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Consolidated Municipal Election, November 4, 2003

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Dear San Francisco Voter:

Your Voter Information Pamphlet contains the following helpful information for the November 4 Consolidated Municipal Election including:

- The address for your polling place;
- An official sample ballot, which includes all of the candidates running for Mayor, District Attorney and Sheriff, and all 14 ballot measures;
- The complete text of the 14 ballot measures, along with arguments in favor of and against each measure;
- An absentee ballot application.

The Department of Elections encourages you to review the back cover of this pamphlet for the correct address of your polling place, as some polling place locations have changed since the last election. The address of your polling place can also be found on the Department's website at [www.sfgov.org/elections](http://www.sfgov.org/elections), under "polling place lookup." If you have any questions about the location of your polling place, you can call the Department's voter information phone bank at (415) 554-4375.

The Department of Elections would also like to remind all voters about two early voting options for the November 4 Election. First, any voter may request an absentee ballot by filling out the absentee ballot application on the back cover of this pamphlet. The completed application must be received by the Department no later than 5:00 p.m. on October 28. Second, beginning October 6, any voter may vote early at City Hall, outside the Department of Elections, Room 48. The hours for early voting are Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. Weekend early voting will be available October 25-26 and November 1-2, from 10:00 a.m.- 4:00 p.m.

Respectfully,

John Arntz  
Director of Elections



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The **Elections Commission** assumes policy-making authority and oversight of all public federal, state, district and municipal elections in the City and County of San Francisco. The Commission is charged with setting general policies for the Department of Elections and is responsible for the proper administration of the Department subject to budgetary and fiscal Charter provisions.

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The **Ballot Simplification Committee** prepares summaries ("The Way It Is Now," "The Proposal," "A Yes Vote Means," and "A No Vote Means") of measures placed on the ballot each election. The Committee also prepares a table of contents, an index of candidates and measures, a brief explanation of the ballot pamphlet, definitions of terms in the pamphlet, a summary of voters' basic rights, and a statement as to the term, compensation and duties of each local elective office.



## PURPOSE OF THE VOTER INFORMATION PAMPHLET

This Voter Information Pamphlet provides voters with information about the November 4, 2003 Consolidated Municipal Election. The pamphlet includes:

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## Mail Delivery of Voter Pamphlets

The San Francisco Voter Information Pamphlet and Sample Ballot is scheduled to be mailed at the beginning of October. If you registered to vote on or before September 2, 2003 you should receive your Voter Information Pamphlet by the middle of October.

If you registered to vote or changed your registration after September 2, and before October 7, your Voter Information Pamphlet will be mailed after October 14.

If you do not receive your Voter Information Pamphlet in a timely manner, please notify your local Post Office.



# Your Rights as a Voter

by the Ballot Simplification Committee

**Q — Who can vote?**

**A —** U.S. citizens, 18 years or older, who are registered to vote in San Francisco on or before October 20, 2003.

**Q — My 18th birthday is after October 20, 2003 but on or before November 4. May I vote in the November 4 election?**

**A —** Yes, if your 18th birthday is on or before November 4, but after October 20, you can register to vote on or before October 20 and vote November 4 — even though you were not 18 at the time you registered to vote.

**Q — If I was arrested or convicted of a crime, can I still vote?**

**A —** You can vote as long as you are not in prison or on parole for a felony conviction. You must be registered to vote.

**Q — I have just become a U.S. citizen. Can I vote in the November 4 election?**

**A —** If you became a U.S. citizen on or before October 20, you may vote in the election, but you must register to vote by October 20.

**OR**

If you became a U.S. citizen after October 20, but on or before October 28, you may register and vote at the Department of Elections office with proof of citizenship and proof of San Francisco residency.

**Q — I have moved within the county but have not re-registered. Can I vote in this election?**

**A —** Yes, but you must go to your new polling place and show proof of current residence.

**Q — When do I vote?**

**A —** Election Day is Tuesday, November 4, 2003. Your polling place will be open from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m.

