AMENDED IN COMMITTEE
10/5/2026

FILE NO. 260415 ORDINANCE NO. 221-26

[Planning Code - Landmark Designation Amendment - "Site of the Compton's Cafeteria Riot"]

Ordinance amending the Landmark Designation for Landmark No. 307, the Turk and Taylor Streets Intersection together with defined portions of 101 Taylor Street, Assessor's Parcel Block No. 0339, Lot No. 003 (known as the "Site of the Compton's Cafeteria Riot"), under Article 10 of the Planning Code, to include the entire building at 101-121 Taylor Street and to expand the period of significance; affirming the Planning Department's determination under the California Environmental Quality Act; and making public necessity, convenience, and welfare findings under Planning Code, Section 302, and findings of consistency with the General Plan and the eight priority policies of Planning Code, Section 101.1.

NOTE: **Unchanged Code text and uncodified text** are in plain Arial font.
Additions to Codes are in *single-underline italics Times New Roman font*.
Deletions to Codes are in ~~*strikethrough italics Times New Roman font*~~.
Board amendment additions are in double-underlined Arial font.
Board amendment deletions are in ~~strikethrough Arial font~~.
Asterisks (* * * *) indicate the omission of unchanged Code subsections or parts of tables.

Be it ordained by the People of the City and County of San Francisco:

Section 1. Findings.

(a) Environmental and Land Use Findings.

(1) The Planning Department has determined that the Planning Code amendment proposed in this ordinance is subject to a Categorical Exemption from the California Environmental Quality Act (California Public Resources Code Sections 21000 et seq., "CEQA") pursuant to Section 15308 of the CEQA Guidelines (California Code of Regulations, Title 14, Sections 15000 et seq.), as an action taken by a regulatory agency for

the protection of the environment (in this case, landmark designation). Said determination is on file with the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors in File No. 260415 and is incorporated herein by reference. The Board of Supervisors affirms this determination.

(2) Pursuant to Planning Code Section 302, the Board of Supervisors finds that the proposed amendment to the landmark designation of the Site of the Compton's Cafeteria Riot to include the entirety of the building at 101-121 Taylor Streets, Assessor's Parcel Block No. 0339, Lot No. 003, as well as the intersection of Turk and Taylor Streets, will serve the public necessity, convenience, and welfare for the reasons set forth in Historic Preservation Commission Resolution No. 1551, recommending approval of the proposed designation, which is incorporated herein by reference.

(3) The Board of Supervisors finds that the proposed amendment to the landmark designation of the Site of the Compton's Cafeteria Riot is consistent with the General Plan and with Planning Code Section 101.1(b) for the reasons set forth in Historic Preservation Commission Resolution No. 1551.

(b) General Findings.

(1) Pursuant to Charter Section 4.135, the Historic Preservation Commission has authority "to recommend approval, disapproval, or modification of landmark designations and historic district designations under the Planning Code to the Board of Supervisors."

(2) Ordinance No. 246-22, enacted in December 2022, designated the Site of Compton's Cafeteria Riot, consisting of the public rights-of-way at the Turk and Taylor Streets Intersection together with defined portions of 101 Taylor Street, located at Assessor's Parcel Block No. 0339, Lot No. 003, as Landmark No. 307. That ordinance, which is incorporated herein by reference, required that the particular features to be preserved are those described in the "Landmark Designation Fact Sheet, which can be found in Planning Department Record Case No. 2022-005199DES," and "which are ... Specifically, the following features shall be

preserved or replaced in kind: (1) The spatial relationships within the public right-of-way at the intersection of Turk and Taylor Streets…; (2) Limited portions of the exterior walls of 101 Taylor Street, specifically, the lower 11-feet of the building which housed the storefront of the former Gene Compton's Cafeteria...". These character-defining features refer to a portion of the exterior of 101 Taylor Street and the surrounding public rights-of-way. The ordinance did not include the full building located at 101-121 Taylor Street.

(3) The National Register of Historic Places individual listing for Compton's Cafeteria, finalized by the Keeper of the National Register on January 27, 2025 (Ref. No. RS100008499), recognizes the entire four-story building located at 101-121 Taylor Street as the historic property associated with the Compton's Cafeteria Riot.

(4) An Article 10 Historic Landmark Designation (DES) Informational Packet and Application to amend Landmark No. 307, known as the Site of the Compton's Cafeteria Riot, to include the entire four-story building located at 101-121 Taylor Street, expand the Landmark's period of significance, and capture the property's full historical significance, was submitted to the Planning Department by community members.

