Community Plan Exemption Checklist

Case No.: 2013.1109E
Project Address: 2146-2148 Third Street
Zoning: UMU (Urban Mixed Use) Zoning District
68-X Height and Bulk District
Life Science and Medical Special Use District
Block/Lot: 4044/003
Lot Size: 2,265 square feet
Plan Area: Eastern Neighborhoods Area Plan (Central Waterfront)
Project Sponsor: Mark Holmquist, Stanley Saitowitz/Natoma Architects, (415) 626-8977
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PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The project site consists of a rectangular-shaped parcel located on the western side of Third Street between 18th and 19th streets in the Central Waterfront neighborhood. The project site is currently occupied by a 35-foot-tall, two-story-over-basement, mixed-use building approximately 4,000 square feet in size. The existing building was constructed in 1893 and currently contains one residential unit and one vacant ground-floor commercial unit, which was formerly occupied by an art gallery. The project sponsor proposes the demolition of the existing building and construction of a 55-foot-tall, six-story, seven-unit, residential building approximately 12,000 square feet in size. The proposed mix of units is three one-bedroom units and four two-bedroom units. The proposed building would retain the existing one-site basement to include three parking spaces (utilizing a car elevator system) and seven bicycle spaces. The proposed project would require excavation of up to approximately 16 feet below ground surface and 194 cubic yards of soil is proposed to be removed under the project. One unit would have an approximately 560-square-foot deck while the other six units would share an approximately 510-square-foot common roof deck. Pedestrian and vehicular access would be from Third Street. The project site is located within the Central Waterfront area of the Eastern Neighborhoods Plan Area. The proposed project would require a Mandatory Discretionary Review by the Planning Commission for the removal of a dwelling unit.

PROJECT APPROVAL

The proposed project at 2146-2148 Third Street would require the following approvals:

Actions by the Planning Commission

- The project must comply with Section 317 of the Planning Code for the removal of a dwelling unit. A Mandatory Discretionary Review is required by the Planning Commission.

Actions by other City Departments

- Approval of a Site Mitigation Plan (SMP) from the San Francisco Department of Public Health (DPH) prior to the commencement of any excavation work.
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- Approval of Building Permits from the Department of Building Inspections (DBI) for demolition and new construction.

The Mandatory Discretionary Review hearing before the Planning Commission is the Approval Action for the project. The Approval Action date establishes the start of the 30-day appeal period for this CEQA exemption determination pursuant to Section 31.04(h) of the San Francisco Administrative Code.

EVALUATION OF ENVIRONMENTAL EFFECTS

This Community Plan Exemption (CPE) Checklist evaluates whether the environmental impacts of the proposed project are addressed in the Programmatic Environmental Impact Report for the Eastern Neighborhoods Rezoning and Area Plans (Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR).¹ The CPE Checklist indicates whether the proposed project would result in significant impacts that: (1) are peculiar to the project or project site; (2) were not identified as significant project-level, cumulative, or off-site effects in the PEIR; or (3) are previously identified significant effects, which as a result of substantial new information that was not known at the time that the Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR was certified, are determined to have a more severe adverse impact than discussed in the PEIR. Such impacts, if any, will be evaluated in a project-specific Mitigated Negative Declaration or Environmental Impact Report. If no such impacts are identified, the proposed project is exempt from further environmental review in accordance with Public Resources Code Section 21083.3 and CEQA Guidelines Section 15183.

Mitigation measures identified in the PEIR are discussed under each topic area, and measures that are applicable to the proposed project are provided under the Mitigation Measures Section at the end of this checklist.

The Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR identified significant impacts related to land use, transportation, cultural resources, shadow, noise, air quality, and hazardous materials. Additionally, the PEIR identified significant cumulative impacts related to land use, transportation, and cultural resources. Mitigation measures were identified for the above impacts and reduced all impacts to less-than-significant except for those related to land use (cumulative impacts on PDR use), transportation (program-level and cumulative traffic impacts at nine intersections; program-level and cumulative transit impacts on seven Muni lines), cultural resources (cumulative impacts from demolition of historical resources), and shadow (program-level impacts on parks).

The proposed project would include the demolition of an existing 4,000-square-foot, mixed-use building and the construction of an approximately 12,000-square-foot residential building containing seven dwelling units and a basement-level garage with three vehicle and seven bicycle parking spaces. As discussed below in this checklist, the proposed project would not result in new, significant environmental effects, or effects of greater severity than were already analyzed and disclosed in the Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR.

Figure 1. Project Location
Figure 3. Proposed First Floor and Basement Plan
Figure 4. Proposed Level 2 and Levels 3-6 Plans
Figure 5. Proposed Roof Plan
Figure 5. Proposed Elevations
AESTHETICS AND PARKING IMPACTS FOR TRANSIT PRIORITY INFILL DEVELOPMENT

Public Resources Code Section 21099(d), effective January 1, 2014, provides that, "aesthetics and parking impacts of a residential, mixed-use residential, or employment center project on an infill site located within a transit priority area shall not be considered significant impacts on the environment." Accordingly, aesthetics and parking are no longer to be considered in determining if a project has the potential to result in significant environmental effects for projects that meet all of the following three criteria:

a) The project is in a transit priority area;

b) The project is on an infill site; and

c) The project is residential, mixed-use residential, or an employment center.

The proposed project meets each of the above three criteria and thus, this checklist does not consider aesthetics or parking in determining the significance of project impacts under CEQA.² The Planning Department acknowledges that parking conditions may be of interest to the public and the decision makers. Therefore, this determination presents a parking demand analysis for informational purposes, in the Transportation and Circulation Section.

### 1. LAND USE AND LAND USE PLANNING—Would the project:

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<td>b) Conflict with any applicable land use plan, policy, or regulation of an agency with jurisdiction over the project (including, but not limited to the general plan, specific plan, local coastal program, or zoning ordinance) adopted for the purpose of avoiding or mitigating an environmental effect?</td>
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The Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR determined that adoption of the Area Plans would result in an unavoidable significant impact on land use due to the cumulative loss of PDR. The project site is occupied by a mixed-use building that contains a residential unit over a vacant ground-floor commercial unit. While the project site does not currently include PDR uses, implementation of the proposed project would preclude an opportunity for PDR. However, due to the relatively small size of the project site, the proposed project would not contribute considerably to any impact related to loss of PDR uses that was identified in the Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR. As a result of the Eastern Neighborhoods rezoning process, the project site has been re-zoned from M-2 (Heavy Industrial) District to UMU (Urban Mixed Use) District. Furthermore, the Citywide Planning and Current Planning Divisions of the Planning

² San Francisco Planning Department. Transit-Oriented Infill Project Eligibility Checklist for 2146-2148 Third Street, January 13, 2015. This document is available for review at the San Francisco Planning Department, 1650 Mission Street, Suite 400 as part of Case File No. 2013.1109E.
Department have determined that the proposed project is permitted in the UMU District and is consistent with applicable bulk, density, and land uses as envisioned in the Central Waterfront Area Plan. The proposed project falls within the “Northern Portion of Central Waterfront” generalized zoning district, meant to encourage housing and mixed uses, and to allow some bioscience and medical-related facilities. The Central Waterfront Area Plan also calls for improvements to transit and reduced parking requirements to encourage travel by non-auto modes. As a residential building with reduced parking, the proposed project is consistent with this designation. Per Planning Code Section 317, a Mandatory Discretionary Review hearing is required to obtain approval from the Planning Commission for the demolition of one dwelling unit. The proposed project is otherwise compliant with all applicable requirements of the Planning Code, and on balance, is consistent with the San Francisco General Plan.\(^3\)

For these reasons, implementation of the proposed project would not result in either project-level or cumulative significant impacts that were not identified in the Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR related to land use and land use planning, and no mitigation measures are necessary.

