

1 [Planning Code - Affordable Housing Bonus Programs]

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3 **Ordinance amending Planning Code, Section 206, to amend the 100 Percent Affordable**  
4 **Housing Bonus Program to add the ~~Local Affordable Housing Bonus~~ HOME-SF**  
5 **Program, the Analyzed State Density Bonus Program, and the Individually Requested**  
6 **State Density Bonus Program, to provide for development bonuses and zoning**  
7 **modifications for increased affordable housing, in compliance with, and above those**  
8 **required by the State Density Bonus Law, Government Code, Section 65915, et seq.; to**  
9 **establish the procedures in which the ~~Local Affordable Housing Bonus~~ HOME-SF**  
10 **Program shall be reviewed and approved; adding a fee for applications under the**  
11 **Programs; affirming the Planning Department's determination under the California**  
12 **Environmental Quality Act; making findings of public convenience, necessity, and**  
13 **welfare under Planning Code, Section 302; and making findings of consistency with the**  
14 **General Plan, and the eight priority policies of Planning Code, Section 101.1.**

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21 subsections or parts of tables.

22 Be it ordained by the People of the City and County of San Francisco:

23 Section 1.

24 (a) The Planning Department has determined that the actions contemplated in this  
25 ordinance comply with the California Environmental Quality Act (California Public Resources

1 Code Sections 21000 et seq.). Said determination is on file with the Clerk of the Board of  
2 Supervisors in File No. 150969 and is incorporated herein by reference. The Board affirms  
3 this determination.

4 (b) On ~~February 25, 2016 and June 30, 2016~~ April 27, 2017, the Planning Commission,  
5 in Resolution Nos. ~~19578 and 19686~~ 19903, adopted findings that the actions contemplated in  
6 this ordinance are consistent, on balance, with the City's General Plan and eight priority  
7 policies of Planning Code Section 101.1. The Board adopts these findings as its own. A copy  
8 of said Resolution is on file with the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors in File No. 150969, and  
9 is incorporated herein by reference.

10 (c) Pursuant to Planning Code Section 302, this Board finds that this Planning Code  
11 Amendment will serve the public necessity, convenience, and welfare for the reasons set forth  
12 in Planning Commission Resolution Nos. ~~19578, and 19686, and 19903~~, and the Board  
13 incorporates such reasons herein by reference.

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15 Section 2. The Planning Code is hereby amended by revising Section 206, to read as  
16 follows:

17 **SEC. 206. THE ~~100 PERCENT~~ AFFORDABLE HOUSING BONUS PROGRAMS.**

18 *~~This Section 206 and Sections 206.1 through 206.4 shall be known as the 100 Percent~~*  
19 *~~Affordable Housing Bonus Program. References to "Section 206" shall include Sections 206.1 through~~*  
20 *~~206.4. This section shall be known as the Affordable Housing Bonus Programs, which include the~~*  
21 *~~Local Affordable Housing Bonus HOME-SF Program, the 100 Percent Affordable Housing Bonus~~*  
22 *~~Program, the Analyzed State Density Bonus Program and the Individually Requested State Density~~*  
23 *~~Bonus Program.~~*

24 **SEC. 206.1. PURPOSE AND FINDINGS.**

1 (a) The purpose of the *100-Percent Affordable Housing Bonus Program* is to facilitate  
2 the development and construction of affordable housing in San Francisco. Affordable housing  
3 is of paramount statewide concern, and the Legislature has declared that local and state  
4 governments have a responsibility to use the powers vested in them to facilitate the  
5 improvement and development of housing to make adequate provision for the housing needs  
6 of all economic segments of the community, especially families. The Legislature has found  
7 that local governments must encourage the development of a variety of types of housing for  
8 all income levels, including multifamily rental housing and assist in the development of  
9 adequate housing to meet the needs of low-and moderate-income households.

10 (b) Affordable housing is an especially paramount concern in San Francisco. San  
11 Francisco has one of the highest housing costs in the nation, but San Francisco's economy  
12 and culture rely on a diverse workforce at all income levels. It is the policy of the City to  
13 enable these workers to afford housing in San Francisco and ensure that they pay a  
14 reasonably proportionate share of their incomes to live in adequate housing and to not have to  
15 commute ever-increasing distances to their jobs. The Association of Bay Area Governments  
16 determined that San Francisco's share of the Regional Housing Need for January 2015 to  
17 June 2022 was the provision of 28,870 new housing units, with 6,234 (or 21.6%) as very low,  
18 4,639 (or 16.1%) as low, and 5,460 (or 18.9%) as moderate income units.

19 (c) The Board of Supervisors, and the voters in San Francisco, have long recognized  
20 the need for the production of affordable housing. The voters, in some cases, and the Board  
21 in others, have adopted measures to address this need, such as mandatory Inclusionary  
22 Affordable Housing Ordinance in Planning Code Section 415; the San Francisco Housing  
23 Trust Fund, adopted in 2012, which established a fund to create, support and rehabilitate  
24 affordable housing, and set aside \$20 million in its first year, with increasing allocations to  
25 reach \$50 million a year for affordable housing; the adoption of Proposition K in November

1 2014, which established as City policy that the City, by 2020, will help construct or rehabilitate  
2 at least 30,000 homes, with more than 50% of the housing affordable for middle-income  
3 households, and at least 33% as affordable for low-and moderate income households; and  
4 the multiple programs that rely on Federal, State and local funding sources as identified in the  
5 Mayor's Office of Housing and Community Development Comprehensive Plan. These  
6 programs enable the City to work towards the voter-mandated affordable housing goals.

7 *(d) Historically, in the United States and San Francisco, affordable housing requires high*  
8 *levels of public subsidy, including public investment and reliance on public dollars. Costs to subsidize*  
9 *an affordable housing unit vary greatly depending on a number of factors, such as household income of*  
10 *the residents, the type of housing, and the cost to acquire land acquisition. Currently, MOHCD*  
11 *estimates that the level of subsidy for an affordable housing units is approximately \$250350,000 per*  
12 *unit. Given this high cost per unit, San Francisco can only meet its affordable housing goals through a*  
13 *combination of increased public dollars dedicated to affordable housing and other tools that do not*  
14 *rely on public money.*

15 *(e) Development bonuses incentives are a long standing zoning tool that enable cities to*  
16 *encourage private development projects to provide public benefits including affordable housing. By*  
17 *offering increased development potential, a project sponsor can offset the expenses necessary to*  
18 *provide additional public benefits. In 1979, the State of California adopted the Density Bonus Law,*  
19 *Government Code section 65915 et seq, which requires that density bonuses and other concessions and*  
20 *incentives be offered to projects that provide a minimum amount of on-site affordable housing.*

21 *(df) In recognition of the City's affordable housing goals, including the need to produce*  
22 *more affordable housing without the need for public subsidies,* the Planning Department contracted  
23 with David Baker Architects and Seifel Consulting to determine a menu of zoning  
24 modifications and development bonuses that could offset a *private* developer's costs of  
25 providing *various levels of additional on-site* affordable housing. These experts analyzed various

1 parcels in San Francisco, to determine the conditions in which a zoning accommodation  
2 would be necessary to achieve additional density. The analysis modeled various zoning  
3 districts and lot size configurations, consistent with current market conditions and the City's  
4 stated policy goals, including to achieve a mix of unit types, including larger units that can  
5 accommodate larger households. These reports are on file in Board of Supervisors File No.  
6 160687.

7 (eg) Based on these reports, the Planning Department developed *a four* program~~s~~ to  
8 provide ~~an~~ option~~s~~ by which developers of 100% affordable housing projects can include  
9 additional affordable units on-site ~~in~~ through increased density and other zoning or design  
10 modifications. These programs are the Local Affordable Housing Bonus HOME- SF Program, the  
11 100 Percent Affordable Housing Bonus Program, the Analyzed State Density Bonus Program and the  
12 Individually Requested Bonus Program. This program is the 100 Percent Affordable Housing Bonus  
13 Program, which provides additional incentives for developers of 100% affordable housing projects,  
14 thereby reducing the overall cost of such developments on a per unit basis.

15 (h) The goal of the Local Affordable Housing HOME-SF Program is to increase affordable  
16 housing production, especially housing affordable to Middle Income middle income households.  
17 Housing for Middle Income Households middle income households in San Francisco is necessary  
18 to stabilize San Francisco's households and families, ensure income and household diversity in the  
19 long term population of San Francisco, and reduce transportation impacts of middle income  
20 households working in San Francisco. Middle income Middle Income households do not  
21 traditionally benefit from public subsidies.

22 (i) The 100 Percent Affordable Housing Bonus Program provides additional incentives for  
23 developers of 100% affordable housing projects, thereby reducing the overall cost of such  
24 developments on a per unit basis.

1            (i) The Affordable Housing Bonus Program also establishes a clear local process for all  
2 projects seeking the density bonuses guaranteed through the State Density Bonus Law. The State  
3 Analyzed Program provides an expedited process for projects that comply with a pre-determined menu  
4 of incentives, concessions and waivers of development standards that the Department has  
5 determined, in consultation with David Baker Architects and Seifel Consulting can appropriately  
6 respond to neighborhood context without causing adverse impacts on public health and safety, and  
7 provide affordable units through the City's already-established Inclusionary Housing Program.  
8 Projects requesting density or concessions, incentives and waivers outside of the City's preferred menu  
9 may seek a density bonus consistent with State law in the Individually Requested Density Bonus  
10 Program.

11            (k) San Francisco's small business community is an integral part of San Francisco's  
12 neighborhood commercial corridors, local economy, and rich culture. San Francisco is  
13 committed to maintaining small businesses in its neighborhoods. For this reason, the  
14 Affordable Housing Bonus HOME-SF Program acknowledges the need for general assistance  
15 and support for any business that might be impacted. Developments using the Affordable  
16 Housing Bonus Program will generally produce additional commercial spaces which may  
17 enhance existing commercial corridors. The Office of Economic and Workforce Development  
18 (OEWD), in coordination with the Office of Small Business, currently coordinate on referrals to  
19 and deployment of a range of services to small businesses including but not limited to; small  
20 business consulting, lease negotiation assistance, small business loans, ADA Certified  
21 Access Specialists (CASp) inspection services, legacy business registry, façade improvement  
22 assistance, commercial corridor management, grants and assessments, relocation and broker  
23 services for production, distribution and repair (PDR) businesses, business permit assistance,  
24 and coordination with city agencies.

1           (l) In fiscal year 2016 - 2017 the Mayor's Office of Economic and Workforce  
2 Development- OEWD and the Office of Small Business will initiate and coordinate the  
3 implementation of a citywide small business retention and relocation program. This program  
4 will provide additional small business consulting and case management, real estate readiness  
5 assessment, relocation assistance, broker services, real estate acquisition assistance,  
6 succession planning, legacy business grants and technical assistance, and restaurant sector  
7 permit coordination and assistance.

8           **SEC. 206.2. DEFINITIONS.**

9           The definitions of Section 102 and the definitions in Section 401 for "*Area Median*  
10 *Income*" or "*AMI*," "First Construction Document," "Housing Project," "*Life of the Project*," and  
11 "MOHCD," "On-site Unit," "*Off-site Unit*," "*Principal Project*," and "*Procedures Manual*" shall  
12 generally apply to Section 206. The following definitions shall also apply, and shall prevail if  
13 there is a conflict with other sections of the Planning Code.

14           "100 Percent Affordable Housing Project" shall be a project where all of the dwelling  
15 units with the exception of the manager's unit are "Affordable Units" as that term is defined in  
16 Section 406(b).

17           "Affordable to a Household of Lower, Very Low, or Moderate Income shall mean, at a  
18 minimum (1) a maximum purchase price that is affordable to a Household of Lower, Very Low, or  
19 Moderate Income, adjusted for the household size, assuming an annual payment for all housing costs of  
20 33 percent of the combined household annual gross income, a down payment recommended by the  
21 Mayor's Office of Housing and Community Development and set forth in the Procedures Manual, and  
22 available financing; and (2) an affordable rent as defined in Section 50053 of the Health and Safety  
23 Code sufficient to ensure continued affordability of all very low and low-income rental units that  
24 qualified the applicant for the award of the density bonus for 55 years or a longer period of time if  
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1 required by the construction or mortgage financing assistance program, mortgage insurance program,  
2 or rental subsidy program.

3 ~~“Affordable to a Household of Middle Income” shall mean, at a minimum, (1) a~~  
4 ~~maximum purchase price that is affordable to a Household of Middle Income at 140% of Area~~  
5 ~~Median Income, adjusted for the household size, assuming an annual payment for all housing~~  
6 ~~costs of 33 percent of the combined household annual gross income, a down payment~~  
7 ~~recommended by the Mayor’s Office of Housing and Community Development and set forth in~~  
8 ~~the Procedures Manual, and available financing; and (2) the maximum annual rent for an~~  
9 ~~affordable housing unit shall be no more than 30% of the annual gross income for a~~  
10 ~~Household of Middle Income at an Area Median Income of 120%, as adjusted for the~~  
11 ~~household size, as of the first date of the tenancy.~~

12 “Base Density” is lot area divided by the maximum lot area per unit permitted under existing  
13 density regulations (e.g 1 unit per 200, 400, 600, 800, or 1000 square feet of lot area). Calculations  
14 that result in a decimal point of 0.5 and above are rounded to the next whole number. In the Fillmore  
15 Neighborhood Commercial Transit District and the Divisadero Neighborhood Commercial  
16 Transit District, “Base Density” shall mean 1 unit per 600 square feet of lot area.

17 “Density Bonus” means a density increase over the Maximum Allowable Gross Residential  
18 Density granted pursuant to Government Code Section 65915 and Section 206 et seq.

19 “Density Bonus Units” means those market rate dwelling units granted pursuant to the  
20 provisions of this Sections 206.3, 206.5 and 206.6 that exceed the otherwise Maximum Allowable  
21 Gross Residential Density for the development site.

22 “Development Standard” shall mean a site or construction condition, including, but not  
23 limited to, a height limitation, a setback requirement, a floor area ratio, an onsite open space  
24 requirement, or an accessory parking ratio that applies to a residential development pursuant  
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1 to any ordinance, general plan element, specific plan, charter, or other local condition, law,  
2 policy, resolution or regulation.

