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FILE NO. 90-74-12

ORDINANCE NO. 528-74

1 DESIGNATING THE STANYAN HOUSE AS A LANDMARK
 2 PURSUANT TO ARTICLE 10 OF THE CITY PLANNING CODE.
 3 Be it Ordained by the People of the City and County of San Francisco:
 4 Section 1. The Board of Supervisors hereby finds that the
 5 Stanyan House located at 2006 Bush Street, being Lot 33 in Assessor's
 6 Block 661, has a special character and special historical, architec-
 7 tural and aesthetic interest and value, and that its designation as
 8 a Landmark will be in furtherance of and in conformance with the pur-
 9 poses of Article 10 of the City Planning Code and the standards set
 10 forth therein.

11 (a) Designation. Pursuant to Section 1004 of the City Planning
 12 Code, Chapter II, Part II of the San Francisco Municipal Code, the
 13 Stanyan House is hereby designated as a Landmark, this designation
 14 having been duly approved by Resolution No. 7247 of the City Planning
 15 Commission, which Resolution is on file with the Clerk of the Board
 16 of Supervisors under File No. 90-74-12.

17 (b) Required Data. The location and boundaries of the landmark
 18 site, the characteristics of the landmark which justify its designa-
 19 tion, and the particular features that should be preserved, described
 20 and included in the said Resolution, are hereby incorporated herein
 21 and made a part hereof as though fully set forth.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

THOMAS M. O'CONNOR
CITY ATTORNEY

By George E. Baglin
Deputy City Attorney

CLERK OF SUPERVISORS

RECOMMENDED:

CITY PLANNING COMMISSION

By Edward I. Murphy
Edward I. Murphy
Acting Director of Planning



Passed for Second Reading
Board of Supervisors, San Francisco
NOV 25 1974

Ayes: Supervisors Barbagelata, Feinstein, Fran-
cois, Gonzales, Kopp, Mendelsohn, Molinari, Nel-
der, Pelosi, ~~Tamasas~~, von Beroldingen.

Noes: Supervisors

Absent: Supervisors TAMARAS

Robert J. Dolan Clerk

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Approved

Read Second Time and Finally Passed
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cois, ~~Gonzales~~, Kopp, Mendelsohn, Molinari, Nel-
der, Pelosi, Tamaras, von Beroldingen.

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Absent: Supervisors GONZALES

I hereby certify that the foregoing ordinance was
finally passed by the Board of Supervisors of the
City and County of San Francisco.

Robert J. Dolan Clerk

Joseph L. Alton
Mayor

SAN FRANCISCO

CITY PLANNING COMMISSION

RESOLUTION NO.7247

WHEREAS, A proposal to designate the Stanyan House at 2006 Bush Street as a Landmark pursuant to the provisions of Article 10 of the City Planning Code was initiated by the Landmarks Preservation Advisory Board on September 4, 1974, and said Advisory Board, after due consideration, has recommended approval of this proposal; and

WHEREAS, The City Planning Commission, after due notice given, held a public hearing on October 3, 1974, to consider the proposed designation and the report of said Advisory Board; and

WHEREAS, The Commission believes that the proposed Landmark has a special character and special historical, architectural and aesthetic interest and value and that the proposed designation would be in furtherance of and in conformance with the purposes and standards of the said Article 10;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, First, that the proposal to designate the Stanyan House at 2006 Bush Street as a Landmark pursuant to Article 10 of the City Planning Code is hereby APPROVED, the location and boundaries of the landmark site being as follows:

Beginning at a point on the northerly line of Bush Street distant thereon 66.25 feet westerly of the westerly line of Buchanan Street, thence 31.58 feet westerly along the northerly line of Bush Street, thence at a right angle northerly for a distance of 137.5 feet, thence at a right angle easterly for a distance of 29.33 feet, thence at a right angle southerly for a distance of 43.0 feet, thence at a right angle easterly for a distance of 3.25 feet, thence at a right angle southerly for a distance of 94.5 feet to the point of beginning; Being Lot 33 in Assessor's Block 661.

