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# **Planning in the News**



#### San Francisco Planning's First Beautification Volunteer Day

This spring, San Francisco Planning staff partnered with SF Recreation & Parks on beautifying one of the City's most treasured parks, Golden Gate Park.

More than 33 staff volunteered, dedicating 165 hours of volunteer service to the beautifying of the Rhododendron Dell. Staff supported the removal of dead plants & trees, hand weeding and blackberry bush removal, which equates to an in-kind donation of \$4,346 worth of maintenance.



Planning staff ready to beautify the Rhododendron Dell.



Planning Director John Rahaim and Citywide Director Gil Kelley trim blackberry bushes along the Rhododendron Dell walkway.

#### New Living Innovation Zone Headed to Fulton Street

Two Civic Center institutions, the San Francisco Public Library and the Asian Art Museum, are



Youth Art Exchange student expanding the potential new LIZ structure through a community engagement event at UN Plaza.



Bringing community together through play.

working to create a greater sense of activation between their spaces on Fulton Street. Within the past few months, they joined forces with the City's Living Innovation Zones (LIZ) program, managed by San Francisco Planning, the Mayor's Office of Civic Innovation, and the San Francisco Arts Commission, to create the first LIZ structure off of Market Street.

In early December, the City agencies worked with the Youth Art Exchange to display and gather initial public input on the new future interactive art installation, Art/Lit LIZ Prototype. With the goal to create a welcoming, playful space for the Civic Center community to gather and serve as a link between the Public Library and the Asian Art Museum, the students at the Youth Art Exchange developed mock-ups of the future LIZ that were focused on being inclusive, with engaging textures designed to appeal all populations.

The project design has yet to be finalized, but the current plan is for an 18-foot dragon structure, spanning three rows of trees near the Asian Art Museum. It will have three interactive components: a gallery space, a slide for kids and a turf area. The gallery space will be used to showcase rotating work from a variety of cultures, in collaboration with local art organizations.

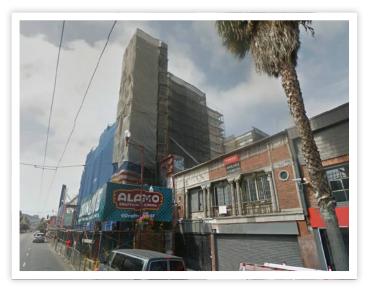


The front façade of the University Mound Old Ladies' Home.

#### University Mound Old Ladies' Home Received Landmark Designation Status

IIn November 2015, Mayor Lee signed the resolution granting and recognizing the University Mound Old Ladies' Home (the Home) as the City's 269th landmark designation.

Constructed in 1931-1932 350 University Street, the Home is a nursing home that served the meet the changing needs of the aging population in San Francisco. The building is significant for its architecturally distinctive characteristics resembling the Colonial Revival period and is the only extant Colonial Revival style convalescent/nursing homes in San Francisco that retains a high degree of physical integrity having undergone few alterations since its construction.



Mid-restoration of the New Mission Theater facade.

#### New Mission Theater

After more than a decade of efforts to restore a beloved neighborhood landmark in the Mission neighborhood, the New Mission Theater opened December 17, 2015. Headlining the marquee? *Star Wars: The Force Awakens*, of course! Awarded Historic Landmark status in 1999, The New Mission Theater was constructed in 1910. The three-story, single-screen theater originally opened as the Idle Hour, a nickelodeon. It was enlarged and renovated in 1916 as a neoclassical auditorium and again in 1932 with elements of the Art Deco style.

Vacant since 2003, this historic landmark (No. 245) has undergone a complete renovation with exterior and interior restorations, including the 70ft tall pylon sign and marquee fronting onto Mission Street. Today, the <u>Alamo Drafthouse New Mission</u> <u>Theater</u> stands with five screens, 550 seats and cocktail and dinner hours.

#### **Dogpatch Neighborhood Shared Their Priorities for Improvements**

San Francisco Planning held held two public workshops in March and May 2016 for the Central Waterfront/Dogpatch Public Realm Plan. Over 50 community members attended these workshops and shared their



Supervisor Cohen joins the Dogpatch community in the first Dogpatch Public Realm Plan public workshop.

vision on what they would like to see as a priority for the Dogpatch neighborhood. Many ideas included improvements to certain corridors and sidewalks, as well as creating more open spaces.

