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ROBERT BECK
TREASURE ISLAND DIRECTOR

MEMORANDUM

TO: Robert P. Beck, Treasure Island Director

FROM: Rich Rovetti, Deputy Director of Real Estate

DATE: January 11, 2023

RE: Treasure Island Residential Parking Policy

Following the November Board meeting, TIDA requested Admiral Security provide staff with copies of all notices issued for expired DMV registrations over the past 3 months (September, October and November 2022). Upon review, approximately 100 cars were noticed for expired tags out of 350 violations island-wide during this period. Of the notices issued for expired tags, only seven vehicles were towed from the residential area. An additional three vehicles with expired tags were towed from other areas of the island. Admiral Security works with each individual to resolve and correct violations. In the other 90 instances, vehicles were removed or their registration was brought current. Towing is only used as a last resort when individuals are either unresponsive or unwilling to correct the violation.

On November 15, 2022, Treasure Island Development Authority (“TIDA”) staff met with Admiral Security, One Treasure Island and housing property managers (Villages of Treasure Island, HomeRise, Swords to Plowshares, Catholic Charities, and HealthRight 360) to discuss and review the existing Treasure Island Parking Agreement and Parking FAQ Sheet (See Attachment #1). The Parking Agreement was jointly developed by the property managers in 2015 and universally adopted in early 2016.

Copies of the Parking Agreement and Parking FAQ Sheet were shared to refamiliarize everyone with the content and provisions of the Parking Agreement. TIDA and Admiral Security fielded questions from the housing property managers regarding existing Parking Agreement and discussed ways to improve communications.

Following the meeting, Admiral Security distributed flyers / courtesy notices to all vehicles parked in the residential area, reminding everyone of the Parking Agreement, the requirement for a residential parking permit, and the need for valid vehicle registration with the DMV.

We will have a follow up discussion of the Treasure Island Residential Parking Policy at the next Treasure Island Partners meeting in January 2023.

TREASURE ISLAND
PARKING AGREEMENT

PARKING SPACE #: _____

RESIDENT NAME(S): _____

ADDRESS: _____ UNIT # _____, SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94130

I have read, understand and agree to the following:

1) As used in this Parking Agreement, "the property" shall be defined as the areas under the Housing Provider's Lease Agreement. Vehicle(s) of the household must be registered and issued a Resident Parking Permit. Resident parking shall only be allowed as follows:

- **Designated Parking Space(s)** - shall only be used by Leaseholder(s) from the designated unit with approved Resident Parking Permit. Each residential unit has no less than one (1) designated parking space(s) at the property. Leaseholder(s) with an approved Resident Parking Permit is entitled to park its vehicle in the Designated Parking Space(s). A Temporary Parking Permit is required for a leaseholder(s) visitor's vehicle parked in the residential unit's Designated Parking Space(s);
- **Designated Parking Area 1** – TI Resident Designated Overflow Parking Area -- shall only be used by Leaseholder(s) with approved Resident Parking Permit (See Attachment for location);
- **Parking Area 2** – TI Overflow Parking Area -- shall be used by Leaseholder(s) with approved Resident Parking Permit, Visitors, and Commercial Tenants on a first come, first serve basis, for no more than 72 hours within a 7 day period. – TI Overflow Parking Area is for short term parking only and vehicles parked in this area for more than 72 hours will be subject to tow (See Attachment for location);
- **Designated Visitors Parking Spaces** - shall only be used by Leaseholder(s) with approved Resident Parking Permit and Visitors on a first come, first serve basis, for no more than 48 hours within a 7 day period. Designated Visitors Parking Spaces is for short term parking only and vehicles parked in this area for more than 48 hours will be subject to tow. A vacant unit's Designated Parking Space(s) shall be treated as a Visitor's Parking Space; and
- **Disabled Parking Spaces** – Vehicles must display valid Disabled Parking Placard.

2) **How to Apply for a Resident Parking Permit and Temporary Parking Permit:**

To obtain a Resident Parking Permit, Leaseholder(s) must present a valid Driver's License and current DMV registration to the Housing Providers Designee located at the reception desk at the lobby of the Administration Building, One Ave of the Palms, Treasure Island, San Francisco CA, 94130 between the hours of 8:30 AM and 4:30 PM Monday through Friday excluding legal holidays. Resident Parking Permits are to be affixed to assigned vehicles and displayed at all time, and non-transferable and must be renewed annually. For additional information or to schedule an appointment please contact your Housing Provider or its Designee at 415-760-0406.

To apply a Temporary Parking Permit for a guest vehicle parked in residential unit's Designated Parking Space(s), the Leaseholder(s) must contact the Designee during business hours in the Administration Building or by phone 415-760-0406 during after business hours. Temporary Parking Permits are valid for 72 hours only, and Temporary Parking Permits are to be affixed to assigned vehicles and displayed at all time