**Q — Where do I go to vote?**

**A —** Go to your polling place. The address is on the back cover of this book.

**Q — What do I do if my polling place is not open?**

**A —** Check the label on the back of this book to make sure you have gone to the right place. Polling places often change. If you **are** at the right place, call the Department of Elections at 554-4375 to let them know the polling place is not open.

**Q — If I don't know what to do when I get to my polling place, is there someone there to help me?**

**A —** Yes, the poll workers at the polling place will help you.

**Q — Can I take my sample ballot or my own written list into the voting booth?**

**A —** Yes. Deciding your votes before you get to the polls will help. You can locate your sample ballot inside this voter pamphlet.

**Q — Is there any way to vote instead of going to the polling place on Election Day?**

**A —** Yes, you can vote before November 4 if you:

Fill out and mail the Absentee Ballot application printed on the back cover of this book. Within three days after we receive your request, a vote-by-mail ballot will be sent to you. Your request must be **received** by the Department of Elections no later than 5 p.m. on October 28, 2003;

**OR**

Go to the Office of the Department of Elections at City Hall, One Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place, Room 48, from October 6 through November 4. The office hours are: from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday; from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday and Sunday starting October 25-26 and November 1-2; and from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. on Election Day, November 4.

**Q — If I don't use an application form, can I get an Absentee Ballot some other way?**

**A —** You can send a note, preferably on a postcard, to the Department of Elections asking for a ballot. This note must include: your printed home address, the address where you want the ballot mailed, your birthdate, your printed name and your **signature**. Mail your request or fax it to (415) 554-4372. Your request must be received by the Department of Elections no later than 5 p.m. on October 28, 2003.

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*Any voter has the right under California Elections Code Sections 9295 and 13314 to seek a writ of mandate or an injunction, prior to the publication of the Voter Information Pamphlet, requiring any or all of the materials submitted for publication in the Pamphlet to be amended or deleted.*





# Early Voting

(In person or by mail)

## EARLY VOTING IN PERSON

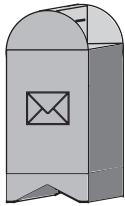
Office hours for early voting are as follows:

- **8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday**, beginning October 6 at *City Hall, 1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place, Room 48*;
- **10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Saturday and Sunday starting October 25-26 and November 1-2**;
- **7 a.m. to 8 p.m. on Election Day, November 4** at *City Hall, 1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place, Room 48*.

## EARLY VOTING BY MAIL

**Any voter may request an absentee ballot.** You can request a ballot by mail, using the application form provided on the back of this pamphlet. You may also request a ballot by sending a short note or postcard to the Department of Elections. When making such a request, remember to include your home address, the address to which you want the ballot mailed, your birthdate, name and **signature**. **Your signature must be included!** Mail your request or fax it to (415) 554-4372. This must be received by the Department of Elections before 5 p.m. on October 28, 2003.

**NOTE: You no longer need a reason such as illness or travel to qualify to cast your ballot prior to Election Day. Any registered voter may vote early.**



## HERE'S HOW TO GET YOUR BALLOT BY MAIL:

To request an absentee ballot by mail, **complete the application card on the back cover of this pamphlet**, or a signed written request, and return it to the Department of Elections so that it is received no later than 5 p.m. on October 28, 2003. Within three days after we receive your request, a vote-by-mail ballot will be sent to you.



# Access for the Disabled Voter

by the Ballot Simplification Committee

### BEFORE ELECTION DAY

**ABSENTEE VOTING** — All voters may request that an absentee ballot be mailed to them, or they may vote in person at the Department of Elections, City Hall, One Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place, Room 48, from October 6 through November 4.

The office hours are:

- 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday;
- 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Saturday and Sunday, starting October 25-26 and November 1-2;
- 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. on Election Day, November 4.

In addition, all voters may apply to become Permanent Absentee Voters (see page 6). Ballots for all future elections will automatically be mailed to Permanent Absentee Voters.

**TAPE RECORDINGS** — The San Francisco Public Library for the Blind and Print Handicapped, 100 Larkin Street, produces and distributes tape-recorded copies of the Voter Information Pamphlet for use by visually impaired voters.