3 "HOME-SF Unit" shall mean on-site income restricted residential units provided within a  
4 HOME-SF project that a-meets the requirements set forth in Planning Code Section 206.3.

5 ~~"Household of Middle Income" shall mean a household whose combined annual gross~~  
6 ~~income for all members does not exceed 140% of AMI to qualify for ownership housing and~~  
7 ~~120% of AMI to qualify for rental housing.~~

8 "Inclusionary Units" shall mean on-site income-restricted residential units provided within a  
9 development that meet the requirements of the Inclusionary Affordable Housing Program, Planning  
10 Code Section 415 et seq.

11 "Lower, ~~or~~ Very Low, or Moderate Income" means annual income of a household that  
12 does not exceed the maximum income limits for the income category, as adjusted for  
13 household size, applicable to San Francisco, as published and periodically updated by the  
14 State Department of Housing and Community Development pursuant to Sections 50079.5, ~~or~~  
15 50105 or 50093 of the California Health and Safety Code. Very Low Income is currently  
16 defined in California Health and Safety Code Section 50105 as 50% of area median income.  
17 Lower Income is currently defined in California Health and Safety Code Section 50079.5 as  
18 80% of area median income. Moderate Income is currently defined in California Health and Safety  
19 Code Section 50093 as 120% of area median income. If the State law definitions of these terms  
20 change, the definitions under Section 206 shall mirror the State law changes.

21 "Maximum Allowable Gross Residential Density" means the maximum number of dwelling  
22 units per square foot of lot area in zoning districts that have such a measurement, or, in zoning  
23 districts without such a density measurement, the maximum number of dwelling units that could be  
24 developed on a property while also meting all other applicable Planning Code requirements and  
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1 ~~design guidelines,~~ and without obtaining an exception, modification, variance, or waiver from  
2 the Zoning Administrator or Planning Commission for any Planning Code requirement.

3 "Middle Income Unit" shall mean a residential unit affordable to a Household of Middle  
4 Income.

5 "Qualifying Resident" means senior citizens or other persons eligible to reside in a Senior  
6 Citizen Housing Development.

7 "Regulatory Agreement" means a recorded and legally binding agreement between an applicant  
8 and the City to ensure that the requirements of this Chapter are satisfied. The Regulatory Agreement,  
9 among other things, shall establish: the number of Restricted Affordable Units, their size, location,  
10 terms and conditions of affordability, and production schedule.

11 "Restricted Affordable Unit" means a dwelling unit within a Housing Project which will be  
12 Affordable to Very Low, Lower or Moderate Income Households, as defined in this Section 206.2 for a  
13 minimum of 55 years. Restricted Affordable Units shall meet all of the requirements of Government  
14 Code 65915, except that Restricted Affordable Units that are ownership units shall not be restricted  
15 using an equity sharing agreement."

16 "Senior Citizen Housing Development" has the meaning in California Civil Code Section  
17 51.3.

18 **SEC. 206.3. HOUSING OPPORTUNITIES MEAN EQUITY – SAN FRANCISCO**  
19 **Housing Opportunities Mean Equity – San Francisco LOCAL AFFORDABLE HOUSING**  
20 **BONUS PROGRAM.**

21 (a) Purpose. This Section sets forth the HOME-SF Local Affordable Housing Bonus  
22 Program. The Local Affordable Housing Bonus HOME-SF Program or "HOME-SF" "Local  
23 Program" provides benefits to project sponsors of housing projects that set aside a total of 30% of  
24 residential units onsite at below market rate rent or sales price, including a percentage of units  
25 affordable to low and moderate income households consistent with Section 415, the

1 Inclusionary Housing Program, and the remaining percentage affordable to a range of  
2 incomes as described in Section 206.3(c)(2). Household of Middle Income. The purpose of the  
3 Local Affordable Housing Bonus Program of HOME-SF is to expand the number of Inclusionary  
4 Units below market rate units produced in San Francisco and provide housing opportunities to a  
5 wider range of incomes than traditional affordable housing programs, such as the City's  
6 Inclusionary Affordable Housing Program, Planning Code sSection 415 et seq, which typically  
7 provide housing only for very low, low or moderate income households. The purpose of HOME-SF  
8 also is to provide an alternative method of complying with the on-site inclusionary option set  
9 forth in Section 415.6. The Local Program HOME-SF allows market-rate projects to match the  
10 City's shared Proposition K housing goals that 50% of new housing constructed or rehabilitated in the  
11 City by 2020 be within the reach of working middle class San Franciscans, and at least 33% affordable  
12 for low and moderate income households.

13 (b) Applicability. A Local Affordable Housing Bonus HOME-SF Project or "Local  
14 Project" under this Section 206.3 shall be a project that:

15 (1) contains three or more residential units, as defined in Section 102, not including any  
16 Group Housing as defined in Section 102, efficiency dwelling units with reduced square footage defined  
17 in Section 318, and Density Bonus Units permitted through this Section 206.3, or any other density  
18 bonus;

19 (2) is located in any zoning district that: (A) is not designated as an RH-1 or RH-2  
20 Zoning Districts; and (B) establishes a maximum dwelling unit density through a ratio of number of  
21 units to lot area, including RH-3, RM, RC, C-2, Neighborhood Commercial, Named Neighborhood  
22 Commercial, Chinatown Mixed Use Districts, and SoMa Mixed Use Districts; but only if the SoMa  
23 Mixed Use District has a density measured by a maximum number of dwelling units per square foot of  
24 lot area; (C) is in the Fillmore Neighborhood Commercial Transit District and Divisadero  
25 Neighborhood Commercial Transit District; and (DC) is not in the North of Market Residential

1 Special Use District, Planning Code Section 249.5 until the Affordable Housing Incentive Study is  
2 completed at which time the Board will review whether the North of Market Residential Special Use  
3 District should continue to be excluded from this Program. The Study will explore opportunities to  
4 support and encourage the provision of housing at the low, moderate, and middle income range in  
5 neighborhoods where density controls have been eliminated. The goal of this analysis is to incentivize  
6 increased affordable housing production levels at deeper and wider ranges of AMI and larger unit sizes  
7 in these areas through 100% affordable housing development as well as below market rate units within  
8 market rate developments; and (ED) is not located within the boundaries of the Northeastern  
9 Waterfront Area Plan south of the centerline of Broadway; and (FE) is not located on property  
10 under the jurisdiction of the Port of San Francisco; and,

11 (3) is not seeking and receiving a density or development bonus under the provisions of  
12 California Government Code Section 65915 et seq, Planning Code Section 207, Section 124(f), Section  
13 202.2(f), 304, or any other State or local program that provides development bonuses;

14 (4) includes at least 135% of the Base Density as calculated under Planning Code  
15 Section 206.5;

16 (5) in Neighborhood Commercial Districts is not a project that involves merging lots  
17 that result in more than 125 feet in lot frontage for projects located; and

18 (6) consists only of new construction, and excluding any project that includes an  
19 addition to an existing structure;

20 (7) is not located within the boundaries of the Northeastern Waterfront Area  
21 Plan south of the centerline of Broadway;

22 (87) complies with the on-site Inclusionary Affordable Housing option set forth in  
23 Planning Code Section 415.6; provided however, that the percentage of affordable units and  
24 the required affordable sales price or affordable rents set forth in Section 415.6(a) shall be as  
25 provided in this Section 206.3; and,

1           (98) if any retail use is demolished or removed, does not include a Formula  
2 Retail use, as defined in Section 303.1, unless the retail use demolished or removed was also  
3 a Formula Retail Use, or was one of the following uses: Gas Stations, Private or Public  
4 Parking Lots, Financial Services, Fringe Financial Services, Self Storage, Motel, Automobile  
5 Sales or Rental, Automotive Wash, Mortuaries, Adult Business, Massage Establishment,  
6 Medical Cannabis Dispensary, and Tobacco Paraphernalia Establishment, as those uses are  
7 defined in Planning Code Section 102; and.

8           (9) if located north of the centerline of Post Street and east of the centerline of  
9 Van Ness Avenue, all otherwise eligible HOME-SF Projects shall only be permitted on:

10                   (A) lots containing no existing buildings; or

11                   (B) lots equal to or greater than 12,500 square feet where existing  
12 buildings are developed to less than 20% of the lot's principally permitted buildable gross floor  
13 area as determined by height limits, rear yard requirements and required setbacks; and ; or

14                   (C) lots occupied by Gas Stations, Private or Public Parking Lots,  
15 Financial Services, Fringe Financial Services, Formula Retail, Self Storage, Motel, Automobile  
16 Sales or Rental, Automotive Wash, Mortuaries, Adult Business, Massage Establishment,  
17 Medical Cannabis Dispensary, and Tobacco Paraphernalia Establishment, as those uses are  
18 defined in Planning Code Section 102.

19           (10) if the City enacts an ordinance directing the Planning Department to study  
20 the creation of a possible area plan wholly or partially located in Supervisorial District 9,  
21 HOME-SF Projects shall not be permitted in any area in Supervisorial District 9 listed in the  
22 ordinance until such time as the City enacts the area plan.

23           (c) Local Affordable Housing Bonus HOME-SF Project Eligibility Requirements. To  
24 receive the development bonuses granted under this Section, a Local HOME-SF Project must meet all  
25 of the following requirements:

1           ~~(1) Comply with the Inclusionary Affordable Housing Program, Section 415 of~~  
2 ~~this Code, by providing the applicable number of units on-site under Section 415.6. For~~  
3 ~~projects not subject to the Inclusionary Affordable Housing Program, the applicable number of~~  
4 ~~on-site units under this section shall be zero. If the Dial Alternative currently proposed in an~~  
5 ~~ordinance in Board of Supervisors File No. 150911 is adopted and permits a project sponsor~~  
6 ~~to provide more Inclusionary Units at higher AMIs than currently required (referred to as~~  
7 ~~“dialing up”), a project sponsor may dial up and meet the requirements of this subsection (D).~~  
8 ~~If the Dial Alternative of the Inclusionary Affordable Housing Program is ever amended to~~  
9 ~~allow a project sponsor to provide fewer Inclusionary Units at lower AMIs than currently~~  
10 ~~required (referred to as “dialing down”), then a Project cannot qualify for this Section 206.5 if it~~  
11 ~~elects to dial down;~~

12           ~~(21) Provide 30% of units in the an additional percentage of affordable units in~~  
13 ~~the Local HOME-SF Project as Middle Income HOME-SF Units, as defined herein, such that the~~  
14 ~~total percentage of Inclusionary Units and Middle Income HOME-SF Units equals 30%. The~~  
15 ~~Middle Income HOME-SF Units shall be restricted for the Life of the Project and shall comply with~~  
16 ~~all of the requirements of the Procedures Manual authorized in Section 415 except as otherwise~~  
17 ~~provided herein. Any unit required to satisfy requirements of Section 415 shall be affordable to~~  
18 ~~a household in the income categories specified in Section 415. Additional Ten Twelve~~  
19 ~~percent of HOME-SF Units that are Owned Units shall have an average affordable purchase~~  
20 ~~price set at 120% of Area Median Income, with units equally distributed at 90 80% of Area~~  
21 ~~Median Income; 409% shall have an average affordable purchase price set at 120-105% of~~  
22 ~~Area Median Income; and 409% shall have an average affordable purchase price set at 140~~  
23 ~~130% of Area Median Income. Ten Twelve percent of HOME-SF Units that are rental units~~  
24 ~~shall have an average affordable rent set at 55% of Area Median Income; 409% shall have an~~  
25 ~~average affordable rent set at 80% of Area Median Income; and 409% shall have an average~~

1 ~~affordable rent set at 110% of Area Median Income. ,120% of Area Median Income and~~  
2 ~~140% of Area Median Income. Additional HOME-SF Units that are Rental Units shall have an~~  
3 ~~average affordable rent set at 80% or less of Area Median Income, with units equally~~  
4 ~~distributed among households earning 55% of Area Median Income, 80% of Area Median~~  
5 ~~Income, and 110% of Area Median Income. All HOME-SF Units must be marketed at a price~~  
6 ~~that is at least 20% less than the current market rate for that unit size and neighborhood, and~~  
7 ~~MOHCD shall reduce the Area Median Income levels set forth herein in order to maintain such~~  
8 ~~pricing. As provided for in subsection (e), the Planning Department and MOHCD shall amend the~~  
9 ~~Procedures Manual to provide policies and procedures for the implementation, including monitoring~~  
10 ~~and enforcement, of the Middle Income units HOME-SF Units.~~

11 ~~(32) Demonstrate to the satisfaction of the Environmental Review Officer that the~~  
12 ~~HOME-SF Local Project does not:~~

13 ~~(A) cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of an historic~~  
14 ~~resource as defined by California Code of Regulations, Title 14, Section 15064.5;~~

15 ~~(B) create new shadow in a manner that substantially affects outdoor recreation~~  
16 ~~facilities or other public areas; and~~

17 ~~(C) alter wind in a manner that substantially affects public areas;~~

18 ~~(43) All HOME-SF units shall be no smaller than the minimum unit sizes set~~  
19 ~~forth by the California Tax Credit Allocation Committee as of May 16, 2017. In addition,~~  
20 ~~Notwithstanding any other provision of this Code, ~~Inclusive of Inclusionary Units and Middle~~  
21 ~~Income Units~~HOME-SF projects shall provide a minimum dwelling unit mix of (A) at least 40%  
22 ~~two and three bedroom units, including at least 10% three bedroom units, , provides either (A)~~  
23 ~~a minimum unit mix of at least 40% of all units as two bedroom units or larger; or (B) any unit~~  
24 ~~mix which includes some three bedroom or larger units such that 50% of all bedrooms within the~~  
25 ~~Local HOME-SF Project are provided in units with more than one bedroom. Larger units should be~~~~

1 distributed on all floors, and prioritized in spaces adjacent to open spaces or play yards.  
2 Projects that include Units with two or three bedrooms units are encouraged to incorporate  
3 family friendly amenities. Family friendly amenities shall include, but are not limited to,  
4 bathtubs, dedicated cargo bicycle parking, dedicated stroller storage, open space and yards  
5 designed for use by children. Local HOME-SF Projects are not eligible to modify this requirement  
6 under Planning Code Section 303(t), 328, or any other provision of this Code; and,

7 ~~(5) Provides replacement units for any units demolished or removed that are~~  
8 ~~subject to the San Francisco Rent Stabilization and Arbitration Ordinance, San Francisco~~  
9 ~~Administrative Code Section 37, or are units qualifying for replacement as units being~~  
10 ~~occupied by households of Low or Very Low Income, consistent with the requirements of~~  
11 ~~Government Code section 65915(c)(3).~~

12 ~~(54) Does not demolish, remove or convert any residential units; and~~

13 ~~(65) Includes at the ground floor level active uses, as defined in Section 145.1,~~  
14 ~~at the same square footages as any neighborhood commercial uses demolished or removed,~~  
15 ~~unless the Planning Commission has granted an exception under Section 303(st)(2)(G).~~

16 ~~(d) **Development Bonuses.** Any Local HOME-SF Project shall, at the project sponsor's~~  
17 ~~request, receive any or all of the following:~~

18 ~~(1) **Form based density.** Notwithstanding any zoning designation to the contrary,~~  
19 ~~density of a Local HOME-SF Project shall not be limited by lot area but rather by the applicable~~  
20 ~~requirements and limitations set forth elsewhere in this Code. Such requirements and limitations~~  
21 ~~include, but are not limited to, height, including any additional height allowed by subsection (d)(2),~~  
22 ~~Bulk, Setbacks, Required Open Space, Exposure and unit mix as well as applicable design guidelines,~~  
23 ~~elements and area plans of the General Plan and design review, including consistency with the~~  
24 ~~Affordable Housing Bonus Program Design Guidelines, referenced in Section 328, as determined by~~  
25 ~~the Planning Department.~~



1           (2) **Height.** Up to 20 additional feet above the height authorized for the ~~Local HOME-~~  
2 SF Project under the Height Map of the Zoning Map. This additional height may only be used to  
3 provide up to two additional 10-foot stories to the project, or one additional story of no more than 10  
4 feet in height. Building features exempted from height controls under Planning Code Section 260(b)  
5 shall be measured from the roof level of the highest story provided under this section.