- 3) All vehicles at the property must be currently registered, fully functional and in operable condition. Inoperable conditions include but are not limited to: flat tires, broken taillights, broken windows, missing bumpers, missing rear view mirrors, missing license plates. For inoperable vehicles, Resident(s) may obtain a one-time thirty (30) Day Extension Permit allowing Resident(s) to park vehicle in Designated Parking areas while Resident(s) makes arrangements to repair vehicle. In order to obtain the Extension Permit, Resident must contact the Designee with specific details as to when car will become operable.
- 4) Parking is permitted in designated areas only. Parking is prohibited on lawns, sidewalks, red zones, and any areas that impinge on ingress and egress to any part of the property grounds or property facilities. Parked vehicles may not block fire hydrants or interfere with emergency vehicles. Double parking is prohibited.
- 5) Parking at the property is for residential and limited commercial use only. Certain vehicle types are prohibited from parking at the property. The Housing Provider's Property Manager shall determine if a particular vehicle is not within allowable use and that vehicle will not be permitted to park at the property. The Housing Provider's Property Manager shall make a final determination of eligibility for Resident Permit and this determination shall not be appealable. **Prohibited vehicle types include, but are not limited to:**
 - **Recreational vehicles including jet skis, boats, trailers, and mobile homes;**
 - **Oversized vehicles, including vehicles with multiple rear axels, in excess of 3500 pounds or in excess of 7 feet in height or 15 feet in length;**
 - **Taxi cabs and stretch limousines; and**
 - **Other vehicles inconsistent with residential use at the property.**
- 6) Vehicles at the property must be free of fluid leaks, including oil, coolant, and other fluids. Leasehold(s) are responsible for immediately cleaning the area and making necessary repairs to prevent any future leaks of their vehicles that cause leaks or spills.

Leaseholder(s) are allowed to perform minor in nature vehicle repairs on the property, including but not limited to the following: wiper replacement, fluid refilling, tire repair/changes, car vacuuming, and headlight replacement.

Major vehicle repairs are prohibited on the property. These include but are not limited to: engine repairs, transmission repairs, autobody work, vehicle painting, oil changes, antifreeze/coolant flushing, radiator repairs, brake replacement or repairs, and battery changes.

- 7) Car washing of any kind is prohibited at the property.

Parking FAQ Sheet

Why can't my visitor(s) park in my assigned space without a permit?

This prevents non-registered vehicles from parking in designated parking spaces.

Why can't my visitor(s) park at Designated Parking Area 1 if it is the closest parking facility to my unit and there are spaces available?

Designated parking area 1 has been established to provide permitted vehicles, close access to their unit.

How do I register my car?

To register your car, please visit the Housing Provider Designee, a Representative of Designee (Security Officer) located at the reception desk within the Lobby of the Administration Building, One Avenue of the Palms, Treasure Island, San Francisco, CA 94130 between the hours of 8:30 am and 4:30 pm, Monday through Friday, excluding legal holidays. The Designee contact number is 415-760-0406.

What do I need to bring to register my car?

A valid driver's license and current DMV registration is required to register vehicle.

Can I register someone else's car that I'm borrowing?

Unfortunately, no. This is to ensure only vehicles that belong to residents are registered.

I have a guest staying with me; do I have to register their car? Where can they park?

Generally, Visitor(s) are not required to register their vehicle(s). Visitor(s) are allowed to park in 3 areas on Treasure Island: (1) the Designated Visitors Parking Spaces (no requirement to register vehicle); (2) TI Overflow Parking Area (no requirement to register vehicle); and (3) Resident's Designated Parking Space (requires visitor(s) parking permit). Leaseholders must obtain a Visitor(s) parking permit from the Housing Provider Designee (Security Officer). Visitor(s) parking in the Designated Visitors Parking Spaces or TI Overflow Parking Area are on a first come, first serve basis, and are for no more than 48 hours within a 7 day period.

It's going to take more than a few days to fix my car, how much time do I get to fix my car?

A 30 day extension may be granted. A special permit will need to be obtained from Housing Provider Designee.

Why can't I park my unregistered/inoperable vehicle in my own parking space?

Parking spaces are to be used as parking spaces and not vehicles storage. The island has several locations where you can store your vehicle.

Where can I park unauthorized vehicles (oversized vehicles)?

There are two storage companies on Treasure Island that offer vehicle storage services— (1) City View Storage – 415-517-7390; and (2) Island Park Storage – 415-890-6484. Rates range from \$20 per day or \$200 per month. Contact these facilities directly for specifics.

If my car is towed, where is it towed to?

355 Barneveld Avenue, San Francisco, CA 94124

What do I do if someone is parked in my spot?

Contact Housing Provider Designee - 415-760-0406

Someone is leaving their car in the visitors spot beyond 48 hours, how do I report this?

Contact Housing Provider Designee - 415-760-0406. Designee is keeping track of vehicles parked throughout Treasure Island.

Can I give my parking permit to my new roommate? Can I trade permits with my roommates?

No, you may not give your parking permit to someone else as the parking permit is registered with your cars specific information.

Can I get a parking permit from my housing provider?

No. In order to get a parking permit, please visit the Housing Provider Designee, a Representative of Designee (Security Officer) located at the reception desk within the Lobby of the Administration Building, One Avenue of the Palms, Treasure Island, San Francisco, CA 94130 between the hours of 8:30 am and 4:30 pm, Monday through Friday, excluding legal holidays. The Designee contact number is 415-760-0406.

Why can't I wash my car in front of the unit?

Use of potable water for washings vehicles on Treasure Island is strictly prohibited as soap, car wax, etc. can rinse into storm drains which will pollute SF Bay as Treasure Island has a “separated system” meaning storm sewer runoff is not subjected to the same level of filtering as sanitary sewer water.



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NOTICE OF PLANNED ELECTRICAL SERVICE INTERRUPTION **TREASURE ISLAND COMMERCIAL PROPERTIES**

The San Francisco Public Utilities Commission (SFPUC) High Voltage Crew needs to make necessary repairs to ensure reliable service to all customers. In order to perform this work safely, the crew needs to temporarily interrupt your electric service. The crew will do its best to minimize the length of the service interruption.