#### Playland at 43rd Avenue – A New City Park for Outer Sunset Residents

On May 7, 2016, Outer Sunset neighbors joined the City in the grand opening of Playland at 43rd Avenue. Formerly an underutilized 1.25 acre site at the Francis Scott Key Annex, Playland at 43rd Avenue is a temporary public space that offers a community garden, picnic and seating areas,





Supervisor Tang joins the Pavement to Parks team, SF Park Alliance and Outer Sunset neighbors for the grand opening of Playland at 43rd Ave.

a playground and exercise area for all ages, skate ramps, a revamped basketball court, a bicycle course, and an artist's courtyard for studios and community art classes.

The completion of Playland at 43rd Avenue was a collaborative effort with San Francisco Planning, SFUSD, Friends of Playland at 43rd Avenue, San Francisco Parks Alliance, Supervisor Katy

Citywide Planner Kay Cheng and daughter having fun at Playland at 43rd Ave.

Tang's Office and Outer Sunset community volunteers. Playland at 43rd Avenue was designed in collaboration with Perkins + Will and the Pavement to Parks team. The project will be managed by Friends of Playland at 43rd Avenue, a San Francisco Parks Alliance partner. For information on the project or the Pavement to Parks program please visit <u>http://</u> pavementtoparks.org.

#### The Hub Workshop

The intersection of Market, Valencia, Haight and Gough Streets was once known as "The Hub" because of the area's distinctive block pattern and



Planning Director John Rahaim presenting The Hub's first workshop.

intersection for the four streetcar lines as they traveled across the City. The name eventually came to represent the surrounding neighborhood as well.

With major transportation projects and building planned or underway along Market, Van Ness and south of Market from Valencia to 11th Street, San Francisco Planning is considering making amendments to the 2008 Market and Octavia Plan that will better ensure that the area's growth supports the City's goals for housing, transportation, the public realm and the arts.

At the first workshop in April 2016, Planning provided a presentation introducing the

project and an overview of three topic areas for discussion: land use, urban form and public benefits.

A second workshop was held on June 22, 2016 which focused on open space, public realm and streetscape improvements that build on the initial concepts from the Market and Octavia Plan.

#### The City's First Street Tree Census!

Do you know how many street trees there are in San Francisco? Trees play a vital role in San Francisco. Trees not only beautify and green our City, they also store carbon, filter pollution from air and water, provide wildlife habitats and help enhance the quality of our daily lives. They are a valued community resource, an important component of the urban infrastructure, and a part of our identity.

However, the City lacks comprehensive data on the trees on San Francisco's streets.



Without knowing more about their conditions and how many exist, the City cannot develop a longterm plan for maintaining and growing its urban forest. This is why the City is launching its firstever citywide street tree census, EveryTreeSF.

Kicking off in January 2016, our team of tree specialists continues on the path of identifying the exact location, species and current condition of every street tree in the City. In addition to identifying existing trees, we will be surveying vacant sites to help determine locations for new trees to be planted. Once EveryTreeSF is completed, the data generated will help San Francisco make more informed species selections and identify priority maintenance needs and future planting sites. Join us for a virtual tree tour of the City by following @EveryTreeSF on Instagram (account required). We'll be posting some of our best treefies in your neighborhood with fun facts about the City's trees. Post photos of your favorite street trees and tag us!

#### Sea Level Action Plan

On March 10, 2016, San Francisco Planning and Public Works presented the Sea Level Rise Action Plan, a call to action for City departments and stakeholders to work together to make San Francisco a more resilient city in the face of rising sea levels. The Plan provides direction for City departments to understand and adapt to the impacts of sea level rise, and identifies what long-term sea level rise means for San Francisco's residents, visitors, economy and waterfront.

The Action Plan is the first step towards the development of the Citywide Sea Level Rise Adaptation Plan, expected to be completed by summer 2018, which will incorporate the adaptation strategies identified in the Action Plan and set a planning framework to prioritize investments to best improve climate resilience, while protecting economic and environmental value. The Sea Level Rise Adaptation Plan will also identify potential funding sources, governance structures, and implementation timelines.