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\section*{2. POPULATION AND HOUSING—}

\textbf{Would the project:}

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\item[a)] Induce substantial population growth in an area, either directly (for example, by proposing new homes and businesses) or indirectly (for example, through extension of roads or other infrastructure)?
\item[b)] Displace substantial numbers of existing housing units or create demand for additional housing, necessitating the construction of replacement housing?
\item[c)] Displace substantial numbers of people, necessitating the construction of replacement housing elsewhere?
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One of the objectives of the Eastern Neighborhoods Area Plans is to identify appropriate locations for housing in the City’s industrially zoned land to meet the citywide demand for additional housing. The PEIR concluded that an increase in population in the Plan Areas is expected to occur as a secondary effect of the proposed rezoning and that any population increase would not, in itself, result in adverse physical effects, but would serve to advance key City policy objectives, such as providing housing in appropriate locations next to Downtown and other employment generators and furthering the City’s Transit First policies. It was anticipated that the rezoning would result in an increase in both housing development and population in all of the Area Plan neighborhoods. The Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR determined that

\(^3\) Adam Varat, San Francisco Planning Department, Community Plan Exemption Eligibility Determination, Citywide Planning and Policy Analysis, 2146-2148 Third Street, October 31, 2014. This document is available for review at the San Francisco Planning Department, 1650 Mission Street, Suite 400, as part of Case File No. 2013.1109E.

\(^4\) Joslin, Jeff, San Francisco Planning Department, Community Plan Exemption Eligibility Determination, Current Planning Analysis, 2146-2148 Third Street, January 30, 2015. This document is available for review at the San Francisco Planning Department, 1650 Mission Street, Suite 400, as part of Case File No. 2013.1109E.
the anticipated increase in population and density would not result in significant adverse physical effects on the environment. No mitigation measures were identified in the PEIR.

The project proposes the demolition of a mixed-use building that contains one dwelling unit and construction of a seven-unit residential building, which would result in a population increase in the area. With implementation of the proposed project, six new dwelling units would be added to San Francisco's housing stock. These direct effects of the proposed project on population and housing are within the scope of the population and housing growth anticipated under the Central Waterfront Area Plan and evaluated in the Eastern Neighborhoods Plan Area PEIR.

For the above reasons, the proposed project would not result in either project-level or cumulative significant impacts on population and housing that were not identified in the Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR.

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Historic Architectural Resources

Pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Sections 15064.5(a)(1) and 15064.5(a)(2), historical resources are buildings or structures that are listed, or are eligible for listing, in the California Register of Historical Resources or are identified in a local register of historical resources, such as Articles 10 and 11 of the San Francisco Planning Code. The Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR determined that future development facilitated through the changes in use districts and height limits under the Eastern Neighborhoods Area Plans could have substantial adverse changes on the significance of both individual historical resources and on historical districts within the Plan Areas. The PEIR determined that approximately 32 percent of the known or potential historical resources in the Plan Areas could potentially be affected under the preferred alternative. The Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR found this impact to be significant and unavoidable. This impact was addressed in a Statement of Overriding Considerations with findings and adopted as part of the Eastern Neighborhoods Rezoning and Area Plans approval on January 19, 2009.
The PEIR identified three mitigation measures that were tasked to the Planning Department that could reduce the severity of impacts to historic resources as a result of development enabled under the Plan Areas (Mitigation K-1 to K-3). These mitigation measures were the responsibility of the Planning Department and do not apply to subsequent development projects. Demolition or substantial alteration of a historic resource typically cannot be fully mitigated; therefore, the PEIR concluded that the Eastern Neighborhoods Area Plan would have a significant and unavoidable impact on historic resources.

Department staff finds that the project site at 2146-2148 Third Street is not eligible for inclusion in the California Register of Historical Resources due to its loss of integrity. The subject property retains a low level of integrity from the property’s only potential period of significance (1893-1906) when Matthew Turner, arguably the West Coast’s most important shipbuilder during the late nineteenth century, lived at the property. The exterior façade of the subject building was removed and replaced with materials and features that bear no resemblance to its original appearance. In addition, the subject property lacks significance relative to the eligible Third Street Industrial Historic District. The proposed project includes contemporary new construction that is consistent with the district’s character. The proposed project would not cause a significant adverse impact upon any nearby or adjacent historic resource. The proposed project would not affect the significance or integrity of any of the nearby landmarks, which are located approximately one block from the project site, or any other nearby off-site historic resource. Further, the project would not impact the ability of these off-site resources to be listed in the local or state historic registers. As currently proposed, the project would not have a significant adverse impact upon a historic resource as defined by CEQA. Therefore, the proposed project would not contribute to the significant historic resource impact identified in the Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR, and no historic resource mitigation measures would apply to the proposed project.

For these reasons, the proposed project would not result in significant project-level or cumulative impacts on historic architectural resources that were not identified in the Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR.

**Archeological Resources**

The Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR determined that implementation of the Area Plan could result in significant impacts on archeological resources and identified three mitigation measures that would reduce these potential impacts to less than significant levels. Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR Mitigation Measure J-1 applies to properties for which a final archeological research design and treatment plan is on file at the Northwest Information Center and the Planning Department. Mitigation Measure J-2 applies to properties for which no archeological assessment report has been prepared or for which the archeological documentation is incomplete or inadequate to serve as an evaluation of potential effects on archeological resources under CEQA. Mitigation Measure J-3, which applies to properties in the Mission Dolores Archeological District, requires that a specific archeological testing program be conducted by a qualified archeological consultant with expertise in California prehistoric and urban historical archeology.

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5 Historic Resource Evaluation Response Memorandum from Richard Sucre, Preservation Planner, to Don Lewis, Planning Staff, March 6, 2015. This document is available for review at the Planning Department, 1650 Mission Street, Suite 400 in Case No. 2013.1109E.

6 JRP Historic Consulting, Addendum Historic Resource Evaluation, 2146-2148 Third Street, San Francisco, California. February 2014. This document is available for review at the Planning Department, 1650 Mission Street, Suite 400 in Case No. 2013.1109E.

7 The project site is not located within the boundaries of the proposed Third Street Industrial Historic District. The portion of the district closest to the project site is directly across Third Street, and this block is mostly comprised of non-contributing properties.
The proposed project at 2146-2148 Third Street would involve approximately 16 feet of below ground surface (bgs) excavation at its deepest for the extension of the existing on-site basement and approximately 194 cubic yards of soil disturbance in an area where no previous archaeological studies have been prepared. Therefore, the proposed project would be subject to Mitigation Measure J-2 (Project Mitigation Measure 1). In accordance with Mitigation Measure J-2, a Preliminary Archaeological Review (PAR) was conducted by Planning Department staff archeologists, which determined that the proposed project would not adversely affect CEQA-significant archeological resources.\(^8\)

For the above reasons, the proposed project would not result in significant project-level or cumulative impacts on archeological resources that were not identified in the Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR.

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4. TRANSPORTATION AND CIRCULATION—Would the project:

a) Conflict with an applicable plan, ordinance or policy establishing measures of effectiveness for the performance of the circulation system, taking into account all modes of transportation including mass transit and non-motorized travel and relevant components of the circulation system, including but not limited to intersections, streets, highways and freeways, pedestrian and bicycle paths, and mass transit?

b) Conflict with an applicable congestion management program, including but not limited to level of service standards and travel demand measures, or other standards established by the county congestion management agency for designated roads or highways?

c) Result in a change in air traffic patterns, including either an increase in traffic levels, obstructions to flight, or a change in location, that results in substantial safety risks?

d) Substantially increase hazards due to a design feature (e.g., sharp curves or dangerous intersections) or incompatible uses?

e) Result in inadequate emergency access?

f) Conflict with adopted policies, plans, or programs regarding public transit, bicycle, or pedestrian facilities, or otherwise decrease the performance or safety of such facilities?

The Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR anticipated that growth resulting from the zoning changes would not result in significant impacts related to pedestrians, bicyclists, loading, emergency access, or construction. Because the proposed project is within the development projected under the Eastern Neighborhoods Rezoning and Area Plans, there would be no additional impacts on pedestrians, bicyclists, loading, emergency access, or construction beyond those analyzed in the Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR.

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\(^8\) Randall Dean, San Francisco Planning Department. Archeological Review Log.
However, the Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR anticipated that growth resulting from the zoning changes could result in significant impacts on traffic and transit ridership, and identified eleven transportation mitigation measures. Even with mitigation, however, it was anticipated that the significant adverse cumulative traffic impacts and the cumulative impacts on transit lines could not be fully mitigated. Thus, these impacts were found to be significant and unavoidable.

The project site is not located within an airport land use plan area, or in the vicinity of a private airstrip. Therefore, the Community Plan Exemption Checklist topic 4c is not applicable.

**Trip Generation**

The proposed project would demolish an existing 4,000-square-foot, mixed-use building containing one dwelling unit over a vacant ground-floor commercial unit, and construct an approximately 12,000-square-foot, residential building with seven dwelling units (four two-bedroom units and three one-bedroom units) and a basement-level garage for three vehicle parking space and seven bicycle parking spaces. The proposed project would provide vehicle and bicycle access to the site from Third Street.

Trip generation of the proposed project was calculated using information in the 2002 *Transportation Impacts Analysis Guidelines for Environmental Review* (SF Guidelines) developed by the San Francisco Planning Department. The proposed project would generate an estimated 63 person trips (inbound and outbound) on a weekday daily basis, consisting of 42 person trips by auto, 15 transit trips, 2 walk trips and 4 trips by other modes. During the p.m. peak hour, the proposed project would generate an estimated 7 vehicle trips (accounting for vehicle occupancy data for this Census Tract).

**Traffic**

The proposed project's vehicle trips would travel through the intersections surrounding the project block. Intersection operating conditions are characterized by the concept of Level of Service (LOS), which ranges from A to F and provides a description of an intersection's performance based on traffic volumes, intersection capacity, and vehicle delays. LOS A represents free flow conditions, with little or no delay, while LOS F represents congested conditions, with extremely long delays; LOS D (moderately high delays) is considered the lowest acceptable level in San Francisco. The intersections near the project site (within approximately 2,500 feet) that were analyzed in the Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR include Third Street/Mariposa Street and 16th Street/Third Street intersections. Table 1 provides existing and cumulative LOS data gathered for these intersections, per the *Eastern Neighborhoods Rezoning and Area Plans Transportation Study*.10

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Sources: *Eastern Neighborhoods Rezoning and Area Plans Transportation Study* (2007)

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9 San Francisco Planning Department, Transportation Calculations for 2146-2148 Third Street, January 8, 2015. These calculations are available for review at the San Francisco Planning Department, 1650 Mission Street, Suite 400, as part of Case File No. 2013.1109E.

10 The *Eastern Neighborhoods Rezoning and Area Plans Transportation Study* is available for review at the San Francisco Planning Department, 1650 Mission Street, Suite 400, as part of Case File No. 2004.0160E.
The proposed project would generate an estimated 7 new p.m. peak hour vehicle trips that could travel through surrounding intersections. This amount of new p.m. peak hour vehicle trips would not substantially increase traffic volumes at these or other nearby intersections, would not substantially increase average delay that would cause intersections that currently operate at acceptable LOS to deteriorate to unacceptable LOS, or would not substantially increase average delay at intersections that currently operate at unacceptable LOS.

The proposed project would not contribute considerably to LOS delay conditions as its contribution of an estimated 7 new p.m. peak-hour vehicle trips would not be a substantial proportion of the overall traffic volume or the new vehicle trips generated by Eastern Neighborhoods' Plan projects. The proposed project would also not contribute considerably to 2025 cumulative conditions and thus, the proposed project would not have any significant cumulative traffic impacts.

For the above reasons, the proposed project would not result in significant impacts on traffic that were not identified in the Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR.

**Transit**

The project site is located within a quarter mile of several local transit lines including Muni lines 22-Fillmore, 48-Quintara/24th Street, T-Third Street, 14-X Mission Express, and 91-Owl. The proposed project would be expected to generate 15 daily transit trips, including three during the p.m. peak hour. Given the availability of nearby transit, the addition of three p.m. peak hour transit trips would be accommodated by existing capacity. As such, the proposed project would not result in unacceptable levels of transit service or cause a substantial increase in delays or operating costs such that significant adverse impacts on transit service could result.

Each of the rezoning options in the Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR identified significant and unavoidable cumulative impacts relating to increases in transit ridership on Muni lines, with the Preferred Project having significant impacts on seven lines: 9-San Bruno, 22-Fillmore, 26-Valencia, 27-Bryant, 33-Stanyan, 48-Quintara/24th Street, 49-Van Ness/Mission. Of those lines, the project site is located within a quarter-mile of Muni lines 22-Fillmore and 48-Quintara/24th Street. Mitigation measures proposed to address these impacts related to pursuing enhanced transit funding; conducting transit corridor and service improvements; and increasing transit accessibility, service information and storage/maintenance capabilities for Muni lines in the Eastern Neighborhoods. Even with mitigation, however, cumulative impacts on the above lines were found to remain significant and unavoidable and a Statement of Overriding Considerations related to the significant and unavoidable cumulative transit impacts was adopted as part of the PEIR Certification and Plan.

The proposed project would not contribute considerably to these conditions as its minor contribution of three p.m. peak hour transit trips would not be a substantial proportion of the overall additional transit volume generated by Eastern Neighborhood projects. Thus, the proposed project would not contribute considerably to 2025 cumulative transit conditions and would not result in any significant cumulative transit impacts.

For the above reasons, the proposed project would not result in significant impacts that were not identified in the Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR related to transit and would not contribute considerably to cumulative transit impacts that were identified in the Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR.
Parking

Public Resources Code Section 21099(d), effective January 1, 2014, provides that, “aesthetics and parking impacts of a residential, mixed-use residential, or employment center project on an infill site located within a transit priority area shall not be considered significant impacts on the environment.” Accordingly, aesthetics and parking are no longer to be considered in determining if a project has the potential to result in significant environmental effects for projects that meet all of the following three criteria:

a) The project is in a transit priority area;
b) The project is on an infill site; and
c) The project is residential, mixed-use residential, or an employment center.

The proposed project meets each of the above three criteria and thus, this determination does not consider the adequacy of parking in determining the significance of project impacts under CEQA.11 The Planning Department acknowledges that parking conditions may be of interest to the public and the decision makers. Therefore, the following parking demand analysis is provided for informational purposes only.

The parking demand for the new residential uses associated with the proposed project was determined based on the methodology presented in the Transportation Guidelines. On an average weekday, the demand for parking would be for an estimated nine spaces. The proposed project would provide three off-street spaces. Thus, as proposed, the project would have an unmet parking demand of an estimated six spaces. At this location, the unmet parking demand could be accommodated within existing on-street and off-street parking spaces12 within a reasonable distance of the project vicinity. Additionally, the project site is well served by public transit and bicycle facilities such as transit lines 22-Fillmore, 48-Quintara/24th Street, T-Third Street, 14-X Mission Express, and 91-Owl, and bicycle routes 5, 7, 23, and 95. Therefore, any unmet parking demand associated with the project would not materially affect the overall parking conditions in the project vicinity such that hazardous conditions or significant delays would be created.

Further, the project site is located in a UMU zoning district where under Section 151.1 of the Planning Code, the proposed project would not be required to provide any off-street parking spaces. It should be noted that the Planning Commission has the discretion to adjust the number of on-site parking spaces included in the proposed project, typically at the time that the project entitlements are sought. The Planning Commission may not support the parking ratio proposed. In some cases, particularly when the proposed project is in a transit rich area, the Planning Commission may not support the provision of any off-street parking spaces. This is, in part, owing to the fact that the parking spaces are not 'bundled' with the residential units. In other words, residents would have the option to rent or purchase a parking space, but one would not be automatically provided with the residential unit.

