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## **Notes**

project project no. Event Center and Mixed-Use Development at Mission

Bay Blocks 29-32

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> followup telephone communication with Captain Michael Redmond, Commanding Officer, Southern

District Station, SFPD

Captain Michael Redmond, Commanding Officer, present

Southern District Station, SFPD Paul Mitchell, ESA

subject SFPD Data and Discussion of Effects of GSW Project on SFPD Services

1. For AT&T Ballpark, you previously indicated that a MOU is maintained between the CCSF and the SF Giants (e.g., for providing police support at games/events). Would you recommend a similar agreement be in place for the proposed arena for all events that would take place at the proposed Warriors arena at Mission Bay?

> The SFPD would recommend a similar agreement be in place for the proposed arena for all events that would take place there. This agreement would have to be with the Warriors and/or company that will operate the arena (management company). The MOU would not have to specify number of personnel for particular event(s), but note a public safety agreement.

2. Given the type of proposed development at Mission Bay (event center, retail/restaurant uses, office uses), would the SFPD require additional police personnel, equipment, or facilities (besides the new Public Safety Building in Mission Bay, scheduled to open in early 2015) to maintain adequate levels of protection and enforcement in the project area, either directly as a result of the project or as a result of this project in conjunction with other Citywide growth? If the answer is "Yes," are there SFPD plans for increases in police personnel or equipment to accommodate the project and other citywide growth?

> With the development of Mission Bay and the addition of the Warriors Arena I believe the area will need additional personnel to police the area. The department is in the midst of a strong hiring plan and by the time the arena open's the staffing level at Southern Station (police district the arena will be located) and the SFPD as a whole will be at full staffing. The Mission Bay area as well as the surrounding area of the arena will have adequate levels of officers to police the area and make it safe.

The department would have no increase in equipment needs. The location of the new Public Safety Building adds to the safety of the Mission Bay neighborhood and the arena.

3. Based on the preliminary design of the proposed development at Mission Bay (which is proposed to include a SFPD command center), does SFPD foresee any special needs, or can you make specific recommendations, for the project and site that would enhance safety?

## I would recommend:

- 1) Adequate lighting around the venue and surrounding neighborhood.
- 2) Signage in regards to parking, traffic flow, security (Leaving valuables in vehicles).
- 3) Parking lot owner's contract with the SFPD for extra police presence (Bicycle Officers/Imperial Parking does this for SF Giants Games).
- 4) Number of retail stores and type of store(s). Security plans developed for those stores to include private security and work with the SFPD.
- 5) Discuss outside venue's that will be serving alcohol on the site, if any. Put the owners in contact with SFPD Alcohol Liaison Unit to discuss safety plans and hours of operation.
- 6) Mission Bay Community Benefit District to include all the commercial establishments.
- 7) Community Ambassador Program.
- 4. Given the anticipated growth in the project area (both with and without the proposed project), traffic volumes in the project vicinity are expected to increase. Are there any concerns and/or recommendations from SFPD regarding accessibility through the project area? Similar to the SFFD's practice, does SFPD ever need to use the center section of 3<sup>rd</sup> Street (i.e., the section used by the MUNI trolley lines) for use by emergency response vehicles to the project vicinity (e.g. during period of heavy traffic).

## Concerns:

- 1) 3<sup>rd</sup> Street Traffic will be very heavy during events due to it only being two lanes in each direction.
- 2) Games and/or Events on similar night at the arena and AT&T Park.
- 3) The building growth of the area (vertical) and population increases in the Mission Bay area.
- 4) The full opening of UCSF Hospital sites.

## **Recommendations**:

- 1) Comprehensive traffic plan between MTA, DPT, SFPD, UC PD (especially on days where the arena and AT&T have events).
- 2) Consult with DPT as to strategic fixed post assignments to run traffic signals for optimum traffic flow (before and after the events) especially to freeways.
- 3) Conduct a large social media campaign to use public transportation to reduce traffic.

The SFPD would use the center section of 3<sup>rd</sup> Street if necessary to respond to an emergency.

The SFPD also uses motorcycles (Honda Bikes, Full size motorcycles) as well as bicycles to police such events where there is an impact on traffic flow.

5. Does SFPD have concerns regarding response times during those occasions when events are occurring simultaneously at the Warrior's site at Mission Bay and AT&T Park? Please describe.

There are no concerns regarding response times when multiple events are occurring. We will have personnel assigned to each event to police each event.

6. What are the average response times for Priority A and B calls that serve the Mission Bay Blocks 29-32 vicinity? (If possible, please provide at least one full year of statistics; 3 full years would be preferable)

The response times for the area will have no bearing on any event at the arena. The officers working the events at the arena are dedicated to the policing of the arena and not used for any other purpose.

Response will be determined by the number of officers and area of coverage once the operations/security plans are developed.

7. If possible, please provide a count of the number and type of Police Department responses within the district the project site is located in. How many of each of Priority A, B, and C calls did the SFPD receive in? (If possible, please provide at least one full year of statistics; 3 full years would be preferable)?

Request has been put into our Crime Analysis Unit.

8. Is the crime rate for the Mission Bay Blocks 29-32 vicinity high, low, or average relative to the District as a whole? To the City as a whole?

The crime rate for the impact area is low compared to the rest of the Police District as well as the city.

9. Please describe any mutual assistance police protection agreements in which the City participates (e.g. UCSF police in Mission Bay?).

SFPD has full police responsibilities within the City and County of San Francisco. We will have discussions with UCSF police as to how we can support each other during events as the arena opens.

10. Does the SFPD have any current plans for new police stations in or near the Mission Bay project area (aside from the new Public Safety Building in Mission Bay)

There are no plans for any other police facility in or near the Mission Bay.

Background Information provided by Commander Redmond: The SFPD's Southern District is responsible for managing the law enforcement services for many events each year, including San Francisco Giants home games at AT&T Park, Oracle World, Macworld, Google Convention, St. Patrick's Day Parade, and Gay Pride Parade, and in 2013, the 34th America's Cup event. The SFPD routinely provides increased police protection for special events, including assigning additional SFPD personnel (police officers and on-site command/ dispatch center) specifically for these events. The level of SFPD personnel required for a particular event is determined by the SFPD's Event Commander in coordination with the event sponsor in advance of the event as well as by levels established in event security/operations plans. The Department of Parking and Traffic typically provides traffic control services for special events.

For San Francisco Giants home games, the SFPD typically provides on-duty officers from five or more SFPD district stations to provide police protection in the ballpark vicinity during games, along with motorized patrol support from the SFPD Honda unit and the SFPD Southern District Station's radio car as needed. In addition, the SFPD's Municipal Transportation Agency (MTA) Division provides officers to assist with facilitation of pedestrian traffic through MUNI Metro areas for Giants games, and the SFPD Bayview District Station provides bicycle officers to provide security at parking lots in Mission Bay used by ballgame patrons. Additional off-duty officers are used to provide additional police protection within the interior of the ballpark.