The Sea Level Rise Action Plan completes four strategic tasks:

- Establishes an overarching vision, goals, and a set of guiding principles for sea level rise planning;
- Summarizes current climate science, relevant policies and regulations, and vulnerability and risk assessments conducted to

date;

- Identifies data gaps and establishes a framework for further assessment, adaptation planning, and implementation; and
- Provides the foundation and guidance to develop a citywide Sea Level Rise Adaptation Plan



Mayor Edwin Lee & City officials await the cutting of the ribbon for Sound Commons.

#### New Living Innovation Zone Debuted at UN Plaza

On June 14, 2016, Mayor Edwin Lee unveiled Sound Commons in United Nations Plaza, a new Living Innovation Zone (LIZ) partnership with the Exploratorium



Community members testing out one of the new Sound Commons installation.

and San Francisco Planning. Sound Commons is a soundbased installation composed of interactive musical elements designed to encourage social interaction and play, also serves as a symbol to unite the Civic Center District. This LIZ project is part of an initiative designed to activate and restore Civic Center as a destination for everyone.

Sound Commons is composed of several interactive musical elements, or "acoustic phenomena," such as chimes, xylophones, and "Echo Tubes" woven together with wooden boardwalks that wind throughout the trees that line both sides of the Plaza walkway. The

musical elements are intended to create unexpected and unique sound effects as people interact with them. In contrast, Sound Commons also offers a bed of gravel with enclosed soundsensors, challenging users to walk as quietly as possible and prove their tip-toeing skill. Scattered throughout the site will be small, written notes that provoke new ways of thinking about sound. Sound Commons also includes a 'canopy of Tivoli lights' placed in the trees above, illuminating UN Plaza at night. Sound Commons is the fourth creation from the Living Innovation Zone program and the second sponsored by the Exploratorium.

We would love to see your photos of using the new LIZ installation.

Wondering about the recent changes to the Planning Code?

All of the Department's Planning Code Changes can be found <u>here</u>. Post your photos on Facebook, Twitter and/or Instagram using the hashtag #SoundCommons.





Planners team up for the SF Foster Youth Fund Softball tournament.

#### SF Planners Play Ball for the SF Foster Youth Fund

On Saturday, June 18, 2016, San Francisco planners participated in the Mae Louise Mays 27th Annual SF Foster Youth Fund Softball Tournament. This year, San Francisco Planning had two softball teams in the tournament and broke records off the field by raising nearly \$2,000 for the Foster Youth Fund through donations and raffle tickets.

Congratulations to the team for their efforts and representing the Department for a great cause!





Citywide planners on the South Bay tour led by Nick Perry.

#### South Bay Whistle-Stop Tour

As part of the Department's regional planning work, staff

from the Citywide Division joined Director John Rahaim on a "whistle-stop" tour of the South Bay to learn more about the area and the complex planning issues created by Silicon Valley's booming economy.

The group traveled via Caltrain from San Francisco to Downtown Mountain View, where they met with planners from the City of Mountain View. From there, they embarked on a light rail tour of the valley, ending in Downtown San Jose where they attended a joint meeting with planners from the City of San Jose and staff from SPUR's San Jose office. The interregional conversation sparked by the trip will continue this fall when planners from San Jose will travel north for a planning-tour of San Francisco.

### **Ask Planning**

#### I'd like to start a new business. But it seems so complicated, and I don't know where to start. Any advice? –Monty, Potrero Hill

You're not alone! Small businesses are essential to our community, but the process of establishing a new business in the City can often feel overwhelming.

The Community Business Priority Processing Program ("CB3P") streamlines the Conditional Use process, providing a simplified and efficient system for certain small and mid-sized business applications. Projects that qualify for, and enroll in, the CB3P are guaranteed (1) a hearing date within 90 days of filing and (2) placement on the Planning Commission's consent calendar. This simple, direct, and fast service passes time-savings on to small businesses so they can open their doors faster and frees the Planning Commission and Department staff to focus on priority policy and project issues. Learn more <u>here</u>.