6           (3) **Ground Floor Ceiling Height.** In addition to the permitted height allowed under  
7 (d)(2), ~~Local HOME-SF~~ Projects with active uses on the ground floor as defined in Section  
8 145.1(b)(2) shall receive up to a maximum of ~~five~~ additional feet in height above the height limit, in  
9 addition to the additional 20 feet granted in subsection (2) above. However, the additional ~~five~~ feet  
10 may only be applied at the ground floor to provide a 14-foot (floor to ceiling) ceiling height for  
11 nonresidential uses, and to allow walk-up dwelling units to be consistent with the Ground Floor  
12 Residential Design Guidelines. This additional ~~five~~ feet shall not be granted to projects that already  
13 receive such a height increase under Planning Code Section 263.20.

14           (4) **Zoning Modifications.** ~~HOME-SF Local Affordable Housing Bonus~~ Projects  
15 may select up to three of the following zoning modifications:

16           (A) **Rear yard:** The required rear yard per Section 134 or any applicable  
17 special use district may be reduced to no less than ~~20% percent~~ of the lot depth, or 15 feet, whichever  
18 is greater. Corner properties may provide ~~20% percent~~ of the lot area at the interior corner of the  
19 property to meet the minimum rear yard requirement, provided that each horizontal dimension of the  
20 open area is a minimum of 15 feet; and that the open area is wholly or partially contiguous to the  
21 existing midblock open space, if any, formed by the rear yards of adjacent properties.

22           (B) **Dwelling Unit Exposure:** The dwelling unit exposure requirements of  
23 Section 140(a)(2) may be satisfied through qualifying windows facing an unobstructed open area that  
24 is no less than 25 feet in every horizontal dimension, and such open area is not required to expand in  
25 every horizontal dimension at each subsequent floor.

1 (C) Off-Street Loading: Off-street loading spaces per Section 152 shall not be  
2 required.

3 (D) Automobile Parking: Up to a 75% reduction in the residential and  
4 commercial parking requirements in Section 151 or any applicable special use district.

5 (E) Open Space: Up to a 5% reduction in common open space if provided  
6 under Section 135 or any applicable special use district.

7 (F) Additional Open Space: Up to an additional 5% reduction in common open  
8 space if provided under Section 135 or any applicable special use district, beyond the 5% provided in  
9 subsection (E) above.

10 (G) Inner Courts as Open Space: In order for an inner court to qualify as  
11 useable common open space, Section 135(g)(2) requires it to be at least 20 feet in every horizontal  
12 dimension, and for the height of the walls and projections above the court on at least three sides (or  
13 75% percent of the perimeter, whichever is greater) to be no higher than one foot for each foot that  
14 such point is horizontally distant from the opposite side of the clear space in the court. HOME-SF  
15 Local Affordable Housing Bonus Projects may instead provide an inner court that is at least 25 feet  
16 in every horizontal dimension, with no restriction on the heights of adjacent walls. All area within such  
17 an inner court shall qualify as common open space under Section 135.

18 (e) Implementation.

19 (1) Application. ~~The following procedures shall govern the processing of a~~  
20 ~~request for a project to qualify under the Local Program.~~

21 (A) An application to participate in the HOME-SF Local Program shall be  
22 submitted with the first application for approval of a Housing Project and processed concurrently with  
23 all other applications required for the Housing Project. The application shall be submitted on a form  
24 prescribed by the City and shall include at least the following information:  
25

1 (iA) A full plan set, including a site plan, elevations, sections and floor  
2 plans, showing total number of units, number of and location of Inclusionary Units, and Middle  
3 Income HOME-SF Units; and a draft Regulatory Agreement;

4 ~~(ii) The number of dwelling units which are on the property, or if~~  
5 ~~the dwelling units have been vacated or demolished in the five year period preceding the~~  
6 ~~application, have been and which were subject to a recorded covenant, ordinance, or law that~~  
7 ~~restricts rents to levels affordable to persons and families of lower or very low income; subject~~  
8 ~~to any other form of rent or price control through the City or other public entity's valid exercise~~  
9 ~~of its police power; or occupied by lower or very low income households; and~~

10 ~~(iii) If the property includes a parcel or parcels in which dwelling~~  
11 ~~units under subsection (ii) are located or were located in the five year period preceding the~~  
12 ~~application, the type and size of those units, and the incomes of the persons or families~~  
13 ~~occupying those units.~~

14 ~~(ivB) The requested development bonuses and/or zoning modifications~~  
15 ~~from those listed in subsection (d).~~

16 (C) A list of all on-site family friendly amenities. Family friendly  
17 amenities shall include, but are not limited to, dedicated cargo bicycle parking, dedicated  
18 stroller storage, open space and yards designed for use by children.

19 (BD) Documentation that the applicant has provided written notification  
20 to all existing commercial or residential tenants that the applicant intends to develop the property  
21 pursuant to this section and has provided any existing commercial tenants with a copy of the  
22 Mayor's Office of Economic and Workforce Development's Guide to Small Business Retention  
23 and Relocation Support. Any affected commercial tenants shall be given priority processing similar  
24 to the Department's Community Business Priority Processing Program, as adopted by the San  
25

1 Francisco Planning Commission on February 12, 2015 under Resolution Number 19323, to support  
2 relocation of such business in concert with access to relevant local business support programs.

3 (2) **Procedures Manual.** The Planning Department and MOHCD shall amend the  
4 Procedures Manual, authorized in Section 415, to include policies and procedures for the  
5 implementation, including monitoring and enforcement, of the HOME-SF Units. ~~Middle Income~~  
6 units. As an amendment to the Procedures Manual, such policies and procedures are subject to review  
7 and approval by the Planning Commission under Section 415. Amendments to the Procedures Manual  
8 shall include a requirement that project sponsors in specified areas complete a market survey of the  
9 area before marketing ~~Middle Income Units~~ HOME-SF Units. All HOME-SF Units affordable  
10 units that are affordable to households between 120 and 140% of AMI must be marketed at a  
11 price that is at least 20% less than the current market rate for that unit size and neighborhood,  
12 in addition to any other applicable Program requirements and MOHCD may reduce the Area  
13 Median Income levels set forth in subsection (c)(2) in order maintain such pricing.

14 (3) **Notice and Hearing.** Local HOME-SF Projects shall comply with Section 328 306  
15 for review and approval.

16 (4) **Controls.** Local HOME-SF Projects shall be governed by the conditional use  
17 procedures of Section 303, comply with Section 328. Notwithstanding any other provision of  
18 this Code, no conditional use authorization shall be required for a Local Project unless such  
19 conditional use requirement was adopted by the voters.

20 (5) **Regulatory Agreements.** Recipients of development bonuses a Density Bonus,  
21 Incentive, Concession, waiver, or modification under this Section 206.3 shall enter into a  
22 Regulatory Agreement with the City, as follows.

23 (A) The terms of the agreement shall be acceptable in form and content to the  
24 Planning Director, the Director of MOHCD, and the City Attorney. The Planning Director shall have  
25 the authority to execute such agreements.

1 (B) Following execution of the agreement by all parties, the completed Density  
2 Bonus Regulatory Agreement, or memorandum thereof, shall be recorded and the conditions filed  
3 and recorded on the Housing Project.

4 (C) The approval and recordation of the Regulatory Agreement shall take place  
5 prior to the issuance of the First Construction Document. The Regulatory Agreement shall be binding  
6 to all future owners and successors in interest.

7 (D) The Regulatory Agreement shall be consistent with the guidelines of the  
8 City's Inclusionary Housing Program and shall include at a minimum the following:

9 (i) The total number of dwelling units approved for the Housing Project,  
10 including the number of ~~Restricted Affordable Units, Inclusionary Units, HOME-SF Units Middle~~  
11 ~~Income Units~~ or other restricted units;

12 (ii) A description of the household income group to be accommodated by  
13 the ~~Restricted Affordable Units, Inclusionary Units and HOME-SF Units,~~ and the standards for  
14 determining the corresponding Affordable Rent or Affordable Sales Price. If required by the  
15 Procedures Manual, the The project sponsor must commit to completing a market survey of the  
16 area before marketing ~~Middle Income~~ HOME-SF Units. All affordable units that are affordable to  
17 households between 120 and 140% of AMI HOME-SF Units must be marketed at a price  
18 that is at least 20% less than the current market rate for that unit size and neighborhood, in  
19 addition to any other applicable Program requirements and MOHCD may reduce the Area  
20 Median Income levels set forth in subsection (c)(21) in order maintain such pricing;

21 (iii) The location, dwelling unit sizes (in square feet), and number of  
22 bedrooms of the ~~Inclusionary Units and HOME-SF Units~~ ~~Restricted Affordable Units~~;

23 (iv) Term of use restrictions for the life of the project. ~~Restricted~~  
24 ~~Affordable Units of at least 55 years for Moderate Income units and at least 55 years for Low~~  
25 ~~and Very Low units;~~

1 (v) A schedule for completion and occupancy of Inclusionary Units and  
2 HOME-SF Units Restricted Affordable Units;

3 (vi) A description of any Concession, Incentive, waiver, or modification,  
4 if any, being provided by the City;

5 (vii) A description of remedies for breach of the agreement (the City may  
6 identify tenants or qualified purchasers as third party beneficiaries under the agreement); and

7 (viii) Other provisions to ensure implementation and compliance with  
8 this Section.

9  
10 **SEC. ~~206.3~~206.4. THE 100 PERCENT AFFORDABLE HOUSING BONUS**  
11 **PROGRAM.**

12 \* \* \* \*

13 (d) Implementation.

14 (1) Application. The following procedures shall govern the processing of a request  
15 for a project to qualify under the 100 Percent Affordable Housing Bonus Program.

16 (A) An application to participate in the 100 Percent Affordable Housing Bonus  
17 Program shall be submitted with the first application for approval of a Housing Project and  
18 processed concurrently with all other applications required for the Housing Project. The  
19 application shall be submitted on a form prescribed by the City and shall include at least the  
20 following information:

21 \* \* \* \*

22 (iv) Documentation that the applicant has provided written notification to all existing  
23 commercial tenants that the applicant intends to develop the property pursuant to this section  
24 206.34. Any affected commercial tenants shall be given priority processing similar to the  
25 Department's Community Business Priority Processing Program, as adopted by the Planning

1 Commission on February 12, 2015 under Resolution Number 19323 to support relocation of  
2 such business in concert with access to relevant local business support programs. In no case  
3 may an applicant receive a site permit or any demolition permit prior to 18 months from the  
4 date of written notification required by this subsection 206.34(d)(1)(B); and

5 \* \* \* \*

6  
7 **SEC. 206.5. STATE RESIDENTIAL DENSITY BONUS PROGRAM: ANALYZED**

8 *(a) Purpose.* Sections 206.5, 206.6, and 206.7 shall be referred to as the San Francisco State  
9 Residential Density Bonus Program or the State Density Bonus Program. First, the Analyzed State  
10 Density Bonus Program in Section 206.5 offers an expedited process for projects that seek a density  
11 bonus that is consistent with the pre-vetted menu of incentives, concessions and waivers that the  
12 Planning Department and its consultants have already determined are feasible, result in actual cost  
13 reductions, and do not have specific adverse impacts upon public health and safety of the physical  
14 environment. Second the Individually Requested State Density Bonus Program in Section 206.6 details  
15 the review, analysis and approval process for any project seeking a density bonus that is consistent  
16 with State Law, but is not consistent with the requirements for the Analyzed State Density Bonus  
17 Program established in Section 206.5. Third, Sections 206.7, describes density bonuses available  
18 under the State code for the provision of childcare facilities.

