



# FAQ 505 O'FARRELL (THE GARLAND HOTEL) | 505 O'FARRELL ST, SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94102

#### What is the proposed project at 505 O'Farrell St, San Francisco, CA 94102?

As part of the Mayor's historic Homeless Recovery Plan, the City is proposing to fund the lease and operations of the property at 505 O'Farrell for use as Permanent Supportive Housing for formerly homeless adults. The building will provide 80 units of much needed housing with onsite social services to help tenants gain and maintain housing and stability.

The property at 505 O'Farrell will have 24-hour staffing, onsite property management and support services provided by Tenderloin Housing Clinic (THC).

### Who will be housed at 505 O'Farrell?

505 O'Farrell will provide housing for single adults. The first group of tenants who will be housed at 505 O'Farrell are people who have been successfully housed at the Baldwin Hotel. The Baldwin Hotel will no longer be operating as PSH and tenants there will have the opportunity to move into 505 O'Farrell. Future tenants will be formerly homeless adults placed through HSH's coordinated entry process.

## What is Permanent Supportive Housing?

Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH) is affordable housing with supportive services designed for households with histories of homelessness. Each tenant will have their own unit and their own lease.

### How was the provider selected?

Tenderloin Housing Clinic is the selected operator and provider for this project because of their extensive experience operating and providing services in Permanent Supportive Housing. THC has been the operator and provider at the Baldwin and will be moving with these tenants to 505 O'Farrell. THC will be awarded this contract through the Emergency Ordinance 61-19.

# What was the process for selecting this location?

505 O'Farrell was selected for a master lease project because the property is recently renovated and includes amenities desirable to PSH tenants including private bathrooms, in-unit kitchenettes and close proximity to public transportation.

### What is the process for approval and moving forward? What is the timeline?

HSH is required by Chapter 79 in the Administrative Code (Prop I) to provide 30-day notice for change of use of an existing site.

This requirement was fulfilled on November 22, 2021, through public notices, Prop I letter, and the forthcoming community meeting. Information about this project and public meetings for proposed projects can be found at HSH's website at: hsh.sfgov.org/get-involved/notices/

The community meeting for this project will be held on **Thursday**, **December 9**, **2021 at 6:00pm**. This meeting will be held virtually and can be accessed <u>via zoom</u>.

HSH has the authority to enter into this contract to fund this master lease.

What is the site currently being used for? If there are existing tenants, what will happen to them?

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This property at 505 O'Farrell Street is currently an SRO with high vacancy. As of August 2021, there were 6 existing tenants. Any tenants who live in this building are welcome to stay as long they like through the terms of their private leases. Any existing tenants will have access to events, activities and services provided by the selected non-profit provider.



