



Mission Dolores Neighborhood Association

DEDICATED TO PRESERVING AND ENHANCING OUR HISTORIC NEIGHBORHOOD

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Historic Preservation Commission
1650 Mission Street, Suite 400
San Francisco, CA 94103

Re: MDNA - Letter of Support
Mission Dolores Neighborhood Historic Context Statement and Survey – 2019-
016353SRV

Dear President Matsuda and Members of the Commission:

Over the past 17 years the Mission Dolores Neighborhood Association has worked hard to protect our historically important neighborhood. In doing so, we've raised the funds, hired professional consultants, and worked closely with Planning Staff to complete an extensive context statement and survey. We've also saved many important historic resources and have worked to preserve the integrity of the neighborhood.

Therefore, on behalf of MDNA, I'd like to offer our support for the adoption of the newly revised Mission Dolores Neighborhood Historic Context Statement and Survey. I'll clarify our reasoning below.

While the newly formed Historic Preservation Commission unanimously adopted our Mission Dolores Neighborhood Survey and Context Statement on March 17, 2010 and unanimously reaffirmed that adoption on January 19, 2011, the Planning Department never recorded those documents, even though they were requested to do so by HPC. Yet now under new leadership and with the support

of Supervisor Mandelman, Planning has revised our survey and context statement to include 2 new historic districts and the 5 districts in the Inner Mission North Survey that are within the boundaries of the Mission Dolores Neighborhood, giving us a total of 7 historic districts.

While we would have preferred a few large historic districts that included the Dolores Street Median, Mission Dolores Park, and an extended period of significance that both HPC and MDNA recommended in 2010 and 2011, we'd like to support the new proposal from Planning so we can all move on with our lives. We hope you agree with this compromise.

Please refer to HPC Resolutions No. 0056 and 0097.

Thank you and best wishes,

Peter Lewis, President

******Results: Unanimously adopted at 7-20-22 Meeting**



SAN FRANCISCO PLANNING DEPARTMENT

Historic Preservation Commission Motion No. 0056

HEARING DATE: MARCH 17, 2010

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ADOPTION WITH MODIFICATIONS OF "MISSION DOLORES NEIGHBORHOOD SURVEY."

PREAMBLE

WHEREAS, the Methodology for recording and evaluating historic resources contained in the Office of Historic Preservation publication Instructions for Recording Historical Resources of March 1995 and future editions of that publication is based on the Secretary of the Interior's Standards and National Register of Historic Places Criteria cited therein.

WHEREAS, that the *Mission Dolores Neighborhood Survey* was prepared by qualified historians in accordance with the Secretary of the Interior's Standards and State Office of Historic Preservation Recordation Manual as outlined in Resolution No. 527 of June 7, 2000, adopted by the previous San Francisco Landmarks Preservation Advisory Board.

WHEREAS, that the *Mission Dolores Neighborhood Survey* was reviewed by Planning Department qualified historians for accuracy and adequacy according to the established guidelines and standards of the National Park Service, the California State Office of Historic Preservation, and the City and County of San Francisco (a Certified Local Government).

WHEREAS, that the *Mission Dolores Neighborhood Survey* was reviewed by the San Francisco Historic Preservation Commission for accuracy and adequacy at a public meeting agendized for this purpose.

WHEREAS, that the San Francisco Historic Preservation Commission adopts the Historic Context Statement of the *Mission Dolores Neighborhood Survey*, which shall be updated by the project sponsor, the Mission Dolores Neighborhood Association, to incorporate comments of the Commission and the public resulting from the public hearing.

WHEREAS, that future Landmark and Historic District Designation Reports and Structures of Merit Nominations may demonstrate historic significance by reference to the Historic Context Statement of the *Mission Dolores Neighborhood Survey*.

WHEREAS, that in the future, in evaluating properties, historic significance may be demonstrated by reference to the Historic Context Statement of the *Mission Dolores Neighborhood Survey*.

WHEREAS, that the San Francisco Historic Preservation Commission adopts with modifications the Primary Records (DPR 523A forms) of the *Mission Dolores Neighborhood Survey*, which shall be updated by the project sponsor, the Mission Dolores Neighborhood Association, to incorporate revised construction dates as determined by the Planning Department.

WHEREAS, that the San Francisco Historic Preservation Commission adopts the Building, Structure, and Object Records (DPR 523B forms) of the *Mission Dolores Neighborhood Survey* for the following seven properties: 666-668 Church Street; 690 Church Street; 700 Church Street; 740 Church Street; 207 Dorland Street; 215 Dorland Street; and 223 Dorland Street.

WHEREAS, that the San Francisco Historic Preservation Commission disapproves the Building, Structure, and Object Records (DPR 523B forms) of the *Mission Dolores Neighborhood Survey* for the following two properties: 718 Church Street and 3867 20th Street.

WHEREAS, that the San Francisco Historic Preservation Commission adopts the District Record (DPR 523D form) of the *Mission Dolores Neighborhood Survey* for the "Mission Dolores Neighborhood 1906 Fire Survivors and Reconstruction Historic District", as documented by the consultant firm of Carey & Co., Inc. and as proposed by the project sponsor, the Mission Dolores Neighborhood Association.