#### Where can I find out more information about a property in San Francisco? –Jack, Inner Richmond

San Francisco Planning's innovative, user-friendly <u>San</u> <u>Francisco Property Information</u> <u>Map</u>, or PIM, provides a variety of useful property data, zoning and project information. This search tool enables you to quickly and easily find what you're looking for – and more!

#### Check out the Department's 2014-2015 Annual Report!

The <u>annual report</u> highlights the Department's projects and programs from July 1, 2014 to June 30, 2015.

Among the useful records and resources available for each property:

- Property Information (including Assessor's Reports, various Maps)
- Property Zoning Information (including Zoning Districts, other Applicable Regulations)
- Property Historic Preservation
  Data & District
- Project History of the Property
- Building Permit & Other Permit History of the Property
- Complaint Record of the Property
- Short-Term Rental Registrations

#### How can I find an application for a proposed project? *\_\_Jim, Castro*

You can view all applications submitted to Planning from our BuildingEye map at <u>https://</u> <u>sanfrancisco.buildingeye.com</u>. The map can be filtered to search by neighborhood, address or zip code, application type and date range. All applications will be shown as a colored icon: blue is a new application currently being processed, and green represents a completed application. After you find the address you're looking for, click on the icon and all the information about that application, its address, reference number, project description, associated planner and their contact details, the status of the project and a link for more details will be provided. If you click on more details, the link will take you to our Accela Citizen Access webpage.

On the Accela Citizen Access page, click on the "Record Info" tab and select attachments. All the documents for the project will be downloaded on your web browser. SAN FRANCISCO PLANNING DEPARTMENT

# The Preliminary Project Assessment (PPA)

Many San Franciscans have often heard the following: "A developer submitted a PPA for a new development in our neighborhood."

This can sound daunting, especially if you've never heard the term "PPA" before. But don't fret; a PPA is nothing to be afraid of, there's still plenty of time to voice your concerns.



Essentially, a Preliminary Project Assessment (PPA), is a process where the Department provides





roadmaps to developers and any interested parties on what levels of review and public outreach are required for a project to proceed. Initiated in 2008, the PPA helps bring to light the policy and neighborhood concerns early in the development review process.

Projects that require a PPA application submission are for the

following scope of work: adding more than six dwelling units, changing how at least 25,000 square feet of the property is used, constructing a new non-residential building or adding 10,001 square feet to an existing building.

Given the preliminary nature of a PPA application, sometimes the proposed plans are very specific and sometimes the plans are just conceptual. Once the Department receives a PPA application, a team of planners will work with the Department's in-house architects and streetscape experts to review the application and

# Looking for Permit Applications?

In partnership with Department of Building Inspection and buildingeye, more than a million records are now available in an enhanced interactive online map. This application is available online at <u>http://</u> <u>sanfrancisco.buildingeye.</u> <u>com</u>. formally respond within 90 days. This response is a "PPA Letter" and serves to identify any gaps in relevant information, the required level of public outreach, related policy concerns, general comments on the design or environmental impacts, and any procedural requirements that are necessary for the approval process for the project. The more detailed the plans are, the more specific the Department's response.

And just like the name indicates, a PPA Letter is NOT a formal development application.

Completed PPA letters are made available for the public. If you're interested to see all PPA letters that have been issued, visit http://www.sf-planning.org/index. aspx?page=2786.



# Getting Involved in the Planning Process

San Francisco Planning plays an essential role in preserving and enhancing the City while guiding its growth and development. We work with other City agencies and the community on issues such as affordable housing policy, transportation, environmental review, long-range planning, open space, legislative review, historic preservation, land use, resiliency planning, and urban design. We work on everything from implementing a code change to providing an overall vision for the entire City.



District 5 community members meet with San Francisco planners at a Mobile PIC event.

We are also working to achieve a more effective and wide reaching level of engagement with the people who live and work here. It is important to us that we develop collaborative and positive working relationships that will lead to the public's increased understanding of our work and how we can better address the concerns and interests of the community.