(5) The Historic Landmark Designation (DES) Informational Packet and Application was prepared and submitted by Compton's x Coalition and reviewed by Planning Department Preservation staff. All preparers meet the Secretary of the Interior's Professional Qualification Standards for historic preservation program staff, as set forth in Code of Federal Regulations Title 36, Part 61, Appendix A. The report was reviewed for accuracy and conformance with the purposes and standards of Article 10 of the Planning Code.

(6) On January 21, 2026, after holding a public hearing to review the Historic Landmark Designation (DES) Informational Packet and Application and staff analysis, the Historic Preservation Commission initiated amendment of the landmark designation of Landmark No. 307, known as the Site of the Compton's Cafeteria Riot, pursuant to

Section 1004.1 of the Planning Code by Resolution No. 1529. Said resolution is on file with the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors in Board File No. 260415.

(7) On April 1, 2026, after holding a public hearing on the Historic Landmark Designation (DES) Informational Packet and Application and having considered the specialized analyses prepared by Planning Department staff, including the Landmark Designation Fact Sheet, the Historic Preservation Commission recommended amending the landmark designation of the Site of the Compton's Cafeteria Riot under Article 10 of the Planning Code by Resolution No. 1551. Said resolution is on file with the Clerk of the Board in File No. 260415.

(~~6~~8) The Board of Supervisors hereby finds that the Site of the Compton's Cafeteria Riot has a special character and special historical, architectural, and aesthetic interest and value, and that its amended designation as a Landmark will further the purposes of and conform to the standards set forth in Article 10 of the Planning Code. In doing so, the Board hereby incorporates by reference the findings of the Landmark Designation Fact Sheet.

Section 2. Amendment of Landmark Designation.

(a) Pursuant to Section 1004.3 of the Planning Code, the Landmark Designation for the Site of the Compton's Cafeteria Riot, including the intersection of Turk and Taylor Streets, and defined portions of Assessor's Parcel Block No. 0339, Lot No. 003, is hereby amended as specified in Sections 3 and 4 of this ordinance.

(b) Appendix A to Article 10 of the Planning Code is hereby amended with respect to Landmark No. 307, to indicate that Landmark No. 307 has been amended by this ordinance.

(c) If there is a conflict between the landmark designation in this ordinance and the landmark designation in Ordinance No. 246-22, the provisions of this ordinance shall prevail.

Section 3. Designation.

Pursuant to Section 1004 of the Planning Code, the intersection of Turk and Taylor Streets, and the four-story building located at 101-121 Taylor Street, Assessor's Parcel Block No. 0339, Lot No. 003, as set forth in Section 4, is hereby designated as a San Francisco Landmark under Article 10 of the Planning Code. Appendix A to Article 10 of the Planning Code is hereby amended to include this property.

Section 4. Required Data.

(a) The description, location, and boundary of the Landmark site consist of:

(1) The public right-of-way at the intersection of Turk Street and Taylor Streets, bounded by Assessor Parcel Block Nos. 0339, 0340, 0342 and 0343, and extending north from the corner of Turk Street and west from the corner of Taylor Street immediately adjacent to 101-121 Taylor Street (aka 100-112 Turk Street); and

(2) The four-story building located at 101-121 Taylor Street on Assessor's Parcel Block No. 0339, Lot No. 003, in San Francisco's Tenderloin neighborhood.

(b) The characteristics of the Landmark that justify its designation are described and shown in the Landmark Designation Fact Sheet and other supporting materials contained in Planning Department Record Case No. 2025-011836DES. In brief, the amended Site of the Compton's Cafeteria Riot is eligible for local designation because it is associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns of San Francisco history. Specifically, designation of the Site of Compton's Cafeteria Riot is proper given its association with the first large-scale collective direct action on the part of people marginalized by sexuality/gender that resulted in lasting institutional change. By acting collectively, instead of as individuals, members of the community were able to further the cause of enabling a greater freedom of gender expression without oppression. The uprising began inside the former

ground-floor Compton's Cafeteria at 101 Taylor Street and spilled into the intersection of Turk and Taylor Streets, where patrons, residents, and street youth confronted officers in response to decades of criminalization and abuse. This event marked a turning point in local and national queer activism. The amended designation identifies the entire structure—not only the intersection and small portion of ground floor—as the historic property associated with the Compton's Cafeteria Riot, recognizing that the uprising originated inside the cafeteria, that Compton's Cafeteria functioned as a significant site of transgender kinship, refuge, and survival before the riot, and that the building also housed a substantial transgender residential community in the Hyland Hotel.