WHEREAS, that the San Francisco Historic Preservation Commission recommends that, at such time as the "Mission Dolores Neighborhood 1906 Fire Survivors and Reconstruction Historic District" may be nominated for official designation and/or listing on a historic register, further research should investigate potential expansion of the historic district boundary and/or period of significance in order to consider including additional properties within the neighborhood that are currently not identified as contributors, such as the Golden Fire Hydrant, and buildings erected during the 1920s-30s that convey Spanish Colonial Revival architectural style, including public schools, as contributors to an officially designated and/or listed historic district.

WHEREAS, that the San Francisco Historic Preservation Commission concludes that additional research and documentation is required in order to evaluate the proposed Dolores Street "Cultural Landscape" and its components as identified in the *Mission Dolores Neighborhood Survey*, most notably the Dolores Street center median strip between Market and 20th Streets, and Mission Dolores Park; and that additional research and documentation should include completion of DPR forms that may include Primary Records (DPR 523A forms) and Building, Structure and Object Records (DPR 523B forms) for properties that currently lack complete documentation, a District Record (DPR 523D form) for the larger area under consideration, and possibly a Linear Feature Record (DPR 523E form) if necessary; and that sufficient information is contained in the *Mission Dolores Neighborhood Survey* to conclude that the Dolores Street central median strip between Market and 20th Streets, and Mission Dolores Park, an urban open space with deep historical and cultural associations, are potential individual historic resources pursuant to CEQA, as well as identified contributors to the "Mission Dolores Neighborhood 1906 Fire Survivors and Reconstruction Historic District".

WHEREAS, that in order to finalize the *Mission Dolores Neighborhood Survey* as adopted with modifications by the San Francisco Historic Preservation Commission, the project sponsor, the Mission Dolores Neighborhood Association, shall further refine the *Mission Dolores Neighborhood Survey* and make technical edits and changes as required, including: revisions to Primary Records (DPR 523A forms) to include updated construction dates as determined by the Planning Department; revisions to two Building, Structure, and Object Records (DPR 523B forms) for 718 Church Street and 3867 20th Street in order to address evaluations that were disapproved by the San Francisco Historic Preservation Commission, as agreed upon by the sponsor's professional consultant, Carey & Co., in their letter to the Commission dated March 17, 2010; revisions to the Historic Context Statement to incorporate information provided by Mr. Jonathan Lammers in his letter to the Commission dated March 15, 2010, as well as to more accurately characterize significant changes that occurred within the neighborhood between the end of World War I and the beginning of World War II; and revisions to address any further comments of the staff of the California State Office of Historic Preservation.

WHEREAS, that a copy of the duly adopted (final and revised) *Mission Dolores Neighborhood Survey* will be maintained in the Planning Department Preservation Library and on the Planning Department's website.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Historic Preservation Commission hereby adopts with modifications the *Mission Dolores Neighborhood Survey*, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Historic Preservation Commission hereby directs its Commission Secretary to transmit a copy of the (final and revised) *Mission Dolores Neighborhood Survey*, following update by the project sponsor, the Mission Dolores Neighborhood Association, to incorporate comments of the Commission and the public resulting from the public hearing, and any further comments received of the staff of the California State Office of Historic Preservation, and this Motion No. 00xx, to the California State Office of Historic Preservation and to the Northwest Information Center at Sonoma State University for reference.

I hereby certify that the Historical Preservation Commission ADOPTED the foregoing Motion on March 17, 2010.

Linda D. Avery
Commission Secretary

AYES: Chase, Damkroger, Martinez, Matsuda, Wolfram

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Buckley, Hasz

ADOPTED: March 17, 2010



**SAN FRANCISCO
PLANNING DEPARTMENT**

**Historic Preservation Commission
Motion No. 0097**

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ADOPTION OF ADDITIONAL FINDINGS IN SUPPORT OF THE MARCH 17, 2010 HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION MOTION NO. 0056, IN ORDER TO CLARIFY THAT THE DOLORES STREET MEDIAN AND DOLORES PARK ARE INCLUDED WITHIN THE SURVEY FINDINGS AS CONTRIBUTORS TO THE IDENTIFIED HISTORIC DISTRICT.

1. WHEREAS, the Historic Preservation Commission (HPC) adopted the Mission Dolores Neighborhood Context Statement and survey findings with modifications at its March 17, 2010 hearing which Motion is incorporated herein and made a part thereof as though fully set forth; and
2. WHEREAS, the Historic Preservation Commission, finds that Dolores Park and the Dolores Street Median are also found to be identified contributors to the "Mission Dolores Neighborhood 1906 Fire Survivors and Reconstruction Historic District."

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Historic Preservation Commission hereby reaffirms the March 17, 2010 adoption of the *Mission Dolores Neighborhood Survey*, with modifications, and additional finding that the Dolores Street Median and Dolores Park are identified contributors to the identified district, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Historic Preservation Commission hereby directs its Commission Secretary to transmit a copy of this Motion No. 0097, to the California State Office of Historic Preservation and to the Northwest Information Center at Sonoma State University for reference.

I hereby certify that the foregoing Motion was adopted by the Commission at its meeting on January 19, 2011

Linda D. Avery
Commission Secretary

AYES: C. CHASE, C. DAMKROGER, K. HASZ, A. MARTINEZ,
D. MATSUDA, J. BUCKLEY, A. WOLFRAM

NAYS:

ABSENT:

ADOPTED: JANUARY 19, 2011