So no matter what the topic or project, we encourage you to

become a part of the Planning process! From simply receiving e-mail updates to taking part in the developing of a final plan or anything in between, we welcome you to get involved.

One easy way is by attending community meetings in your neighborhood.\* Meetings are often centered on a particular plan or project and take the form of open houses, focus groups, workshops or other creative formats that allow you and your neighbors to make comments, provide feedback, and ask questions. After a community event, staff will summarize the input received from the attendees and publish the results on the



Teaching SF youth the importance of getting involved in the planning process.



Community members discussing their ideas and vision for their neighborhood.

project webpage. They also post copies of presentations and materials that were distributed at prior meetings that are available for download. Planners often make modifications to their plans based on input from public events. So you never know how your feedback may help determine the overall vision of a streetscape design, or what policies should be in place for a neighborhood area plan.

To learn more about what's happening in your neighborhood and be alerted of community meetings, sign up for <u>project</u> <u>notifications</u> on our website. You can request notifications based on a specific neighborhood, topic or project type. You can also find out about active permitting projects happening in your neighborhood through the <u>BuildingEye</u> interactive map.

To see the Planning process in action, attend a Commission Hearing or view one <u>online</u>. This is also an opportunity to state your support or opposition to a particular issue or project directly to the Commissioners. While there is no requirement to do so, public comment is an important part of the hearing and overall process.

#### Looking for the Department's Reports and Publications?

The Department releases multiple reports & publications that have to do with the City's economic growth, housing inventory and more. Find more information on all of our reports <u>here</u>. It informs the Commission of neighborhood sentiment and issues that may not have been identified. If you are interested in making public comment but are unable to attend a hearing in person, you may submit your comments in writing, by telephone, or by e-mail.

Planning Commission Hearings generally take place in Commission Chambers Room 400, in City Hall, at 1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place, San Francisco, CA. Although the start times and locations may vary, hearings are generally held on Thursdays at 12:00 pm.

Historic Preservation Commission hearings also take place in Commission Chambers Room 400, in City Hall, at 1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place. They are held on the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of each month from 12:30 PM to 4:30 PM.

The Architectural Review Committee provides early direction and advice to applicants and advice on design, building materials and construction techniques to the full Historic Preservation Commission. The Committee meets on an as needed basis at 11:30 AM before a regularly scheduled HPC hearing.

The Zoning Administrator holds Variance Hearings in Room 408, in City Hall, at 1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place, San Francisco, CA. Variance Hearings are typically held on the 4th Wednesday of each month at 9:30 AM. Notifications of Variance Hearings are provided by mail to owners within 300 feet of the subject property (10 days before the hearing) and by posting on the subject property (20 days before the hearing).

Additional contact info needed - <u>commissions.secretary@sfgov.org</u>

However you choose to get involved, we value your contribution to the planning process!

\* To request assistive listening devices, real time captioning, sign language interpreters, readers, large print agendas or other accommodations, please contact the Commission Secretary at (415) 558-6309, or commissions.secretary@ sfgov.org at least 72 hours prior to the event.

# Landmark No. 264 Twin Peaks Tavern

TWIN PEAKS

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Historic Landmark Highlight: Twin Peaks Tavern

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#### This issue features Twin Peaks Tavern, located at 401 Castro Street, approved for landmark status in January 2013.

#### Twin Peaks Tavern: 401 Castro Street

Located in the heart of the Castro, the Twin Peaks Tavern is a living symbol of the LGBT community and their liberties and rights gained in the second half of the 20th century.

Constructed in 1883, 401 Castro

Street was originally a single-story building that housed a telephone exchange at one end and a small dwelling fronting onto Castro Street on the other. In the 1890s, a second story was added and the building styled as a wood-clad square-bay Victorian. By 1899, the storefront was occupied by a saloon and cigar shop. By 1915, a second building with two projecting bow windows on the second floor was constructed on the southern portion of the lot. In 1923, owner Samuel Levin, perhaps in reaction to the adjacent construction of the Castro Theater, updated the façade of the building. The bay windows were removed and the entire building was stuccoed and restyled into the Mediterranean revival style that exists today.

