### **BOARD OF APPEALS**

### **CITY & COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO**

# AGENDA FOR REGULAR MEETING - WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 2013 5:00 P.M., CITY HALL, ROOM 416, ONE DR. CARLTON B. GOODLETT PLACE

#### (1) PUBLIC COMMENT:

At this time, members of the public may address the Board on items of interest to the public that are within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Board except agenda items. With respect to agenda items, your opportunity to address the Board will be afforded when the item is reached in the meeting with one exception. When the agenda item has already been reviewed in a public hearing at which members of the public were allowed to testify and the Board has closed the public hearing, your opportunity to address the Board must be exercised during the Public Comment portion of the calendar. Each member of the public may address the Board for up to three minutes. If it is demonstrated that comments by the public will exceed 15 minutes, the President may continue Public Comment to another time during the meeting.

#### (2) **COMMISSIONER COMMENTS & QUESTIONS:**

#### (3) ADOPTION OF MINUTES:

Discussion and possible adoption of the February 13, 2013 minutes.

#### (4) ADDENDUM ITEMS:

#### (4a) **REHEARING REQUEST**:

**Subject property at 2065 Oakdale Avenue.** Letter from Daniel Dodt, agent for Bay View Office for Community Planning, appellant, requesting rehearing of Appeal No. 12-130, B.V.O.C.P. vs. DBI, PDA, decided Jan. 09, 2013. At that time, the Board voted 4-0-1 (President Hwang absent) to grant the appeal and uphold the permit on the basis of the permit holder's agreement to send out neighborhood notification on all permit applications submitted during the next five years excluding permits needed to correct existing Notices of Violation against the property; said notification shall conform to the notice requirements imposed by DBI on Form 6 Building Demolition Permits; and lastly, the suspension of this permit shall not be lifted until the permit holder provides the appellant and DBI with soils testing results that have been prepared by a certified professional soils testing laboratory. **Permit Holder:** Jack Tsang. **Project:** remove deteriorated vacant warehouse building; existing main building to remain; BPA No. 2012/10/09/1608.

#### (5) **APPEAL NO. 12-155**

STEVEN GREENWALD & ROCHELLE ALPERT, Appellants VS.

DEPT. OF BUILDING INSPECTION, Respondent PLANNING DEPT. APPROVAL

68 Presidio Avenue.

Protesting the issuance on November 20, 2012, to Jennifer Chow and Steve Minisini, Permit to Alter a Building (revision to BPA No. 201201182486; expand existing roof terrace; new window at top floor family room #2; replace existing single glazed windows with new wood double glazed windows; repair stucco with integral colored stucco). APPLICATION NO. 2012/10/11/1876. FOR HEARING TODAY.

#### ITEMS (6A) AND (6B) SHALL BE HEARD TOGETHER:

#### (6A) **APPEAL NO. 12-121**

HON YUK CHEUNG & BIK KWUN LEE, Appellant(s) VS.

DEPT. OF BUILDING INSPECTION, Respondent PLANNING DEPT. APPROVAL

28 Meda Avenue.

Protesting the issuance on Sept. 13, 2012, to Xiang Si Lei, Permit to Alter a Building (revision to BPA No. 2012/08/13/7241; relocate bathrooms at 3<sup>rd</sup> floor; add new dormers and skylight and re-roofing; replace window at 3<sup>rd</sup> floor at front in-kind). APPLICATION NO. 2012/09/13/9649. FOR HEARING TODAY.

#### (6B) **APPEAL NO. 12-165**

BIK KWUN LEE, Appellant(s)

VS.

DEPT. OF BUILDING INSPECTION, Respondent PLANNING DEPT. APPROVAL

28 Meda Avenue.

Protesting the issuance on December 06, 2012, to Xiang Si Lei, Permit to Alter a Building (comply with Complaint #201251821 and #201268284; revision to approved BPA #201208137241 and 201208066584; show existing floor plans to reflect existing condition; new windows at front and rear; rebuilt existing rear deck and stair; remove deck at rear of 3<sup>rd</sup> floor; remove interior stair at ground floor; replace fence and scupper and rain water leader at rear; infill open storage under existing 2<sup>nd</sup> floor habitable area; revised foundation plan to reflect existing site and building condition). APPLICATION NO. 2012/10/25/2814.

FOR HEARING TODAY.

# (7) APPEAL NO. V12-148

ALICE LAM, Appellant(s)	2529-2533 Post Street.
VS.	Protesting the granting on Nov. 15, 2012, to
	Kevin Weil & Christopher Doughtery, Rear
ZONING ADMINISTRATOR, Respondent	Yard & Non-Complying Structure Variances
	(removal and replacement of existing decks
	and exit stairs at the rear of the three-story,
	three-family dwelling).
	VARIANCE CASE NO. 2012.0395V.
	FOR HEARING TODAY.

