



SAN FRANCISCO PLANNING DEPARTMENT

Historic Preservation Commission Resolution No. 650

HEARING DATE JULY 21, 2010

ADOPTION OF A POLICY STATEMENT CONSISTENT WITH THE AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT REQUIREMENTS AND THE SECRETARY OF THE INTERIOR'S STANDARDS

1. WHEREAS, on January 15, 2010 the Mayor's Disability Council (MDC), the Mayor's Office on Disabilities, and the Historic Preservation Commission agreed to collaborate on a policy that addressed historic preservation issues and disability rights; and
2. WHEREAS, Commissioners Alan Martinez and Vice President Courtney Damkroger met with the Mayor's Disability Council, Susan Mizner of the Mayor's Office on Disabilities, and the Planning Department on behalf of the Historic Preservation Commission to develop a draft policy that benefits the goals of both purposes; and
3. WHEREAS, the Historic Preservation Commission, at its regular hearings of May 5, 2010, May 19, 2010, June 16, 2009, and July 7, 2010 reviewed and discussed the intent, application, and enforceability of the draft policy; and
4. WHEREAS, the Historic Preservation Commission appreciates the opportunity to work with the Mayor's Disability Council and the Mayor's Office on Disabilities to illustrate that the goals of providing accessibility and historic preservation can be mutually achieved.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Commission hereby ADOPTS the following policy for its review of properties under their purview as identified in Articles 10 and 11 of the Planning Code:

The Historic Preservation Commission (HPC) recognizes the importance of access for people with disability and recognizes that Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act requires access in buildings that have City government services, programs, or activities. In order to ensure that sufficient public access is included in historic properties that house City government services, programs or activities, prior to any HPC approval, either the ADA Coordinator for the Department of Public Works, or the Compliance Officer from the Mayor's Office on Disability, shall review the proposed work and determine that the design of those areas open to the public are accessible to and useable by people with disabilities. As a matter of policy, the HPC will not accept wheelchair lifts in government owned buildings

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was adopted by the Commission at its meeting on July 21, 2010.

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