19 *This Section 206.5 implements the Analyzed State Density Bonus Program or “Analyzed State*  
20 *Program.” The Analyzed State Program offers an expedited process for projects that seek a density*  
21 *bonus that is consistent with, among other requirements set forth below, the pre-vetted menu of*  
22 *incentives, waiver and concessions.*

23 **(b) Applicability.**

24 *(1) A Housing Project that meets all of the requirements of this subsection (b)(1) or is a*  
25 *Senior Housing Project meeting the criteria of (b)(2) shall be an Analyzed State Density Bonus Project*

1 or an "Analyzed Project" for purposes of Section 206 et seq. A Housing Project that does not meet all  
2 of the requirements of this subsection (b), but seeks a density bonus under State law may apply for a  
3 density bonus under Section 206.6 as an Individually Requested State Density Bonus Project. To  
4 qualify for the Analyzed State Density Bonus Program a Housing Project must meet all of the  
5 following:

6 (A) contain five or more residential units, as defined in Section 102, not  
7 including any Group Housing as defined in Section 102, efficiency dwelling units with reduced square  
8 footage defined in Section 318, and Density Bonus Units permitted through this Section 206.5 or other  
9 density program;

10 (B) is not seeking and receiving a density or development bonus under Section  
11 207; the ~~HOME-SF Local Affordable Housing Bonus Program~~, Section 206.3; the 100 Percent  
12 Affordable Housing Bonus Program, Section 206.4; or any other local or State density bonus program  
13 that provides development bonuses;

14 (C) for projects located in Neighborhood Commercial Districts is not seeking to  
15 merge lots that result in more than 125 in lot frontage on any one street;

16 (D) is located in any zoning district that: (i) is not designated as an RH-1 or  
17 RH-2 Zoning District; (ii) establishes a maximum dwelling unit density through a ratio of number of  
18 units to lot area, including but not limited to, RH-3, RM, RC, C-2, Neighborhood Commercial, Named  
19 Neighborhood Commercial, Chinatown Mixed Use Districts, and SoMa Mixed Use Districts, but only  
20 if the SoMa Mixed Use District has a density measured by a maximum number of dwelling units per  
21 square foot of lot area; (iii) is in the ~~Fillmore Neighborhood Commercial Transit District and~~  
22 ~~Divisadero Neighborhood Commercial Transit District;~~ and (Diii) is not in the North of Market  
23 Residential Special Use District, Planning Code Section 249.5 until the Affordable Housing Incentive  
24 Study is completed at which time the Board will review whether the North of Market Residential  
25 Special Use District should continue to be excluded from this Program. The Study will explore



1 opportunities to support and encourage the provision of housing at the low, moderate, and middle  
2 income range in neighborhoods where density controls have been eliminated. The goal of this analysis  
3 is to incentivize increased affordable housing production levels at deeper and wider ranges of AMI and  
4 larger unit sizes in these areas through 100% affordable housing development as well as below market  
5 rate units within market rate developments; and (Eiv) is not located within the boundaries of the  
6 Northeastern Waterfront Area Plan south of the centerline of Broadway; and (Fv) is not  
7 located on property under the jurisdiction of the Port of San Francisco;

8 (E) is providing all Inclusionary Units as On-site Units under Section 415.6. If  
9 the Dial Alternative currently proposed in an ordinance in Board of Supervisors File No.  
10 150911 is adopted and permits a project sponsor to provide more Inclusionary Units at higher  
11 AMIs than currently required (referred to as “dialing up”), a project sponsor may dial up and  
12 meet the requirements of this subsection (D). If the Dial Alternative of the Inclusionary  
13 Affordable Housing Program is ever amended to allow a project sponsor to provide fewer  
14 Inclusionary Units at lower AMIs than currently required (referred to as “dialing down”), then a  
15 Project cannot qualify for this Section 206.5 if it elects to dial down;

16 (F) includes a minimum of nine foot ceilings on all residential floors;

17 (G) is seeking only Concessions or Incentives set forth in subsection (c)(4);

18 (H) is seeking height increases only in the form of a waiver as described in  
19 subsection (c)(5); and;

20 (I) Does not demolish, remove, or convert any residential units; and  
21 provides replacement units for any units demolished or removed that are subject to the San  
22 Francisco Residential Rent Stabilization and Arbitration Ordinance, San Francisco  
23 Administrative Code Section 37, or are units qualifying for replacement as units being  
24 occupied by households of low or very low income, consistent with the requirements of  
25 Government Code section 65915(c)(3).

1                   (J) consists only of new construction, and excluding any project that  
2 includes an addition to an existing structure;-

3                   (K) includes at the ground floor level active uses, as defined in Section  
4 145.1 at the same square footages as any neighborhood commercial uses demolished or  
5 removed;

6                   (L) if any retail use is demolished or removed, does not include a  
7 Formula Retail use, as defined in Section 303.1, unless the retail use demolished or removed  
8 was also a Formula Retail use, or one of the following uses: Gas Stations, Private or Public  
9 Parking Lots, Financial Services, Fringe Financial Services, Self Storage, Motel, Automobile  
10 Sales or Rental, Automotive Wash, Mortuaries, Adult Business, Massage Establishment,  
11 Medical Cannabis Dispensary, and Tobacco Paraphernalia Establishment, as those uses are  
12 defined in Planning Code Section 102;

13                   (M) all on-site income-restricted residential units in the Housing Project  
14 are no smaller than the minimum unit sizes set forth by the California Tax Credit Allocation  
15 Committee as of May 16, 2017; and

16                   (N) notwithstanding any other provision of this Code, includes a minimum  
17 dwelling unit mix of at least 40% of all units as two or three bedroom units, including at least  
18 10% of units as three bedroom units. Larger units should be distributed on all floors, and  
19 prioritized in spaces adjacent to open spaces or play yards. Units with two or three bedrooms  
20 should incorporate family friendly amenities, including bathtubs, dedicated cargo bicycle  
21 parking, dedicated stroller storage, and open space and yards designed for use by children.

22                   (2) A Senior Housing Project, as defined in Section 102, may qualify as an Analyzed  
23 State Density Bonus Project if it follows all of the procedures and conditions set forth in Planning Code  
24 Section 202.2(f).

1                   (3) If located north of the centerline of Post Street and east of the centerline of  
 2 Van Ness Avenue, all otherwise eligible Analyzed State Law Density Bonus Projects shall  
 3 only be permitted on:

4                   (A) lots containing no existing buildings; or

5                   (B) lots equal to or greater than 12,500 square feet where existing  
 6 buildings are developed to less than 20% of the lot's principally permitted buildable gross floor  
 7 area as determined by height limits, rear yard requirements and required setbacks; or

8                   (C) lots occupied by Gas Stations, Private or Public Parking Lots,  
 9 Financial Services, Fringe Financial Services, Formula Retail, Self Storage, Motel, Automobile  
 10 Sales or Rental, Automotive Wash, Mortuaries, Adult Business, Massage Establishment,  
 11 Medical Cannabis Dispensary, and Tobacco Paraphernalia Establishment, as these uses are  
 12 defined in Planning Code Section 102.

13                   (c) **Development Bonuses.** All Analyzed State Law Density Bonus Projects shall receive, at the  
 14 project sponsor's written request, any or all of the following:

15                   (1) **Priority Processing.** Analyzed Projects that provide 30% or more of Units as On-  
 16 site Inclusionary Housing Units or Restricted Affordable Units that meet all of the requirements of for  
 17 an Inclusionary Housing Unit shall receive Priority Processing.

18                   (2) **Density Bonus.** Analyzed Projects that provide On-site Inclusionary Housing Units  
 19 or Restricted Affordable Units that meet all of the requirements of for an Inclusionary Housing Unit  
 20 shall receive a density bonus as described in Table 206.5 A as follows:

21                   Table 206.5A

22                   Density Bonus Summary – Analyzed

<u>A</u>	<u>B</u>	<u>C</u>	<u>D</u>	<u>E</u>
<u>Restricted Affordable Units or Category</u>	<u>Minimum Percentage of Restricted Affordable Units</u>	<u>Percentage of Density Bonus Granted</u>	<u>Additional Bonus for Each 1% Increase In Restricted</u>	<u>Percentage of Restricted Units Required for Maximum</u>

			<u>Affordable Units</u>	<u>35% Density Bonus</u>
<u>Very Low Income</u>	<u>5%</u>	<u>20%</u>	<u>2.50%</u>	<u>11%</u>
<u>Lower Income</u>	<u>10%</u>	<u>20%</u>	<u>1.50%</u>	<u>20%</u>
<u>Moderate Income</u>	<u>10%</u>	<u>5%</u>	<u>1%</u>	<u>40%</u>
<u>Senior Citizen Housing, as defined in § 102, and meeting the requirements of § 202.2(f).</u>	<u>100%</u>	<u>50%</u>	<u>-----</u>	<u>-----</u>

Note: A density bonus may be selected from more than one category, up to a maximum of 35% of the Maximum Allowable Gross Residential Density.

In calculating density bonuses under this subsection 206.5(c)(2) the following shall apply:

(A) When calculating the number of permitted Density Bonus Units or Restricted Affordable Units, any fractions of units shall be rounded to the next highest number. Analyzed Density Bonus Program projects must include the minimum percentage of Restricted Affordable Units identified in Column B of Table 206.5A for at least one income category, but may combine density bonuses from more than one income category, up to a maximum of 35% of the Maximum Allowable Gross Residential Density.

(B) An applicant may elect to receive a Density Bonus that is less than the amount permitted by this Section; however, the City shall not be required to similarly reduce the number of Restricted Affordable Units required to be dedicated pursuant to this Section and Government Code Section 65915(b).

(C) In no case shall a Housing Project be entitled to a Density Bonus of more than 35%, unless it is a Senior Housing Project meeting the requirements of Section 202.2(f).

1                    (D) The Density Bonus Units shall not be included when determining the  
 2 number of Restricted Affordable Units required to qualify for a Density Bonus. Density bonuses shall  
 3 be calculated as a percentage of the Maximum Allowable Gross Residential Density.

4                    (E) Any Restricted Affordable Unit provided pursuant to the on-site  
 5 requirements of the Inclusionary Affordable Housing Program, Section 415 et seq., shall be included  
 6 when determining the number of Restricted Affordable Units required to qualify for a Development  
 7 Bonus under this Section 206.5. The payment of the Affordable Housing Fee shall not qualify for a  
 8 Development Bonus under this Section. The provision of Off-site Units shall not qualify the Principal  
 9 Project for a Density Bonus under this Section; however an Off-site Unit may qualify as a Restricted  
 10 Affordable Unit to obtain a density bonus for the Off-site Project.

11                    (F) In accordance with state law, neither the granting of a Concession,  
 12 Incentive, waiver, or modification, nor the granting of a Density Bonus, shall be interpreted, in and of  
 13 itself, to require a general plan amendment, zoning change, variance, or other discretionary approval.

14                    (3) Concessions and Incentives. Analyzed Projects shall receive concessions or  
 15 incentives, in the amounts specified in Table 206.5B :

16  
 17                    Table 206.5B

18                    Concessions and Incentives Summary – Analyzed Projects

<u>Target Group</u>	<u>Restricted Affordable Units</u>		
<u>Very Low Income</u>	<u>5%</u>	<u>10%</u>	<u>15%</u>
<u>Lower Income</u>	<u>10%</u>	<u>20%</u>	<u>30%</u>
<u>Moderate Income (Common Interest Development)</u>	<u>10%</u>	<u>20%</u>	<u>30%</u>
<u>Maximum Incentive(s)/Concession(s)</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>

23  
 24 Notes: 1. Concessions or Incentives may be selected from only one category (very low, lower,  
 25 or moderate) 2. Common Interest Development is defined in California Civil Code Section 4100.

1                    (4) **Menu of Concessions and Incentives:** In submitting a request for Concessions or  
2 Incentives, an applicant for an Analyzed State Density Bonus Project may request the specific  
3 Concessions and Incentives set forth below. The Planning Department, based on Department research  
4 and a Residential Density Bonus Study prepared by David Baker Architects, Seifel Consulting, and the  
5 San Francisco Planning Department dated August 2015, on file with the Clerk of the Board of  
6 Supervisors in File No. 150969, has determined that the following Concessions and Incentives are  
7 generally consistent with Government Code Section 65915(d) because, in general, they: are required  
8 in order to provide for affordable housing costs; will not be deemed by the Department to have a  
9 specific adverse impact as defined in Government Code Section 65915(d); and are not contrary to State  
10 or Federal law.

11                    (A) **Rear yard:** the required rear yard per Section 134 or any applicable special  
12 use district may be reduced to no less than 20% of the lot depth, or 15 feet, whichever is greater.  
13 Corner properties may provide 20% of the lot area at the interior corner of the property to meet the  
14 minimum rear yard requirement, provided that each horizontal dimension of the open area is a  
15 minimum of 15 feet; and that the open area is wholly or partially contiguous to the existing midblock  
16 open space, if any, formed by the rear yards of adjacent properties.

17                    (B) **Dwelling Unit Exposure:** the dwelling unit exposure requirements of  
18 Section 140(a)(2) may be satisfied through qualifying windows facing an unobstructed open area that  
19 is no less than 25 feet in every horizontal dimension, and such open area is not required to expand in  
20 every horizontal dimension at each subsequent floor.

21                    (C) **Off-Street Loading:** off-street loading spaces under Section 152 shall not  
22 be required.

23                    (D) **Parking:** up to a 50% reduction in the residential and commercial parking  
24 requirement, per Section 151 or any applicable special use district.

1 (E) Open Space: up to a 5% reduction in required common open space per  
2 Section 135, or any applicable special use district.

3 (F) Additional Open Space: up to an additional 5% reduction in required  
4 common open space per Section 135 or any applicable special use district, beyond the 5% provided in  
5 subsection (E) above.

6 (5) Waiver or Modification of Height Limits. Analyzed Projects may request a waiver  
7 of the applicable height restrictions if the applicable height limitation will have the effect of physically  
8 precluding the construction of a Housing Project at the densities or with the Concessions or Incentives  
9 permitted by this subsection (c)(4). Analyzed Projects may receive a height bonus as of right of up to  
10 twenty feet or two stories, excluding exceptions permitted per Section 260(b), if the applicant  
11 demonstrates that it qualifies for a height waiver through the following formula:

12 **Step one: Calculate Base Density and Bonus Density Limits**

13 Calculate Base Density (BD), as defined in Section 206.2.

14 Bonus Density Limit (BD): ED multiplied by 1.XX where XX is the density bonus  
15 requested per Section 206.5 of this Code (e.g. 7%, 23%, 35%), not to exceed 1.35, the maximum density  
16 bonus available by this Section.

