



FAQ

74 6th St (The Baldwin Hotel) | 74 6th Street, San Francisco, CA 94103

What is the proposed project at 74 6th St (The Baldwin Hotel)? Whom will it serve?

The Baldwin Hotel at 74 6th Street is currently used as permanent supportive housing. However, given the small room size and lack of amenities, HSH proposes closing the Baldwin as PSH and reopening it as an approximately 160 rooms of non-congregate SAFE Navigation Center for adults and couples experiencing homelessness.

The Tenderloin Housing Clinic (THC), in partnership with the Department of Homelessness and Supportive Housing, has master leased the Garland Hotel to replace the permanent housing offered by the Baldwin Hotel. All tenants at the Baldwin will be offered housing at the Garland or other comparable PSH buildings.

The Baldwin will offer a private room shelter option that builds off of the success of the Shelter in Place hotel model and will include an elevator, medical clinic, staff offices, meeting spaces, shared bathrooms, guest laundry, kitchen/pantry space, meals, lobby/reception, and guest community space. Services will include 24/7 staffing and case management.

What is a non-congregate shelter?

Non-congregate shelters provide private rooms for guests. Drawing on the lessons learned from the SIP Hotel program, HSH is expanding the Department's semi- and non-congregate shelter options.

The City is converting the Baldwin Permanent Supportive Housing building into a non-congregate Navigation Center program. Navigation Centers are essential to reducing unsheltered homelessness and connecting guests to services and housing assistance. The purpose of this SAFE Navigation Center program is to help the served population obtain emergency nighttime sleeping accommodations, income, public benefits, health services, problem-solving, and housing, as available. This program employs a low barrier, harm reduction model, with limited rules, focused on specific guest actions rather than functional addictions or problems.

What is the process for approval and moving forward? Also, what is the timeline?

HSH is currently in the community notification and engagement process for this project:

- Neighbors were sent letters.
- A notice has been posted on the building.
- The project is detailed on the HSH website.

HSH will host a community meeting for this project on **March 8, 2022**. Following the community engagement process, the Board of Supervisors will consider authorization of the contract for this project. The Board of Supervisors' authorization will likely occur in late April or early May 2022.

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Additional information for this proposed project can be found at HSH's website at: hsh.sfgov.org/get-involved/notices/

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

The Baldwin Hotel is currently being used to provide 158 units of Permanent Supportive Housing for adults. Existing tenants will be offered a unit at another PSH site in the portfolio.

Is the City leasing this site? If so, for how long? If the City isn't leasing, who is?

The selected temporary shelter service provider will enter into a new lease agreement with the building owner. The current PSH service provider, THC, holds an existing master lease agreement with the building owner that will be terminated during the transition.

