



SAN FRANCISCO PLANNING DEPARTMENT

New Planning Code Summary:

Upper Market Street Neighborhood Commercial Transit District; Second Floor Bars

Amended Sections: Planning Code Section 733
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The proposed Ordinance amended the Planning Code (Section 733) to allow an existing bar on the ground floor in the Upper Market Street Neighborhood Commercial Transit District to expand to the second floor under specified circumstances with a Conditional Use authorization.

The Way It Was:

In the Upper Market Street Neighborhood Commercial Transit (NCT) District Bars required Conditional Use authorization to locate on the ground floor and were not permitted on upper floors of the building.

The Way It Is Now:

Bars still require Conditional Use authorization to located on the ground floor in the Upper Market NCT District, but now existing Bars on the ground floor may expand to the second floor with Conditional Use authorization if:

- (a) The space to be converted has not been in residential use within the previous five years
- (b) An internal staircase connecting the ground floor Bar use and the upper floor already exists, and
- (c) There will be no expansion of the building envelope.

Link to signed legislation:

<https://sfgov.legistar.com/View.ashx?M=F&ID=4365855&GUID=14D4607A-4499-4983-8CA1-46BBF58D0BE7>