Date: **Tuesday January 10, 2023**

Time: **7:00 AM to 1:00 PM**

AFFECTED SERVICE AREAS:

Building 33, all pods – 401 13th Street
Building 157 – 849 Avenue D

If you are a Landlord with tenant(s) in the areas listed above and the SFPUC bill is in your name, **it is your responsibility** to notify the tenant(s) of the planned service interruption.

Unsafe weather conditions or any unforeseen emergency will require the High Voltage Crew to cancel the work at the last minute and the crew will be unable to notify you of this cancellation. However, you will receive notification of the rescheduled date and time.

SAFETY WARNING: Do not use generators under any circumstances without the knowledge of TIDA and the SFPUC. If you use a generator during the service interruption you must isolate your generator from the SFPUC system. Failure to do so will not only damage your generator but can cause serious injury to electric crew personnel. The SFPUC apologizes for this inconvenience and thanks you for your patience.

- **Computers and other electronic equipment** are particularly sensitive to power interruption. We highly recommend unplugging this equipment before the shutdown period.
 - **Security systems, clocks, irrigation timers,** and similar equipment will likely require resetting after the shutdown is completed.
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Date: **Wednesday, January 4, 2023**

Time: **7:00 AM to 1:00 PM**

For building electrical meter replacement

AFFECTED SERVICE AREAS:

Treasure Island Job Corps Building 367 – 251 4th Street.

NOTE: Temporary outages will also occur to the following TI Job Corps buildings at the beginning and end of work at Building 367: **Building 363, Building 368, Building 369**

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- Referral incentive is only valid for returning VITA volunteers who have volunteered in one of the last 3 tax seasons and volunteer in the 2023 tax season.
- Gift cards will be sent out at the end of the 2023 Tax Season.

Requirements to receive a gift card:

- The new volunteer will need to have passed the IRS certification exams and volunteer approximately 1 shift per week for the duration of the tax season (late January - mid April).
- The new and returning volunteers must both volunteer for a VITA site that is part of our Bay Area VITA Coalition.

How to participate:

- The new volunteer must sign up for an "Info Session for Prospective Volunteers" and when registering, put the first and last name of the person who referred them.
- Sign up here:
https://uwba.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZYkdeGsqz8jGdwWSfJVGn_Z7hH1cWIU4z9M
- AND the returning volunteer must send us an email at taxhelp@uwba.org

Email us at taxhelp@uwba.org with any questions!



UNITED WAY BAY AREA

Treasure Island

COMMUNITY MEETING



Please join One Treasure Island as we provide this opportunity for information sharing and communication amongst the Treasure Island community about community engagement activities/events and the island development.

Wed Dec 21 @ 6:00-7:30pm

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Reunión de la Comunidad de Treasure Island



Por favor únete a One Treasure Island mientras ofrecemos la oportunidad de compartir información y comunicarnos entre la comunidad de Treasure Island acerca de actividades y eventos que relacionan a la comunidad y el desarrollo de la isla.

miércoles 21 de Diciembre entre 6:00 pm y 7:30 pm

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If you need assistance with food or any other basic needs, please call the

RESIDENT SUPPORT LINE:

415-800-5937

Deadline to call: Mon Dec 19

OR

Stop by the Food Pantry on Tues Dec 20,
we will be offering support





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Si necesita ayuda con comida o alguna otra necesidad básica, por favor llame a

LA LÍNEA DE APOYO A RESIDENTES:

415-800-5937

Fecha límite para llamar: Lunes diciembre 19

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This Sunday is Christmas Carols Service at 10am which is our final in-person service of the year, followed by our “Angel Tree Christmas Community Festival” .

We have a fun day planned for the whole family; Carols, Santa Photos, Hot Cocoa Bar, Popcorn , Bounce House, fun activities in service Giveaways as well as Serving families on treasure Island with “toys and other goodies” to bless them.

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The Residences at Yerba Buena Island Redefines San Francisco Living

by Fran Miller

January 4, 2023



A new residential community takes shape within San Francisco Bay.

Two decades in the making, [The Residences at Yerba Buena Island](#) provides San Francisco with a new landmark neighborhood. This urban oasis is nestled on the remarkably distinct setting of San Francisco Bay's naturally formed island, and offers a first-of-its-kind living experience with sweeping panoramic views, forward-thinking residences and wellness-oriented amenities. The landmark project is part of the adjacent Treasure Island master plan, encompassing residences, schools, hotels, retail, entertainment venues, a vibrant art scene, an unprecedented 300 acres of open space and parks, and a newly opened ferry terminal.

“After 20 years of thoughtful planning and collaboration with the City of San Francisco and a team of world-class designers and architects, our ambitions have come to fruition with the opening of the Residences at Yerba Buena Island,” said Chris Meany, partner at Wilson Meany, boutique San Francisco-based developer of mixed-use, residential, retail, office and master plan urban infill properties. “We are proud to present an inspired, new neighborhood in San Francisco.”

Collaboratively designed by [Hart Howerton](#), [Edmonds + Lee Architects](#), [Meyer Davis Studio](#) and [Aidlin Darling Design](#), The Residences include three distinct projects: [The Bristol](#), a collection of 124 residences within a six story condominium building, [The Townhomes](#), single-family row houses with private entrances and attached garages, and [The Flats](#), private, LEED® certified single-floor luxury residences that emphasize an indoor-outdoor way of life.



