Notice of Availability of and Intent to Adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration

Date: May 2, 2018
Case No.: 2017-008824ENV
Project Title: Mission Bay Ferry Landing and Water Taxi Landing
Zoning: P (Public)
40-X Height and Bulk District
Block/Lot: 9900/064 and 9900/064H
Project Sponsor: Port of San Francisco
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This notice is to inform you of the availability of the environmental review document concerning the proposed project as described below. The document is a preliminary mitigated negative declaration (PMND), containing information about the possible environmental effects of the proposed project. The PMND documents the determination of the Planning Department that the proposed project could not have a significant adverse effect on the environment. Preparation of a mitigated negative declaration does not indicate a decision by the City to carry out or not to carry out the proposed project.

Project Description:

The proposed Mission Bay Ferry Landing and Water Taxi Landing project would be located on San Francisco Bay, within the Port of San Francisco’s Southern Waterfront in the Mission Bay/Central Waterfront area. The proposed Ferry Landing site would be located within the Mission Bay neighborhood near the intersection of Terry A. Francois Boulevard and 16th Street, adjacent to Agua Vista Park and near the planned Bayfront Park. The proposed Water Taxi Landing site would be located approximately 400 feet south of the Ferry Landing and approximately 100 feet south of the existing Agua Vista Park fishing pier. Both sites are located on Port of San Francisco property.

The proposed project would involve the construction of a single-float, two-berth Ferry Landing to provide regional ferry service, and a separate single-float, two-berth Water Taxi Landing to provide local water taxi access to the Mission Bay area and surrounding neighborhoods. Commute service would be provided to/from Alameda-Oakland, Vallejo, and potentially Larkspur. Special event service for the nearby Chase Center is also proposed for all Golden State Warriors’ games and approximately 20 additional events per year. There would also potentially be limited private excursions. The Ferry Landing would include a pier and connecting ramp, gangway, and float, and would be covered with a canopy. The Water Taxi Landing would include a platform, gangway, and float, and would be uncovered. The proposed project would include landside improvements such as seating and landscaping, passenger loading/unloading zones, and a transit/shuttle stop with a bus pullout space.

Construction is proposed to commence in the summer of 2019 and continue for approximately 15 months.
The project site is included on the following list compiled pursuant to Section 65962.5 of the California Government Code.

- **List:** Leaking Underground Storage Tank Sites, State Water Resources Control Board
- **Regulatory Identification Number:** SL18397817
- **Address of Listed Site:** Vicinity of Pier 64, San Francisco, CA 94107
- **Assessor’s Block/Lots:** 9900/064 and 9900/064H
- **Date of List:** June 5, 2014

The PMND is available to view or download from the Planning Department’s Negative Declarations and EIRs web page ([http://www.sf-planning.org/sfceqadocs](http://www.sf-planning.org/sfceqadocs)). If you have questions concerning environmental review of the proposed project, contact the Planning Department staff contact listed above.

Within 30 calendar days following publication of the PMND (i.e., by 5:00 p.m. on June 1, 2018) any person may:

1) Review the PMND as an informational item and take no action;

2) Make recommendations for amending the text of the document. The text of the PMND may be amended to clarify or correct statements and may be expanded to include additional relevant issues or to cover issues in greater depth. This may be done without the appeal described below; OR

3) Appeal the determination of no significant effect on the environment to the Planning Commission in a letter which specifies the grounds for such appeal, accompanied by a $597 check payable to the San Francisco Planning Department.¹ An appeal requires the Planning Commission to determine whether or not an Environmental Impact Report must be prepared based upon whether or not the proposed project could cause a substantial adverse change in the environment. Send the appeal letter to the Planning Department, Attention: Lisa Gibson, 1650 Mission Street, Suite 400, San Francisco, CA 94103 or emailed to lisa.gibson@sfgov.org. The letter must be accompanied by a check in the amount of $597.00 payable to the San Francisco Planning Department, and must be received by 5:00 p.m. on June 1, 2018. The appeal letter and check may also be presented in person at the PIC counter on the first floor of 1660 Mission Street, San Francisco.

In the absence of an appeal, the mitigated negative declaration shall be made final, subject to necessary modifications, after 30 days from the date of publication of the PMND. If the PMND is appealed, the Final Mitigated Negative Declaration (FMND) may be appealed to the Board of Supervisors. The first approval action, as identified in the Initial Study, would establish the start of the 30-day appeal period for the FMND pursuant to San Francisco Administrative Code Section 31.16(h).

Members of the public are not required to provide personal identifying information when they communicate with the Commission or the Department. All written or oral communications, including submitted personal contact information, may be made available to the public for inspection and copying upon request and may appear on the Department’s website or in other public documents.

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¹ Upon review by the Planning Department, the appeal fee may be reimbursed for neighborhood organizations that have been in existence for a minimum of 24 months.