## ITEMS (8A), (8B), (8C) and (8D) SHALL BE HEARD TOGETHER

## (8A) **APPEAL NO. 12-158**

STEPHEN WILLIAMS, Appellant(s)	2395 - 26 <sup>th</sup> Avenue.
VS.	Appealing the issuance on December 06,
	2012, to Howard Weston, Permit to Alter a
DEPT. OF BUILDING INSPECTION, Respondent	Building (tenant improvement (commercial
	unit #1) new interior partition walls for four
	new offices, one conference room and break
	room; upgrade existing bathroom for ADA
	compliance).
	APPLICATION NO. 2012/12/04/5434.
	FOR HEARING TODAY.

## (8B) **APPEAL NO. 12-166**

STEPHEN WILLIAMS, Appellant(s)	2395 - 26 <sup>th</sup> Avenue.
VS.	Appealing the issuance on December 06,
	2012, to Howard Weston, Plumbing Permit
DEPT. OF BUILDING INSPECTION, Respondent	(commercial unit #1: new ADA bathrooms,
	sink in break room).
	APPLICATION NO. PP2012/12/06/634.
	FOR HEARING TODAY.

## (8C) APPEAL NO. 12-167

STEPHEN WILLIAMS, Appellant(s)	2395 - 26 <sup>th</sup> Avenue.
VS.	Appealing the issuance on December 06,
	2012, to Howard Weston, Plumbing Permit
DEPT. OF BUILDING INSPECTION, Respondent	(commercial unit #1: replace heater/furnace).
· ·	APPLICATION NO. PM2012/12/06/635.
	FOR HEARING TODAY.

## (8D) APPEAL NO. 12-168

STEPHEN WILLIAMS, Appellant(s)	2395 - 26 <sup>th</sup> Avenue.
VS.	Appealing the issuance on December 06,
	2012, to Howard Weston, Electrical Permit
DEPT. OF BUILDING INSPECTION, Respondent	(commercial unit #1: replace 24 new lights
	and 30 switches).
	APPLICATION NO. E2012/12/06/7110.
	FOR HEARING TODAY.

### ITEMS (9A), (9B) and (9C) SHALL BE HEARD TOGETHER

## (9A) APPEAL NO. 12-161

RALPH HYMAN, Appellant(s)	227 Douglass Street.
VS.	Appealing the issuance on December 07,
	2012, to Tank Mehul, Permit to Alter a
DEPT. OF BUILDING INSPECTION, Respondent	Building (voluntary removal of kitchens (levels
PLANNING DEPT. APPROVAL	1 & 3); revert level 1 to utility room permit
	#8011207 with washer/dryer; level 3 wet bar).
	APPLICATION NO. 2012/09/06/9064.
	FOR HEARING TODAY.

## (9B) **APPEAL NO. 12-162**

RALPH HYMAN, Appellant(s)	227 Douglass Street.
VS.	Appealing the issuance on December 07,
	2012, to Tank Mehul, Electrical Permit
DEPT. OF BUILDING INSPECTION, Respondent	(remove unapproved kitchens on floors 1 & 3
	and restore property to SFD; add laundry to
	1 <sup>st</sup> floor and wet bar to 3 <sup>rd</sup> floor).
	APPLICATION NO. E2012/12/07/7118.
	FOR HEARING TODAY.

#### (9C) APPEAL NO. 12-163

RALPH HYMAN, Appellant(s)	227 Douglass Street.
VS.	Appealing the issuance on December 07,
	2012, to Tank Mehul, Plumbing Permit
DEPT. OF BUILDING INSPECTION, Respondent	(remove unapproved kitchens on floors 1 & 3
	and restore property to SFD; add laundry to
	1 <sup>st</sup> floor and wet bar to 3 <sup>rd</sup> floor).
	APPLICATION NO. PP2012/12/07/644.
	FOR HEARING TODAY.

#### ADJOURNMENT.

**Note A:** Each item on this agenda may include the following documents: 1) Preliminary Statement of Appeal and Appellant's Brief; 2) Permit Holder's, Respondent's or Other Parties' Brief; 3) Departmental decision, order, permit, determination, resolution, or notice of violation; 4) submittals by members of the public; and 5) correspondence. These items are available for public inspection at the Board's office during normal office hours (Monday to Friday, 8am to 5pm, 1650 Mission Street, Room 304) and in the hearing room on the date the matter is scheduled to be heard. **Note B:** If any materials related to an item on this agenda have been distributed to the Board members after distribution of the agenda packet, those materials are available for public inspection at the Board's office during normal office hours (Monday to Friday, 8am to 5pm, 1650 Mission Street, Room 304) and in the hearing room on the date the matter is scheduled to be heard. Please call 415-575-6880 if you have any questions concerning this agenda.

Date posted: February 15, 2013

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# **PROCEDURE AT HEARINGS**

Except when the Presiding Officer finds good cause to order the presentations otherwise, the order of presentation of an appeal shall be as follows: (a) the appellant shall speak first and shall be allowed

seven (7) minutes to present relevant testimony and evidence. Then the permit holder, representatives of the department, board, commission or person from whose order the appeal is taken, and/or other parties, shall be allowed seven (7) minutes for presentation of relevant testimony and evidence. Three minutes for rebuttal shall be provided to all parties in this same order; (b) the Board may request a departmental response at its own discretion. For rehearing requests and jurisdiction requests, each party shall be allowed three (3) minutes to present testimony and evidence, with no rebuttal.