The first-to-open Bristol condominiums are perched on a forested hilltop offering panoramic views of Clipper Cove and the eastern span of the Bay Bridge. Featuring GreenPoint Rated sustainable interior design by Edmonds + Lee Architects, Bristol units are centered around a landscaped open-air inner courtyard, anchored by a Grandiflora Victoria Magnolia tree, providing residents a park-like setting in which to gather with neighbors and friends. Ranging from studios to spacious three-bedroom residences, The Bristol's gracious floor plans have been thoughtfully designed with floor to ceiling windows to maximize sunlight, Bay views and entertaining spaces.

Upon entry to the ground floor lobby, residents are greeted by large walls of framed glass through which the sun warmly filters. A continuous wall of wood draws the eye to the richly paneled reception desk detailed with a slab of Bardiglio marble, and to the luxurious height of the space, which is leavened with woven pendant lights from Contardi. End tables line the walls, breaking up the space and creating a residential foyer, while a cantilevered custom designed walnut bench offers sophisticated seating. The outdoor terrace intersects the exterior bustle with the calm of the building's interior; decorative wicker lighting from Bover accompanies the outdoor furniture that invites residents to curl up, rest, or engage in private conversation.

The Bristol offers studio, one, two and three-bedroom luxury residences and penthouses, ranging in size from approximately 630 to 2,248 square feet, and featuring panoramic views of Clipper Cove, the eastern span of the Bay Bridge, and the surrounding hills. Gracious floor plans include floor to ceiling windows and spaces for entertaining, with select homes offering private balconies. Tranquil living spaces are complemented by natural materials and textures that add inviting warmth. An array of amenity-rich common areas are found throughout the building, including a fitness studio, a dedicated children's playroom, lounges and a rooftop terrace outfitted with built-in grills, an outdoor fireplace, outdoor seating for drinking, dining and socializing and sweeping views.

The Residences community is centered within The Island Club, a private, multi-level gathering place offering a 10,000-square-foot oasis to relax and recharge, and featuring dramatic floor-to-ceiling windows for unobstructed views of the San Francisco skyline, Bay Bridge and Golden Gate Bridge. The Island Club amenities include a lounge, dining room, bar, game room, spa, sauna, massage room, locker rooms, fitness studio, terrace and outdoor lap pool.



Conveniences within the entire The Residences properties include doorstep package delivery and 24/7 security, as well as access to à la carte services including dry cleaning, car washing, pet care including dog walking, wellness services such as private training, massage and a nutritionist, housekeeping and grocery delivery through Whole Foods/Amazon Fresh, Good Eggs, Farmstead and more. Additionally, residents are invited to indulge in a complimentary beverage cart available daily in the lobby for fresh coffee, tea and espresso, and weekly hosted cocktail events allow for meeting new neighbors and friends.

“The opening of the Residences at Yerba Buena Island marks a rare celebration for San Francisco – the transformative beginning of a new neighborhood,” said San Francisco Mayor London Breed. “The unprecedented project revitalizes the link between San Francisco and the East Bay, providing new possibilities for residents, locals, and visitors to explore our incredible city. I look forward to watching this innovative community blossom and thrive as thousands of new homes come to Yerba Buena and Treasure Island.”



Daily ferry service from San Francisco’s Ferry Building connects residents, locals, and visitors with easy access to both Yerba Buena Island and Treasure Island via a quick 10-minute trip across the Bay. A private shuttle transports residents from the Treasure Island Ferry Terminal to and from their homes, making for a seamless and carefree commute.

Here's the MTC's best-case scenario for opening Bay Bridge bike path

[By James Salazar | Examiner staff writer](#)

Dec 22, 2022

In a best case scenario, you would be able to cross the Bay Bridge on foot or by bike by 2030, this according to the Metropolitan Transportation Commission.

Gavin Lohry, an agency planner, spoke on behalf of the MTC last week during an Oakland Bicyclist and Pedestrian Advisory Commission meeting. He laid out what would need to be done for construction of the path to occur between 2028 and 2030.

An estimated \$300 to \$400 million is needed to undertake such a project, but these funds haven't been allocated or secured. Some portions hinge on the continued funding of the Active Transportation Program, which was created by Senate Bill 99 to encourage increased use of active modes of transportation, such as walking and biking.

"Until such time that a complete funding package is assembled, a shore-to-shore connection for bicyclists and pedestrians traveling between Oakland and San Francisco will remain a vision rather than a reality," said John Goodwin, the MTC's assistant communications director.

A complete Bay Bridge bike path would connect West Oakland to downtown San Francisco via Yerba Buena Island.

The first portion of the path is already in operation, having opened ten years ago. Situated along the eastern span of the Bay Bridge, this path connects Oakland to Yerba Buena Island.

The next phase of the project would involve connecting the existing eastern span bike path, which ends at Vista Point on Yerba Buena Island, to Treasure Island.

Finally, the Yerba Buena and Treasure Island paths would be connected by a bike path that crosses the western span of the Bay Bridge.

This portion has yet to be designed but it's expected to be separated from the bridge's vehicle lanes.

Bay Bridge bike path on track for 2030

A dedicated bike and pedestrian trail connecting Oakland and San Francisco has been in the works for over a decade.

by [Jose Feroso](#) December 20, 2022



In a few years, Oakland residents will be able to ride into the Bay Bridge from West Oakland on new wide, separated bikeways. This is a rendering of what the bikeway would look like on West Grand Avenue. Credit: Metropolitan Transportation Commission.

