

May 4, 2023

Rob Levin, Acting Managing Director
War Memorial Performing Arts Center
401 Van Ness Avenue, Room 110
San Francisco, CA 94102

Dear Rob,

The Symphony requests authorization from the War Memorial Board of Trustees to seek entitlement from the City of San Francisco to make possible future improvements to Davies Symphony Hall, including potential front of house lobbies, improved street-level access, creation of an additional performance space, improved backstage support spaces, and possible renovation to the performance areas.

As you know, Davies opened in the Fall of 1980, and the only major improvement since then was the acoustic renovation in 1991-1992. The building approaches historic status in 2025 (at 45 years), after which, significant alterations become more difficult and costly. The Symphony has been working on and revising its thinking on this for many years.

The Symphony is seeking entitlement for these improvements at this time in order to reserve the right to make these future improvements based on available funding. For these reasons, would want to begin this process as soon as possible.

We look forward to sharing concepts and renderings with the Building Committee and Board of Trustees at a future meeting.

Sincerely,



Andrew Dubowski
Senior Director of Operations