**TDD (TELECOMMUNICATIONS DEVICE FOR THE DEAF)** — Hearing-impaired or speech-impaired voters who have a TDD may communicate with the San Francisco Department of Elections office by calling 554-4386.

### ON ELECTION DAY

**ASSISTANCE** — Persons unable to complete their ballot may bring one or two persons with them into the voting booth to assist them, or they may ask poll workers to provide assistance.

**CURBSIDE VOTING** — If architectural barriers prevent an elderly or disabled voter from entering the polling place, poll workers will bring the necessary voting materials to the voter in front of the polling place.

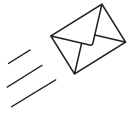
**PARKING** — If a polling place is situated in a residential garage, elderly and disabled voters may park in the driveway while voting, provided they do not block traffic.

**READING TOOLS** — Every polling place has large-print instructions on how to vote and special sheets to magnify the type on the ballot.

**SEATED VOTING** — Every polling place has at least one voting booth which allows voters to vote while sitting in a chair or a wheelchair.

**VOTING TOOLS** — Every precinct has an easy-grip pen for signing the roster and an easy-grip special pen for marking the ballot.





# Permanent Absentee Voter

(Permanent Vote-by-Mail )

As of January 1, 2002 any registered voter may request to be a Permanent Absentee Voter. Permanent Absentee Voter status is no longer limited to those voters with physical disabilities. Any voter may request to become a Permanent Absentee Voter, and an Absentee Ballot will be mailed to you automatically for every election.

Anyone registered to vote may apply to be a permanent absentee voter. Once you are on our permanent absentee voter mailing list, we will mail you an absentee ballot automatically for every election until you move, re-register, or do not vote in a statewide election. If you do not vote in a statewide election, you will no longer be a permanent absentee voter; however, you will remain on the voter roll unless this office has been informed that you no longer live at the address at which you are registered.

To become a permanent absentee voter, complete the absentee ballot application on the back cover and return it to the Department of Elections or call for an application at (415) 554-4375. **Be sure to check the box that says, "Permanent Absentee Voter" and sign your name where it says, "Sign Here."**

If you move, re-register, or do not vote in a statewide election, you will need to re-apply to be a permanent absentee voter. In all other cases, you do not need to re-apply.

## IMPORTANT NOTICE TO PERMANENT ABSENTEE VOTERS

If you have already registered as a permanent absentee voter, your ballot will be mailed on or about October 6. To find out if you are registered as a permanent absentee voter, please call the Department of Elections at 554-4411. If you have not received your absentee ballot by October 18, please call 554-4375.

# How to Locate Your Polling Place

## Your Polling Place May Have Changed

Back cover of this pamphlet (lower left corner):

**NOTE:**  
Your polling place address is located in the lower left-hand corner of the back cover of this pamphlet. Please make a note of it. Even if you send in for an absentee ballot, you may still wish to turn in your ballot at your polling place on Election Day.

Your precinct number

( ) \_\_\_\_\_  
( ) \_\_\_\_\_

I certify under penalty of perjury that this information is true and correct.

**Sign Here** ▶

We must have your signature - Do Not Print

**Your Polling Place Address Is:**

100 Collingwood Street  
Eureka Valley Playground  
P12345678 NP 9702  
PCT-3623

Polling Place Handicapped Accessible:



# CITY AND COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO OFFICES TO BE VOTED ON THIS ELECTION

## MAYOR

The Mayor is the chief executive officer of the City and County of San Francisco. The term of office for Mayor is four years. The Mayor is paid \$168,220 a year.

## DISTRICT ATTORNEY

The District Attorney prosecutes criminal court cases for the City and County of San Francisco. The term of office for District Attorney is four years. The District Attorney is paid \$157,040 a year.

## SHERIFF

The Sheriff runs the county jails and provides bailiffs (security) for the courts. The term of office for Sheriff is four years. The Sheriff is paid \$122,512 a year.

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## IMPORTANT NOTICE STATEMENT OF QUALIFICATIONS LOCAL CANDIDATES

This pamphlet contains a complete list of candidates. A complete list of candidates also appears on your sample ballot in this pamphlet.