17 **Step two: Calculate Permitted Envelope (PE).** Buildable envelope available under  
18 existing height and bulk controls.

19 PE equals lot area multiplied by permitted lot coverage, where lot coverage equals .75,  
20 or .8 if the developer elects to request a rear yard modification under Section 206.5(c)(4)(A), multiplied  
21 by existing height limit (measured in number of stories), minus one story for projects in districts where  
22 non-residential uses are required on the ground floor, and minus any square footage subject to bulk  
23 limitations (for parcels that do not have an X bulk designation).

24 **Step three: Calculate Bonus Envelope (BE)** Residential envelope necessary to  
25 accommodate additional density ("Bonus envelope" or "BE")

1 BE equals Bonus Density multiplied by 1,000 gross square feet

2 Step four: Calculate Additional Residential Floors. Determine the number of stories  
3 required to accommodate bonus:

4 (A) If BE is less than or equal to PE, the project is not awarded height under  
5 this subsection (c)(5).

6 (B) If BE is greater than PE, the project is awarded height, as follows:

7 (i) If BE minus PE is less than the lot area multiplied by 0.75, project is  
8 allowed ~~four~~ one extra story; total gross square footage of building not to exceed BE; or

9 (ii) If BE minus PE is greater than the lot area multiplied by 0.75 (i.e. if  
10 the difference is greater than one story), project is allowed two extra stories; total gross square footage  
11 of building not to exceed BE.

12 (d) Application. An application for an Analyzed State Density Bonus Project under this  
13 Section 206.5 shall be submitted with the first application for approval of a Housing Project and shall  
14 be processed concurrently with all other applications required for the Housing Project. The  
15 application shall be on a form prescribed by the City and, in addition to any information required for  
16 other applications, shall include the following information:

17 (1) A description of the proposed Housing Project, including the total number of  
18 dwelling units, Restricted Affordable Units, and Density Bonus Units proposed;

19 (2) Any zoning district designation, Base Density, assessor's parcel number(s) of the  
20 project site, and a description of any Density Bonus, Concession or Incentive, or waiver requested;

21 (3) A list of the requested Concessions and Incentives from Section 206.5(c)(4);

22 (4) If a waiver or modification of height is requested under Section 206.5(c)(5), a  
23 calculation demonstrating how the project qualifies for such waiver under the formula;

24 (5) A full plan set including site plan, elevations, sections, and floor plans, number of  
25 market-rate units, Restricted Affordable Units, and Density Bonus units within the proposed Housing



1 Project. The location of all units must be approved by the Planning Department before the issuance of  
2 the building permit:

3 (6) Level of affordability of the Restricted Affordable Units and a draft Regulatory  
4 Agreement; and

5 ~~(7) The number of rental dwelling units which are on the property, or if the~~  
6 ~~dwelling units have been vacated or demolished in the five year period preceding the~~  
7 ~~application, have been and which were subject to a recorded covenant, ordinance, or law that~~  
8 ~~restricts rents to levels affordable to persons and families of lower or very low income; subject~~  
9 ~~to any other form of rent or price control through the City or other public entity's valid exercise~~  
10 ~~of its police power; or occupied by lower or very low income households; and~~

11 ~~(8) If the property includes a parcel or parcels in which dwelling units under~~  
12 ~~subsection (7) are located or were located in the five year period preceding the application,~~  
13 ~~the type and size of those units, and the incomes of the persons or families occupying those~~  
14 ~~units.~~

15 ~~(97) Documentation that the applicant has provided written notification to all existing~~  
16 ~~commercial or residential tenants that the applicant intends to develop the property pursuant to this~~  
17 ~~section. Any affected commercial tenants shall be given priority processing similar to the~~  
18 ~~Department's Community Business Priority Processing Program, as adopted by the San Francisco~~  
19 ~~Planning Commission on February 12, 2015 under Resolution Number 19323 to support relocation of~~  
20 ~~such business in concert with access to relevant local business support programs. In no case may a~~  
21 ~~project receive a site permit or any demolition permit prior to 18 months from the date of~~  
22 ~~written notification required by this Section 206.5(d)(7).~~

23 (e) Review Procedures. An application for an Analyzed State Density Bonus Project, shall be  
24 acted upon concurrently with the application for other permits related to the Housing Project.

1 (1) Before approving an application for an Analyzed Project, the Planning Department  
2 or Commission shall make written findings that the Housing Project is qualified as an Analyzed State  
3 Density Bonus Project.

4 (2) Analyzed Projects shall be governed by the conditional use procedures of  
5 Section 303. The review procedures for an Analyzed Project, including notice, hearings, and  
6 appeal, shall be the procedures applicable to the Housing Project regardless of whether it is  
7 applying for a State Density Bonus under this Section 206.5. However, any All notices shall  
8 specify that the Housing Project is seeking a Development Bonus and shall provide a description of the  
9 Development Bonuses requested. Analyzed Projects shall also be reviewed for consistency with the  
10 Affordable Housing Bonus Program Design Guidelines.

11 (f) **Regulatory Agreements.** Recipients of a Density Bonus, Incentive, Concession, waiver, or  
12 modification shall enter into a Regulatory Agreement with the City, as follows.

13 (1) The terms of the agreement shall be acceptable in form and content to the  
14 Planning Director, the Director of MOHCD, and the City Attorney. The Planning Director shall have  
15 the authority to execute such agreements.

16 (2) Following execution of the agreement by all parties, the completed Density  
17 Bonus Regulatory Agreement, or memorandum thereof, shall be recorded and the conditions filed and  
18 recorded on the Housing Project.

19 (3) The approval and recordation of the Regulatory Agreement shall take place  
20 prior to the issuance of the First Construction Document. The Regulatory Agreement shall be binding  
21 to all future owners and successors in interest.

22 (4) The Regulatory Agreement shall be consistent with the guidelines of the  
23 City's Inclusionary Housing Program and shall include at a minimum the following: (4) The  
24 Regulatory Agreement shall be consistent with the guidelines of the City's Inclusionary  
25 Housing Program and shall include at a minimum the following:

1 (A) The total number of dwelling units approved for the Housing Project,  
2 including the number of Restricted Affordable Units, Inclusionary Units, HOME-SF Units, Middle  
3 Income Units or other restricted units;

4 (B) A description of the household income group to be accommodated by  
5 the Restricted Affordable Units, and the standards for determining the corresponding Affordable Rent  
6 or Affordable Sales Price;

7 (C) The location, dwelling unit sizes (in square feet), and number of  
8 bedrooms of the Restricted Affordable Units;

9 (D) Term of use restrictions for Restricted Affordable Units of at least 55  
10 years for Moderate Income units and at least 55 years for Low and Very Low units;

11 (E) A schedule for completion and occupancy of Restricted Affordable  
12 Units;

13 (F) A description of any Concession, Incentive, waiver, or modification,  
14 if any, being provided by the City;

15 (G) A description of remedies for breach of the agreement (the City may  
16 identify tenants or qualified purchasers as third party beneficiaries under the agreement); and

17 (H) A list of all on-site family friendly amenities. Family friendly  
18 amenities shall include, but are not limited to, dedicated cargo bicycle parking, dedicated  
19 stroller storage, and open space and yards designed for use by children; and.

20 (I) Other provisions to ensure implementation and compliance with this  
21 Section.

22  
23 **SEC. 206.6. STATE DENSITY BONUS PROGRAM: INDIVIDUALLY REQUESTED.**

24 (a) Purpose and Findings: This Section 206.6 details the review, analysis and approval  
25 process for any project seeking a density bonus that is consistent with State Law, Government Code

1 Section 65915 et seq., but is not consistent with the pre-vetted menu of concessions, incentives or  
2 waivers, or other requirements established in Section 206.5 as analyzed by the Planning Department in  
3 coordination with David Baker and Seifel Consulting, and shall be known as the Individually Requested  
4 State Density Bonus Program.

5 California State Density Bonus Law allows a housing developer to request parking ratios not to  
6 exceed the ratios set forth in Government Code Section 65915(p)(1), which may further be reduced as  
7 an incentive or concession. Because in most cases San Francisco regulates parking by dwelling unit as  
8 described in Article 1.5 of this Code, the minimum parking ratios set forth in the Government Code are  
9 greater than those allowed in San Francisco. Given that San Francisco's parking ratios are already  
10 less than the State ratios, the City finds that the State's minimum parking ratio requirement does not  
11 apply.

12 (b) **Applicability.** A Housing Project that does not meet any one or more of the criteria of  
13 Section 206.5(b) under the Analyzed State Density Bonus Program, but meets the following  
14 requirements, may apply for a Development Bonus under this Section 206.6 as an "Individually  
15 Requested State Density Bonus Project" or "Individually Requested Project" if it meets all of the  
16 following criteria:

17 (1) contains five or more residential units, as defined in Section 102;

18 (2) is not seeking and receiving a density or development bonus under Section 207; the  
19 HOME-SF Local Affordable Housing Bonus Program, Section 206.3; the 100 Percent Affordable  
20 Housing Bonus Program, Section 206.4; Section 304, or any other local or state bonus program that  
21 provides development bonuses;

22 (3) provides Restricted Affordable Housing Units, including but not limited to  
23 Inclusionary Housing Units, at minimum levels as provided in Table 206.6A; and,

24 (4) provides replacement units for any units demolished or removed that are subject to  
25 the San Francisco Rent Stabilization and Arbitration Ordinance, San Francisco Administrative Code

1 Section 37, or are units qualifying for replacement as units being occupied by households of low or  
2 very low income, consistent with the requirements of Government Code section 65915(c)(3); and,

3 (5) Is in any zoning district except for RH-1 or RH-2, unless the Code permits the  
4 development of a project of ~~five~~ units or more on a site or sites.

5 (c) **Development Bonuses.** Any Individually Requested Density Bonus Project shall, at the  
6 project sponsor's request, receive any or all of the following:

7 (1) **Density Bonus.** Individually Requested Projects that provide On-site Inclusionary  
8 Housing Units or Restricted Affordable Units shall receive a density bonus as described in Table  
9 206.6A as follows:

10 Table 206.6 A

11 Density Bonus Summary – Individually Requested Project

<u>Restricted Affordable Units or Category</u>	<u>Minimum Percentage of Restricted Affordable Units</u>	<u>Percentage of Density Bonus Granted</u>	<u>Additional Bonus for Each 1% Increase In Restricted Affordable Units</u>	<u>Percentage of Restricted Units Required for Maximum 35% Density Bonus</u>
<u>Very Low Income</u>	<u>5%</u>	<u>20%</u>	<u>2.50%</u>	<u>11%</u>
<u>Lower Income</u>	<u>10%</u>	<u>20%</u>	<u>1.50%</u>	<u>20%</u>
<u>Moderate Income</u>	<u>10%</u>	<u>5%</u>	<u>1%</u>	<u>40%</u>
<u>Senior Citizen Housing</u>	<u>100%</u>	<u>20%</u>	<u>-----</u>	<u>-----</u>

19 Note: A density bonus may be selected from only one category up to a maximum of 35% of the  
20 Maximum Allowable **Gross Residential Density.**

21 In calculating density bonuses under this subsection 206.6(c)(1) the following shall  
22 apply:

23 (A) When calculating the number of permitted Density Bonus Units or Restricted  
24 Affordable Units, any fractions of units shall be rounded to the next highest number.

1                   (B) An applicant may elect to receive a Density Bonus that is less than the  
2 amount permitted by this Section; however, the City shall not be required to similarly reduce the  
3 number of Restricted Affordable Units required to be dedicated pursuant to this Section and  
4 Government Code Section 65915(b).

5                   (C) Each Housing Project is entitled to only one Density Bonus, which shall be  
6 selected by the applicant based on the percentage of Very Low Income Restricted Affordable Units,  
7 Lower Income Restricted Affordable Units, or Moderate Income Restricted Affordable Units, or the  
8 Housing Project's status as a Senior Citizen Housing Development. Density bonuses from more than  
9 one category may not be combined. In no case shall a Housing Project be entitled to a Density Bonus  
10 of more than ~~thirty-five percent (35%),~~ unless it is a Senior Housing Project meeting the requirements  
11 of Section 202.2(f).

12                   (D) The Density Bonus Units shall not be included when determining the  
13 number of Restricted Affordable Units required to qualify for a Density Bonus. Density bonuses shall  
14 be calculated as a percentage of the Maximum Allowable Gross Residential Density.

15                   (E) Any Restricted Affordable Unit provided pursuant to the on-site  
16 requirements of the Inclusionary Affordable Housing Program, Section 415 et seq., shall be included  
17 when determining the number of Restricted Affordable Units required to qualify for a Development  
18 Bonus under this Section 206.6. The payment of the Affordable Housing Fee shall not qualify for a  
19 Development Bonus under this Section. The provision of Off-site Units shall not qualify the Principal  
20 Project for a Density Bonus under this Section; however an Off-site Unit may qualify as a Restricted  
21 Affordable Unit to obtain a density bonus for the Off-site Project.

22                   (F) In accordance with state law, neither the granting of a Concession,  
23 Incentive, waiver, or modification, nor the granting of a Density Bonus, shall be interpreted, in and of  
24 itself, to require a general plan amendment, zoning change, variance, or other discretionary approval.

1 (G) No additional Density Bonus shall be authorized for a Senior Citizen  
2 Development beyond the Density Bonus authorized by subsection (c)(1) of this Section.

3 (H) Certain other types of development activities are specifically eligible for a  
4 development bonuses pursuant to State law, including land donation under Government Code Section  
5 65915(g), condominium conversions under Government Code ~~S~~ection 65915.5 and qualifying mobile  
6 home parks under Government Code ~~S~~ection 65915(b)(1)(C). Such projects shall be considered  
7 Individually Requested State Density Bonus Projects.