Second, That the special character and special historical, architectural, and aesthetic interest and value of the said Landmark justifying its designation are set forth in the Landmarks Preservation Advisory Board Resolution No. 111 as adopted on September 4, 1974, which resolution is incorporated herein and made a part hereof as though fully set forth;

Third, That the said Landmark should be preserved generally in all of its particular exterior features as existing on the date hereof and as described and depicted in the photographs, case report and other material on file in the Department of City Planning Docket No. LM74.9

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Commission hereby directs its Secretary to transmit the proposal for designation, with a copy of this Resolution, to the Board of Supervisors for appropriate action.

I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED by the City Planning Commission at its regular meeting of October 3, 1974.

Marie Zeller
Acting Secretary

AYES: Commissioners Farrell, Fleishhacker, Mellon, Newman, Porter,
Ritchie, Rueda

NOES: None

PASSED: October 3, 1974

OWNER: Lucille Snyder

LOCATION: 2006 Bush Street, north line, occupying a portion of lot 3
in Assessor's Block 661.

HISTORY: The Stanyan House is one of the oldest houses in the city, and remained in the Stanyan family for five generations. In 1974 it was sold to the present owner.

According to a publication by the Colonial Dames, the house was built in 1852, at the northwest corner of Bush and Buchanan. The Stanyan family, however, believes that the house was built in 1854 and that Charles Stanyan purchased it some six months after it was erected on the site. When Lone Mountain Cemetery opened in 1854, Bush Street served as a toll road and had wooden plank sidewalks. "The house was originally surrounded by a large wooded garden, with an ornate spindle fence on top of a stone bulkhead. "There was a large well in the yard and water was first installed by Mr. Stanyan in 1864. The double houses on each side were built beside it in 1892, occupying the garden area.

Sam Stanyan was the first of the Stanyan family to come to San Francisco. His son, Charles Hendee Stanyan, was born in the City, and the first known resident of this house, according to the City Directory of 1868-69. Previously Mr. Stanyan lived on the west side of Polk Street between Sacramento and Clay. In the 1850's he was a member of the Committee of Vigilance and was on the Board of Supervisors from 1865-1869, representing the Twelfth Ward. He was Chairman of the Outside Lands Committee, which was responsible for appraising lands outside the city charter limits and obtaining public land for Golden Gate Park, Buena Vista Park, Mountain Lake Park, the cemetery near Point Lobos, and public schools. Stanyan Street, forming the easterly border of Golden Gate Park, was named after Charles Stanyan.

Charles Stanyan, Jr., grandson of the pioneer, was President of the Stanford Parlor of the Native Sons of the Golden West. He died on July 5, 1936 at the age of 69. Charles Stanyan, Jr. was survived by his widow Jennie B. Stanyan, sister Jennie H. Stanyan daughter Mrs. Henry P. Buckingham, and three grandsons, Charles H. Stanyan IV, Henry Buckingham, Jr., and Stanyan Buckingham. Shortly after the death of Charles Stanyan, Jr., the house was rented.

Through August, 1974, the house was owned by Mrs. Henry P. (Martha) Buckingham, granddaughter of the original owner, and her nephew Charles H. Stanyan IV. Mrs. Buckingham was married in the house in 1923. This house was owned by the same family for over 110 years and four generations of the family have actually lived there.

¹ Colonial Dames, Builders of San Francisco and some of Their Early Homes, 1935, P.24

The Stanyan family also owns the cottage at 1907 Buchanan, just around the corner, which was moved from Bush and Hyde in 1875. They have done extensive renovation on this property.

ARCHITECTURE: A prefabricated house shipped 'round the horn from Boston, it is one of the earliest of this type and one of the oldest existing houses in San Francisco. The architectural styling of this house is very simple, and reflects the New England area from where it came. The house is two stories with horizontal wooden siding and contains fourteen rooms. There is a small garden area in front and the entry is one flight up from street level. The second level overhangs the first, so that a recessed porch area is created. The overhang is supported at the front by rectangular split columns, between which are three rounded arches. The main entrance door is behind the most westerly arch and windows are behind the other two. The second story is simply articulated by three rectangular windows just above the porch cornice and reaching to the level of the roofline. A small round window opening is above the middle window and closer to the peak of the roof.

The New England simplicity of this house distinguishes it from its later Victorian neighbors.

SURROUNDING
LAND USE AND
ZONING:

Zoning is R-2, two-family residential, but the surrounding land use is primarily medium density residential which was allowed under the former zoning.