If the project were ultimately approved with no off-street parking spaces, the proposed project would have an unmet demand of an estimated nine spaces. As mentioned above, the unmet parking demand could be accommodated within existing on-street and off-street parking spaces nearby and through

11 San Francisco Planning Department, Transit-Oriented Infill Project Eligibility Checklist for 2146-2148 Third Street, January 13, 2015. This document is available for review at the San Francisco Planning Department, 1650 Mission Street, Suite 400, as part of Case File No. 2013.1109E.
12 Approximately two blocks to the south, there is an approximately 150-space, paid-publicly, available surface parking lot located at 901 Illinois Street (Affordable Self Storage).
alternative modes such as public transit and bicycle facilities. Given that the unmet demand could be met by existing facilities and given that the proposed project site is well-served by transit and bicycle facilities, a reduction in the number of off-street parking spaces associated with the proposed project, even if no off-street spaces are provided, would not result in significant delays or hazardous conditions.

Parking conditions are not static, as parking supply and demand varies from day to day, from day to night, from month to month, etc. Hence, the availability of parking spaces (or lack thereof) is not a permanent physical condition, but changes over time as people change their modes and patterns of travel. While parking conditions change over time, a substantial shortfall in parking caused by a project that creates hazardous conditions or significant delays to traffic, transit, bicycles or pedestrians could adversely affect the physical environment. Whether a shortfall in parking creates such conditions will depend on the magnitude of the shortfall and the ability of drivers to change travel patterns or switch to other travel modes. If a substantial shortfall in parking caused by a project creates hazardous conditions or significant delays in travel, such a condition could also result in secondary physical environmental impacts (e.g., air quality or noise impacts caused by congestion), depending on the project and its setting.

The absence of a ready supply of parking spaces, combined with available alternatives to auto travel (e.g., transit service, taxis, bicycles or travel by foot) and a relatively dense pattern of urban development, induces many drivers to seek and find alternative parking facilities, shift to other modes of travel, or change their overall travel habits. Any such resulting shifts to transit service or other modes (walking and biking), would be in keeping with the City’s “Transit First” policy and numerous San Francisco General Plan Policies, including those in the Transportation Element. The City’s Transit First Policy, established in the City’s Charter Article 8A, Section 8A.115, provides that “parking policies for areas well served by public transit shall be designed to encourage travel by public transportation and alternative transportation.”

The transportation analysis accounts for potential secondary effects, such as cars circling and looking for a parking space in areas of limited parking supply, by assuming that all drivers would attempt to find parking at or near the project site and then seek parking farther away if convenient parking is unavailable. The secondary effects of drivers searching for parking is typically offset by a reduction in vehicle trips due to others who are aware of constrained parking conditions in a given area, and thus choose to reach their destination by other modes (i.e. walking, biking, transit, taxi). If this occurs, any secondary environmental impacts that may result from a shortfall in parking in the vicinity of the proposed project would be minor, and the traffic assignments used in the transportation analysis, as well as in the associated air quality, noise and pedestrian safety analyses, would reasonably address potential secondary effects.

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The Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR identified potential conflicts related to residences and other noise-sensitive uses in proximity to noisy uses such as PDR, retail, entertainment, cultural/institutional/educational uses, and office uses. In addition, the Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR noted that implementation of the Eastern Neighborhoods Area Plans and Rezoning would incrementally increase traffic-generated noise on some streets in the Eastern Neighborhoods plan areas and result in construction noise impacts from pile driving and other construction activities. The Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR therefore identified six noise mitigation measures that would reduce noise impacts to less-than-significant levels.

Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR Mitigation Measures F-1 and F-2 relate to construction noise. Mitigation Measure F-1 addresses individual projects that include pile-driving, and Mitigation Measure F-2 addresses individual projects that include particularly noisy construction procedures (including pile-driving). The proposed project would utilize a mat building foundation that does not necessitate the use of pile-driving or other construction practices generating excessive noise. Mitigation F-1 and F-2 would not be applicable to the project.

In addition, all construction activities for the proposed project (approximately 15 months) would be subject to and would comply with the San Francisco Noise Ordinance (Article 29 of the San Francisco Police Code) (Noise Ordinance). Construction noise is regulated by the Noise Ordinance. The Noise Ordinance requires that construction work be conducted in the following manner: (1) noise levels of construction equipment, other than impact tools, must not exceed 80 dBA at a distance of 100 feet from the source (the equipment generating the noise); (2) impact tools must have intake and exhaust mufflers that are approved by the Director of the Department of Public Works (DPW) or the Director of the Department of Building Inspection (DBI) to best accomplish maximum noise reduction; and (3) if the noise from the construction work would exceed the ambient noise levels at the site property line by 5 dBA, the work must not be conducted between 8:00 p.m. and 7:00 a.m. unless the Director of DPW authorizes a special permit for conducting the work during that period.
DBI is responsible for enforcing the Noise Ordinance for private construction projects during normal business hours (8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.). The Police Department is responsible for enforcing the Noise Ordinance during all other hours. Nonetheless, during the construction period for the proposed project of approximately 15 months, occupants of the nearby properties could be disturbed by construction noise. Times may occur when noise could interfere with indoor activities in nearby residences and other businesses near the project site and may be considered an annoyance by occupants of nearby properties. The increase in noise in the project area during project construction would not be considered a significant impact of the proposed project, because the construction noise would be temporary, intermittent, and restricted in occurrence and level, as the contractor would be required to comply with the Noise Ordinance.

Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR Mitigation Measures F-3 and F-4 require that a detailed analysis of noise reduction requirements be conducted for new development that includes noise-sensitive uses located along streets with noise levels above 60 dBA (Ldn). The proposed project would add noise sensitive uses (dwelling units) in an area where street noise levels exceed 60 dBA (Ldn). Therefore, Mitigation Measures F-3 and F-4 apply to the proposed project, and have been agreed to be implemented by the project sponsor as Project Mitigation Measures 2 and 3, respectively (full text provided in the “Mitigation Measures” section below). Accordingly, the project sponsor has conducted an environmental noise study. The study concluded that outdoor noise levels reach 73.8 dBA (Ldn) along the street frontage of the project site. To meet the 45 dBA interior noise level, the noise study provided the following recommendations: (1) the exterior wall system should provide an Outside-Inside Transmission Class (OTIC) rating of 37; (2) the exterior windows to living spaces facing Third Street should have a minimum OTIC rating of 31 for the level 2 bedroom and level 3 living room while the living rooms on level 4 through 6 should have a rating of 29; and (3) supplemental mechanical ventilation should be provided for the windows along the Third Street facade to allow the windows to be closed if desired. The noise study demonstrated that the proposed project can feasibly attain an acceptable interior noise level of 45 dBA in all dwelling units.

Mitigation Measure F-6 addresses impacts from existing ambient noise levels on open space required under the Planning Code for new development that includes noise sensitive uses. The proposed project includes a common roof deck located in the center of the building. Mitigation Measure F-6 is therefore applicable to the proposed project, and has been agreed to by the project sponsor as Project Mitigation Measure 4 (full text provided in the “Mitigation Measures” section below). The noise study prepared in accordance with Mitigation Measure F-4 (Project Mitigation Measure 3) addressed noise levels at the proposed outdoor spaces, and concluded that due to distance to the primary noise source (Third Street),

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13 Shen Milson Wilke, Environmental Noise Report, 2146 Third Street Residential Development, San Francisco, CA, December 4, 2014. A copy of this document is available for public review at the San Francisco Planning Department, 1650 Mission Street, Suite 400, as part of Case File No. 2013.1109E.
the shielding effect from the building itself, and a 42” high glass barrier, ambient noise levels on the
rooftop would below 60 dBA (Ldn) and would not limit the enjoyment of the open space.\textsuperscript{14}

The project site is not located within an airport land use plan area, within two miles of a public airport, or
in the vicinity of a private airstrip. Therefore, topic 12e and f from the CEQA Guidelines, Appendix G is
not applicable.