8 (2) Concessions and Incentives. This Section includes provisions for providing  
9 Concessions or Incentives pursuant to Government Code Section 65915 et seq, as set forth in Table  
10 206.6B. For purposes of this Section 206.6, Concessions and Incentives as used interchangeably shall  
11 mean such regulatory concessions as specified in Government Code Section 65915(k) to include:

12 (A) A reduction of site Development Standards or architectural design  
13 requirements which exceed the minimum applicable building standards approved by the State  
14 Building Standards Commission pursuant to Part 2.5 (commencing with Section 18901) of Division 13  
15 of the Health and Safety Code, including, but not limited to, a reduction in setback, coverage, and/or  
16 parking requirements which result in identifiable, financially sufficient and actual cost reductions;

17 (B) Allowing mixed use development in conjunction with the proposed  
18 residential development, if nonresidential land uses will reduce the cost of the residential project and  
19 the nonresidential land uses are compatible with the residential project and existing or planned  
20 development in the area where the Housing Project will be located; and

21 (C) Other regulatory incentives or concessions proposed by the developer or the  
22 City that result in identifiable, financially sufficient, and actual cost reductions.

23 Table 206.6B

24 Concessions and Incentives Summary – Individually Requested Project

<u>Target Group</u>	<u>Restricted Affordable Units</u>
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1	<i>Very Low Income</i>	<u>5%</u>	<u>10%</u>	<u>15%</u>
2	<i>Lower Income</i>	<u>10%</u>	<u>20%</u>	<u>30%</u>
3	<i>Moderate Income (Common Interest Development)</i>	<u>10%</u>	<u>20%</u>	<u>30%</u>
4	<i>Maximum Incentive(s)/Concession(s)</i>	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>

5 Notes: 1. Concessions or Incentives may be selected from only one category (very low, lower, or  
6 moderate). 2. Common Interest Development is defined in California Civil Code Section 4100.

6 (3) Request for Concessions and Incentives. In submitting a request for Concessions or  
7 Incentives that are not specified in Section 206.5(c)(4), an applicant for an Individually Requested  
8 Density Bonus Project must provide documentation described in subsection (d) below in its application.  
9 The Planning Commission shall hold a hearing and shall approve the Concession or Incentive  
10 requested unless it makes written findings, based on substantial evidence that:

11 (A) The Concession or Incentive does not result in identifiable and actual  
12 cost reductions, consistent with Government Code Section 65915(k) is not required in order  
13 to provide for affordable housing costs, as defined in Section 50052.5 of the California Health  
14 and Safety Code, or for rents for the Restricted Affordable Units to be as specified in this  
15 Section 206.6; or

16 (B) The Concession or Incentive would have a specific adverse impact, as  
17 defined in Government Code Section 65589.5(d)(2) upon public health and safety or the physical  
18 environment or any real property that is listed in the California Register of Historical Resources and  
19 for which there is no feasible method to satisfactorily mitigate or avoid the specific adverse impact  
20 without rendering the Housing Project unaffordable to low- and moderate-income households; or

21 (C) The Concession or Incentive would be contrary to state or federal law.

22 (4) Waiver or Modification. An applicant may apply for a waiver or modification of  
23 Development Standards that will have the effect of physically precluding the construction of a Housing  
24 Project at the densities or with the Concessions or Incentives permitted by this Section 206.6. The  
25 Planning Commission will not grant a waiver or modification under this Section unless it is necessary



1 to achieve the additional density or the Concessions or Incentives permitted by this Section 206.6. The  
2 developer must submit sufficient information as determined by the Planning Department demonstrating  
3 that Development Standards that are requested to be waived or modified will have the effect of  
4 physically precluding the construction of a Housing Project meeting the criteria of this Section 206.6 at  
5 the densities or with the Concessions or Incentives permitted. The Planning Commission shall hold a  
6 hearing to determine if the project sponsor has demonstrated that the waiver is necessary. The  
7 Planning Commission may deny a waiver if it finds on the basis of substantial evidence that:

8 (A) It is not required to permit the construction of a Housing Project meeting the  
9 density permitted or with the Concessions and Incentives permitted under this Section 206.6;

10 (B) The Waiver is not required in order to provide for affordable housing  
11 costs, as defined in Section 50052.5 of the California Health and Safety Code, or for rents for  
12 the Restricted Affordable Units to be as specified in this Section 206.6;

13 (~~B~~C) The Waiver would have a specific adverse impact, as defined in  
14 Government Code Section 65589.5(d)(2) upon public health and safety or the physical environment or  
15 any real property that is listed in the California Register of Historical Resources and for which there is  
16 no feasible method to satisfactorily mitigate or avoid the specific adverse impact without rendering the  
17 Housing Project unaffordable to low- and moderate-income households; or,

18 (~~C~~D) The Waiver would be contrary to state or federal law.

19 (5) Nothing in this Section shall be construed to require the provision of direct financial  
20 incentives for the Project, including the provision of publicly owned land by the City or the waiver of  
21 fees or dedication requirements.

22 (d) **Application.** An application for a Density Bonus, Incentive, Concession, or waiver under  
23 this Section 206.6 shall be submitted with the first application for approval of a Housing Project and  
24 shall be processed concurrently with all other applications required for the Housing Project. The  
25

1 application shall be on a form prescribed by the City and, in addition to any information required for  
2 other applications, shall include the following information:

3 (1) A description of the proposed Project, and a full plan set, including a site plan,  
4 elevations, section and floor plans, with the total number and location of dwelling units, Restricted  
5 Affordable Units, and Density Bonus Units proposed;

6 (2) A plan set sufficient for the Planning Department to determine the project site's  
7 Maximum Allowable Gross Residential Density. The project sponsor shall submit plans for a base  
8 project that demonstrates a Code complying project on the Housing Project site without use of a  
9 modification, Conditional Use Authorization, Variance, Planned Unit Development, or other  
10 exception from of the Planning Code. Such plans shall include similar detail to the proposed Housing  
11 Project. The project sponsor shall demonstrate that site constraints do not limit the Maximum  
12 Allowable Gross Residential Density for the base project in practice. If the project sponsor cannot  
13 make such a showing, the Zoning Administrator shall determine whether the Maximum Allowable  
14 Gross Residential Density shall be adjusted for purposes of this Section-;

15 (3) The zoning district designations, Maximum Allowable Gross Residential Density,  
16 assessor's parcel number(s) of the project site, and a description of any Density Bonus, Concession or  
17 Incentive, or waiver requested;

18 (4) If a Concession or Incentive is requested that is not included within the menu of  
19 Incentives/Concessions set forth in subsection 206.5(c), a submittal including financial information or  
20 other information providing evidence that the requested Concessions and Incentives result in  
21 identifiable, financially sufficient, and actual cost reductions required in order to provide for  
22 affordable housing costs as defined in Health and Safety Code Section 50052.5, or for rents for the  
23 Restricted Affordable Units to be provided as required under this Program. The cost of reviewing any  
24 required financial information, including, but not limited to, the cost to the City of hiring a consultant  
25

1 ~~to review the financial data, shall be borne by the applicant;~~ The financial information shall include  
2 all of the following items:

3 (A) ~~The actual cost reduction achieved through the Concession or~~  
4 ~~Incentive and;~~

5 (B) ~~Evidence that the cost reduction allows the applicant to provide~~  
6 ~~affordable rents or affordable sales prices; and~~

7 (C) ~~Any other information requested by the Planning Director. The~~  
8 ~~Planning Director may require any financial information including information regarding capital~~  
9 ~~costs, equity investment, debt service, projected revenues, operating expenses, and such~~  
10 ~~other information as is required to evaluate the financial information;~~

11 ~~(5) If a waiver or modification is requested, information sufficient to demonstrate~~  
12 ~~why a Development Standard would physically preclude the construction of the Development~~  
13 ~~with the Density Bonus, Incentives, and Concessions requested. a submittal containing the~~  
14 ~~following information. The cost of reviewing any required information supporting the request for a~~  
15 ~~waiver, including, but not limited to, the cost to the City of hiring a consultant to review the~~  
16 ~~architectural information, shall be borne by the applicant;~~

17 (A) ~~Why the Development Standard would physically preclude the~~  
18 ~~construction of the Development with the Density Bonus, Incentives, and Concessions~~  
19 ~~requested.~~

20 (B) ~~Any other information requested by the Planning Director as is~~  
21 ~~required to evaluate the request;~~

22 ~~(6) Level of affordability of the Restricted Affordable Units and a draft Regulatory~~  
23 ~~Agreement;~~

24 ~~(7) The number of residential units which are on the property, or if the residential units~~  
25 ~~have been vacated or demolished in the five year period preceding the application, have been and~~

1 which were subject to a recorded covenant, ordinance, or law that restricts rents to levels affordable to  
2 persons and families of lower or very low income; subject to any other form of rent or price control  
3 through the City or other public entity's valid exercise of its police power; or occupied by lower or very  
4 low income households;

5 (8) If the property includes a parcel or parcels in which dwelling units under  
6 subsection (d)(7) ~~(6)~~ are located or were located in the five year period preceding the application,  
7 the type and size of those units, the incomes of the persons or families occupying those units;

8 (9) Documentation that the applicant has provided written notification to all existing  
9 commercial or residential tenants that the applicant intends to develop the property pursuant to this  
10 section. Any affected commercial tenants shall be given priority processing similar to the  
11 Department's Community Business Priority Processing Program, as adopted by the San Francisco  
12 Planning Commission on February 12, 2015 under Resolution Number 19323 to support relocation of  
13 such business in concert with access to relevant local business support programs;

14 (10) If a Density Bonus or Concession is requested for a land donation under  
15 Government Code Section 65915(g), the application shall show the location of the land to be dedicated,  
16 provide proof of site control, and provide evidence that all of the requirements and each of the findings  
17 included in Government Code Section 65915(g) can be made;

18 (11) If a density bonus or Concession is requested for a Child Care Facility under  
19 Section 206.7, the application shall show the location and square footage of the child care facilities  
20 and provide evidence that all of the requirements and each of the findings included in Government  
21 Code Section 65915(h) can be made; and

22 (12) If a Density Bonus or Concession is requested for a condominium conversion, the  
23 applicant shall provide evidence that all of the requirements found in Government Code Section  
24 65915.5 can be met.

1           (e) Review Procedures. An application for a Density Bonus, Incentive, Concession, or waiver  
2 shall be acted upon concurrently with the application other permits related to the Housing Project.

3           (1) Before approving an application for a Density Bonus, Incentive, Concession, or  
4 waiver, for any Individually Requested Density Bonus Project, the Planning Commission shall make the  
5 following findings as applicable.

6           (A) The Housing Project is eligible for the Individually Requested Density  
7 Bonus Program Affordable Housing Bonus Program.

8           (B) The Housing Project has demonstrated that any Concessions or Incentives  
9 are required in order to provide for affordable reduce actual housing costs, as defined in Section  
10 50052.5 of the California Health and Safety Code, or for rents for the targeted units, based upon the  
11 financial analysis and documentation provided.

12           (C) If a waiver or modification is requested, a finding that the Development  
13 Standards for which the waiver is requested would have the effect of physically precluding the  
14 construction of the Housing Project with the Density Bonus or Concessions and Incentives permitted.

15           (D) If the Density Bonus is based all or in part on donation of land, a finding  
16 that all the requirements included in Government Code Section 65915(g) have been met.

17           (E) If the Density Bonus, Concession or Incentive is based all or in part on the  
18 inclusion of a Child Care Facility, a finding that all the requirements included in Government Code  
19 Section 65915(h) have been met.

20           (F) If the Concession or Incentive includes mixed-use development, a finding  
21 that all the requirements included in Government Code Section 65915(k)(2) have been met.

22           (2) If the findings required by subsection (a) of this Section cannot be made, the  
23 Planning Commission may deny an application for a Concession, Incentive, waiver or modification  
24 only if it makes one of the following written findings, supported by substantial evidence:  
25

1                   (A) The Concession, Incentive, waiver or modification is not required to provide  
2 for the affordability levels required for Restricted Affordable Units;

3                   (B) The Concession, Incentive, waiver or modification would have a specific,  
4 adverse impact upon public health or safety or the physical environment or on real property listed in  
5 the California Register of Historic Resources, and there is no feasible method to satisfactorily mitigate  
6 or avoid the specific adverse impact without rendering the Housing Project unaffordable to Low and  
7 Moderate Income households. For the purpose of this subsection, "specific adverse impact" means a  
8 significant, quantifiable, direct, and unavoidable impact, based on objective, identified, written public  
9 health or safety standards, policies, or conditions as they existed on the date that the application for the  
10 Housing Project was deemed complete; or

11                   (C) The Concession, Incentive, waiver or modification is contrary to state or  
12 federal law.

13                   (3) The review procedures for an Individually Requested Density Bonus Project,  
14 including notice, hearings, and appeal, shall be the procedures applicable to the Housing Project  
15 regardless of whether it is applying for a State Density Bonus under this Section 206.6. However, any  
16 notice shall specify that the Housing Project is seeking a Development Bonus and shall provide a  
17 description of the development bonuses requested. Individually Requested Projects shall also be  
18 reviewed for consistency with the Affordable Housing Bonus Program Design Guidelines.

19                   (4) In accordance with state law, neither the granting of a Concession, Incentive,  
20 waiver, or modification, nor the granting of a Density Bonus, shall be interpreted, in and of itself, to  
21 require a general plan amendment, zoning change, variance, or other discretionary approval.

22                   (f) **Regulatory Agreements.** Recipients of a Density Bonus, Incentive, Concession, waiver, or  
23 modification shall enter into a Regulatory Agreement with the City, as follows.

1                   (1) The terms of the agreement shall be acceptable in form and content to the Planning  
2 Director, the Director of MOHCD, and the City Attorney. The Planning Director shall have the  
3 authority to execute such agreements.

4                   (2) Following execution of the agreement by all parties, the completed Density Bonus  
5 Regulatory Agreement, or memorandum thereof, shall be recorded and the conditions filed and  
6 recorded on the Housing Project.

7                   (3) The approval and recordation of the Regulatory Agreement shall take place prior to  
8 the issuance of the First Construction Document. The Regulatory Agreement shall be binding to all  
9 future owners and successors in interest.