(c) The particular features that shall be preserved, or where the City determines it is necessary due to deterioration of the feature, repaired or replaced in kind, are those generally shown in photographs and described in the Landmark Designation Fact Sheet, which can be found in Planning Department Record Case No. 2025-011836DES, and which are incorporated in this designation by reference as though fully set forth. Specifically, the following features are character-defining and shall be preserved, repaired in-kind, or replaced in kind:

(1) The spatial relationships within the intersection of Turk and Taylor Streets, being the public right-of-way that is 68 feet, 9 inches in width, and extending north from the corner of Turk Street and west from the corner of Taylor Street immediately adjacent to 101-121 Taylor Street (aka 100-112 Turk Street);

(2) All exterior elevations, forms, massing, structure, architectural ornament, and rooflines of 101-121 Taylor Street:

(A) Overall regular massing with building's primary façades–the south elevation on Turk Street and the east elevation on Taylor Street–

forming a continuous street wall typical of early twentieth-century residential hotels in the Tenderloin;

(B) Primary façades that exhibit a tripartite composition: a ground-floor commercial base, a midsection encompassing the second and third stories, and a narrower fourth-story cap beneath a modest projecting cornice;

(C) Decorative elements, including keystones, cartouches, beltcourses, and spandrel panels that articulate the upper stories;

(D) Fenestration on upper floors, consisting of vertically paired, punched window openings set within shallow rectangular frames and topped by stylized keystones;

(E) Masonry stucco cladding on primary façades; and

(F) Former storefront location of Compton's Cafeteria, being the lower 11-feet of the building and extending north 52 feet from the corner of Turk Street and 40 feet west from the corner of Taylor Street.

(G) Location of residential entry mid-block on Taylor Street elevation.

Section 5. Standard of Review for Applications.

The following scopes of work within the public right-of-way, as described herein in Section 4(c)(1) and in Board of Supervisor's Ordinance No. 246-22, shall not require a Certificate of Appropriateness:

(a) Signs, for businesses fronting the public right-of-way, or projecting into it as regulated by Article 6 of the Planning Code.

(b) Awnings or architectural features for buildings fronting the public right-of-way or projecting into it as regulated by Article 1.2 of the Planning Code.

(c) Signs for street, transit, bicycle, or pedestrian safety, direction, and identification, such as street names, speed limits, and traffic signals.

(d) San Francisco Municipal Transportation Authority infrastructure, including armatures and overhead wires for MUNI service.

Section 6. Effective Date. This ordinance shall become effective at ~~12:00 a.m.~~ on the 31st day after enactment. Enactment occurs when the Mayor signs the ordinance, the Mayor returns the ordinance unsigned or does not sign the ordinance within 10 days of receiving it, or the Board of Supervisors overrides the Mayor's veto of the ordinance.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:
DAVID CHIU, City Attorney

By: /s/ Peter Miljanich
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Deputy City Attorney

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June 08, 2026 Land Use and Transportation Committee - CONTINUED TO CALL OF THE CHAIR

July 27, 2026 Land Use and Transportation Committee - CONTINUED TO CALL OF THE CHAIR

October 05, 2026 Land Use and Transportation Committee - AMENDED, AN AMENDMENT OF THE WHOLE BEARING SAME TITLE

October 05, 2026 Land Use and Transportation Committee - DUPLICATED AS AMENDED

October 05, 2026 Land Use and Transportation Committee - RECOMMENDED AS AMENDED AS A COMMITTEE REPORT

October 06, 2026 Board of Supervisors - PASSED, ON FIRST READING

Ayes: 11 - Chan, Chen, Dorsey, Fielder, Mahmood, Mandelman, Melgar, Sauter, Sherrill, Walton and Wong

October 20, 2026 Board of Supervisors - FINALLY PASSED

Ayes: 9 - Chan, Dorsey, Fielder, Mahmood, Mandelman, Sauter, Sherrill, Walton and Wong
Excused: 2 - Chen and Melgar

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Ordinance was FINALLY PASSED on 10/20/2026 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

Angela Calvillo
Clerk of the Board

Daniel Lurie
Mayor

10/30/2026
Date Approved