Civic Center is a public space for all San Franciscans: a ceremonial gathering place that welcomes everyday use and inspires civic pride.

Civic Center es un espacio para todos los habitantes de San Francisco: un punto de reunión ceremonial que acoge el uso diario e inspira el orgullo cívico.

Pampublikong espasyo ang Civic Center para sa lahat ng tao ng San Francisco, isa itong lugar para sa mga panseremonyang pagtipon na malugod na tinatanggap ang pang-araw-araw na paggamit, at kung saan napupukaw ang dangal sa pagkamamayan.
Civic Center Public Realm Plan: Public Space Framework

**HISTORIC DISTRICT COMPATIBILITY 1912 ORIGINAL PLAN**

- Civic Promenade
- Tree Frame
- Sidewalks
- Buried Rooms
- Fountains
- Paved Street
- Landmark District

**IDENTITY AN INVITING PLACE FOR EVERYBODY**

- Civic Promenade
- Cultural Neighborhood

**LIGHTING A NIGHTTIME DESTINATION**

- Mast Lights
- Facade Lighting
- Pedestrian-Scale Street Lamps
- Overhead Light Canopy
- Sidewalks
- Intimate Lighting
- Entry Thresholds
- City Hall Lamps
- Civic Light Installation

**PLANTING ACCESS TO NATURE & BEAUTY**

- Evergreen Frame
- Broadleaf Evergreen Frame
- Evergreen Canopy Tree
- Flowering Specimen Tree
- Evergreen Accent Tree
- Deciduous Canopy Tree
- District Tree
- Lawn
- Understory / Garden

**PAVING A UNIFIED PUBLIC REALM**

- Civic Promenade
- Plaza Paving
- Neighborhood Rooms
- Sidewalks
- Special Paving
- Market Street Paving
- Sidewalks
- Market Areas

**CIRCULATION UNIVERSAL ACCESSIBILITY**

- Civic Promenade Circulation
- Secondary Circulation
- Tertiary Circulation
- Meandering Walks
- Crosswalks
- Bike Lanes
- Shared Use
- Parking Garage
- Transit Way
- Bus Drop Off
- Shared Public Way
- Loading
- Key Spill Elevation

Designs are Conceptual – Pending Further Retention
Concept Plan Legend
1. Helen Diller Playgrounds
2. Underground Access
3. Stone Terraced Steps
4. Retail Kiosk
5. Potential ‘Best of SF’ Kiosks
6. Ambassadors’ Station
7. Dog Park
8. Fit Park
9. Game Tables
10. Reading Terrace
11. Monument / Memorial Location
12. Potential Public Art Location
13. Civic Activism Timeline Paving
14. Community Message Board
15. Potential Local Heroes Walk
16. City of Flags Gateway
17. Gardens of Memory
18. Gardens of Delight
19. Sculpture Garden
20. Mirror Fountain
21. Interactive Fountain + Garden
22. Pioneer Monument
23. Transit Stop
24. Civic Promenade Crosswalk
25. Bike Facility
26. Parking Garage Ramp
27. Existing Community Garden

This concept design studies the potential relocation of the Pioneer Monument elsewhere within the Civic Center Historic District. A decision has not been made whether to relocate the Monument, and if so, where to relocate it to. No such decision will be made prior to full analysis of the Civic Center Public Realm Plan through a public review process, including compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). At the end of that process, the City may decide to keep the Pioneer Monument in its current location or to move it to another location within the district.
A District Water Reuse System can provide 100% of Civic Center’s future water needs, save 7.6 million gallons per year of potable water, and reduce the load on the City’s combined sewer system by millions of gallons each year.
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KIOSKS
CIVIC CENTER PLAZA

Supports micro-retail and cafe uses; Brooks Hall egress stairs, and public restrooms.

1

MCALLISTER STREET PAVILION
CIVIC CENTER PLAZA

Frames a symbolic gateway to Civic Center Plaza, provides elevators to garage below, a cafe facing the plaza, and public restrooms.

2

GROVE STREET PAVILION
CIVIC CENTER PLAZA

Promotes Arts District events with an information + ticket outlet and cafe with outdoor seating; provides Brooks Hall access.

