New Interim Control:
Building Permits for Commercial Buildings Uses in an Area Bounded by Market, Second, Brannan, Division, and South Van Ness Streets

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The Way It Is Now:

Interim zoning controls have been imposed for a 12-month period in the area bounded by Market Street from Van Ness Street east to 5th Street on the north side and east to 2nd Street on the south side, 2nd Street south to Brannan Street, Brannan Street west to Division Street, and South Van Ness Street north to Market Street. (See Attached Map).

Beginning on December 16, 2013, within this area the following shall apply:

1) DBI shall require that certain building permits for buildings which contain some commercial use shall post a multilingual notice for 15-day prior to starting the work. DBI shall require this posted notice and 15-day hold for the following building permits: structural or architectural work above the ground floor in the interior of a building with some commercial use that obtained its first certificate of occupancy prior to 1979, is valued at $15,000 or more, and requires the submittal of floor plans. Permits to address a life/safety issue, and permits for weather protection, accessibility upgrades, and dry rot repair shall be exempt from this requirement.

2) The posted notice shall say: “The building permit described below has been issued by the City and County of San Francisco. It is the City’s understanding that no one lives in this building. If you or someone you know lives in this building and may be displaced by this work, please call 415-575-9012 prior to the expected construction start date on ____.”

3) The Planning Department shall monitor the Interim Control phone number (415-575-9012) and investigate reported residential uses.

4) If a residential use has been established, the re-establishment of a commercial use that has been converted to residential use shall require Planning Commission approval through a conditional use authorization and, if triggered by Planning Code Section 322, a Proposition M authorization.

The Link to signed legislation is available at: https://sfgov.legistar.com/Legislation