

CITY OF ALAMEDA
HISTORICAL ADVISORY BOARD
DRAFT RESOLUTION

A RESOLUTION OF THE HISTORICAL ADVISORY BOARD OF THE CITY OF ALAMEDA TO APPROVE DELISTING OF THE ALAMEDA FEDERAL CENTER SITE AT 620 CENTRAL AVENUE FROM THE HISTORICAL BUILDING STUDY LIST.

WHEREAS, on December 22, 2020, Alameda Point Collaborative made an application for delisting the Alameda Federal Center site at 620 Central Avenue from the Historical Building Study List; and

WHEREAS, the application was deemed complete on February 15, 2021; and

WHEREAS, the Alameda Federal Center site is currently listed on the Historical Building Study List with an “s” designation; and

WHEREAS, the Historical Advisory Board conducted a duly noticed public hearing on March 4, 2021 and examined the entirety of the record, including all submitted materials and public comments regarding the application.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Historical Advisory Board finds that the delisting of 620 Central Avenue from the City’s historic resources inventory is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) under CEQA Guidelines Section 15061(b)(3), the common sense exemption that CEQA applies only to projects that have the potential for causing a significant effect on the environment. As a separate and independent basis, this action is not a project under CEQA Guidelines Section 15378(b) and Public Resources Code section 21065; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Historical Advisory Board makes the following findings relative to the delisting request:

1. The Historical Advisory Board is authorized to review and revise the Historical Building Study List.
2. The structures on the subject property do not meet the evaluation criteria used to determine inclusion on the Historical Building Study List, because the structures do not possess Architectural Significance, Historical Significance, Environmental Significance or Design Integrity.
 - a. *Architectural Significance* – the 2003 historic evaluation by State Office of Historic Preservation (OHP) determined the property has lost considerable integrity of design, materials, setting, feeling, and association with its historic period of significance. The structures do not convey any significant quality of the design, uniqueness, execution, materials, or methods of construction.

- b. *Historical Significance* - the 2003 historic evaluation by OHP determined the property has lost considerable integrity of design, materials, setting, feeling, and association with its historic period of significance.
 - c. *Environmental Significance* – the property does not convey Environmental Significance because a majority of the original Officers Training Facility setting has been removed and redeveloped. The 2003 historic evaluation by OHP determined that the remaining structures do not convey the special nature of the property’s historic maritime training mission during and after World War II.
 - d. *Design Integrity* the property does not convey any significant design integrity. The 2003 historic evaluation by OHP determined that the remaining structures do not convey the special nature of the property’s historic maritime training mission during and after World War II.
3. A historic evaluation from the Office of Historic Preservation, included in the MND, determined the Alameda Federal Center site have lost all historic value, and the remaining structures do not meet any of the criteria for inclusion in the National Registry of Historic Places. Additional research conducted by First Carbon Solutions in 2018 with the Office of Historic Preservation, the California Historical Resources Information System, the California Historical Landmarks list, and the California Points of Historical Interest also determined that there were no historic resources on the project site.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Historical Advisory Board hereby approves delisting of 620 Central Avenue - Alameda Federal Center from the Historical Building Study List and the Secretary of the Historical Advisory Board or designee shall proceed with administrative updates to the Study List to reflect this Board’s approval.

Indemnification. To the maximum extent permitted by law, the applicant (or its successor in interest) shall defend (with counsel acceptable to the City), indemnify, and hold harmless the City of Alameda, its City Council, City Planning Board, officials, employees, agents and volunteers (collectively, “Indemnitees”) from and against any and all claims, actions, or proceedings against Indemnitees to attack, set aside, void or annul an approval by Indemnitees relating to this project. This indemnification shall include, but is not limited to, all damages, losses, and expenses (including, without limitation, legal costs and attorney’s fees) that may be awarded to the prevailing party arising out of or in connection with an approval by the Indemnitees relating to this project. The City shall promptly notify the applicant of any claim, action or proceeding and the City shall cooperate in the defense. The City may elect, in its sole discretion, to participate in the defense of said claim, action, or proceeding and the applicant (or its successor in interest) shall reimburse the City for its reasonable legal costs and attorneys’ fees.

NOTICE. No judicial proceedings subject to review pursuant to California Code of Civil Procedure Section 1094.5 may be prosecuted more than ninety (90) days following the date of this decision plus extensions authorized by California Code of Civil Procedure Section 1094.6

NOTICE. The conditions of project approval set forth herein include certain fees and other exactions. Pursuant to Government Code section 66020(d)(1), these Conditions constitute written notice of a statement of the amount of such fees, and a description of the dedications, reservations and exactions. The applicant is hereby further notified that the 90-day appeal period, in which the applicant may protest these fees and other exactions, pursuant to Government Code section 66020(a) has begun. If the applicant fails to file a protest within this 90-day period complying with all requirements of section 66020, the applicant will be legally barred from later challenging such fees or exactions.

NOTICE. The decision of the Historical Advisory Board shall be final unless appealed to the City Council, in writing and within ten (10) days of the decision, by filing with the Planning Building and Transportation Department a written notice of appeal stating the basis of appeal and paying the required fees

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