On the following pages are statements of qualifications from local candidates. Each candidate's statement in this pamphlet is volunteered by the candidate and is printed at the expense of the candidate, unless otherwise determined by the jurisdiction. The statements have been printed as submitted by the candidates. Spelling and grammatical errors have not been corrected. The statements have not been checked for accuracy by any City official or agency.

★ ***THE ABOVE CANDIDATE HAS AGREED TO VOLUNTARILY LIMIT CAMPAIGN SPENDING.***

The above statement preceded by the star indicates candidates who have adopted voluntary campaign spending limits according to the Campaign Finance Reform Ordinance (CFRO) section 1.128.



# Candidates for Mayor

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## ROGER E. SCHULKE

**My occupation is** Computer Company Executive.

**My qualifications are:**

Financial MBA, 25 Years Business Experience, Fortune 500 consultant, Savings and Loan regulator.

I am the guy “next door” who is concerned about the direction San Francisco has taken. Over the years San Francisco has fallen from a shining light to a broken bulb. The homeless problem is out of control, parking fines have sky rocketed, school educational levels are low and falling, San Francisco is mismanaged and is spending itself into bankruptcy. These problems can be fixed because I know San Franciscans can do better, and deserve better than we’ve gotten.

With common sense and a regulator’s ability to recognize mismanagement, I’ll put San Francisco back on the path of business growth, smaller government, and increased opportunities for home ownership. I will do this by cutting regulations, and reducing the budget by approximately \$500,000,000 without affecting principal services.

My dream is to make San Francisco the cultural and business center that it once was. A City where art, business, and cultural diversity blend together like fine wine. A City where anyone, from any part of the world, feels at home. A City that the world can fall in love with, and would again want to visit.

People not Politics – Solutions not Excuses

[www.RogerForMayor.com](http://www.RogerForMayor.com)

*Roger E. Schulke*

## GAVIN NEWSOM

**My occupation is** Member, Board of Supervisors.

**My qualifications are:**

It is time to fulfill the promise of San Francisco.

We are a compassionate city – yet over 100 homeless people die on our streets every year. That’s why as mayor I will never give up the fight to create real care for homeless San Franciscans.

We are a rich city – yet city government suffers from a poverty of ideas. That’s why I have produced detailed plans to bring professional management and accountability to every city department.

We should be economically vibrant – yet our economy stagnates. As mayor I will implement my proposals to create high wage jobs to sustain San Francisco families.

I am proud to have earned the support of Nancy Pelosi, Dianne Feinstein, Willie Brown, Jackie Speier and organizations including the San Francisco Firefighters, and 22 labor unions. I would be honored to earn your support also.

I believe the best San Francisco is yet to come. But we will not fulfill our promise until we care for the homeless, clean our streets, keep San Franciscans safe in every neighborhood, create good jobs, give our children access to quality public schools, and give our citizens confidence that city government is working for them.

To learn more, please visit

[www.newsomformayor.com](http://www.newsomformayor.com)

*Gavin Newsom*

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# Candidates for Mayor

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## SUSAN LEAL

**My occupation is** San Francisco Treasurer.

**My qualifications are:**

San Francisco is America's most beautiful city. It can also be America's best.

To get there we need a Mayor with the substance to match our style – a leader who's sharply focused on creating opportunities and holding government accountable.

As a child of Mexican immigrants, UC Berkeley graduate, lawyer and health care entrepreneur, I know that opportunity is the spark that ignites each generation.

As Treasurer and Supervisor, I used my financial and management skills to create opportunities while balancing the budget, tripling delinquent tax collections and enhancing investments. I designed an Education Trust Fund to protect school funding and authored the "Smart Start" preschool initiative to help working families.

Let's collaborate with nonprofits, libraries and schools to provide day-long learning for children while attracting the best teachers with low-interest home loans.

Let's generate jobs, housing and economic opportunities by growing biotech and sustainable green industries, establishing micro-enterprise loans, marketing San Francisco, and developing Pacific Rim trade.

