

# Transit Center Code of Conduct

February 6, 2018  
CAC Meeting



# Code of Conduct

## *Purpose*

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- Part of ongoing process to support the programmatic goals for the transit center
- Applies to **public use** of the building, passageways, exterior areas surrounding the building, and in some cases the rooftop park
- Adds to Park Rules & Regulations, Tenant Rules & Regulations, and all applicable laws

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## *Primary functions of areas*

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- Transit – Bus Deck & Bus Plaza  
*Areas that require safe, rapid, orderly & efficient movement through congested spaces*
- Retail – Ground & Second Levels  
*Areas leased to tenants and designed to serve retail purposes*
- Park & Open Space – Rooftop Park & Natoma Pedestrian Way  
*Areas for the public to linger and enjoy*
- Movement - Sidewalks, walkways & passageways  
*Areas through which the public passes; some narrow*
- Wayfinding - Grand Hall  
*Area designed as secure interior space encompassing multiple activities; hub for information & wayfinding*

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## *Organization*

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- Expressive Activities
- Regulation of Certain Activities
- Prohibition of Certain Activities & Conduct

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## *Expressive activities*

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- “Expressive Activities”
  - Generally thought of as auditory, visual, or printed communication or conduct that is intended to convey a political, religious, philosophical or ideological message
  - Protected by First Amendment
  - Examples may include demonstrating, protesting, leafletting, and displaying signs

# Expressive Activities

## *Open and closed areas*

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- Certain areas open to expressive activities:
  - Exterior sidewalks around the transit center perimeter
  - Natoma pedestrian way
  - Rooftop park
  - Grand Hall
  
- Certain areas closed to expressive activities:
  - Areas dedicated by lease, license or permit
  - Shaw Alley and passageways
  - Stairwells, escalators & elevators, restrooms
  - Within 10 feet of leased areas, children's playgrounds, restaurant seating, ticket vending machines, interior queues, among others
  - Within 50 feet of any construction site or equipment

# Expressive Activities

## *Permit may be required*

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- Within open areas, certain expressive activities require a permit issued by the TJPA
- Where a permit is required, TJPA may designate areas within the transit center where activity can occur

# Expressive Activities

## *Permit conditions*

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- Ensure the protection of public/private property and the safety and welfare of the public
- Cannot unreasonably interfere with the rights of others using the transit center
- Will not limit the content of permittee's First Amendment expression or right to free speech
- May require additional approvals, permits or licenses from other authorities having jurisdiction
- May require a cash performance bond or security deposit
- May require insurance to protect the TJPA and agreement to indemnify the TJPA



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## *Regulated activities*

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- Events for which a fee is charged  
*Including artistic performances, public speeches, classes*
- Selling, bartering, exchanging or promoting goods or services
- Athletic activities
- Providing food/conducting a farmer's market
- Commercial filming, photography or recording
- Weddings

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## *Regulated activities and conduct*

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- Animals

*Animals in crates & dogs on a leash in exterior areas are allowed (service animals excepted)*

- Bicycles

*Allowed in bicycle storage areas and on bus deck by way of street-level elevators only*

- Wheeled equipment

- *Wheelchairs, strollers, and carry-on size luggage are allowed*
- *Large luggage is allowed only while enroute to a transit service/ baggage check*

- Consuming alcohol

*Except on the premises of businesses or at events with proper permits*

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## *Prohibited*

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- Smoking
- Fighting
- Malicious destruction of property
- Polluting & littering
- Obstructing sidewalks & passageways
- Interfering with transit functions
- Gambling
- In restrooms
  - *no bathing, showering, laundering clothes or loitering*
- Weapons & fireworks
- Camping, lying down, sleeping
- Climbing
- Posting signs
- Throwing objects
- Fire
- Graffiti
- Hazardous materials
- Exposing certain body parts
  - *regulated by SF Police Code*

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## *Next steps*

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- Public outreach meetings in TJPA offices
  - Feb 8<sup>th</sup>, 5:30-7:00 p.m.
  - Feb 9<sup>th</sup>, 12:00-1:30 p.m.
- CAC Code of Conduct presentation in March
- Code of Conduct approval on the TJPA Board agenda in March



# Questions & Comments