



SAN FRANCISCO PLANNING DEPARTMENT

New Legislation Summary:

Interim Moratorium on institutional uses in the Western SoMa

Legislation: Urgency Ordinance
Case Number: Board File No. 07-1534
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Plain English:

The moratorium is in effect for 45 days and requires the Planning Department to do 2 things:

1. Hold all permits for the establishment of new institutional uses within this plan area (for the 45 day period); and
2. Submit a written report to the Clerk of the Board in 25 days (January 12, 2008) that will describe the measures taken to alleviate the conditions that led to this moratorium.

This moratorium was prompted by recent news that a portion of the Flower Mart is up for sale. A possible purchaser is the Academy of Art, who would convert the space to sculpture studios and classrooms. The moratorium would prevent the Planning Department from issuing any permits authorizing this conversion for 45 days.

Adopted Ordinance: #280-07

<http://www.sfgov.org/site/uploadedfiles/bdsupvrs/ordinances07/o0280-07.pdf>

Map: Attached

Western SoMa Special Use District Plan Area