Let's increase housing by determining what neighborhoods need, not what developers want.

The times demand a Mayor who offers bold ideas and proven leadership; one whose energy is matched by her experience, seasoned judgment and financial expertise.

I'd be honored to have your vote.

*Susan Leal*

## TONY RIBERA

**My occupation is** University Administrator, former San Francisco Police Chief.

**My qualifications are:**

I am a native San Franciscan. I graduated from Washington High School, City College and Golden Gate University, finishing with a Ph.D. in Public Administration.

I was a San Francisco Police Officer for 28 years, I moved up through the ranks from patrolman to Chief. During my tenure as Chief, crime in the city was decreased by 30%.

For the past seven years I have been a professor and administrator at the University of San Francisco. I currently hold the position of Director of the International Institute of Criminal Justice Leadership.

I served in Vietnam and I am a member of the American Legion, Post 456 and of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, Post 90. I have served on the Board of Directors of four different charitable and service organizations.

My wife Cathy and I live in the Sunset District. We have three grown children, all of whom graduated from San Francisco schools.

I am very concerned about the state of our city. I am not a politician, but rather a manager by experience and academic background. I will bring sound management principles to city hall. I am not part of a failed system. I represent real change.

*Tony Ribera*

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# Candidates for Mayor

## JIM REID

**My occupation is** Builder.

**My qualifications are:**

I am a builder and I take responsible action rather than just talk.

As a private citizen, I built the Smallest House in San Francisco, ShelterOne. Housing is a big piece of the solution to our homeless problem and our decades old housing shortage.

I am personally housing homeless people in my rented house and in ShelterOne. I stayed seven nights in our homeless shelters and found them a disgrace.

I drive a one-person electric car, ride MUNI, ride a bicycle, and often walk. Rather than working to solve our parking and traffic problems, our elected officials repeatedly raise parking fines and penalize people caught in traffic.

Raising MUNI fares and cutting service in a recession rather than overhauling the middle management bureaucracy is WRONG. Our campaign is registering transit riders as Transit Voters to change this.

Rather than cut our bloated city bureaucracy, our politicians are planning new city income taxes. We need to build new housing to create new taxpayers, not levy new taxes.

With limited funds, our campaign did more with less. As Mayor, I will insist that City Government does the same.

Elect a man of action and integrity; vote Jim Reid.  
826-6106

[www.SFMayor.com](http://www.SFMayor.com)  
[www.habitatforthehomeless.org](http://www.habitatforthehomeless.org)  
[www.TransitVoter.org](http://www.TransitVoter.org)

*Jim Reid*

## ANGELA ALIOTO

**My occupation is** Civil Rights Attorney.

**My qualifications are:**

I'm a native San Franciscan, working mother, grandmother and successful businesswoman. As a civil rights attorney, I fight in the courts for justice against powerful special interests and win. As Supervisor for eight years, I took on big tobacco and won, passing America's first workplace smoking ban. I fight for our seniors, working families, diversity, youth, environment and win.

**PRIORITIES:**

- Balance the budget, weed out waste
- End corruption, return honesty and accountability
- Create jobs, invigorate small businesses
- Affordable housing, homeownership, and homeless plan
- Better schools: healthier kids, safe streets

**ENDORSEMENTS:**

SUPERVISOR Gerardo Sandoval

HONORABLE: Angelo Quaranta, Tracy Baxter, Dan Kalb, Francisco Hsieh

FORMER D.A. Joseph Freitas

FORMER P.D. Kimiko Burton-Cruz

LABOR LEADERS: Sal Rosselli, Josie Mooney, Larry Mazzola, Mike Casey

ENVIRONMENTALIST: John Holtzclaw

NEIGHBORHOOD LEADERS: Tony Sacco, Espanola Jackson, Barbara Meskunas, Bud Wilson, Richard Millet

COMMUNITIES: Father Louis Vitale, Dr. Paul Quick, Kevin Williams, Bill Price, Sylvia Alvarez-Lynch, Fred Perez, Ying Lam, Jim Nakamura