Oakland and San Francisco residents who want to cross the Bay on foot or bicycle have a date to look forward to: 2030.

That's the year the Bay Bridge bike path is expected to open, connecting West Oakland to downtown San Francisco via Yerba Buena Island, according to Gavin Lohry, a planner for the Metropolitan Transportation Commission. Lohry gave an update on the status of the transbay bike path at Oakland's Bicyclist and Pedestrian Advisory Commission meeting last week.

The first part of the bike and foot path was completed 10 years ago with the opening of the [eastern span of the Bay Bridge path](#), connecting Oakland to Yerba Buena Island. The next phase will involve connecting the existing eastern span bike path that ends at Vista Point on Yerba Buena Island to Treasure Island. Then the final phase involves connecting the paths on Yerba Buena and Treasure Islands to a bike path that will cross the western span of the Bay Bridge. The path on the western span hasn't been designed yet, but it's expected to be separated from vehicle lanes. While the total funding to complete the path by 2030 has not been secured, including an estimated \$300-400 million needed for the West span, the MTC is confident it can come in over the next seven years.

The most important parts of the project are not actually situated on the bridge, Lohry said. Oakland and San Francisco have networks of bikeways currently under development, or already built, that allow people to get past heavy industrial areas to the bridge. These include [West Oakland transit improvements](#) like protected bike lanes on 7th Street and the [Grand Avenue mobility plan](#).

“There is really a solid network of separated, protected bike lanes that are being designed in the East Bay and specifically in Oakland, on Treasure Island, and in San Francisco to allow people of all ages to comfortably bike around,” Lohry said.

The biggest development on Oakland’s side is called the West Oakland Link. Part of the Metropolitan Transportation Commission’s [Bay Trail project](#), the 1.1-mile West Oakland Link is a wide, dedicated bike and footpath that will connect the Bay Bridge Trail to West Oakland and the Port of Oakland. At the moment, anyone who wants to ride onto the bridge has to travel on dilapidated streets alongside heavy truck traffic while passing over train tracks. The West Oakland Link is expected to be completed by 2027.

The West Oakland Link will also help people more easily reach the recently-opened [Judge John Sutter Park](#) next to the bridge. At the moment, most people who want to visit this area do it by car.

The MTC predicts that over 8,000 people will be using the bridge bike and walking path when it is extended from Yerba Buena Island’s Vista Point to Treasure Island by 2027.

Recent improvements on Yerba Buena and Treasure Island

Over the last couple of years, the [San Francisco County Transportation Authority](#) has been improving the Yerba Buena Island bike path that connects the eastern end of the Bay Bridge, through Macalla Road to Treasure Island. It’s open on weekends and is expected to expand into the weekdays when the [Southgate Road Realignment Project](#) is completed in the next few months. This road is steep, though, and it is mostly used by serious bicyclists. Lohry told The Oaklandside that when he’s ridden on it, it’s felt dangerous to descend.

The path that will be safest for pedestrians and bicyclists of all ages is on the other side of Yerba Buena Island and will be built over the next few years.

The bike paths on Yerba Buena Island are being improved concurrently with San Francisco Ferry services. The trip from San Francisco’s Ferry Building to Treasure Island’s Ferry Terminal [arrives every 45 minutes](#), but service is expected to improve to every 15 minutes over the next few years. More frequent ferries will also benefit the influx of residents moving into [new high-rises](#). San Francisco’s 25-line [SFMTA Muni](#) bus can also take bike riders and pedestrians to and from the island.

The Oakland to San Francisco bikeway has been in the planning stages for a long time. In 2011, a state bill that would have [helped fund a bridge pathway](#) was killed. But when the new Bay Bridge opened ten years ago, local bike advocates stepped up their campaign to [make it happen](#).

Meeting the 2030 completion date depends on continued funding from the state through the [Active Transportation Program](#).

Future: West Oakland Link



The West Oakland Link bike and pedestrian pathway will consist of several sections, several above street level. Credit: Metropolitan Transportation Commission.

One potential downside to the bridge path is that bicyclists could be exposed to high levels of pollution from cars, which are still expected to cross the bridge in huge numbers—roughly 100,000 per day—far into the future.

Brian Beveridge, West Oakland Environmental Indicators Project co-director, told The Oaklandside that his group has raised concerns about pedestrians and bicyclists' health exposure to vehicle emissions on the West Oakland Link and the bridge.

“The question remains whether it’s better for people to fully avoid pollution or is it better to get out and exercise, [as on the bridge], despite some exposure,” said Beveridge. He added that his group is working with the MTC to put up “friendly” signs on the new pathways that warn people about the exposure to harmful particulate matter, including nitrogen oxides.



Current locations of the San Francisco Bay Trail.

<https://oaklandside.org/2022/12/20/bay-bridge-bike-path-on-track-for-2030/>



Simulated Conditions.

The separated bikeway from West Oakland into the Bay Bridge could be built above polluted areas in the Port of Oakland. Credit: Metropolitan Transportation Commission.

How Treasure Island found its way into the most iconic Indiana Jones film

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John Williams' triumphant, horn-laden Indiana Jones theme song is blaring from the speakers of our rental car as we pull into the parking lot of Treasure Island's Administration Building.