3

LIBRARY PAVILIONS
FULTON MALL

Engages public with cafe/restaurant, public restrooms, and HPS information hub.

4

BILL GRAHAM PAVILIONS
CIVIC CENTER PLAZA

Enhances Bill Graham Civic Auditorium events and Grove Street Promenade with bar/restaurant venues and iconic marque.

5

BART MARKET PAVILION
UNITED NATIONS PLAZA

Celebrates UN Plaza with a street-level market hall, BART/MUNI access lobby and second level community event space.

6
Civic Center has undergone many transformations since its inception in 1912, and has been the site of many significant events.

**EARLY 1900’S**

- 1925 Diamond Jubilee
- 1970 Gay Pride Rally
- 2017 Women’s March

**MID 20th CENTURY**

**TODAY**

Almost 100 years later, Civic Center has been transformed into a vibrant and dynamic public space, hosting a variety of events and activities. Today, Civic Center is a celebration of shared history and tradition, serving as a gathering place for people of all backgrounds and interests. The Civic Center Public Realm Plan seeks to enhance this vibrant public space by adding new places and uses within a Beaux-Arts frame.

**CIVIC CENTER LANDMARK DISTRICT**: Founded on the symmetry, axial relationships, and historic elements of the 1912 Beaux-Arts plan, the proposed public realm plan adds new places and uses within a Beaux-Arts frame. This approach is intended to create a more cohesive and engaging civic promenade, with new garden rooms, trees, and fountains, while preserving and celebrating the existing historic facades.

**A LANDMARK THAT CELEBRATES SHARED HISTORY AND TRADITION**

- Historic Parades
- Civic Promenade
- Site Plan
- Garden Rooms
- New Installations
- Pavilions
- Seasonal Street
- Axial Relationships
- Landmark District
The City’s cultural heart and political hub

El centro cultural y el corazón político de la Ciudad

Sentrong pangkultura at politikal na puso ng Lungsod

FULTON MALL: The Fulton-facing entrances to the Library and Asian Art Museum will be made accessible and the porches made active, with new pavilions and services, an outdoor reading room, a new sculpture garden, and ample seating that enable these important institutions to spill out and activate the public realm.
A flexible, accessible, inviting place for all to gather

CIVIC CENTER PLAZA: Garden rooms framing new lawns and the Playgrounds create a lively, verdant frame for a large gathering space centered on City Hall. A mirror fountain provides an informal place to play during the day, but can be turned off during civic events.
A source of beauty, delight, and wellness

Una fuente de belleza, alegría y bienestar

美麗 、 愉悅和健康的來源

CIVIC CENTER PLAZA: The Gardens of Delight expand the presence of the Playgrounds and bring beauty and seasonal character to Civic Center. Ample seating on playful running benches also helps protect new planting areas around the existing Playgrounds.
A source of beauty, delight, and wellness
The safest place in San Francisco

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El lugar más seguro de San Francisco

Pinakaligtas na lugar sa San Francisco

Leavenworth is transformed from forlorn alley to neighborhood park with a dog park, fitness park, community message board, and game tables. Dramatic lighting marks the gateway day and night, and special paving reinvigorates the space as a welcome mat that connects the Tenderloin to Civic Center’s public spaces.
A generous space that meets the needs of diverse publics

CIVIC CENTER PUBLIC REALM PLAN
COMMUNITY WORKSHOP 3 • February 27, 2019

UN PLAZA PAVILION: A new pavilion at the BART station protects and encloses the existing entrance at UN Plaza and provides new uses, such as a market hall and community space, that enliven UN Plaza.
A landmark that celebrates shared history and tradition

Un lugar emblemático que celebre la historia y tradición comunes

Palatandaan o landmark na ipinagdiriwang ang kasaysayan at tradisyon, kung saan kahalagang isa't isa

CIVIC CENTER PLAZA - M'ALLISTER PAVILION: A new pavilion at the Civic Center Garage entrance frames views across the Plaza to Bill Graham Civic Auditorium. The pavilion centralizes pedestrian access to the garage and adds new bathrooms and food/beverage uses that bring activity to McAllister Street and support the Playgrounds.
Civic Center’s public realm will be designed to welcome civic events of all types and sizes. Two types of large events and their considerations are shown at right.

