



SAN FRANCISCO  
**PLANNING**  
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# PLANNING DEPARTMENT Director's Report

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS:

### **Preservation Element of the General Plan Update**

The Planning Department is excited to be resuming work on the Preservation Element after a stall due to budget cuts in 2009. The document's objectives and policies address the importance of preserving historic resources and their essential role in maintaining the character of San Francisco. Once approved, the Preservation Element will become part of the City's General Plan.

The department plans to complete a final draft of the Preservation Element by the end of 2014. In order to accomplish this goal, the Draft Preservation Element will be presented through a series of public hearings to the Planning Commission and the Historic Preservation Commission for review and comment. In addition to the public hearings, the department will host an open house providing an opportunity for the public to learn more and provide feedback on the document. You can follow our progress and learn about the upcoming events on the project website at: <http://www.sf-planning.org/preservationelement>.

### **Mayor Lee Nominates Planning Commissioner Borden to SFMTA Board of Directors**

Earlier this month, Mayor Edwin Lee nominated Planning Commissioner Gwyneth Borden to the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency Board of Directors. The Planning Department would like to recognize and thank Commissioner Borden for her service to the Commission and to the Department since 2008. Her broad range of knowledge in regards to land use and urban planning and her commitment to San Francisco's future has been a tremendous asset to the City. Commissioner Borden will be missed and the Department wishes her the best of luck in her new appointment.