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****MAYOR JOINS SUPERVISOR KIM IN BALLOT INITIATIVE TO
DEDICATE PUBLIC LAND FOR AFFORDABLE HOUSING****

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Supervisor Jane Kim and Mayor Ed Lee have worked together and are placing a joint measure on the November Ballot that will ensure surplus and underutilized city-owned properties will go towards the development of affordable housing. Affordable housing would be prioritized for people who are homeless or low income, and the measure will not apply to parks and open space and property owned by state and federal agencies.

The primary purpose of the ordinance is to maximize the creation of affordable housing citywide, consistent with the affordability goals of Proposition K. Nonprofits will develop buildings that are 100% affordable housing. Where this is not possible, or for projects that are over 200 units, the City will also have an option to sell the land for mixed-income development with the requirement that at least one third of the housing be affordable for low to moderate-income families and individuals.



The Broadway-Sansome Apartments, a 75-unit family project developed by Chinatown CDC, was completed in January 2015. It is built on public land.

“In a city like San Francisco, city-owned sites may be the only opportunity to build new affordable and middle income housing,” said Supervisor Jane Kim. “The voters were clear with the passage of Proposition K – we need affordable housing now. With the extremely high cost of land, however, nonprofit developers are often unable to compete with market-rate developers to acquire land. This is another tool in our tool kit to help the City deliver desperately needed affordable housing.”

The measure received approval at the full Board of Supervisors meeting on July 28, 2015, and replaces a similar version that was submitted on June 16. Voters can vote to pass the measure in November 2015, along with the Affordable Housing General Obligation Bond.

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