

***FISHER WITHDRAWS HIS ART MUSEUM FROM PRESIDIO MAIN POST***  
***The Struggle is not over.***

The proposal that a 100,000 square foot contemporary art museum be built in the heart of the Presidio of San Francisco National Historic Landmark has been withdrawn. Congratulations to all of the public who rallied to make their objections known. Maybe the “process,” as labored as it is, works after all. We estimate that over 10,000 volunteer hours went into the studies, meetings and papers involved to achieve this decision.

But the Presidio is not clear of dangers that remain in the Presidio Trust plans. The underlying proposal for the process we are engaged in is to change the very principles that were agreed upon to govern the future of Main Post as the historic and educational center of the park. The Trust proposes to change that to a “civic and cultural center” and to build a hotel and movie theater. The Fisher Museum may be relocated elsewhere in the Presidio.

Those of us who have fought so hard to reach this point cannot rest on our oars. Our voyage will end only when the integrity of the historic landmark is guaranteed and when the public experiences a rich immersion in American heritage when they visit the Presidio national park.