For the above reasons, the proposed project would not result in significant project-level or cumulative
noise impacts that were not identified in the Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR.

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6. AIR QUALITY—Would the project: & & & & \\
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a) Conflict with or obstruct implementation of the applicable air quality plan? & $\Box$ & $\Box$ & $\Box$ & $\Box$ \\
b) Violate any air quality standard or contribute substantially to an existing or projected air quality violation? & $\Box$ & $\Box$ & $\Box$ & $\Box$ \\
c) Result in a cumulatively considerable net increase of any criteria pollutant for which the project region is non-attainment under an applicable federal, state, or regional ambient air quality standard (including releasing emissions which exceed quantitative thresholds for ozone precursors)? & $\Box$ & $\Box$ & $\Box$ & $\Box$ \\
d) Expose sensitive receptors to substantial pollutant concentrations? & $\Box$ & $\Box$ & $\Box$ & $\Box$ \\
e) Create objectionable odors affecting a substantial number of people? & $\Box$ & $\Box$ & $\Box$ & $\Box$ \\
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The Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR identified potentially significant air quality impacts resulting from
construction activities and impacts to sensitive land uses\textsuperscript{15} as a result of exposure to elevated levels of
diesel particulate matter (DPM) and other toxic air contaminants (TACs). The Eastern Neighborhoods
PEIR identified four mitigation measures that would reduce these air quality impacts to less-than-
significant levels. All other air quality impacts were found to be less than significant.

Construction Dust Control

Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR Mitigation Measure G-1 Construction Air Quality requires individual
projects involving construction activities to include dust control measures and to maintain and operate
construction equipment so as to minimize exhaust emissions of particulates and other pollutants. The San
Francisco Board of Supervisors subsequently approved a series of amendments to the San Francisco
Building and Health Codes, generally referred to as the Construction Dust Control Ordinance (Ordinance
176-08, effective July 30, 2008). The intent of the Construction Dust Control Ordinance is to reduce the

\textsuperscript{14} Ibid.

\textsuperscript{15} The Bay Area Air Quality Management District (BAAQMD) considers sensitive receptors as: children, adults or seniors occupying
or residing in: 1) residential dwellings, including apartments, houses, condominiums, 2) schools, colleges, and universities, 3)
daycares, 4) hospitals, and 5) senior care facilities. BAAQMD, Recommended Methods for Screening and Modeling Local Risks
and Hazards, May 2011, page 12.
quantity of fugitive dust generated during site preparation, demolition, and construction work in order to protect the health of the general public and of on-site workers, minimize public nuisance complaints, and to avoid orders to stop work by DBI. Project-related construction activities would result in construction dust, primarily from ground-disturbing activities. In compliance with the Construction Dust Control Ordinance, the project sponsor and contractor responsible for construction activities at the project site would be required to control construction dust on the site through a combination of watering disturbed areas, covering stockpiled materials, street and sidewalk sweeping and other measures.

The regulations and procedures set forth by the San Francisco Dust Control Ordinance would ensure that construction dust impacts would not be significant. These requirements supersede the dust control provisions of PEIR Mitigation Measure G-1. Therefore, the portion of PEIR Mitigation Measure G-1 Construction Air Quality that addresses dust control is not applicable to the proposed project.

Health Risk

Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR Mitigation Measure G-1 addresses air quality impacts during construction, PEIR Mitigation Measure G-2 addresses the siting of sensitive land uses near sources of TACs and PEIR Mitigation Measures G-3 and G-4 address proposed uses that would emit DPM and other TACs.

Subsequent to certification of the PEIR, San Francisco (in partnership with the Bay Area Air Quality Management District (BAAQMD)) inventoried and assessed air pollution and exposures from mobile, stationary, and area sources within San Francisco and identified portions of the City that result in additional health risks for affected populations ("Air Pollutant Exposure Zone"). The Air Pollutant Exposure Zone was identified based on two health based criteria:

1. Areas where the excess cancer risk from all sources is greater than 100; or
2. Areas where PM2.5 concentrations from all sources (including ambient concentrations) are greater than 10 \(\mu g/m^3\).

The project site is not located within an identified Air Pollutant Exposure Zone. Therefore, the ambient health risk to sensitive receptors from air pollutants is not considered substantial and the remainder of Mitigation Measure G-1 that requires the minimization of construction exhaust emissions is not applicable to the proposed project.

The proposed project would include the development of residential uses, which is considered a sensitive land use for purposes of air quality evaluation. As discussed above, the ambient health risk to sensitive receptors from air pollutants is not considered substantial and Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR Mitigation Measure G-2 Air Quality for Sensitive Land Uses is not applicable to the proposed project. Furthermore, the proposed residential land uses are not uses that would emit substantial levels of DPM or other TACs and Eastern Neighborhoods Mitigation Measures G-3 and G-4 are similarly not applicable.

For the above reasons, none of the Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR air quality mitigation measures are applicable to the proposed project and the project would not result in significant air quality impacts (including cumulative impacts) that were not identified in the PEIR.
7. **GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS**—Would the project:

- **a)** Generate greenhouse gas emissions, either directly or indirectly, that may have a significant impact on the environment?  
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  - [ ] Significant Impact due to Substantial New Information  
  - [x] No Significant Impact not Previously Identified in PEIR

- **b)** Conflict with any applicable plan, policy, or regulation of an agency adopted for the purpose of reducing the emissions of greenhouse gases?  
  - [ ] Significant Impact Peculiar to Project or Project Site  
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The Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR assessed the GHG emissions that could result from rezoning of the Central Waterfront Area Plan under the three rezoning options. The Eastern Neighborhoods Rezoning Options A, B, and C are anticipated to result in GHG emissions on the order of 4.2, 4.3 and 4.5 metric tons of CO₂E₁⁶ per service population, respectively. The Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR concluded that the resulting GHG emissions from the three options analyzed in the Eastern Neighborhoods Area Plans would be less than significant. No mitigation measures were identified in the PEIR.

Regulations outlined in San Francisco's Strategies to Address Greenhouse Gas Emissions have proven effective as San Francisco's GHG emissions have measurably reduced when compared to 1990 emissions levels, demonstrating that the City has met and exceeded EO S-3-05, AB 32, and the Bay Area 2010 Clean Air Plan GHG reduction goals for the year 2020. The proposed project was determined to be consistent with San Francisco's GHG Reduction Strategy. Other existing regulations, such as those implemented through AB 32, will continue to reduce a proposed project's contribution to climate change. Therefore, the proposed project's GHG emissions would not conflict with state, regional, and local GHG reduction plans and regulations, and thus the proposed project's contribution to GHG emissions would not be cumulatively considerable or generate GHG emissions, either directly or indirectly, that would have a significant impact on the environment.

Because the proposed project is within the development projected under the Eastern Neighborhoods Rezoning and Area Plans, there would be no additional impacts on greenhouse gas emissions (including cumulative impacts) beyond those analyzed in the Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR.

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₁⁶ CO₂E, defined as equivalent Carbon Dioxide, is a quantity that describes other greenhouse gases in terms of the amount of Carbon Dioxide that would have an equal global warming potential.

₁⁷ Memorandum from Jessica Range to Environmental Planning staff, Greenhouse Gas Analyses for Community Plan Exemptions in Eastern Neighborhoods, April 20, 2010. This memorandum provides an overview of the GHG analysis conducted for the Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR and provides an analysis of the emissions using a service population (equivalent of total number of residents and employees) metric.