10                  (4) The Regulatory Agreement shall be consistent with the guidelines of the City's  
11 Inclusionary Housing Program and shall include at a minimum the following:

12                   (A) The total number of dwelling units approved for the Housing Project,  
13 including the number of Restricted Affordable Units, Inclusionary Units, ~~Middle Income~~HOME-SF  
14 Units or other restricted units;

15                   (B) A description of the household income group to be accommodated by the  
16 Restricted Affordable Units, and the standards for determining the corresponding Affordable Rent or  
17 Affordable Sales Price;

18                   (C) The location, dwelling unit sizes (in square feet), and number of bedrooms  
19 of the Restricted Affordable Units;

20                   (D) Term of use restrictions for Restricted Affordable Units of at least 55 years  
21 for Moderate Income units and at least 55 years for Low and Very Low units;

22                   (E) A schedule for completion and occupancy of Restricted Affordable Units;

23                   (F) A description of any Concession, Incentive, waiver, or modification, if any,  
24 being provided by the City;

1                    (G) A description of remedies for breach of the agreement (the City may identify  
2 tenants or qualified purchasers as third party beneficiaries under the agreement); and

3                    (H) Other provisions to ensure implementation and compliance with this  
4 Section.

5                    **SEC. 206.7. CHILD CARE FACILITIES.**

6                    (a) For purposes of this Section 206.7, "Child Care Facility" means a child day care facility  
7 other than a family day care home, including, but not limited to, infant centers, preschools, extended  
8 day care facilities, and school age child care centers.

9                    (b) When an applicant proposes to construct a Housing Project that is eligible for a Density  
10 Bonus under Section 206.6 and includes a Child Care Facility that will be located on the premises of,  
11 as part of, or adjacent to, the Housing Project, all of the provisions of this Section 206.7 shall apply  
12 and all of the provisions of Section 206.6 shall apply, except as specifically provided in this Section  
13 206.7.

14                    (c) When an applicant proposes to construct a Housing Project that is eligible for a Density  
15 Bonus under Section 206.6 and includes a Child Care Facility that will be located on the premises of,  
16 as part of, or adjacent to, the Housing Project, the City shall grant either:

17                    (1) An additional density bonus that is an amount of square feet of residential space  
18 that is equal to or greater than the square footage of the Child Care Facility; or

19                    (2) An additional Concession or Incentive that contributes significantly to the economic  
20 feasibility of the construction of the Child Care Facility.

21                    (d) The City shall require, as a condition of approving the Housing Project, that the following  
22 occur:

23                    (1) The Child Care Facility shall remain in operation for a period of time that is as long  
24 as or longer than the period of time during which the Affordable Units are required to remain  
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1 affordable. In the event the childcare operations cease to exist, the Zoning Administrator may approve  
2 in writing an alternative community service use for the child care facility.

3 (2) Of the children who attend the Child Care Facility, the children of Very Low, Lower  
4 and Moderate Income households shall equal a percentage that is equal to or greater than the  
5 percentage of Restricted Affordable Units in the Housing Project that are required for Very Low,  
6 Lower and Moderate Income households pursuant to Section 206.6.

7 (e) Notwithstanding subsections (a) and (b) above, the City shall not be required to provide a  
8 density bonus or a Concession or Incentive for a child care facility if it finds, based upon substantial  
9 evidence, that the community has adequate child care facilities.

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11 **SEC. ~~206.4-206.8.~~ 100 PERCENT AFFORDABLE HOUSING BONUS PROGRAM**  
12 **EVALUATION.**

13 (a) Within one year from ~~the effective date of Section 206~~March 22, 2015, the Planning  
14 Department shall provide an informational presentation to the Planning Commission, and any  
15 other City agency at their request, presenting an overview of all projects that request or  
16 receive development bonuses under the HOME-SF Local Affordable Housing Bonus Program,  
17 the 100 Percent Affordable Housing Bonus Program and the Analyzed and Individually Requested  
18 State Density Bonus Program ("the Bonus Programs").

19 (b) **Annual Reporting.** The Planning Department, in coordination with MOHCD, shall  
20 include information on projects which request and receive development bonuses under the  
21 Bonus Programs<sub>s</sub> in the Housing Inventory Report.

22 (c) **Report Contents.** The Housing Inventory shall include, but not be limited to,  
23 information on the:

- 24 (1) number of projects utilizing the Bonus Programs<sub>s</sub>;
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1 (2) number of units approved and constructed under the Bonus Programs and  
2 the AMI levels of such units;

3 (3) number of additional affordable units in excess of that otherwise required by Section  
4 415;

5 (34) geographic distribution of projects, including the total number of units in  
6 each project, utilizing the Bonus Programs;

7 (45) number of larger unit types, including the number of 3-bedroom units;

8 (56) square feet of units by bedroom count;

9 (67) number of projects with nine or fewer units that participate; and

10 (78) Number of appeals of projects in the Bonus Program and stated reason for  
11 appeal.

12 **(d) Program Evaluation and Update.**

13 **(1) Purpose and Contents.** Every five years, beginning five years from the  
14 ~~effective date of Section 206~~March 22, 2015, the Department shall prepare a Program  
15 Evaluation and Update. The Program Evaluation and Update shall include an analysis of the  
16 Bonus Programs's effectiveness as it relates to City policy goals including, but not limited to  
17 Proposition K (November 2014) and the Housing Element. The Program Evaluation and  
18 Update shall include a review of all of the following:

19 (A) Target income levels for the HOME-SF Local Affordable Housing Bonus  
20 Program in relation to market values and assessed affordable housing needs.

21 (B) Feasibility of the Local Affordable Housing Bonus HOME-SF Program,  
22 in relation to housing policy goals, program production, and current market conditions.

23 (AC) Requested and granted concessions and incentives, including  
24 consideration of whether the menu of zoning modification or concessions and incentives set  
25 forth in Section 206.3(d)(4)(e)(5), 206.4(c)(5) and 206.5(c)(4) respond to the needs of projects

1 seeking approvals under the Bonus Program~~s~~; consideration of whether the elected zoning  
2 modifications or incentives and concessions result in a residential project that responds to the  
3 surrounding neighborhood context; and review and recommendation for additions or  
4 modifications to the list of zoning modifications or concessions and incentives in  
5 206.3(d)(4)(e)(5), 206.4(c)(5) and 206.5(c)(4).

6 (BD) Geography and neighborhood specific considerations. Review and  
7 analysis of where Bonus Program projects are proposed and approved, including an analysis  
8 of land values, zoning, height controls, and neighborhood support.

9 (CE) Review of the process for considering projects under the Bonus  
10 Program, including a review of Section 328, the appeal process, Section 303(t) and other  
11 relevant process considerations.

12 ~~(F) Review and recommendations for additional provisions regarding the~~  
13 ~~protection of neighborhood serving small businesses, including feasibility of providing~~  
14 ~~relocation assistance and requiring rights of first refusal to displaced tenants.~~

15 (2) **Public Hearing.** The Program Evaluation and Update shall be prepared no  
16 less than every five years, beginning five years from ~~the effective date of Section 206~~March  
17 22, 2015, and may be completed as a series of reports and in coordination with ongoing  
18 monitoring of affordable housing policies, or feasibility analyses. The Planning Commission  
19 shall hold a hearing on the Program Evaluation and Update and any recommendations for  
20 modification to any of the Bonus Program.

21 (e) **Program Expansion Report.** The Board of Supervisors directs the Planning  
22 Department and MOHCD to research, analyze and provide recommendations for further  
23 density and development bonuses for 100% affordable or mixed-income developments. The  
24 Program Expansion Report shall be published within one year of ~~the effective date of Section~~  
25 206March 22, 2015.

1           ~~(f) By January 1, 2017, the Planning Department, in consultation with the Office of~~  
2 ~~Economic and Workforce Development, the Office of Small Business, and the Mayor's Office~~  
3 ~~of Housing and Community Development, non-profit housing developers, and the small~~  
4 ~~business community, shall report on best practices around small business relocation,~~  
5 ~~including but not limited to developing a small business relocation fee or program to provide~~  
6 ~~relocation services and support for all projects entitled under the 100 Percent Affordable~~  
7 ~~Housing Bonus Program.~~

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9           Section 3. The Planning Code is hereby amended by ~~adding~~ revising Sections 328, to  
10 read as follows:

11           **SEC. 328. 100 PERCENT AFFORDABLE HOUSING BONUS PROJECT**  
12 **AUTHORIZATION.**

13           (a) **Purpose.** The purpose of this Section 328 is to ensure that all 100 Percent  
14 Affordable Housing Bonus projects under Section ~~206.3~~ 206.4 are reviewed in coordination  
15 with priority processing available for certain projects with 100 Percent affordable housing.  
16 While most projects in the 100 Percent Affordable Housing Program will likely be somewhat  
17 larger than their surroundings in order to facilitate higher levels of affordable housing, the  
18 Planning Commission and Department shall ensure that each project is consistent with the  
19 Affordable Housing Bonus Design Guidelines and any other applicable design guidelines, as  
20 adopted and periodically amended by the Planning Commission, so that projects respond to  
21 their surrounding context, while still meeting the City's affordable housing goals.

22           (b) **Applicability.** This Section 328 applies to all qualifying 100 Percent Affordable  
23 Housing Bonus Projects that meet the requirements described in Planning Code Section ~~206.3~~  
24 206.4.

1           (c) **Planning Commission Design Review:** The Planning Commission shall review  
2 and evaluate all physical aspects of a 100 Percent Affordable Housing Bonus Project at a  
3 public hearing. The Planning Commission recognizes that most qualifying projects will need to  
4 be larger in height and mass than surrounding buildings in order to achieve the 100%  
5 Affordable Housing Bonus Program's affordable housing goals. However, the Planning  
6 Commission may, consistent with the ~~100%~~ Affordable Housing Bonus Program Design  
7 Guidelines, and any other applicable design guidelines, and upon recommendation from the  
8 Planning Director, make minor modifications to a project to reduce the impacts of such  
9 differences in scale. The Planning Commission, upon recommendation of the Planning  
10 Director, may also apply the standards of Section 261.1 to bonus floors for all projects on  
11 narrow streets and alleys in order to ensure that these streets do not become overshadowed,  
12 including potential upper story setbacks, and special consideration for the southern side of  
13 East-West streets, and Mid-block passages, as long as such setbacks do not result in a  
14 smaller number of residential units.

15           Additionally, as set forth in subsection (d) below, the Planning Commission may grant  
16 minor exceptions to the provisions of this Code. However, such exceptions should only be  
17 granted to allow building mass to appropriately shift to respond to surrounding context, and  
18 only when such modifications do not substantially reduce or increase the overall building  
19 envelope permitted by the Program under Section ~~206.3~~ 206.4. All modifications and  
20 exceptions should be consistent with the ~~100%~~ Affordable Housing Bonus Program Design  
21 Guidelines and any other applicable design guidelines. In case of a conflict with other  
22 applicable design guidelines, the ~~100%~~ Affordable Housing Bonus Program Design Guidelines  
23 shall prevail.

24           The Planning Commission may require these or other modifications or conditions, or  
25 disapprove a project, in order to achieve the objectives and policies of the ~~100%~~ Affordable

1 Housing Bonus Programs or the purposes of this Code. This review shall be limited to design  
2 issues including the following:

3 (1) whether the bulk and massing of the building is consistent with the 100%  
4 Affordable Housing Bonus Design Guidelines.

5 (2) whether building design elements including, but not limited to architectural  
6 treatments, façade design, and building materials, are consistent with the 100% Affordable  
7 Housing Bonus Program Design Guidelines and any other applicable design guidelines.

8 (3) whether the design of lower floors, including building setback areas,  
9 commercial space, townhouses, entries, utilities, and parking and loading access is consistent  
10 with the 100% Affordable Housing Bonus Program Design Guidelines, and any other  
11 applicable design guidelines.

12 (4) whether the required streetscape and other public improvements such as  
13 tree planting, street furniture, and lighting are consistent with the Better Streets Plan, and any  
14 other applicable design guidelines.

15 (d) **Exceptions.** As a component of the review process under this Section 328, the  
16 Planning Commission may grant minor exceptions to the provisions of this Code as provided  
17 for below, in addition to the development bonuses granted to the project in Section ~~206.3(e)~~  
18 206.4(c). Such exceptions, however, should only be granted to allow building mass to  
19 appropriately shift to respond to surrounding context, and only when the Planning  
20 Commission finds that such modifications do not substantially reduce or increase the overall  
21 building envelope permitted by the Program under Sections ~~206.3~~206.4 and also are consistent  
22 with the 100% Affordable Housing Bonus Design Guidelines. These exceptions may include:

23 (1) Exception from residential usable open space requirements per Section 135,  
24 or any applicable special use district.

1 (2) Exception from satisfaction of loading requirements per Section 152.1, or  
2 any applicable special use district.

3 (3) Exception for rear yards, pursuant to the requirements of Section 134, or  
4 any applicable special use district.

5 (4) Exception from dwelling unit exposure requirements of Section 140, or any  
6 applicable special use district.

7 (5) Exception from satisfaction of accessory parking requirements per Section  
8 152.1, or any applicable special use district.

9 (6) Where not specified elsewhere in this subsection (d), modification of other  
10 Code requirements that could otherwise be modified as a Planned Unit Development (as set  
11 forth in Section 304), irrespective of the zoning district in which the property is located.

12 (e) **Required Findings.** In its review of any project pursuant to this Section 328, the  
13 Planning Commission shall make the following findings:

14 (1) the use as proposed will comply with the applicable provisions of this Code  
15 and is consistent with the General Plan;

16 (2) the use as proposed will provide development that is in conformity with the  
17 stated purposes of the applicable Use District; and,

18 (3) the use as proposed will contribute to the City's affordable housing goals as  
19 stated in the General Plan.

20 (f) If a 100 Percent Affordable Housing Bonus Project otherwise requires a conditional  
21 use authorization due only to (1) a specific land use, (2) use size limit, or (3) requirement  
22 adopted by the voters, then the Planning Commission shall make all findings and consider all  
23 criteria required by this Code for such use or use size as part of this 100 Percent Affordable  
24 Housing Bonus Project Authorization.

25 (g) **Hearing and Decision.**

1           (1) **Hearing.** The Planning Commission shall hold a public hearing for all  
2 projects that are subject to this Section 328.

3           (2) **Notice of Hearing.** Notice of such hearing shall be provided pursuant to the  
4 same requirements for Conditional Use requests, as set forth in Section 306.3 and 306.8.