First opening two years after the repeal of Prohibition in 1935, Twin Peaks Tavern was operated by Osborne Bye and William Mullane. After a number of transfers in ownership, MaryEllen Cunha and Margaret Ann (Peggy) Forster purchased the bar in 1972 and refurbished it as a fern bar for a gay clientele. At the time of the sake, the bar's windows were "blocked out by black paper on the interior, and painted on the exterior." With the windows



covered, "wives couldn't see their husbands drinking in here."

MaryEllen remembered the character of the bar at the time of the transfer: "The Twin Peaks Tavern was a dive Irish bar when we bought it. It served mostly neighborhood men and wives, but lots of seamen would drink there while in San Francisco. Usually, when you buy a bar, you keep the same name. For years, a lot of the old regulars still came in and had their drinks. I never had fears about being a bar that catered to lesbian and gay clientele; that



Credit: torbakhopper, "the clear casket : ishootwindows, twin peaks, castro, san francisco (2013)" June 23, 2013 via Flickr, Creative Commons Attribution

never bothered us. It was just going to be a neighborhood bar."

The bar opened at noon, but staff was often on-hand much earlier. Maryellen shared: "Opening in the morning, Harvey Milk would stop by. He'd catch the bus; he'd stop in and have coffee and dish. He'd take the bus, get off and come in, then hop back on the bus and go downtown to work."

The Twin Peaks Tavern quickly became more than a local bar, participating in the Tavern Guild's Memorial Day Tricycle Races in the 1970s that raised thousands of dollars for various charities, including Guide Dogs for the Blind. During the AIDS epidemic, the donations were made to various AIDS charities including San Francisco General Hospital Ward 5-B (the world's first hospital ward dedicated to AIDS), Project Open Hand, and The AIDS Emergency Fund.

After 31 years running the Twin Peaks Tavern, MaryEllen and Peggy sold the business to longterm employees, bartenders and good friends Jeff Green and George Roehm in 2003.





The renewed interest in the life of Harvey Milk, and the attention given to The Castro as a center of LGBT culture and rights, have attracted tourists from around the world. And in 2008, the owners were asked to allow the bar to be used as a stage set. The Twin Peaks Tavern was used as an interior set for the filming of the movie "Milk."



In speaking to the role the Tavern has played in the community, Jeff Green states, "The legacy of the Twin Peaks Tavern is the windows. That's pretty much what we're known for. Because of them, being open in a period of time when you could be fired for being seen in a gay bar....That's pretty significant. The windows caused the gay

#### Learn more about SF Planning's Historic Preservation program here.

San Francisco's Historic Preservation Program has been helping preserve the City's history since 1967. Architectural treasures, monuments to historic events and specific locations associated with cultural and social movements that contribute to San Francisco's unique history and identity are irreplaceable assets that must be protected. In 2011, the Historic Preservation Commission (HPC) adopted its Landmark Designation Work Program to protect and enhance San Francisco's cultural resources. movement to move forward—no hiding from society."

Reflecting on the positive impact the Twin Peaks Tavern has had in the creation of an "out" community of LGBT in the Castro, MaryEllen Cunha stated: "When we first opened the bar, a lot of our friends who were doctors and lawyers would sit upstairs on the balcony. Eventually, they moved downstairs because they didn't care anymore. They got over the fear pretty quickly. The Elephant Walk followed suit and opened their windows. Yes, they did!"

# **Planner-ease Decoded: CONDITIONAL USE**

eet's Coffee + Tea

A Conditional Use is a use that is not principally permitted, or typically allowed, in a particular zoning district.

For example, chain stores, also known as formula retail, are a "use" that is not principally permitted in certain areas throughout the City.

If a store that qualifies as formula retail would like to open on a street that does not ordinarily allow that particular use, the store would need to apply for and obtain a Conditional Use Authorization, or CUA.

#### Process

Prior to submitting an application, the owner of the formula retail business must initiate community communication by holding a Pre-Application Meeting with nearby residents and neighborhood organizations to answer questions and address neighborhood concerns.

Once the Pre-Application process has been completed, the applicant schedules an intake appointment with Planning staff who will ensure all the paperwork is <u>complete</u>.