Dun-dun-dundun-dun-dun-duuuuuuuun

I pull up a screenshot on my phone from "Indiana Jones and the Last Crusade" just to make absolutely sure this is the right building, even though I'm already *absolutely* sure.

This is the building — the Berlin Airport that Indiana Jones and his dad arrive at after retrieving the Grail diary from the Nazis. The building where they buy a one-way ticket out of Berlin on a zeppelin that will provide the backdrop for [the famous "no ticket" scene](#). The unmistakable, semi-circular building that's absolutely covered in Nazi flags in "The Last Crusade."

Built in 1938 prior to the World's Fair, the Administration Building was designed by two architects behind the likes of the Fox Theater in Oakland, the Sir Francis Drake Hotel in San Francisco and some of the most iconic buildings on the University of California, Berkeley campus. It was intended to serve as the Pan-Am World Airways terminal of a potential Treasure Island airport, but was scrapped due to World War II.

Up until the late '90s, it served as part of a Navy compound, which is where this story gets interesting. "Indiana Jones and the Last Crusade" was released in 1989, meaning ... George Lucas added Nazi flags to a building on an active military base?

Well, not exactly.

According to Patricia McFadden, who's spent 20 years working as the Treasure Island's Base Closure Manager for the Department of the Navy, the flags were actually added in post production.

"That's the only way they would let them shoot it," she says.

"As I've heard from some of the location people that were around at the time, that really caused a stir," says Peter Summerville, who managed Treasure Island's film production from 2005-2011 and currently serves as the Island's Operations Planner. "Particularly with some Nazi flags on the outside. That sort of ruffled some feathers after the fact."

Susan Spencer Robbins (now Susan Newirth), an assistant production coordinator on "Indiana Jones and the Last Crusade," says the whole shot very likely may have been a "plate," essentially a blank take without actors intended to be manipulated digitally. Which means everything in the scene was added in post production.

Newirth — who was part of the American unit of the film — says none of the major players in her unit shot the Treasure Island scene, but more likely a smaller pick-up crew.

The reason they went to lengths to use the Moderne Art Deco building (which looks sort of like a cross between the Reagan National airport and the Pentagon), though, is clear.

"That part of Indiana Jones is around that late '30s, so I imagine the architecture is perfect," Summerville says. "It looked like it was built to be a terminal in that time anyway."

Because, of course, it was.

The style of the design has drawn interest beyond Indiana Jones (lots of interest in fact, which you can see in the slideshow up at the top of the story). The Administration Building was also used as a San Francisco hotel in the most recent version of "The Parent Trap" with Lindsay Lohan, in Ang Lee's "Hulk" where it serves as a military base ("I remember seeing Sam Elliott here one day," Summerville says) and "Ant-Man" where the building was actually CGI-ed out of the film and replaced with the fictitious Pym Technologies headquarters.

There's an "Interrogation Room" sign on the main conference room which appeared in the TV show "Nash Bridges" (which actually filmed out of one of Treasure Island's hangars), "Mythbusters" has shot up and down the island, as did NBC's short-lived "Trauma", and the building even served as a backdrop for a handful of true crime shows on the Discovery Channel ("Actually, I was an extra in one of the scenes in this building. I played a government agent. That was my kind of 30 seconds of fame," Summerville says).

"There were a number of Robin Williams films that he filmed locally that were all sound staged and produced out here," Summerville says. "'Flubber,' 'Patch Adams,' I think 'Bicentennial Man.'" According

<https://www.sfgate.com/movies/article/George-Lucas-Indiana-Jones-Nazi-flags-Treasure-Is-14462515.php>

to Summerville, Williams didn't want to travel outside of San Francisco to film them, so this was the studios' creative solution.

And most recently the Administration Building was featured in the Netflix Original "The OA," wherein it serves as a hospital.

"When you walked into our building, you see that security desk in the lobby — they built that for "The OA,"" says Jack Nathanson, TI's current Special Events and Film/Photo Production manager. "Before that we had a little janky desk thing — they fabricated that and we asked them to leave it because we thought it kind of fit in well."

It's not manned by anyone, it just sits there, a silent reminder of a cinematic history that all started when the location crew behind Indiana Jones [chose ... wisely](#).

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Vandalism Suspected in Outage That Left SF Neighborhood Without Power

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San Francisco's Public Utilities Commission is investigating a power cut that may have been caused by vandalism.

The Treasure Island power cut affected the whole island early Tuesday morning. Power has since been restored.

It comes after a number of high-profile power cuts were caused by vandalism in [Washington](#) and [North Carolina](#) recently—leaving tens of thousands of homes without power—stoking fears of a [new form of terrorism on American soil](#).

A spokesman for the SF utilities commission said: “The cause appears to be equipment failure. The cause of the equipment failure is under investigation, including whether or not the equipment failure was caused by vandalism. Crews have completed repairs and power has been restored.”

This is a developing story.

Power outage affecting all Treasure Island: officials

by: [Aaron Tolentino](#)

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SAN FRANCISCO ([KRON](#)) — An electrical power outage has been reported Wednesday afternoon in all of Treasure Island, the San Francisco Department of Emergency Management announced on [Twitter](#). The outage was tweeted at 3:49 p.m.

At this time, officials did not give an estimated time of restoration. All impacted traffic lights should be treated as four-way stops.

No other information was immediately available.

This is a developing story. Check back for updates.

