



**City and County of San Francisco**  
**Meeting Minutes**  
**Land Use and Transportation Committee**

City Hall  
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*Members: Myrna Melgar, Dean Preston, Aaron Peskin*

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**Monday, September 16, 2024**

**1:30 PM**

**City Hall, Legislative Chamber, Room 250**

**Regular Meeting**

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**Present:** 3 - Myrna Melgar, Dean Preston, and Aaron Peskin

*The Land Use and Transportation Committee met in regular session on Monday, September 16, 2024, with Chair Myrna Melgar presiding. Chair Melgar called the meeting to order at 1:32 p.m.*

## **ROLL CALL AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

*On the call of the roll, Chair Melgar, Vice Chair Preston, and Member Peskin were noted present. A quorum was present.*

## **COMMUNICATIONS**

*John Carroll, Land Use and Transportation Committee Clerk, instructed members of the public that public comment is taken on each item on the agenda. Alternatively, written comments may be submitted through email ([john.carroll@sfgov.org](mailto:john.carroll@sfgov.org)) or the U.S. Postal Service at City Hall, 1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place, Room 244, San Francisco, CA 94102.*

## **AGENDA CHANGES**

*There were no agenda changes.*

## **REGULAR AGENDA**

**240804 [Various Codes - Greater Downtown Community Benefit District Master Permitting for Entertainment Activation Program]****Sponsor: Peskin**

Ordinance amending the Administrative Code to establish the Greater Downtown Community Benefit District Master Permitting for Entertainment Activation Program ("Greater Downtown Activation Program") to coordinate and streamline permitting for Community Benefit District-sponsored public events taking place at certain locations in the Greater Downtown Area, and to designate Greater Downtown Activation Program locations as Entertainment Zones to allow the off-site consumption of alcoholic beverages purchased at businesses within the Entertainment Zone during events; amending the Public Works Code to establish the requirements for the Greater Downtown Activation Program; amending the Fire Code to establish a new permit type for the Greater Downtown Activation Program; amending the Police Code to exempt Greater Downtown Activation Program events from Amplified Sound, Limited Live Performance, and Entertainment Permit requirements; affirming the Planning Department's determination under the California Environmental Quality Act; and directing the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors to forward this Ordinance to the California Building Standards Commission upon final passage.

07/30/24; ASSIGNED UNDER 30 DAY RULE to Rules Committee, expires on 8/29/2024.

09/03/24; REFERRED TO DEPARTMENT. Referred to Public Works, Fire Dept and Entertainment Commission for informational purposes. Referred to the Planning Department for CEQA determination.

09/04/24; TRANSFERRED to Land Use and Transportation Committee.

09/04/24; RESPONSE RECEIVED. Not defined as a project under CEQA Guidelines Sections 15378 and 15060(c)(2) because it would not result in a direct or indirect physical change in the environment.

09/09/24; AMENDED, AN AMENDMENT OF THE WHOLE BEARING SAME TITLE. Heard in Committee. Speaker(s): Nate Horrell (Office of President Aaron Peskin); presented information and answered questions raised throughout the discussion. Michelle Meady; Robbie Silver; Ken Rich; John Anderson; JConr B. Ortega; spoke in support of the hearing matter.

09/09/24; CONTINUED AS AMENDED.