Other persons desiring to speak before the Board on an appeal may speak once for up to three minutes, unless the presiding officer further limits time uniformly.

Those members of the public who intend to testify about a particular appeal and wish to have the Board give their testimony evidentiary weight for purposes of deciding the appeal are asked to take an oath. Please note that any member of the public may speak without being sworn-in pursuant to their rights under the Sunshine Ordinance (Chapter 67 of the San Francisco Administrative Code).

#### SPECIAL NOTES

If the Board continues a matter to a specific date that is announced to the parties in the hearing room, no additional mailed notice will be sent. Please call the Board office at 415-575-6880 for scheduling or other information during regular business hours, or visit our website at <a href="https://www.sfgov.org/boa">www.sfgov.org/boa</a>.

The complete Rules of the Board are available for review at the Board office, and on our website.

Material submitted by the public for Board review prior to a scheduled hearing before the Board, should be addressed to the Board President, and be received at the Board office, 1650 Mission Street, Room 304, no later than 4:30 p.m. one (1) Thursday prior to the scheduled public hearing. Persons unable to attend the scheduled public hearing may submit written comments regarding a calendared item to the Board office. Comments received before noon on the day of the hearing will be made a part of the official record and will be brought to the attention of the Board at the public hearing. For complete distribution to all Commissioners of the Board, necessary staff and case files, submit an original and ten copies. Please note that names and addresses included in these submittals will become part of the public record. Submittals may be made anonymously.

Pursuant to Government Code § 65009, if you challenge, in court, the approval of a variance or development permit, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the public hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the Board of Appeals at, or prior to, the public hearing.

Calendared items are sometimes withdrawn or rescheduled the day of hearing, or are taken out of order to accommodate special needs. The Board urges all parties to be present in the hearing room from 5:00 p.m. so that everyone has an opportunity to participate in the relevant public hearing when it is called.

# PROHIBITION OF SOUND-PRODUCING ELECTRONIC DEVICES

The ringing of and use of cell phones, pagers and similar sound-producing electronic devices are prohibited at this meeting. Please be advised that the Chair may order the removal from the meeting

room of any person(s) responsible for the ringing or use of a cell phone, pager, or other similar sound-producing electronic devices.

## **ACCESSIBILITY INFORMATION**

American sign language interpreters and/or sound enhancement system will be available upon request by contacting Board staff at 575-6880 at least 48 hours prior to the hearing. Individuals with severe allergies, environmental illness, multiple chemical sensitivity or related disabilities should call the accessibility hotline at 554-8925 to discuss meeting accessibility. In order to assist the City's efforts to accommodate such people, attendees at public meetings are reminded that other attendees may be sensitive to various chemical-based products. Please help the City to accommodate these individuals. The closest accessible BART station is the Civic Center station located at the intersection of Market, Hyde and Grove Streets. Accessible curbside parking has been designated at points along McAllister Street. Accessible MUNI lines serving City Hall are the 42 Downtown Loop, 9 San Bruno and 71 Haight/Noriega and the F line. Accessible MUNI Metro lines are the J, K, L, M, and N. For more information regarding MUNI accessible services, call (415) 923-6142.

### KNOW YOUR RIGHTS UNDER THE SUNSHINE ORDINANCE

Government's duty is to serve the public, reaching its decisions in full view of the public. Commissions, boards, councils and other agencies of the City and County exist to conduct the people's business. This ordinance assures that deliberations are conducted before the people and that City operations are open to the people's review.

For more information on your rights under the Sunshine Ordinance (Chapter 67 of the San Francisco Administrative Code) or to report a violation of the ordinance, contact the Sunshine Ordinance Task Force: by mail to Administrator, Sunshine Ordinance Task Force, City Hall, Room 244, 1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place, San Francisco, CA 94102-4689; by phone at (415) 554-7724; by fax at (415) 554-7854; or by e-mail at <a href="mailto:sotf@sfgov.org">sotf@sfgov.org</a>. Citizens interested in obtaining a free copy of the Sunshine Ordinance may request a copy from the Sunshine Ordinance Task Force Administrator or by printing Chapter 67 of the San Francisco Administrative Code on the internet at <a href="https://www.sfgov.org/sunshine">www.sfgov.org/sunshine</a>.

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Individuals and entities that influence or attempt to influence local legislative or administrative action may be required by the San Francisco Lobbyist Ordinance [SF Campaign and Governmental Conduct Code § 2.100] to register and report lobbying activity. For more information about the Lobbyist Ordinance, please contact the San Francisco Ethics Commission at 30 Van Ness Avenue, Suite 3900, San Francisco, CA 94102; telephone (415) 581-2300; fax (415) 581-2317; web site www.sfgov.org/ethics.

# **SUGGESTIONS TO IMPROVE EFFICIENCY**

The Board welcomes suggestions from the public regarding improvement of the efficiency of its operations. Please direct your comments and suggestions to Board staff, at 415-575-6880 or fax 415-

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