SF Unlikely To See Soccer Stars at Next World Cup as Infrastructure Drags

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For one month every four years, millions of international visitors descend on cities to see their country play. With them comes the promise of a boosted local economy as spectators spend millions on sold-out accommodations, packed restaurants and the thrill of being in the stadium while history is made.

The “San Francisco Bay Area” gets to share in that honor when the World Cup 2026 comes to town—well, Santa Clara to be exact.

But while the FIFA delegation were [wined and dined](#) by SF Mayor London Breed last year to secure the bid, officials only toured South Bay soccer facilities, as the games will be played at Levi’s Stadium.

That means when global megastars arrive in the city, you likely won’t find them training in SF.

San Francisco has failed to build up the modern infrastructure needed to host the world’s top soccer teams in time—despite best-laid plans.

[Stadiums and fields in SF are really old](#). Kezar Stadium in the heart of the city was first opened in 1925. After that, Boxer Soccer Stadium at Balboa Park, the only public soccer-specific stadium in the city, was built in 1953.

Anticipating the potential arrival of a World Cup, District 11 Supervisor Ahsha Safaí announced in 2018 that he wanted to lead “an entire makeover” of Boxer Stadium. His tentative plans would see the historic 3,500 seat venue become a training field for international teams.

Safaí said at the time he would work with the city’s Recreation and Park Department, which oversees the stadium, as well as with the Capital Planning Committee to set aside the necessary cash for the project.

But four years later, a spokesperson for Recreation and Parks confirmed those plans never materialized. Aside from daily maintenance and a repaved parking lot that “no project or funding have been identified [since 2018],” said the department.

Today, the field is mostly used by local high schools and middle schools. It is highly unlikely that a professional team could ever use the field in its current state.

“I’m excited the World Cup is coming to the Bay Area in 2026,” said Safaí when asked for an update on his 2018 proposal. “This provides an excellent opportunity to improve the city’s soccer facilities, and I will work hard to include Boxer Stadium in the upcoming Capital Plan to ensure its renovation and operation for years to come.”

Enter Treasure Island

With nothing else in the pipeline, Mayor Breed has thrown her support behind a new soccer-specific development for 2023—although, it’d be a stretch to say that it is in the city proper.

<https://sfstandard.com/housing-development/sf-unlikely-to-see-soccer-stars-at-next-world-cup-as-infrastructure-drags/>

The SF Glens, a semi-professional soccer team [with aspirations to be the next professional club in the city](#), are currently constructing a 1,500-seat waterfront stadium on Treasure Island.

“When [the World Cup] comes to the Bay Area in 2026, this field is going to be the shining jewel,” Breed said at the groundbreaking ceremony. “This is going to put San Francisco officially on the map in the soccer world like nothing else.”

A lot can change in four years. But when The Standard reached out to The 49ers—whose executives led the host bid—to confirm if any San Francisco fields were considered, they said that FIFA only toured the soccer facilities at Stanford University and San Jose State. It remains unclear where international teams will set up their training camps in the Bay Area.

This is not the first time San Francisco has served as the face of a marketing campaign, yet sat on the sidelines when the actual games kicked off. In 2016, Super Bowl 50 was also hosted at Levi’s Stadium.

To the [annoyance](#) of some supervisors at the time, the city forked over \$4.8 million to “host festivities” the week of the game. Data released by the City Controller’s Office showed that SF [brought in a total of \\$11.5 million](#) before expenses after the Super Bowl.

All of this doesn’t mean that high-profile soccer players will never come to San Francisco or the Bay Area’s other cities—Real Madrid played at [Oracle Park](#) last summer and at [Cal Memorial Stadium](#) in [Berkeley](#) in 2014, so there’s hope yet.

Baby food, gold bars and the story behind the 49ers' official whiskey



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Six years ago, Elliott Gillespie was toiling away at a finance job in Canada that he couldn't hate more. With the blessing of his wife, who was home with their 3-month-old son, he quit in 2016 and started to pursue a long-shot dream: turning a hobby (blending whiskies with his friends) into a new career.

He started with a bottle.

“A friend of mine, when I told him I wanted to start a distillery, he said, ‘You’re going to need a couple gold bars; that’s expensive.’ So I started designing exactly that, a gold-bar bottle,” Gillespie says.



Gold Bar President Elliott Gillespie shows off the special edition bottle celebrating the 40th anniversary of “The Catch.”

He modeled and patented the bullion bottle, and then he called 74 distilleries across the United States trying to find someone who would help him fill it with actual whiskey. Finally, No. 75 — a contract distillery on [San Francisco](#)'s Treasure Island called Yerba Buena Beverage — said yes.

<https://www.sfgate.com/49ers/article/gold-bar-whiskey-bottle-49ers-17575663.php>

And with that, Gold Bar Whiskey was born, kicking off an almost unbelievable chain of events that would take it from obscure new spirit to the official whiskey of the [San Francisco 49ers](#) in just three years.

A 2,483-mile commute

Once he found a distiller, Gillespie started commuting 2,483 miles to work, flying back and forth between Ottawa and San Francisco to oversee the operation. It wasn't until he missed the birth of his second child while he was back in San Francisco that he finally moved his entire family permanently to Oakland.

Yerba Buena Beverage shuttered in 2018, and Gold Bar took over the lease for the entirety of the warehouse and then brought on its first master blender: Monty Paulsen.

A leather-skinned winemaker with a salt-and-pepper ponytail, Paulsen is wearing a fedora when I first meet him at Gold Bar's Treasure Island headquarters. I check his belt for the matching whip — no luck. He speaks in dulcet tones that seem like they'd go great with a highball of bourbon.