*Heard in Committee. Speaker(s): None.*

**Member Peskin moved that this Ordinance be AMENDED, AN AMENDMENT OF THE WHOLE BEARING NEW TITLE, on Page 1, Lines 12-14, by striking 'amending the Police Code to exempt Greater Downtown Activation Program events from Amplified Sound, Limited Live Performance, and Entertainment Permit requirements;' on Page 9, Lines 13-18, by striking '(d) Entertainment Commission Review Not Required. The CBD Nonprofit shall not be required to obtain a Place of Entertainment Permit, Limited Live Performance Permit, or Fixed Place Outdoor Amplified Sound Permit for entertainment-related activity that would ordinarily require such permit or permits pursuant to Article 15.1 of the Police Code, provided that such activity is conducted in accordance with a Permit issued pursuant to this Chapter 94D;' on Page 27, Lines 9-13, by striking '(g) No permit shall be required for events that occur pursuant to a Greater Downtown Activation Location Permit issued in accordance with Administrative Code Chapter 94D and Public Works Code Section 795, that would otherwise require a Place of Entertainment Permit, Limited Live Performance Permit, or, subject to Section 1060.3.2, a Fixed Place Outdoor Amplified Sound Permit;' on Page 27, Lines 19-25, to read '(a) The name and street address of the Business for which the permit is sought; however, if the application relates to (1) a Plaza as defined in Administrative Code Chapter 94, (2) a People Place as defined in Administrative Code Chapter 94A, or (3) a Downtown Activation Location as defined in Administrative Code Chapter 94D, the application shall instead include the name and location of the Plaza, People Place, or Downtown Activation Location, and the name and street address of the Steward or permittee;' on Page 28, Lines 13-16, by inserting 'and (C) if it relates to a Downtown Activation Location, as identified in Administrative Code Chapter 94D, the application shall instead include the name and location of the Downtown Activation Location(s) and the name and street address of the Downtown Activation permittee;' on Page 28, Lines 18-22, to read '(b) A Person that is seeking or already has a Place of Entertainment Permit or Limited Live Performance Permit for a particular premises, locale, Plaza as identified in Administrative Code Chapter 94, People Place as identified in Administrative Code Chapter 94A, or Downtown Activation Location as identified in Administrative Code Chapter 94D, shall not apply for a Fixed Place Outdoor Amplified Sound Permit for the same location;' on Page 29, Lines 4-6, by striking '(c) A Fixed Place Outdoor Amplified Sound Permit shall not be required for a Downtown Activation Location permitted pursuant to Administrative Code Section 94D, provided that amplified sound occurs only between the hours of 7 a.m. to 10 p.m.;' and making conforming and clerical changes throughout the ordinance text. The motion carried by the following vote:**

Ayes: 3 - Melgar, Preston, Peskin

Ordinance amending the Administrative Code to establish the Greater Downtown Community Benefit District Master Permitting for Entertainment Activation Program ("Greater Downtown Activation Program") to coordinate and streamline permitting for Community Benefit District-sponsored public events taking place at certain locations in the Greater Downtown Area, and to designate Greater Downtown Activation Program locations as Entertainment Zones to allow the off-site consumption of alcoholic beverages purchased at businesses within the Entertainment Zone during events; amending the Public Works Code to establish the requirements for the Greater Downtown Activation Program; amending the Fire Code to establish a new permit type for the Greater Downtown Activation Program; affirming the Planning Department's determination under the California Environmental Quality Act; and directing the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors to forward this Ordinance to the California Building Standards Commission upon final passage.

**Member Peskin moved that this Ordinance be RECOMMENDED AS AMENDED. The motion carried by the following vote:**

Ayes: 3 - Melgar, Preston, Peskin

**240801 [Public Works Code - Commemorative Plaque - Activists of Woodland Avenue; Fee Waiver]****Sponsors: Mandelman; Chan, Preston, Peskin and Melgar**

Ordinance designating a portion of the sidewalk near the corner of Woodland Avenue at Parnassus Avenue as the site of a future commemorative plaque in honor of the former activists of Woodland Avenue (Jane Morrison, Jack Morrison, Diana Roosevelt Jaicks, Agar Jaicks); granting the Public Works Director authority to approve the installation of said plaque to be installed at said location following the Director's review of all permit application materials and the approval of the plaque design by the Design Review Committee of the Arts Commission; waiving permit and inspection fees under the Public Works Code for the installation of the plaque; directing official acts in furtherance of this Ordinance, as defined herein; and affirming the Planning Department's determination under the California Environmental Quality Act.

