Business Implications: New Fair Housing Regulatory Environment

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Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing (AFFH) New AFFH Rule – July 2015

AFFH Rule Highlights

The updated approach to AFFH sets out four clear fair housing goals:

- 1) Reduce segregation, and build on the nation's increasing racial, geographic and economic diversity.
- 2) Eliminate racially and ethnically concentrated areas of poverty.
- 3) Reduce disparities in access to important community assets such as quality schools, job centers, and transit.
- 4) Narrow gaps that leave families with children, people with disabilities, and people of different races, colors, and national origins with more severe housing problems.



Public Housing Redevelopment Principles

- Maximize the creation of affordable housing
- Involve residents at the highest levels of participation
- Provide economic opportunities
- Integrate the rebuilding process with neighborhood improvement plans
- Create environmentally sustainable and accessible communities
- Create a strong sense of community







Public Housing Redevelopment: Developer's Perspective

Long-term commitment to the process and community

- Public Private Partnerships
- 10 plus year timeframe
- 500 to 2500 Units
- Mixed Income and Mixed Use
- Coordination of large teams
- Development and Management

Obtain and maintain political will

Community engagement





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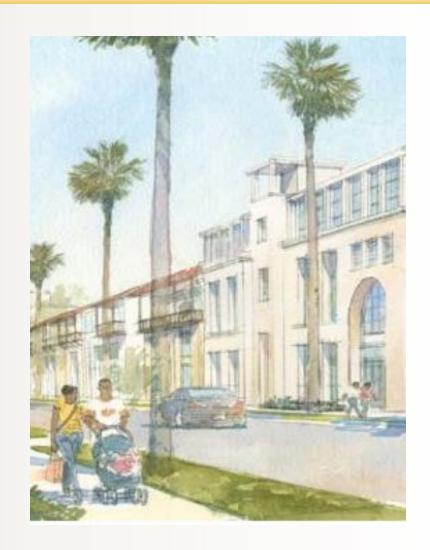
Master Plan





Development Overview

- 60 acre Public Housing site with 700 Units
- Housing Authority acquired 20 additional acres to support a Build First strategy
- New construction:
 - 1400 residential units
 - 100,000 sf of commercial
 - 50,000 SF Community Center
 - 9 acres of open space
- Mixed Income family and senior
- Construction start November 2016 on 250 unit Phase 1





Retail Center/ Community Character



- Multi-Purpose Space
- Gymnasium with connection to Park
- Children's Institute, Inc.
- College Track
- Interstate Realty Management
- Shields for Families

Takeaway: Community engagement is key to creating a richly unique plan for a public housing redevelopment.

- \$27 Million investment
- 219 permanent jobs
- Fresh produce full-service grocery store
- Retail Goods
- Restaurant
- Pedestrian oriented plaza





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Architectural and Landscape Character















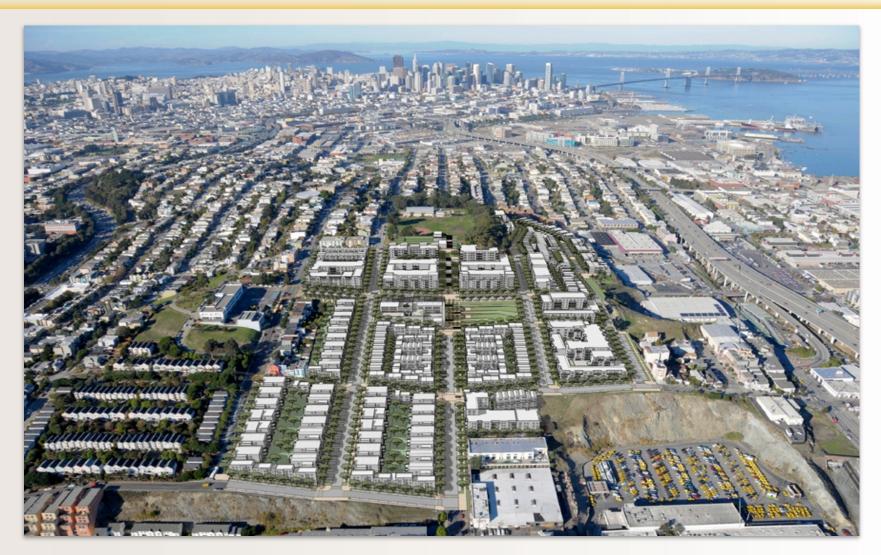


Potrero Today





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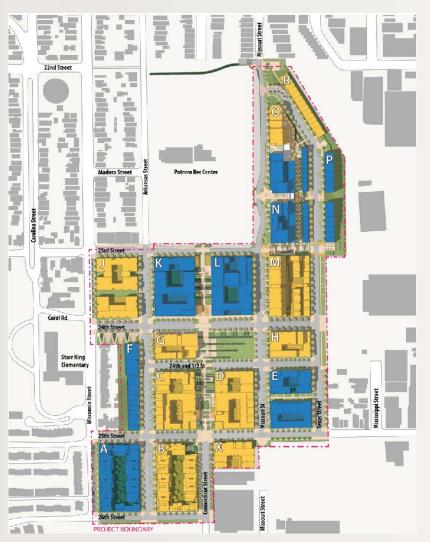
Development Overview

- 38 acre Public Housing site with 620 Units
- City of San Francisco acquired .69 acres to support a Build First strategy
- New construction:
 - 1,600 Residential Units
 - 30,000 SF Community Center
 - 25,000 SF Retail
 - Central Park
- Rental and For-Sale Components
- Construction start November 2016 on 70 unit Phase 1





Potrero Site Plan





794 Affordable Units 806 Market Rate Units





Social Impact/Community Building

- Breaking the cycle of poverty
- Repairing neighborhood fabric
- Social integration/community cohesion
- Resident engagement and empowerment
- Trauma-Informed Community Building









Social Impact/Community Building

- Community Building Group
- Walking Club
- Zumba Classes
- Family Garden Workday
- New Beginnings
- Healthy Living Workshops
- Family Meditation
- Healthy Generations
- Walking School Bus
- Oral History Project
- Community Building Events

Takeaway: Rich inner city neighborhood. If we cannot provide enough housing for existing families...where do they go?





Takeaways







- Not all inner cities and suburbs are created equal
- Not all LIHTC funded affordable housing projects are created equal
- 3. Don't react to fair housing issues; be proactive
- 4. Trust your community's vision for an equitable future
- 5. Don't underestimate the power of meaningful community engagement NIMBYism to YIMBYism
- Understand your QAP to be better prepared to negotiate with stakeholders
- 7. Learn from good examples to best retool affordable housing policies in your state
- 8. Emphasize the importance of transportation for low-income households
- 9. Do the right thing –our primary obligation is to serve the public interest. What is the greater good?



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