

RESOLUTION NO. 113-2011

Adopted December 6, 2011

CONDITIONALLY APPROVING THE COMBINED BASIC CONCEPT AND SCHEMATIC DESIGN FOR A RESIDENTIAL BUILDING ON BLOCK 11 IN THE MISSION BAY SOUTH REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT AREA AND ADOPTING ENVIRONMENTAL FINDINGS PURSUANT TO THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT; MISSION BAY SOUTH REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT AREA

BASIS FOR RESOLUTION

1. On September 17, 1998, by Resolution No. 190-98, the Commission of the Redevelopment Agency of the City and County of San Francisco ("Agency Commission") approved the Redevelopment Plan for the Mission Bay South Redevelopment Project Area ("Plan"). On the same date, the Agency Commission adopted related documents, including Resolution No. 193-98 authorizing execution of an Owner Participation Agreement ("South OPA") and related documents between Catellus Development Corporation, a Delaware corporation ("Catellus"), and the Agency. On November 2, 1998, the San Francisco Board of Supervisors ("Board of Supervisors"), by Ordinance No. 335-98, adopted the Plan. The Plan and its implementing documents, as defined in the Plan, constitute the "Plan Documents."
2. On September 17, 1998, the Agency Commission adopted Resolution No. 182-98 which certified the Final Subsequent Environmental Impact Report ("FSEIR") as a program EIR for Mission Bay North and South pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA") and State CEQA Guidelines Sections 15168 (Program EIR) and 15180 (Redevelopment Plan EIR). On the same date, the Agency Commission also adopted Resolution No. 183-98, which adopted environmental findings (and a statement of overriding considerations), in connection with the approval of the Plan and other Mission Bay project approvals (the "Mission Bay Project"). The San Francisco Planning Commission ("Planning Commission") certified the FSEIR by Resolution No. 14696 on the same date. On October 19, 1998, the Board of Supervisors adopted Motion No. 98-132 affirming certification of the FSEIR by the Planning Commission and the Agency, and Resolution No. 854-98 adopting environmental findings and a statement of overriding considerations for the Mission Bay Project.
3. Subsequent to certification of the FSEIR, the Agency has issued several addenda to the FSEIR, as described in Recital 4 below. The addenda do not identify any substantial new information or new significant impacts or a substantial increase in the severity of previously identified significant effects that alter the conclusions reached in the FSEIR. Hereinafter, the Final Subsequent Environmental Impact Report, including any addenda thereto, shall be collectively referred to as the "FSEIR."

4. The first addendum, dated March 21, 2000, analyzed temporary parking lots to serve the ballpark. The second addendum, dated June 20, 2001, analyzed revisions to 7th Street bike lanes and relocation of a storm drain outfall provided for in the Mission Bay South Infrastructure Plan, a component of the South OPA. The third addendum, dated February 10, 2004, analyzed revisions to the Mission Bay South Design for Development with respect to the maximum allowable number of towers, tower separation and require step-backs. The fourth addendum, dated March 9, 2004, analyzed the Mission Bay South Design for Development with respect to the permitted maximum number of parking spaces for bio-technical and similar research facilities and the North OPA with respect to changes to reflect a reduction in permitted commercial development and associated parking. The fifth addendum, dated October 4, 2005, analyzed the UCSF proposal to establish a Phase I 400-bed hospital in Mission Bay South on Blocks 36-39 and X-3. The sixth addendum, dated September 10, 2008, addressed revisions of the UCSF Medical Center at Mission Bay. The seventh addendum, dated January 7, 2010, addressed the construction of a Public Safety Building on Block 8 in Mission Bay South.
5. The Plan and the Plan Documents, including the Design Review and Document Approval Procedure, designated as Attachment G to the South OPA (“DRDAP”), provide that development proposals in Mission Bay South will be reviewed and processed in “Major Phases,” as defined in and consistent with the Plan and the Plan Documents. Submission of design plans and documents for any specific building must be consistent with the requirements established for each Major Phase. The DRDAP sets forth the review and approval process for Major Phases and Projects.
6. On September 18, 2007, by Resolution No. 101-2007, the Agency Commission approved the Master Developer’s Major Phase Application for Blocks 11 and 12 in the Mission Bay South Redevelopment Project Area (“Mission Bay South”).
7. As permitted under the South OPA, BRE Properties, Inc. (“Developer”) purchased Block 11, in Mission Bay South, from the Master Developer. Developer will be bound by all relevant terms of the South OPA and related agreements, including the requirements of the equal opportunity program and design review process.
8. Pursuant to the Plan and Plan Documents, including the DRDAP, the Developer has submitted a Combined Basic Concept and Schematic Design for a residential building on Block 11 dated November 22, 2011 (“Schematic Design”). The Block 11 residential building will contain 190 rental units, as well as 190 parking spaces and private and shared open space.
9. Agency staff has reviewed the Schematic Design for purposes of compliance with CEQA and the State CEQA Guidelines.
10. The FSEIR is a program EIR under CEQA Guidelines Section 15168 and a redevelopment plan EIR under CEQA Guidelines Section 15180. Approval of the Schematic Design is an undertaking pursuant to and in furtherance of the Plan in conformance with CEQA Section 15180 (“Implementing Action”).