Shortly after the intake, the CUA application is assigned to a Planner who reviews it, and issues a <u>Neighborhood Notification</u> detailing the proposal to residents and neighborhood groups within 300 feet of the property, instructs the applicant to place a notice at the site, and places an ad in the San Francisco Chronicle (only applicable for certain entitlements). These Notifications are also known as "Section 311 or



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312" in reference to the specific Planning Code requirement.

This begins a 30-day period for neighbors to voice concerns over a proposal to Planning staff. All comments will be included in the final staff report presented at the Commission hearing.

The Planning Commission hearing is held to determine if the proposed use is necessary or desirable to the neighborhood, and whether it may potentially have a negative impact on the surrounding area and existing businesses. At the hearing, the property owner will present materials to explain the intent of the use and why it should be approved. Any public testimony in favor or opposed to the proposal will also be heard. The Commission will then discuss the proposal before taking a vote.

The Commission may ultimately allow the use, but also will "condition" the use by placing operational restrictions to help ease neighborhood concerns, such as hours of operation, required actions to reduce any noise and odors, or a required community liaison to address unforeseen issues.

If a Conditional Use Authorization is approved, Planning staff will then have the authorization to approve a permit to the business owner allowing them to move forward for Building Department review. If is the Planning Commissioners reject the CUA, the business owner can appeal to the Board of Supervisors within 30 days of Commission action.

Interested in Seeing a Neighborhood Business Nominated in the Legacy Business Registry?

Find more information <u>here</u> to determine if your favorite community-serving business meets the criteria to be nominated into the Legacy Business Registry Program.

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# EveryTreeSF Coloring Activity

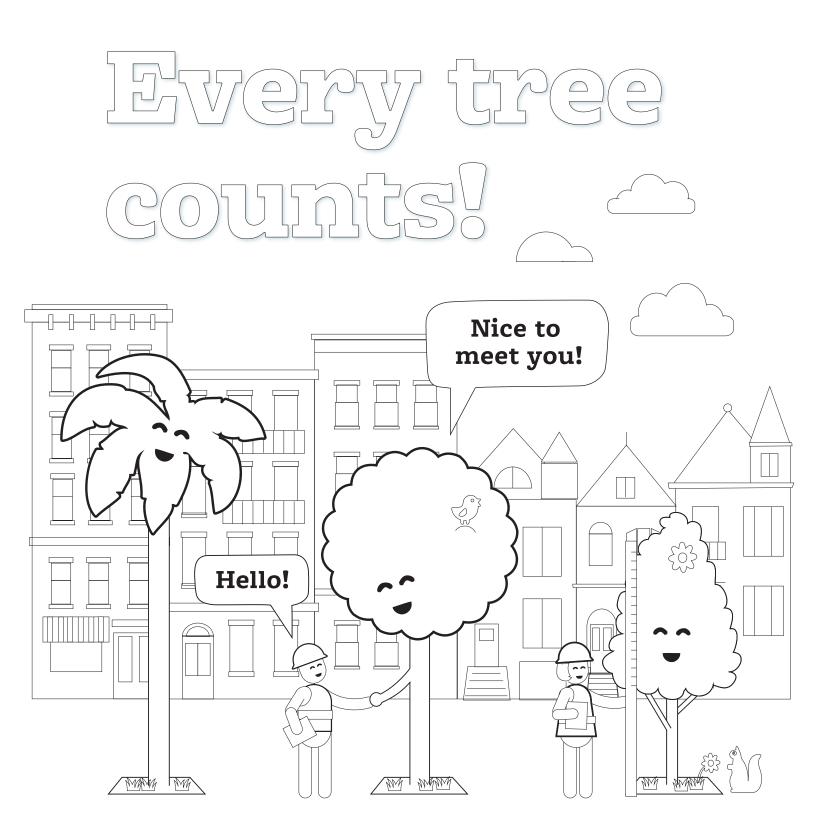
The City of San Francisco has begun its first ever citywide street tree census, EveryTreeSF. That means we're mapping and recording every street tree in the City!

Send us a copy of your best coloring skills and write down how many street trees you think are in San Francisco.

Email us your artwork at <u>planningnews@sfgov.org</u> or mail it in to:

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