5           (3) **Director's Recommendations on Modifications and Exceptions.** At the  
6 hearing, the Planning Director shall review for the Commission key issues related to the  
7 project based on the review of the project pursuant to subsection (c) and recommend to the  
8 Commission modifications, if any, to the project and conditions for approval as necessary. The  
9 Director shall also make recommendations to the Commission on any proposed exceptions  
10 pursuant to subsection (d).

11           (4) **Decision and Imposition of Conditions.** The Commission, after public  
12 hearing and, after making appropriate findings, may approve, disapprove or approve subject  
13 to conditions, the project and any associated requests for exceptions. As part of its review and  
14 decision, the Planning Commission may impose additional conditions, requirements,  
15 modifications, and limitations on a proposed project in order to achieve the objectives,  
16 policies, and intent of the General Plan or of this Code.

17           (5) **Appeal.** The decision of the Planning Commission may be appealed to the  
18 Board of Supervisors by any person aggrieved within 30 days after the date of the decision by  
19 filing a written notice of appeal with the Board of Supervisors, setting forth wherein it is alleged  
20 that there was an error in the interpretation of the provisions of this Section or abuse of  
21 discretion on the part of the Planning Commission. The procedures and requirements for  
22 conditional use appeals in Section 308.1(b) and (c) shall apply to appeals to the Board of  
23 Supervisors under this Section 328.



1 (6) **Discretionary Review.** No requests for discretionary review shall be  
2 accepted by the Planning Department or heard by the Planning Commission for projects  
3 subject to this Section.

4 (7) **Change of Conditions.** Once a project is approved, authorization of a  
5 change in any condition previously imposed by the Planning Commission shall require  
6 approval by the Planning Commission subject to the procedures set forth in this Section.

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8 Section 4. The Planning Code is hereby amended by amending Section 303, to read as  
9 follows:

10 **SEC. 303. CONDITIONAL USES.**

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12 (t) ~~Local Affordable Housing Bonus Projects.~~ The purpose of this Section is to ensure  
13 that all ~~Local Affordable Housing Bonus HOME-SF Projects~~ under Section 206.3 and all  
14 Analyzed State Density Bonus Program Projects under Section 206.5 are reviewed in  
15 coordination with priority processing available for certain projects with greater levels of  
16 affordable housing. While most projects in the Program will likely be somewhat larger than  
17 their surroundings in order to facilitate higher levels of affordable housing, the Planning  
18 Commission and Department shall ensure that each project is consistent with the Affordable  
19 Housing Bonus Design Guidelines and any other applicable design guidelines, as adopted  
20 and periodically amended by the Planning Commission, so that projects respond to their  
21 surrounding context, while still meeting the City's affordable housing goals.

22 (1) ~~Planning Commission Design Review:~~ The Planning Commission shall  
23 review and evaluate all physical aspects of a ~~Local Affordable Housing Bonus HOME-SF or~~  
24 State Analyzed Project at a public hearing. The Planning Commission recognizes that most  
25 qualifying projects will need to be larger in height and mass than surrounding buildings in

1 order to achieve the Affordable Housing Bonus Program's affordable housing goals.  
2 However, the Planning Commission may, consistent with the Affordable Housing Bonus  
3 Program Design Guidelines, and any other applicable design guidelines, and upon  
4 recommendation from the Planning Director, make minor modifications to a project to reduce  
5 the impacts of such differences in scale. Additionally, as set forth in subsection (2) below, for  
6 HOME-SF Projects the Planning Commission may grant minor exceptions to the provisions of  
7 this Code. However, such exceptions should only be granted to allow building mass to  
8 appropriately shift to respond to surrounding context, and only when such modifications do not  
9 substantially reduce or increase the overall building envelope permitted by the Program under  
10 Section 206.3. All modifications and exceptions should be consistent with the Affordable  
11 Housing Bonus Program Design Guidelines and any other applicable design guidelines. In  
12 case of a conflict with other applicable design guidelines, the Affordable Housing Bonus  
13 Program Design Guidelines shall prevail. The Planning Commission may require these or  
14 other modifications or conditions, or disapprove a project, in order to achieve the objectives  
15 and policies of the Affordable Housing Bonus Program or the purposes of this Code. This  
16 review shall be limited to design issues including the following:

17 (A) whether the bulk and massing of the building is consistent with the  
18 Affordable Housing Program Bonus Design Guidelines.

19 (B) whether building design elements including, but not limited to architectural  
20 treatments, façade design, and building materials, are consistent with the Affordable Housing  
21 Bonus Program Design Guidelines and any other applicable design guidelines.

22 (C) whether the design of lower floors, including building setback areas,  
23 commercial space, townhouses, entries, utilities, and parking and loading access is consistent  
24 with the Affordable Housing Bonus Program Design Guidelines, and any other applicable  
25 design guidelines.

1           (D) whether the required streetscape and other public improvements such as  
2 tree planting, street furniture, and lighting are consistent with the Better Streets Plan, and any  
3 other applicable design guidelines.

4           (2) Exceptions. This subsection (t)(2) shall not apply to State Analyzed projects. As a  
5 component of the review process under this Section 328303(t), the Planning Commission may  
6 grant minor exceptions to the provisions of this Code as provided for below, in addition to the  
7 development bonuses granted to the project in Section 206.3(d). Such exceptions, however,  
8 should only be granted to allow building mass to appropriately shift to respond to surrounding  
9 context, and only when the Planning Commission finds that such modifications: (1) do not  
10 substantially reduce or increase the overall building envelope permitted by the Program under  
11 Sections 206.3; and (2) are consistent with the Affordable Housing Bonus Design Guidelines.  
12 These exceptions may include:

13           (A) Exception from residential usable open space requirements per Section  
14 135, or any applicable special use district.

15           (B) Exception from satisfaction of loading requirements per Section 152.1, or  
16 any applicable special use district.

17           (C) Exception for rear yards, pursuant to the requirements of Section 134, or  
18 any applicable special use district.

19           (D) Exception from dwelling unit exposure requirements of Section 140, or any  
20 applicable special use district.

21           (E) Exception from satisfaction of accessory parking requirements per Section  
22 152.1, or any applicable special use district.

23           (F) Where not specified elsewhere in this subsection (t)(2), modification of other  
24 Code requirements that could otherwise be modified as a Planned Unit Development (as set  
25 forth in Section 304), irrespective of the zoning district in which the property is located.

1                   (G) Exception from active ground floor use requirements under 145.1(c)(3).

2           (3) Additional Criteria. In addition to the criteria set forth in subsection (c)(2), the

3 Planning Commission shall consider the extent to which the following criteria are met:

4                   (A) whether the project would require the demolition of an existing building;

5                   (B) whether the project would remove existing commercial or retail uses;

6                   (C) If the project would remove existing commercial or retail uses, how recently

7 the commercial or retail uses were occupied by a tenant or tenants;

8                   (D) whether the project includes commercial or retail uses;

9                   (E) whether there is an adverse impact on the public health, safety, and general

10 welfare due to the loss of commercial or retail uses in the district where the project is located;

11 and

12                   (F) whether any existing commercial or retail uses has been designated, or is

13 eligible to be designated, as a Legacy Business under Administrative Code section 2A.242; or

14 is a formula retail business.-

15           (34) In no case may a project receive a site permit or any demolition permit prior to

16 18 months from the date of written notification required by 206.3(e)(1)(BD).

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18           Section 5. This section is uncodified.

19           Affordable Housing Bonus Program (Section 206 and following) fees shall be set as

20 follows. The initial fee amount is not to exceed 50% of the construction cost. A \$120

21 surcharge shall be added to the fees for a conditional use or planned unit development to

22 compensate the City for the costs of appeals to the Board of Supervisors.

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Estimated Construction Cost	Initial Fee
No construction cost, excluding extension of hours	\$1,012.00

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1	No construction cost, extension of hours	\$724.00
2	Wireless Telecommunications Services (WTS)	\$5,061.00
3	\$1.00 to \$9,999.00	\$724.00
4	\$10,000.00 to \$999,999.00	\$724.00 plus 0.328% of cost over \$10,000.00
5	\$1,000,000.00 to \$4,999,999.00	\$4,033.00 plus 0.391% of cost over \$1,000,000.00
6	\$5,000,000.00 to \$9,999,999.00	\$19,986.00 plus 0.328% of cost over \$5,000,000.00
7	\$10,000,000.00 to \$19,999,999.00	\$36,701.00 plus 0.171% of cost over \$10,000,000.00
8	\$20,000,000.00 or more	\$54,120.00

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10 Section 6. Effective Date. This ordinance shall become effective 30 days after

11 enactment. Enactment occurs when the Mayor signs the ordinance, the Mayor returns the

12 ordinance unsigned or does not sign the ordinance within ten days of receiving it, or the Board

13 of Supervisors overrides the Mayor's veto of the ordinance. This ordinance applies to projects

14 that the Planning Department or Planning Commission have not approved as of the effective

15 date. For projects that have not yet submitted applications to the Planning Department or

16 other City entity, all of the provisions of the ordinance apply. The Planning Department shall

17 develop a policy to apply the provisions of this ordinance to projects that have already

18 submitted applications, but have not obtained approvals, to permit such projects to amend

19 their applications.

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21 Section 7. Scope of Ordinance. In enacting this ordinance, the Board of Supervisors

22 intends to amend only those words, phrases, paragraphs, subsections, sections, articles,

23 numbers, punctuation marks, charts, diagrams, or any other constituent parts of the Municipal

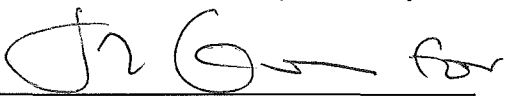
24 Code that are explicitly shown in this ordinance as additions, deletions, Board amendment

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1 additions, and Board amendment deletions in accordance with the "Note" that appears under  
2 the official title of the ordinance.

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APPROVED AS TO FORM:  
DENNIS J. HERRERA, City Attorney

By:   
AUDREY PEARSON  
Deputy City Attorney

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# City and County of San Francisco

## Tails Ordinance

City Hall  
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place  
San Francisco, CA 94102-4689

**File Number:** 150969

**Date Passed:** June 06, 2017

Ordinance amending Planning Code, Section 206, to amend the 100 Percent Affordable Housing Bonus Program to add the HOME-SF Program, the Analyzed State Density Bonus Program, and the Individually Requested State Density Bonus Program, to provide for development bonuses and zoning modifications for increased affordable housing, in compliance with, and above those required by the State Density Bonus Law, Government Code, Section 65915, et seq.; to establish the procedures in which the HOME-SF Program shall be reviewed and approved; adding a fee for applications under the Programs; affirming the Planning Department's determination under the California Environmental Quality Act; making findings of public convenience, necessity, and welfare under Planning Code, Section 302; and making findings of consistency with the General Plan, and the eight priority policies of Planning Code, Section 101.1.

June 13, 2016 Land Use and Transportation Committee - AMENDED, AN AMENDMENT OF THE WHOLE BEARING SAME TITLE

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June 13, 2016 Land Use and Transportation Committee - AMENDED, AN AMENDMENT OF THE WHOLE BEARING SAME TITLE

June 13, 2016 Land Use and Transportation Committee - DUPLICATED

June 13, 2016 Land Use and Transportation Committee - CONTINUED TO CALL OF THE CHAIR AS AMENDED

March 13, 2017 Land Use and Transportation Committee - AMENDED, AN AMENDMENT OF THE WHOLE BEARING NEW TITLE

March 13, 2017 Land Use and Transportation Committee - CONTINUED TO CALL OF THE CHAIR AS AMENDED

May 08, 2017 Land Use and Transportation Committee - AMENDED, AN AMENDMENT OF THE WHOLE BEARING SAME TITLE

May 08, 2017 Land Use and Transportation Committee - AMENDED, AN AMENDMENT OF THE WHOLE BEARING SAME TITLE

May 08, 2017 Land Use and Transportation Committee - REFERRED WITHOUT RECOMMENDATION AS AMENDED

May 16, 2017 Board of Supervisors - AMENDED, AN AMENDMENT OF THE WHOLE BEARING SAME TITLE

Ayes: 10 - Breed, Cohen, Fewer, Kim, Peskin, Ronen, Safai, Sheehy, Tang and Yee

Excused: 1 - Farrell

May 16, 2017 Board of Supervisors - CONTINUED AS AMENDED ON FIRST READING

Ayes: 10 - Breed, Cohen, Fewer, Kim, Peskin, Ronen, Safai, Sheehy, Tang and Yee

Excused: 1 - Farrell

May 23, 2017 Board of Supervisors - AMENDED, AN AMENDMENT OF THE WHOLE BEARING SAME TITLE

Ayes: 11 - Breed, Cohen, Farrell, Fewer, Kim, Peskin, Ronen, Safai, Sheehy, Tang and Yee

May 23, 2017 Board of Supervisors - NOT AMENDED

Ayes: 4 - Fewer, Kim, Ronen and Yee

Noes: 7 - Breed, Cohen, Farrell, Peskin, Safai, Sheehy and Tang

May 23, 2017 Board of Supervisors - NOT AMENDED

Ayes: 4 - Fewer, Kim, Ronen and Yee

Noes: 7 - Breed, Cohen, Farrell, Peskin, Safai, Sheehy and Tang

May 23, 2017 Board of Supervisors - AMENDED, AN AMENDMENT OF THE WHOLE BEARING SAME TITLE

Ayes: 11 - Breed, Cohen, Farrell, Fewer, Kim, Peskin, Ronen, Safai, Sheehy, Tang and Yee

May 23, 2017 Board of Supervisors - PASSED ON FIRST READING AS AMENDED

Ayes: 10 - Breed, Cohen, Farrell, Fewer, Kim, Peskin, Ronen, Safai, Sheehy and Tang

Noes: 1 - Yee


June 06, 2017 Board of Supervisors - FINALLY PASSED


Ayes: 11 - Breed, Cohen, Farrell, Fewer, Kim, Peskin, Ronen, Safai, Sheehy, Tang and Yee

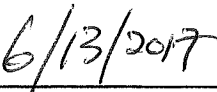


File No. 150969

I hereby certify that the foregoing  
Ordinance was FINALLY PASSED on  
6/6/2017 by the Board of Supervisors of the  
City and County of San Francisco.

  
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Angela Calvillo  
Clerk of the Board

  
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Mayor

  
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Date Approved