Large Ticketed Event (e.g. Clusterfest)

- **Stages + Crowds**
  - Crowd + Viewshed
  - Stage
  - Experience
  - ADA Seating

- **Access**
  - Entry
  - Security Fence
  - Building Access Maintained
  - Vehicle Access
  - VIP Entry

- **Services/Infrastructure**
  - Food
  - Portable Restrooms
  - Merchandise
  - Offsite Staging/Back of House

Civic Center’s public realm will be designed as a flexible place that welcomes daily life, with diverse activities over the course of the day and evening, weekdays and weekends.

**Daily Life at Civic Center**

**Daily Life & Activity - Weekday**

- **Weekday - Lunch Hour 12:00pm**
  - Lunch on the lawn
  - Waiting for Transit
  - Eating/Drinking
  - Picnic
  - Interactive Fountain
  - Photo Point
  - Interactive Fountain
  - Information

- **Weekend - Nightlife 9:00pm**
  - Evening Food & Beverage
  - Outdoor Reading Room
  - Photo Point
  - Night Movie
  - Information
  - Interactive Fountain

**Daily Life & Activity - Nighttime**

- **Evening Food & Beverage**
  - Night Market
  - Information
  - Interactive Fountain

**Uses & Activities**

- **Exercise/Play/Recreation**
  - Fitness
  - Parks
  - Sports

- **Eating/Drinking**
  - Picnic
  - Outdoor Reading Room
  - Cafe

- **Business/Commerce**
  - Shopping
  - Retail
  - Restaurants

- **Cultural/Performance**
  - Performing Arts
  - Public Art

- **Passenger Terminal/Transportation**
  - Bus Stop
  - Muni Station
  - Bart Station

- **Information**
  - Information
  - Photo Point

- **Active Recreation**
  - Interactive Fountain
  - Bike Park
  - Play

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A flexible, accessible, inviting place for all to gather

A YEAR OF EVENTS (2017)

LARGE CIVIC EVENT
(e.g. Pride Celebration)
A generous space that meets the needs of diverse publics

The Heart of the City Farmers' Market draws activity to UN Plaza from morning to early afternoon. The concept plan for UN Plaza creates a flat market plaza to support potential expansion and/or reconfiguration of the market, well into the future.

LEGEND

Market Tents/Tables
Commercial Loading
Off the Grid Food Trucks
Lava Mae Care Village
People

A DAY IN CIVIC CENTER

Farmer's Market + Care Village

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A source of beauty, delight, and wellness

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RECREATION + BASIC AMENITIES

Basic amenities will be multi-generational and multi-functional: ample fixed, movable, and informal seating; recreational amenities such as lawns that accommodate soccer, fitness equipment, a dog park, and game tables; bathrooms and water fountains; and structures for active uses such as food/beverage and local retail, park support offices, and information stations.

CIVIC CENTER PUBLIC REALM PLAN

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Events like the Night Market can invite people to linger in the public spaces during commute hours and into the evening. The concept plan for UN Plaza will support these events with new venues for informal performances, permanent retail at the BART Pavilion, and new amenities on Leavenworth.
The City’s cultural hub and political heart

GROVE STREET AT BILL GRAHAM CIVIC AUDITORIUM: The block of Grove Street between Bill Graham Civic Auditorium and Civic Center Plaza provides flexible space for markets and festivals, and a place to meet before performances in the evening.

Creating a clear and active connection to Civic Center’s cultural institutions is vital to the success of the plan. The concept plan for Grove Street illustrated here connects Civic Center Plaza to the ground floor of Bill Graham Civic Auditorium via a festival street, with new pavilions that bring evening and nighttime life and activity to this important connection.

LEGEND
- Food & Beverage
- Celebrations/Special Events
- Photo Point
- Bus Stop
- Muni Station
- BART Station

A DAY IN CIVIC CENTER
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A DAY IN CIVIC CENTER
Special events can extend activity into the nighttime hours. The concept plan for Fulton Mall creates a welcoming, sheltered space for programming and events such as movie nights between the Asian Art Museum and the Library.

MOBILE NIGHT
Gracious lawns combined with an open, flexible plaza connecting the Library and the Asian Art Museum transform the street to a vibrant, inviting park setting day and night.