07/30/24; ASSIGNED UNDER 30 DAY RULE to Land Use and Transportation Committee, expires on 8/29/2024.

08/07/24; REFERRED TO DEPARTMENT. Referred to the Planning Department for environmental review; referred to Public Works for informational purposes.

08/09/24; RESPONSE RECEIVED. Not defined as a project under CEQA Guidelines Sections 15378 and 15060(c)(2) because it would not result in a direct or indirect physical change in the environment.

*Heard in Committee. Speaker(s): Supervisor Rafael Mandelman (Board of Supervisors); Lisa Jaicks; presented information and answered questions raised throughout the discussion.*

*Supervisors Peskin and Melgar requested to be added as co-sponsors.*

**Member Peskin moved that this Ordinance be RECOMMENDED. The motion carried by the following vote:**

Ayes: 3 - Melgar, Preston, Peskin

**240637 [Planning Code, Zoning Map - Central Neighborhoods Large Residence SUD, Corona Heights Large Residence SUD]****Sponsor: Mandelman**

Ordinance amending the Planning Code to expand the boundaries of the Central Neighborhoods Large Residence Special Use District (SUD), and to apply its controls to all lots within the SUD, with some exceptions; to delete the Corona Heights Large Residence SUD, and as a result to merge it into the Central Neighborhoods Large Residence SUD; amending the Zoning Map to reflect the deletion and boundary expansion; affirming the Planning Department's determination under the California Environmental Quality Act; and making public necessity, convenience, and welfare findings under Planning Code, Section 302, and findings of consistency with the General Plan, and the eight priority policies of Planning Code, Section 101.1.

06/04/24; ASSIGNED UNDER 30 DAY RULE to Land Use and Transportation Committee, expires on 7/4/2024.

06/13/24; REFERRED TO DEPARTMENT. Referred to the Planning Commission for findings of consistency with the General Plan; the eight priority policies of Planning Code, Section 101.1; and findings of public necessity, convenience, and welfare under Planning Code, Section 302.

07/03/24; RESPONSE RECEIVED. Not defined as a project under CEQA Guidelines Sections 15378 and 15060(c)(2) because it would not result in a direct or indirect physical change in the environment.

08/20/24; RESPONSE RECEIVED. On August 1, 2024, the Planning Commission met and held a duly noticed hearing and recommended approval of the proposed legislation with modification.

09/06/24; NOTICED. Ten-Day Notice for September 16, 2024 Land Use and Transportation Committee hearing published in the Examiner and posted, per California Government Code, Sections 65856 & 65090.

*Heard in Committee. Speaker(s): Supervisor Rafael Mandelman (Board of Supervisors); Aaron Starr (Planning Department); presented information and answered questions raised throughout the discussion. Georgia Schuttish; spoke in support of the ordinance matter.*

**Chair Melgar moved that this Ordinance be AMENDED, AN AMENDMENT OF THE WHOLE BEARING SAME TITLE, on Page 7, Lines 24-25, to read '(1) Gross Floor Area shall have the meaning set forth in Planning Code Section 102, except that floor space dedicated to accessory parking shall not be included;' and on Page 8, Lines 1-3, by inserting '(2) In multi-unit buildings, shared spaces such as stairwells, atriums, and other communal spaces accessible to all building tenants shall not be included in the Gross Floor Area thresholds'. The motion carried by the following vote:**

Ayes: 3 - Melgar, Preston, Peskin

**Chair Melgar moved that this Ordinance be CONTINUED TO CALL OF THE CHAIR AS AMENDED. The motion carried by the following vote:**

Ayes: 3 - Melgar, Preston, Peskin

## ADJOURNMENT

*There being no further business, the Land Use and Transportation Committee adjourned at the hour of 2:00 p.m.*

*N.B. The Minutes of this meeting set forth all actions taken by the Land Use and Transportation Committee on the matters stated, but not necessarily in the chronological sequence in which the matters were taken up.*