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Notice of Impending Approval

654 Minnesota Street First Floor Police Department Consolidation

Notice is hereby given that the University of California, San Francisco (UCSF) intends to consider approving the 654 Minnesota Street First Floor Police Department Consolidation project. Project approval is expected to occur no earlier than **January 31, 2020**.

The proposed project would renovate about 15,000 assignable square feet on the first floor of the 654 Minnesota Street building to allow for consolidation of the UCSF Police Department (UCPD), providing a primary UCSF Police Station and a central location for field services. Work would include demolition of the former data center, installation of new HVAC and other utility systems, creation of a public entry, and internal expansion and modernization of the space to accommodate use by UCPD. Site work would include reconfiguration of the existing parking lot, new deck/stair landing, and utility connections.

Pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and University procedures for the implementation of CEQA, the University has determined that this project is categorically exempt from environmental review under CEQA Guidelines Article 19, Section 15301 (Class 1 Existing Facilities). The following environmental documents are attached to this notice:

- Environmental Impact Classification (EIC) form (draft)
- Notice of Exemption (draft)



Campus/Field Station/Division San Francisco Project Account N/A

Project Title 654 Minnesota Street First Floor Police Consolidation

For purposes of compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act of 1970 (CEQA), and Amended University of California Procedures for Implementation of CEQA, this project has been reviewed and initially classified as indicated below. Please check (X) as appropriate. Include project description and appropriate local map with your submission.

I. **EXEMPT FROM THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT OF 1970** - When it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility the action will result in physical change to the environment (15061(b)(3)), or the action is specifically exempted by statute (15260-15285), the project is classified as generally exempt from CEQA. General/Statutory Exemption: § [Insert reference to applicable CEQA statutory provision, and, if applicable, the correlating guidelines Section]

II. **CATEGORICALLY EXEMPT** - This project falls under the indicated Class(es) of Exemption(s), none of the exceptions to the exemption apply (15300.2), and there is no significant effect on the environment (for complete list see CEQA Guidelines Section 15300):

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Class 1: Existing Facilities | <input type="checkbox"/> Class 17: Open Space Contracts or Easements |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Class 2: Replacement or Reconstruction | <input type="checkbox"/> Class 23: Normal Operation of Facilities for Public Gatherings |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Class 3: New Construction or Small Structures | <input type="checkbox"/> Class 25: Transfer of Land: Natural Conditions/Historical Resources |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Class 4: Minor Alterations to Land | <input type="checkbox"/> Class 30: Minor Actions: Prevent Hazardous Waste/Substances |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Class 6: Information Collection | <input type="checkbox"/> Class 31: Historical Resource Restoration/Rehabilitation |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Class 11: Accessory Structures | <input type="checkbox"/> Class 32: In-Fill Development Projects |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Class 13: Acquisition for Conservation | <input type="checkbox"/> Class 33: Small Habitat Restoration Projects |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Class 16: Transfer of Land Ownership for Parks | Other: <u>[If other, identify which class under Section 15300]</u> |

III. **INITIAL STUDY** - This project is not statutorily or categorically exempt from CEQA; an Initial Study is to be prepared to determine if the project may have a significant effect on the environment.

Stand-Alone Tiered Initial Study (15152): [Identify EIR from which Initial Study is tiered]

IV. **ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT (EIR)** - It is known that the project will have a direct or cumulatively significant effect on the environment and an EIR will be/has been prepared. Identify the type of EIR:

Programmatic Stand-Alone (Project-Specific)

Additional project analysis:

None/Findings Only Addendum Subsequent Supplement to EIR: _____

PROJECT DESCRIPTION - *[Insert brief project description, provide supporting documentation as appropriate.]*

Real estate transaction type: Acquisition Sale Sublease Easement License *[Include proposed use in project description below]*

