BAYVIEW HUNTERS POINT ACTION ALERT!

Tell the San Francisco Bay Conservation and Development Commission to Reject Giveaway of Public Land on San Francisco Bay to India Basin Mixed Use Development

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Bay Conservation and Development Commission, 375 Beale Street, San Francisco

Build Inc.’s India Basin Mixed-Use Project would be a mega-development along San Francisco Bay in Bayview Hunters Point including 1500 mostly upscale residential units and retail at 700 Innes Avenue.

The company wants the Bay Conservation and Development Commission to amend the San Francisco Bay Plan to give our public lands to them for the India Basin Mixed-Use Project, lands that had been designated as a Waterfront Park Priority Usage Area (PUA), not a commercial development area.

The proposed amendment states that Build, Inc. requests to remove 17.9 acres of land from the designated Park PUA, a shoreline area reserved for water-oriented uses to minimize the need to fill the Bay in the future for such uses, and add it to its own mixed-use development project. In exchange, Build, Inc. would give 3.6 acres of its own property to the India Basin Open Space (IBOS), which is owned and operated by the San Francisco Recreation and Parks Department. Additionally, Build, Inc. would financially contribute to the redevelopment of the existing and added park property. The full staff report outlining the details of the proposed amendment can be found at https://bcdc.ca.gov/BPA/BPA-4-19-India-Basin-Staff-Report.pdf

The mission of the BCDC is "to protect and enhance San Francisco Bay and to encourage the Bay's responsible and productive use for this and future generations." However, the giveaway of land designated as Park PUA for commercial mega-development, directly violates the BCDC's own mission, mandate, and commitment to environmental justice. Even with the knowledge of the severe environmental implications of this project, the staff report is biased and written in favor of allocating more land to the mixed-use development site.

The India Basin Mixed-Use Project will cause significant and unavoidable impacts to air quality, yet the staff report selectively excludes the findings of the environmental impact report (EIR) that state that the air pollution generated from this project cannot be mitigated to less than significant, even with mitigation. There is currently no remediation plan in place to combat this pollution.

BCDC also failed to translate the notice or staff report, denying non-English speakers the right to have a say about decisions that affect their lives and community.

Please submit written comment outlining your concerns about Amendment No. 4-19 to the BCDC before October 3, 2019. Oral comments may also be presented at the October 3rd hearing. Send written comments to Shannon.fiala@bcdc.ca.gov or by mail: Shannon Fiala, BCDC, Bay Area Metro Center, 375 Beale St, Suite 510, San Francisco, CA 94105

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