Sutro Open Space Reserve, nor the UCSF Parnassus campus itself.

Additionally, many of the supporters of this proposal mentioned how important it is to have a seismically sound hospital available to the public. This fact cannot be denied, nor can the importance of healthcare for all citizens. **HOWEVER**, in the 30 years it will take to build this new hospital and with the \$300M required to complete the project, patients will still need to be attended to - wouldn't it make more sense, waste less time and cost less money to improve/expand the hospital that is currently being used - get it up to seismic standards before an earthquake occurs which is bound to be sometime in the next 30 years?

I hope you will consider how damaging this project will be to not only a number of families and seniors but to the environment and to the plant and animal life that call their home the Sutro Open Space reserve.

Thank you for your time.

Best Regards,
Cynthia Hinkle

From: Cynthia Travis
To: Major, Erica (BOS)
Subject: Re: Today's Agenda Items 201429 and 210017 Proposed UCSF Expansion
Date: Tuesday, January 12, 2021 4:19:39 PM

Thanks for prompt reply! I tuned in, just in time for the roll call. Please thank Supervisor Preston for listening to all parties and gently applying the brakes to this project. Fingers are crossed that the Regents, in turn will agree to postpone their approval. Personally, I don't see how they can accept the EIR without having a clear description of the new hospital, including its size and design. So far, UCSF has managed to avoid that review. Cynthia Travis, 58 Woodland Ave.

On Jan 12, 2021, at 3:16 PM, Major, Erica (BOS) <erica.major@sfgov.org> wrote:

Thanks Cynthia, it is currently being voted on today for the Full Board meeting: https://sfbos.org/sites/default/files/bag011221_agenda.pdf. It's Item No. 15, you can watch it live here: https://sanfrancisco.granicus.com/MediaPlayer.php?publish_id=68&autoplay=1. Another option is to dial in (the Public Comment Number on the first link) to listen.

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**From:** Cynthia Travis <[ctravis@sonic.net](mailto:ctravis@sonic.net)>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, January 12, 2021 2:46 PM  
**To:** Major, Erica (BOS) <[erica.major@sfgov.org](mailto:erica.major@sfgov.org)>  
**Subject:** Re: Today's Agenda Items 201429 and 210017 Proposed UCSF Expansion

Please let me know what happened to Supervisor Preston's Resolution to delay the UCSF MOU. It was discussed yesterday at the Land Use and Transportation Committee meeting yesterday. Thank you, Cynthia Travis

On Jan 12, 2021, at 10:15 AM, Major, Erica (BOS) <[erica.major@sfgov.org](mailto:erica.major@sfgov.org)> wrote:

Confirming receipt and inclusion to Board File Nos. 201429 and 210017.

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From: Cynthia Travis <ctravis@sonic.net>
Sent: Monday, January 11, 2021 11:39 AM
To: Major, Erica (BOS) <erica.major@sfgov.org>
Subject: Re: Today's Agenda Items 201429 and 210017 Proposed UCSF Expansion

To the Land Use and Transportation Committee:
Please encourage UCSF to consider alternative sites for its proposed new hospital. UCSF has claimed, for instance, that its Mission Bay campus is already overcrowded, but a quick look at that campus' map suggests otherwise. For instance, in the area along Nelson Rising Way on the campus' north side, UCSF has a series of contiguous surface parking lots. That would be a lovely spot for a new hospital, complete with stunning views of the SF Bay.
Cynthia Travis, 58 Woodland Ave., SF

On Jan 10, 2021, at 7:59 PM, Major, Erica (BOS) <erica.major@sfgov.org> wrote:

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**From:** Cynthia Travis <[ctravis@sonic.net](mailto:ctravis@sonic.net)>

**Sent:** Saturday, January 9, 2021 2:08 PM

**To:** Major, Erica (BOS) <[erica.major@sfgov.org](mailto:erica.major@sfgov.org)>

**Subject:** Tomorrow's Agenda Items 201429 and 210017 Proposed UCSF Expansion

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To the Land Use and Transportation Committee:

Please ask UCSF to scale back its plan for a monstrous new hospital on the Parnassus site. It is cruel and insensitive to propose adding almost 3 million square feet of new building space, and many thousands of people and cars, to the already-overcrowded campus and residential neighborhood. The plan violates UCSF's pledge in the CPHP to "Create building massing to have respectful relationships with neighboring structures and natural features...(and) maintain a similar scale to surrounding structures...(and) create neighborly relations with existing structures at the campus boundaries." It also fails to mitigate what will become a dramatic exacerbation of the current parking and public transportation problems all around the Parnassus campus. Finally, it ignores and disrespects neighbors' concerns by deciding **without consultation** to blow through the limit of 3.55 million square feet for the Parnassus campus. UCSF agreed to that limit in response to the Parnassus neighbors' objections to UCSF's aggressive expansion, at the expense of the neighborhood, in the 1970's. That agreement does not anticipate an ending date, and the neighbors' concerns have not changed. Cynthia Travis, 58 Woodland Ave., SF 94117