



*Our Mission: To identify and preserve the sites and structures of architectural and historic significance in the Bayview-Hunters Point District, for the benefit of its residents and for the larger San Francisco community.
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September 7, 2015

Andrew Wolfram, President,
Historic Preservation Commission
TEF
1420 Sutter Street, 2nd Floor
San Francisco, CA 94109

Dear Mr. Wolfram,

On behalf of the Bayview Historical Society, I respectfully request your personal and professional support of a feasibility study and updated evaluation of historic buildings at the Hunters Point Shipyard.

An earlier, comprehensive Historic Context and Inventory and Evaluation of Buildings and Structures of the Hunters Point Shipyard was prepared in 1997 by JRP Historical Consulting, and assisted in establishing the basis for retaining the rich history of building and sites at the Shipyard. Additional review of this and other historical data formed the basis for inclusion of a R&D Historic Preservation Option as outlined in the 2010 Design for Development Documents and Plan by the San Francisco Redevelopment Agency. Specifically, on page 212 of this published and approved document, section 5.3.4: “In the event a non-stadium option moves forward, four Navy buildings within the Shipyard R&D District will be considered for retention, subject to an economic and feasibility analysis...”.

The four buildings outlined in the document are clearly identified as 211, 224, 231 and 253. Additional structures and sites including the Gantry Crane and buildings 281, 351 and 411 are also identified in historic documentation, and are thus worthy of consideration and study.

As was unfortunately noted in the September 6th, 2015, ‘above the fold’, page 1 Chronicle article: *“San Francisco is a city rich in history, but its government agencies often do a poor job of preserving it. That’s the key finding from a new report commissioned by the city administrator’s office that found a number of startling practices when it comes to saving the city’s artifacts.”*

preservation of place

I believe that leadership by the Historic Preservation Commission on this specific, Shipyard-related item is essential and time sensitive. It is suggested that encouragement from your Commission is unique, and will be welcomed by the City agencies who may be prepared to assist in realizing a study and retention of the significant historic resources at the Hunters Point Shipyard.

The Bayview Historic Society also looks forward to working together with you and the Historic Preservation Commission on this community-supported effort.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Dan Dodt', written in a cursive style.

Dan Dodt
President, Bayview Historic Society

Bayview Home and Business-owner since 1980