11. Agency staff, in making the necessary findings for the Implementing Action contemplated herein, considered and reviewed the FSEIR, and has made documents related to the Implementing Action and the FSEIR files available for review by the Agency Commission and the public, and these files are part of the record before the Agency Commission.
12. The FSEIR findings and statement of overriding considerations adopted in accordance with CEQA by the Agency Commission by Resolution No. 183-98 dated September 17, 1998, reflected the independent judgment and analysis of the Agency, were and remain adequate, accurate and objective and were prepared and adopted following the procedures required by CEQA, and the findings in said resolutions are incorporated herein by reference as applicable to the Implementing Action.
13. Agency staff has reviewed the Schematic Design submitted by BRE Properties, Inc., finds it acceptable and recommends approval thereof, subject to the resolution of certain conditions.

FINDINGS

The Agency finds and determines that the Schematic Design submission is an Implementing Action within the scope of the Project analyzed in the FSEIR and requires no additional environmental review pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines Sections 15180, 15162 and 15163 for the following reasons:


1. The Implementing Action is within the scope of the Project analyzed in the FSEIR and no major revisions are required due to the involvement of new significant environmental effects or a substantial increase in the severity of significant effects previously identified in the FSEIR.
2. No substantial changes have occurred with respect to the circumstances under which the Project analyzed in the FSEIR was undertaken that would require major revisions to the FSEIR due to the involvement of new significant environmental effects, or a substantial increase in the severity of effects identified in the FSEIR.
3. No new information of substantial importance to the Project analyzed in the FSEIR has become available which would indicate that (a) the Implementing Action will have significant effects not discussed in the FSEIR; (b) significant environmental effects will be substantially more severe; (c) mitigation measures or alternatives found not feasible which would reduce one or more significant effects have become feasible; or (d) mitigation measures or alternatives which are considerably different from those in the FSEIR will substantially reduce one or more significant effects on the environment.

RESOLUTION

ACCORDINGLY, IT IS RESOLVED by the Redevelopment Agency of the City and County of San Francisco that (1) it has reviewed and considered the FSEIR findings and statement of overriding considerations and hereby adopts the CEQA findings set forth in Resolution No. 183-98 incorporated herein and those set forth above; and (2) that the Combined Basic Concept and Schematic Design for the residential building on Block 11 is hereby approved pursuant to the Mission Bay South Owner Participation Agreement with FOCIL-MB, subject to the following conditions:

1. The building materials, colors, finishes, architectural detailing, including balcony, screens and window details that reflect the richness and diversity shown in the Schematic Design elevations, and landscape design shall be subject to further review and approval by Agency staff during the Design Development phase. Material and color samples shall be provided as part of the review. A material and color mock-up of sufficient size to be built on the construction site during an early phase of construction shall be prepared for Agency staff review to ensure consistency with this Schematic Design.
2. The design of the transitions between each of the building components shall be subject to further review and approval by Agency staff during the Design Development phase.
3. Any changes to the ground floor program of uses and exterior treatments shall require staff review and approval. Staff may require Commission approval of changes to the ground floor.
4. The design of the trash and recycling areas shall be subject to further review and approval by Agency staff during the Design Development phase to ensure that they allow for internal pick-up by the solid waste collector to avoid trash and recycling bins on-street.
5. All building signage shall be subject to further Agency staff review and approval. A signage plan shall be prepared prior to or concurrent with Design Development for Agency staff approval, pursuant to the Mission Bay South Signage Master Plan.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:


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