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**SUPERVISOR KATY TANG INTRODUCES AMENDMENTS TO AFFORDABLE
HOUSING BONUS PROGRAM**

Proposed changes resulting from citywide discussions with the community will limit lot mergers and exempt the North of Market Special Use District, among other technical changes

After a citywide effort to engage with the community on improvements to the Affordable Housing Bonus Program (AHBP), Supervisor Katy Tang with Mayor Edwin M. Lee introduced amendments to clarify and enhance the legislation.

“From the introduction of the AHBP, I have committed to reaching out to our communities to ensure that we put forward the best program possible for San Francisco,” said Supervisor Tang. “We have learned a lot during this intensive community engagement process, and I look forward to continuing to engage our neighborhoods as we work to create more housing during this time of crisis.”

The legislation provides new incentives for private developers to build more affordable housing units in market-rate developments, thus helping the City meet the needs of low and middle income families who need housing. The City is required to enable the State Density Bonus Law, and the Mayor’s Office, along with Supervisor Tang and City departments, have worked hard to create a local program that requires even higher numbers of on-site affordable housing.

Since the introduction, City departments have worked with every Supervisor’s office to engage the community citywide on this issue. In addition to the amendments introduced today resulting from those conversations, Supervisor London Breed also announced that she is working on an amendment to protect rent control stock.

More amendments are also in consideration as the program moves through the legislative process, including exempting certain areas like the Chinatown Mixed Use District and Ocean Beach properties.

The legislation is scheduled to be heard at the Planning Commission on Thursday, January 28.

Any questions about the legislation can be directed to Supervisor Tang’s office at 415-554-7460 or Katy.Tang@sfgov.org