₁₈ Greenhouse Gas Analysis: Compliance Checklist. January 14, 2015. A copy of this document is available for public review at the San Francisco Planning Department, 1650 Mission Street, Suite 400, as part of Case File No. 2013.1109E.
8. WIND AND SHADOW—Would the project:

a) Alter wind in a manner that substantially affects public areas?  ☒  ☐  ☐  ☒

b) Create new shadow in a manner that substantially affects outdoor recreation facilities or other public areas?  ☒  ☐  ☐  ☒

Wind

Based upon experience of the Planning Department in reviewing wind analyses and expert opinion on other projects, it is generally (but not always) the case that projects under 80 feet in height do not have the potential to generate significant wind impacts. Although the proposed 55-foot-tall building (up to 70 feet including the stair/elevator penthouse) would be taller than the immediately adjacent buildings, it would be similar in height to existing four- and five-story buildings in the surrounding area. For the above reasons, the proposed project is not anticipated to cause significant impacts related to wind that were not identified in the Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR.

Shadow

Planning Code Section 295 generally prohibits new structures above 40 feet in height that would cast additional shadows on open space that is under the jurisdiction of the San Francisco Recreation and Park Commission between one hour after sunrise and one hour before sunset, at any time of the year, unless that shadow would not result in a significant adverse effect on the use of the open space. Under the Eastern Neighborhoods Rezoning and Area Plans, sites surrounding parks could be redeveloped with taller buildings without triggering Section 295 of the Planning Code because certain parks are not subject to Section 295 of the Planning Code (i.e., under jurisdiction of departments other than the Recreation and Parks Department or privately owned). The Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR could not conclude that the rezoning and community plans would result in less-than-significant shadow impacts because the feasibility of complete mitigation for potential new shadow impacts of unknown proposed proposals could not be determined at that time. Therefore, the PEIR determined shadow impacts to be significant and unavoidable. No mitigation measures were identified in the PEIR.

The proposed project would construct an approximately 55-foot-tall building (up to 70 feet including the stair/elevator penthouse). Therefore, the Planning Department prepared a preliminary shadow fan analysis to determine whether the proposed project would have the potential to cast new shadow on nearby parks. The shadow fan analysis prepared by the Department found the project as proposed would not cast shadows on Recreation and Parks Department parks or other public parks.\(^{19}\)

The proposed project would shade portions of nearby streets and sidewalks and private property at times within the project vicinity. Shadows upon streets and sidewalks would not exceed levels commonly expected in urban areas and would be considered a less-than-significant effect under CEQA. Although occupants of nearby property may regard the increase in shadow as undesirable, the limited increase in

\(^{19}\) San Francisco Planning Department, Shadow Fan - 2146-2148 Third Street, October 7, 2013. A copy of this document is available for public review at the San Francisco Planning Department, 1650 Mission Street, Suite 400, as part of Case File No. 2013.1109U.
shading of private properties as a result of the proposed project would not be considered a significant impact under CEQA.

For the above reasons, the proposed project would not result in significant project-level and cumulative impacts related to shadow that were not identified in the Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR.

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| 9. RECREATION—Would the project: |
| a) Increase the use of existing neighborhood and regional parks or other recreational facilities such that substantial physical deterioration of the facilities would occur or be accelerated? | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ | ☑ |
| b) Include recreational facilities or require the construction or expansion of recreational facilities that might have an adverse physical effect on the environment? | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ | ☑ |
| c) Physically degrade existing recreational resources? | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ | ☑ |

The Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR concluded that implementation of the Eastern Neighborhoods Rezoning and Area Plans would not result in substantial or accelerated deterioration of existing recreational resources or require the construction or expansion of recreational facilities that may have an adverse effect on the environment. No mitigation measures related to recreational resources were identified in the Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR.

Because the proposed project would not degrade recreational facilities and is within the development projected under the Eastern Neighborhoods Rezoning and Area Plans, there would be no additional project-level or cumulative impacts on recreation beyond those analyzed in the Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR.

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| 10. UTILITIES AND SERVICE SYSTEMS—Would the project: |
| a) Exceed wastewater treatment requirements of the applicable Regional Water Quality Control Board? | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ | ☑ |
| b) Require or result in the construction of new water or wastewater treatment facilities or expansion of existing facilities, the construction of which could cause significant environmental effects? | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ | ☑ |
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<td>c) Require or result in the construction of new storm water drainage facilities or expansion of existing facilities, the construction of which could cause significant environmental effects?</td>
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<td>e) Result in a determination by the wastewater treatment provider that would serve the project that it has inadequate capacity to serve the project’s projected demand in addition to the provider’s existing commitments?</td>
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<td>f) Be served by a landfill with sufficient permitted capacity to accommodate the project’s solid waste disposal needs?</td>
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<td>g) Comply with federal, state, and local statutes and regulations related to solid waste?</td>
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The Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR determined that the anticipated increase in population would not result in a significant impact to the provision of water, wastewater collection and treatment, and solid waste collection and disposal. No mitigation measures were identified in the PEIR.

Because the proposed project is within the development projected under the Eastern Neighborhoods Rezoning and Area Plans, there would be no additional project-level or cumulative impacts on utilities and service systems beyond those analyzed in the Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR.

### 11. PUBLIC SERVICES—Would the project:

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<td>a) Result in substantial adverse physical impacts associated with the provision of, or the need for, new or physically altered governmental facilities, the construction of which could cause significant environmental impacts, in order to maintain acceptable service ratios, response times, or other performance objectives for any public services such as fire protection, police protection, schools, parks, or other services?</td>
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The Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR determined that the anticipated increase in population would not result in a significant impact to public services, including fire protection, police protection, and public schools. No mitigation measures were identified in the PEIR.
Because the proposed project is within the development projected under the Eastern Neighborhoods Rezoning and Area Plans, there would be no additional project-level or cumulative impacts on public services beyond those analyzed in the Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR.

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| 12. BIOLOGICAL RESOURCES—Would the project:                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| a) Have a substantial adverse effect, either directly or through habitat modifications, on any species identified as a candidate, sensitive, or special-status species in local or regional plans, policies, or regulations, or by the California Department of Fish and Game or U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service? | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ | ☒ |
| b) Have a substantial adverse effect on any riparian habitat or other sensitive natural community identified in local or regional plans, policies, regulations or by the California Department of Fish and Game or U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service? | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ | ☒ |
| c) Have a substantial adverse effect on federally protected wetlands as defined by Section 404 of the Clean Water Act (including, but not limited to, marsh, vernal pool, coastal, etc.) through direct removal, filling, hydrological interruption, or other means? | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ | ☒ |
| d) Interfere substantially with the movement of any native resident or migratory fish or wildlife species or with established native resident or migratory wildlife corridors, or impede the use of native wildlife nursery sites? | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ | ☒ |
| e) Conflict with any local policies or ordinances protecting biological resources, such as a tree preservation policy or ordinance? | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ | ☒ |
| f) Conflict with the provisions of an adopted Habitat Conservation Plan, Natural Community Conservation Plan, or other approved local, regional, or state habitat conservation plan? | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ | ☒ |

As discussed in the Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR, the Eastern Neighborhoods Plan Area is in a developed urban environment that does not provide native natural habitat for any rare or endangered plant or animal species. There are no riparian corridors, estuaries, marshes, or wetlands in the Plan Area that could be affected by the development anticipated under the Area Plan. In addition, development envisioned under the Eastern Neighborhoods Area Plan would not substantially interfere with the movement of any resident or migratory wildlife species. For these reasons, the PEIR concluded that implementation of the Area Plan would not result in significant impacts on biological resources, and no mitigation measures were identified.