Monty Paulsen, master distiller at Gold Bar Whiskey, pictured inside the company's distillery on Treasure Island, on Thursday, Oct. 20, 2022.

We're sitting in the exact middle of Gold Bar's rickhouse, a 500-barrel storage space that smells of deep wood and whiskey, as Paulsen and Gillespie share the story of where the two met. Gillespie ages all of his flagship whiskey in Napa wine barrels, meaning he needed someone with both whiskey *and* wine expertise at the helm. He found Paulsen, with 40 years of experience in both, on a wine business version of Craigslist.

The pair soon discovered that Paulsen's grandfather had been a member of the Coast Guard and had come to Treasure Island's Golden Gate International Exposition (the whole reason this human-made island was built in the middle of the San Francisco Bay) in 1939.

"We just learned all of this stuff as we became friends," Gillespie says, who's as friendly as he is apologetic.

Gillespie will tell me he's sorry a dozen times before the day is done for a variety of things, such as answering a question, changing topics and pausing to think.



A view of the main still inside Gold Bar Whiskey headquarters on Treasure Island.

Somehow, though, this apologetic, dumb-luck Canadian and his ponytailed sidekick would sign the 49ers partnership just three years into the whiskey brand's existence.

They have a trip to Safeway for baby food to thank for it.

'That started flying out of here'

Someone was going to be the first official whiskey company of the 49ers in 2019, after the NFL relaxed rules on spirits engagements. But Gold Bar wasn't on any kind of short list, mostly because it was a craft distiller with very little market penetration. Basically, no one had ever heard of Gold Bar Whiskey — something the 49ers brass is quick to point out.

But a fortunately timed sample table at a San Jose Safeway changed all that.



Gold Bar Whiskey products on display inside Gold Bar headquarters on Treasure Island, in San Francisco.

“It was really kind of great timing. Us having the category open, it was top of mind when Matt went to the grocery store,” says Siert's former boss, Kevin Hilton, the 49ers' VP of Corporate Partnerships. “I told Matt there's no chance you're going to get this partnership done when he told me the Safeway story, but have at it.”

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A short while later, Siert would invite Gillespie to Levi's Stadium, where they'd present a potential partnership and a price tag that Siert says "some of the big boys weren't willing to spend."



The Gold Bar Whiskey Bar in Levi's Stadium's main concourse.

Gillespie, however, was. Three years after making that 75th phone call that would land the company in San Francisco, Gold Bar became the first company to sign an official whiskey partnership with an NFL team.

"I have three kids now, all in the last four years. I was shopping at Safeway near our house for our first one, just getting baby food, and I walk by the liquor aisle, and they're sampling this whiskey," says Matt Siert, who was managing corporate partnerships for the 49ers at the time. "Just the fact that they're sampling in stores is reason enough to try it for me — free booze, I'll take a sip."

That sip, plus the gold-bar bottle, was enough for Siert to leave his card.

The 49ers would add Gold Bar Whiskey Bar to Levi's Stadium's main concourse and sign off on two custom 49ers bottles from Gold Bar: one celebrating the 49ers franchise's 75th anniversary and a second commemorating the 40th anniversary of "The Catch."

"Rarely do you come out with a new product and have preorders of thousands of cases," Paulsen says of the Niners partnership. "That started flying out of here. They wanted truckloads of this flying out the door."



Elliott Gillespie, president of Gold Bar Whiskey, shows off the company's special edition bottle celebrating the 40th anniversary of "The Catch," the famous touchdown reception by San Francisco 49ers tight end Dwight Clark in 1982.

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It took Gold Bar only two weeks to sell out of all 6,000 of the 75th-anniversary 49ers bottles in 2021.

This year, they tripled production of the Dwight Clark commemorative bottles, which are upvoted machines on the 49ers subreddit, where fans are regularly trying to hunt them down in real time.

All of the threads go [exactly like this one](#): One fan asks where they can get one of Gold Bar's special 49ers bottles; others lament not being able to find one either, followed by someone saying something like ["I found it at a liquor store in Reno"](#) or ["I just found a bottle at Costco for \\$40 in Redwood City."](#) And then a month later, someone posts the same thing and starts the cycle all over again.



Gold Bar Whiskey's master distiller Monty Paulsen draws out a special blend from barrels inside Gold Bar's headquarters on Treasure Island.

And yes, even Rita Carvalho — the internet-famous artist who's been [drawing Jimmy Garoppolo every day until he gets traded](#) — has [a sketch of Garoppolo with a bottle of Gold Bar](#) in her archive.

It's clear talking to Gillespie that the 49ers agreement — which only allows Gold Bar to sell the custom Niners bottles in Northern California — has massively accelerated the growth of his company overall. His whiskey is now sold in 25 countries, the company has doubled its sales in Northern California since starting the partnership, and Gold Bar is about to double its capacity when it moves into an even larger warehouse on the island.

'Sometimes things just work out'

Gillespie thanks me (numerous times) for having randomly bought a bottle of Gold Bar at a Total Wine & More a couple of years ago, which I immediately regret telling him because he won't stop pausing the interview to express his gratitude.

But after some starts and stops, he admits to me that prior to partnering with the 49ers, he wasn't an NFL fan. He never could've predicted all of this just six years ago.

"It's a wild story. It really did transform our company," he says. "You get lucky. Sometimes things just work out."