The San Francisco campus proposes to make modifications to the UC-owned 654 Minnesota Street property to enable the site to serve as the main UCSF Police Station and central location for field services. The UCSF Police Department (UCPD) currently occupies portions of the first and third levels of 654 Minnesota Street, as well as portions of the Mission Center Building (MCB). The proposal involves consolidating UCPD personnel from these sites to the first level of 654 Minnesota Street. The second and third floors of the building would continue to be used as administrative offices. No expansion of the building would occur. Minor construction activities would occur within the interior, including interior remodeling, new HVAC, and installation of new furnishings and equipment. Minor changes to the site outside of the building include restriping the existing parking lot, a new side entry/exit door and landing to the parking lot, installation of bicycle racks, and connections to existing utilities. UCPD currently has approximately 30 staff working at the 654 Minnesota Street site, primarily during the day. Following the consolidation, about 50 police staff would work at 654 Minnesota Street during the day, an increase of about 20 people. Approximately 20 to 30 staff would work the remaining shifts.

The proposed project has been determined to be categorically exempt from environmental review under CEQA Guidelines Section 15301 Existing Facilities (Class 1), which exempts minor alterations of existing facilities involving negligible or no expansion of use. The proposed project would involve a minor alteration to an existing facility. In addition, the proposed population increase of approximately 20 persons in the daytime and 20 to 30 persons during other shifts is negligible given the existing dense urban environment and the current on-site population of over 200 persons. Given the foregoing, it can be seen with certainty that there would be no significant effect on the environment. None of the exceptions to the use of categorical exemptions identified under CEQA Guidelines Section 15300.2 would apply.

V. Does this project conform to the approved LRD? YES NO NA *[If NO or NA, include explanation in Project Description above]*

Prepared by: <u>Diane Wong</u>	Date: <u>11/22/2019</u>	Local: <u>[Signature]</u>	Date: <u>11/25/2019</u>
Prepared by Environmental Coordinator	Date	Local Approved by AVC	Date

VII. OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

Concur with Classification Do not concur with Classification

Signed: [Signature] Date: 12/8/2019

Notice of Exemption

To: Office of Planning and Research
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 Clerk, City and County of San Francisco

From: University of California, San Francisco
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Project Title: 654 Minnesota Street First Floor Police Department Consolidation, University of California, San Francisco

Project Location: 654 Minnesota Street, San Francisco

Project Location – City: San Francisco

Project Location – County: San Francisco

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project (Project Description): The proposed project would renovate about 15,000 assignable square feet on the first floor of the 654 Minnesota Street building to allow for consolidation of the UCSF Police Department (UCPD), providing a primary UCSF Police Station and a central location for field services. Work would include demolition of the former data center, installation of new HVAC and other utility systems, creation of a public entry, and internal expansion and modernization of the space to accommodate use by UCPD. Site work would include reconfiguration of the existing parking lot, new deck/stair landing, and utility connections.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: University of California

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: University of California

Exempt Status: (check one)

- Ministerial (Sec. 21080 (b)(1); 15268);
- Declared Emergency (Sec. 21080(b)(3); 15269(a);
- Emergency Project (Sec. 21080(b)(4); 15269(b) (c));
- Categorical Exemption. State type and section number: Section 15301, Class 1 Existing Facilities
- Statutory Exemptions. State code number:
- General Exemption. (Sec. 15061(b)(3).

Reason Why Project is Exempt: The proposed project has been determined to be categorically exempt from environmental review under CEQA Guidelines Section 15301 Existing Facilities (Class 1), which exempts minor alterations of existing facilities involving negligible or no expansion of use. The proposed project would involve minor alterations to an existing building and no expansion of the building is proposed. In addition, the proposed population increase of approximately 20 persons in the daytime and 20 to 30 persons during other shifts is negligible given the existing dense urban environment and the current on-site population of over 200 persons. Given the foregoing, it can be seen with certainty that there would be no significant effect on the environment. None of the exceptions to the use of categorical exemptions identified under CEQA Guidelines Section 15300.2 would apply.

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Signature:

Title: Environmental Coordinator

Date: January XX, 2020

- Signed by Lead Agency
- Signed by Applicant

Date received for filing at OPR:

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