Because the proposed project is within the development projected under the Eastern Neighborhoods Rezoning and Area Plans, there would be no additional project-level or cumulative impacts on biological resources beyond those analyzed in the Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR.
13. GEOLOGY AND SOILS—Would the project:

a) Expose people or structures to potential substantial adverse effects, including the risk of loss, injury, or death involving:

   i) Rupture of a known earthquake fault, as delineated on the most recent Alquist-Priolo Earthquake Fault Zoning Map issued by the State Geologist for the area or based on other substantial evidence of a known fault? (Refer to Division of Mines and Geology Special Publication 42.)

   ii) Strong seismic ground shaking?

   iii) Seismic-related ground failure, including liquefaction?

   iv) Landslides?

b) Result in substantial soil erosion or the loss of topsoil?

c) Be located on geologic unit or soil that is unstable, or that would become unstable as a result of the project, and potentially result in on- or off-site landslide, lateral spreading, subsidence, liquefaction, or collapse?

d) Be located on expansive soil, as defined in Table 18-1-B of the Uniform Building Code, creating substantial risks to life or property?

e) Have soils incapable of adequately supporting the use of septic tanks or alternative wastewater disposal systems where sewers are not available for the disposal of wastewater?

f) Change substantially the topography or any unique geologic or physical features of the site?

The Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR concluded that implementation of the Plan would indirectly increase the population that would be subject to an earthquake, including seismically induced ground-shaking, liquefaction, and landslides. The PEIR also noted that new development is generally safer than comparable older development due to improvements in building codes and construction techniques. Compliance with applicable codes and recommendations made in project-specific geotechnical analyses would not eliminate earthquake risks, but would reduce them to an acceptable level, given the seismically active characteristics of the Bay Area. Thus, the PEIR concluded that implementation of the Plan would not result in significant impacts with regard to geology, and no mitigation measures were identified in the Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR.
A geotechnical investigation was prepared for the proposed project. The investigation found that the project site is underlain by heterogeneous fill of varying thickness and consistency and concluded that a mat foundation would adequately support the proposed structure and the depth of excavation for the proposed full basement parking garage. The project is required to conform to the San Francisco Building Code, which ensures the safety of all new construction in the City. DBI will review the project-specific geotechnical report during its review of the building permit for the project. In addition, DBI may require additional site specific soils report(s) through the building permit application process, as needed. The DBI requirement for a geotechnical report and review of the building permit application pursuant to DBI’s implementation of the Building Code would ensure that the proposed project would have no significant impacts related to soils, seismic or other geological hazards.

In light of the above, the proposed project would not result in a significant impact related to seismic and geologic hazards and would not result in significant project-level or cumulative impacts related to geology and soils that were not identified in the Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR. No mitigation measures are necessary.

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<td>b) Substantially deplete groundwater supplies or interfere substantially with groundwater recharge such that there would be a net deficit in aquifer volume or a lowering of the local groundwater table level (e.g., the production rate of pre-existing nearby wells would drop to a level which would not support existing land uses or planned uses for which permits have been granted)?</td>
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<td>c) Substantially alter the existing drainage pattern of the site or area, including through the alteration of the course of a stream or river, in a manner that would result in substantial erosion or siltation on- or off-site?</td>
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<td>d) Substantially alter the existing drainage pattern of the site or area, including through the alteration of the course of a stream or river, or substantially increase the rate or amount of surface runoff in a manner that would result in flooding on- or off-site?</td>
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<td>e) Create or contribute runoff water which would exceed the capacity of existing or planned stormwater drainage systems or provide substantial additional sources of polluted runoff?</td>
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20 H. Allen Gruen, Geotechnical Engineer, Geotechnical Investigation Planned Development at 2146 3rd Street, San Francisco, California. October 6, 2013. This document is available for review at the San Francisco Planning Department, 1650 Mission Street, Suite 400, as part of Case File No. 2013.1109E.
### Community Plan Exemption Checklist

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<td>g) Place housing within a 100-year flood hazard area as mapped on a federal Flood Hazard Boundary or Flood Insurance Rate Map or other authoritative flood hazard delineation map?</td>
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The Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR determined that the anticipated increase in population would not result in a significant impact on hydrology and water quality, including the combined sewer system and the potential for combined sewer outflows. No mitigation measures were identified in the PEIR.

The amount of impervious surfaces on the project site would not change as the design of the proposed building would maintain a similar footprint of the existing building. As a result, the proposed project would not increase stormwater runoff.

Therefore, the proposed project would not result in any significant project-level or cumulative impacts related to hydrology and water quality that were not identified in the Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR.

#### 15. HAZARDS AND HAZARDOUS MATERIALS—Would the project:

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<td>a) Create a significant hazard to the public or the environment through the routine transport, use, or disposal of hazardous materials?</td>
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<td>b) Create a significant hazard to the public or the environment through reasonably foreseeable upset and accident conditions involving the release of hazardous materials into the environment?</td>
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<td>c) Emit hazardous emissions or handle hazardous or acutely hazardous materials, substances, or waste within one-quarter mile of an existing or proposed school?</td>
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<td>d) Be located on a site which is included on a list of hazardous materials sites compiled pursuant to Government Code Section 65962.5 and, as a result, would it create a significant hazard to the public or the environment?</td>
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The Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR noted that implementation of any of the proposed project’s rezoning options would encourage construction of new development within the project area. The PEIR found that there is a high potential to encounter hazardous materials during construction activities in many parts of the project area because of the presence of 1906 earthquake fill, previous and current land uses associated with the use of hazardous materials, and known or suspected hazardous materials cleanup cases. However, the PEIR found that existing regulations for facility closure, Under Storage Tank (UST) closure, and investigation and cleanup of soil and groundwater would ensure implementation of measures to protect workers and the community from exposure to hazardous materials during construction.

Hazardous Building Materials

The Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR determined that future development in the Plan Area may involve demolition or renovation of existing structures containing hazardous building materials. Some building materials commonly used in older buildings could present a public health risk if disturbed during an accident or during demolition or renovation of an existing building. Hazardous building materials addressed in the PEIR include asbestos, electrical equipment such as transformers and fluorescent light ballasts that contain PCBs or di (2 ethylhexyl) phthalate (DEHP), fluorescent lights containing mercury vapors, and lead-based paints. Asbestos and lead based paint may also present a health risk to existing building occupants if they are in a deteriorated condition. If removed during demolition of a building, these materials would also require special disposal procedures. The Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR identified a significant impact associated with hazardous building materials including PCBs, DEHP, and mercury and determined that that Mitigation Measure L-1: Hazardous Building Materials, as outlined below, would reduce impacts to less-than-significant levels. Because the proposed development includes demolition of the existing 4,000-square-foot, mixed-use building on the project site, Mitigation Measure L-1 would apply to the proposed project. With implementation of this mitigation measure, the project’s impact related to hazardous building materials would be reduced to a less-than-significant level. See full text of Mitigation Measure L-1, as Project Mitigation Measure 5, in the Mitigation Measures Section below.
Soil and Groundwater Contamination

The proposed project is located within the Article 22A (Maher) area of the San Francisco Health Code, known as the Maher Ordinance, and would involve up to approximately 16 feet of excavation and approximately 194 cubic yards of soil disturbance. Therefore, the proposed project is subject to the Maher Ordinance, which is administered and overseen by the Department of Public Health (DPH). The Maher Ordinance requires the project sponsor to retain the services of a qualified professional to prepare a Phase I Environmental Site Assessment (ESA) that meets the requirements of Health Code Section 22.A.6.

The Phase I would determine the potential for site contamination and level of exposure risk associated with the project. Based on that information, the project sponsor may be required to conduct soil and/or groundwater sampling and analysis. Where such analysis reveals the presence of hazardous substances in excess of state or federal standards, the project sponsor is required to submit a site mitigation plan (SMP) to the DPH or other appropriate state or federal agency(ies), and to remediate any site contamination in accordance with an approved SMP prior to the issuance of any building permit.

In compliance with the Maher Ordinance, the project sponsor submitted a Maher Application and a Phase I ESA\(^{21}\) to DPH\(^{22}\). The Phase I ESA found the historical presence of an UST within 100 feet of the project site. The project sponsor would be required to remediate potential soil and groundwater contamination associated with this UST in accordance with Article 22A of the Health Code. Therefore, the proposed project would not result in any significant project-level or cumulative impacts related to hazardous materials that were not identified in the Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR.

For the above reasons, the proposed project would not result in significant impacts related to hazards or hazardous materials that were not identified in the Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR.

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<td>b) Result in the loss of availability of a locally important mineral resource recovery site delineated on a local general plan, specific plan or other land use plan?</td>
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<td>c) Encourage activities which result in the use of large amounts of fuel, water, or energy, or use these in a wasteful manner?</td>
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\(^{21}\) AEI Consultants, *Phase I Environmental Site Assessment at 2146 3rd Street, San Francisco, CA*, December 22, 2014. This document is available for review at the San Francisco Planning Department, 1650 Mission Street, Suite 400, as part of Case File No. 2013.1109E.

\(^{22}\) Russell Yim, SFDPH, email to Don Lewis, 2146 – 2148 Third Street, February 18, 2015. A copy of this email is available for public review at the San Francisco Planning Department, 1650 Mission Street, Suite 400, as part of Case File No. 2013.1109E.
The Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR determined that the Area Plan would facilitate the construction of both new residential units and commercial buildings. Development of these uses would not result in use of large amounts of fuel, water, or energy in a wasteful manner or in the context of energy use throughout the City and region. The energy demand for individual buildings would be typical for such projects and would meet, or exceed, current state and local codes and standards concerning energy consumption, including Title 24 of the California Code of Regulations enforced by DBI. The Plan Area does not include any natural resources routinely extracted and the rezoning does not result in any natural resource extraction programs. Therefore, the Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR concluded that implementation of the Area Plan would not result in a significant impact on mineral and energy resources. No mitigation measures were identified in the PEIR.

Because the proposed project is within the development projected under the Eastern Neighborhoods Rezoning and Area Plans, there would be no additional impacts on mineral and energy resources beyond those analyzed in the Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR.

17. AGRICULTURE AND FOREST RESOURCES:—Would the project:

- Convert Prime Farmland, Unique Farmland, or Farmland of Statewide Importance, as shown on the maps prepared pursuant to the Farmland Mapping and Monitoring Program of the California Resources Agency, to non-agricultural use?
- Conflict with existing zoning for agricultural use, or a Williamson Act contract?
- Conflict with existing zoning for, or cause rezoning of, forest land (as defined in Public Resources Code Section 12220(g)) or timberland (as defined by Public Resources Code Section 4526)?
- Result in the loss of forest land or conversion of forest land to non-forest use?
- Involve other changes in the existing environment which, due to their location or nature, could result in conversion of Farmland to non-agricultural use or forest land to non-forest use?

The Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR determined that no agricultural resources exist in the Area Plan; therefore the rezoning and community plans would have no effect on agricultural resources. No mitigation measures were identified in the PEIR. The Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR did not analyze the effects on forest resources.

Because the proposed project is within the development projected under the Eastern Neighborhoods Rezoning and Area Plans, there would be no additional impacts on agriculture and forest resources beyond those analyzed in the Eastern Neighborhoods PEIR.
MITIGATION MEASURES

Archeological Resources

Project Mitigation Measure 1 - Properties With No Previous Studies (Eastern Neighborhoods Mitigation Measure J-2)

This measure would apply to those properties within the project area for which no archeological assessment report has been prepared or for which the archeological documentation is incomplete or inadequate to serve as an evaluation of potential effects on archeological resources under CEQA (CEQA Guidelines § 15064.5(a)(1)(3) and (c)(1)(2)), with the exception of those properties within Archeological Mitigation Zone B as shown in Figure 29 in Chapter IV, for which Mitigation Measure J-3, below, is applicable). That is, this measure would apply to the entirety of the study area outside of Archeological Mitigation Zones A and B.

For projects proposed outside Archeological Mitigation Zones A and B, a Preliminary Archeological Sensitivity Study must be prepared by an archeological consultant with expertise in California prehistoric and urban historical archeology. The Sensitivity Study should contain the following:

1) Determine the historical uses of the project site based on any previous archeological documentation and Sanborn maps;

2) Determine types of archeological resources/properties that may have been located within the project site and whether the archeological resources/property types would potentially be eligible for listing in the CRHR;

3) Determine if 19th or 20th century soils-disturbing activities may adversely affected the identified potential archeological resources;

4) Assess potential project effects in relation to the depth of any identified potential archeological resource;

5) Conclusion: assessment of whether any CRHP-eligible archeological resources could be adversely affected by the proposed project and recommendation as to appropriate further action.

Based on the Sensitivity Study, the Environmental Review Officer (ERO) shall determine if an Archeological Research Design/Treatment Plan (ARD/TP) shall be required to more definitively identify the potential for CRHP-eligible archeological resources to be present within the project site and determine the appropriate action necessary to reduce the potential effect of the project on archeological resources to a less than significant level. The scope of the ARD/TP shall be determined in consultation with the ERO and consistent with the standards for archeological documentation established by the Office of Historic Preservation for purposes of compliance with CEQA, in Preservation Planning Bulletin No. 5).
Noise

**Project Mitigation Measure 2 – Interior Noise Levels (Eastern Neighborhoods Mitigation Measure F-3)**

For new development including noise-sensitive uses located along streets with noise levels above 60 dBA (Ldn), as shown in EIR Figure 18, where such development is not already subject to the California Noise Insulation Standards in Title 24 of the California Code of Regulations, the project sponsor shall conduct a detailed analysis of noise reduction requirements. Such analysis shall be conducted by person(s) qualified in acoustical analysis and/or engineering. Noise insulation features identified and recommended by the analysis shall be included in the design, as specified in the San Francisco General Plan Land Use Compatibility Guidelines for Community Noise to reduce potential interior noise levels to the maximum extent feasible.

**Project Mitigation Measure 3 – Siting of Noise-Sensitive Uses (Eastern Neighborhoods Mitigation Measure F-4)**

To reduce potential conflicts between existing noise-generating uses and new sensitive receptors, for new development including noise-sensitive uses, the Planning Department shall require the preparation of an analysis that includes, at a minimum, a site survey to identify potential noise-generating uses within 900 feet of, and that have a direct line-of-sight to, the project site, and including at least one 24-hour noise measurement (with maximum noise level readings taken at least every 15 minutes), prior to the first project approval action. The analysis shall be prepared by persons qualified in acoustical analysis and/or engineering and shall demonstrate with reasonable certainty that Title 24 standards, where applicable, can be met, and that there are no particular circumstances about the proposed project site that appear to warrant heightened concern about noise levels in the vicinity. Should such concerns be present, the Department may require the completion of a detailed noise assessment by person(s) qualified in acoustical analysis and/or engineering prior to the first project approval action, in order to demonstrate that acceptable interior noise levels consistent with those in the Title 24 standards can be attained.

**Project Mitigation Measure 4 – Open Space in Noisy Environments (Eastern Neighborhoods Mitigation Measure F-6)**

To minimize effects on development in noisy areas, for new development including noise-sensitive uses, the Planning Department shall, through its building permit review process, in conjunction with noise analysis required pursuant to Mitigation Measure F-4, require that open space required under the Planning Code for such uses be protected, to the maximum feasible extent, from existing ambient noise levels that could prove annoying or disruptive to users of the open space. Implementation of this measure could involve, among other things, site design that uses the building itself to shield on-site open space from the greatest noise sources, construction of noise barriers between noise sources and open space, and appropriate use of both common and private open space in multi-family dwellings, and implementation would also be undertaken consistent with other principles of urban design.
Hazardous Materials

*Project Mitigation Measure 5 – Hazardous Building Materials (Eastern Neighborhoods Mitigation Measure L-1)*

The City shall condition future development approvals to require that the subsequent project sponsors ensure that any equipment containing PCBs or DEPH, such as fluorescent light ballasts, are removed and properly disposed of according to applicable federal, state, and local laws prior to the start of renovation, and that any fluorescent light tubes, which could contain mercury, are similarly removed and properly disposed of. Any other hazardous materials identified, either before or during work, shall be abated according to applicable federal, state, and local laws.