BUSINESS: Lou Girardo, James Herlihy

ARCHIVIST: Gladys Hansen

POET Lawrence Ferlinghetti

ALIOTO VERONESE FAMILY

SEIU Local 250, 790

California State Council of all SEIU

Plumbers Local 38

Taxi Permit Drivers

Restaurant Workers Local 2

Federation Retired Union Members

BayView Newspaper

[www.aliotoformayor.com](http://www.aliotoformayor.com)

*Angela Alioto*

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# Candidates for Mayor

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## TOM AMMIANO

**My occupation is** City Supervisor.

**My qualifications are:**

I have helped build our city for thirty-five years. And, I am grateful and proud to have worked on some of the city's greatest accomplishments.

I authored San Francisco's landmark Domestic Partners Law. I led the fight for District Elections to give a voice to neighborhoods. And, I championed the successful Living Wage Law.

I brokered the recent peace agreement between landlords and renters, and I started the successful MUNI settlement talks.

Most recently, I authored both the Rainy Day Fund to end binge-and-purge city spending and the sweeping Police Reform measure to crack down on corruption.

Now, as Mayor, I want to lead a city for everyone. I will:

- 1) Build world-class public schools.
- 2) Fast track city projects to produce jobs.
- 3) End mismanagement of homelessness programs, and focus on the mentally ill homeless.
- 4) Establish the cleanest, most modern city government in the nation.

These are challenging goals. But I know, if you work as hard as you dream, you can turn hope into reality.

I am proud to be endorsed by groups such as Sierra Club, California Nurses Association, and the San Francisco Tenants Network.

I would be honored to have your support.

*Tom Ammiano*

## MATT GONZALEZ

**My occupation is** President, San Francisco Board of Supervisors.

**My qualifications are:**

BA Columbia College, JD Stanford Law School, former Deputy Public Defender

I entered politics because I believe it is an honorable profession that can be exercised to improve the lives of people and to ensure accountability of public resources.

Since being elected, I've fought against corrupt government practices that cost this city millions of dollars each year at the Housing Authority, Airport, and other city departments.

I have supported thoughtful Planning Commission reform, neighborhood notification of chain stores, creating a local minimum wage and Police Commission reform. I have opposed business tax policies that punish businesses that bring jobs to the city.

As President of the Board, I've brought together divergent factions to work toward common goals. This year, our Budget Committee restored vital city services despite the largest deficit in the city's history.

San Franciscans deserve a government that is progressive, pragmatic, and fair. I hope you will join me.

"Matt Gonzalez is the most talented, courageous and honest person to appear on San Francisco's political landscape in the 35 years that I have been closely watching. He should be supported by all San Franciscans who want good, honest government."  
Peter Keane, Dean, Golden Gate Law School

[www.mattgonzalez.com](http://www.mattgonzalez.com)

*Matt Gonzalez*

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# Candidates for Mayor

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## MICHAEL F. DENNY

**My occupation is** Company President.

**My qualifications are:**

I'm a devoted husband, father of four, renter and successful business owner. I'm running because politicians have disappointed us all.

San Francisco spends \$ 6,447/year per citizen. Average City Hall workers make 50% more than we do. Are you getting your money's worth?

San Francisco's per capita budget is highest (by far) of any city/county in the country. And the more we spend, the worse it gets.

Our failed politics, exorbitant fees and deteriorating quality of life cost 94,000 jobs last year. Regulations cost \$600,000 per build-able acre, double any other city. No wonder we have "affordable housing" problems.

Fortunately, we can fix it. Return power to the people by cutting waste, regulations and slashing taxes paid by YOU -- citizens, taxpayers, business owners, homeowners and renters. This will free capital to add jobs and restore economic health. Incentives will encourage private charitable giving.

Freedom works miracles -- personally and economically. This campaign is dedicated to restoring that freedom.

Every vote for me says you want a better, freer, more prosperous San Francisco. I'm experienced and independent, ready and able to get the job done.

Why vote for those who made this mess? For a fresh start, vote Denny for Mayor!

Visit [www.DennyforMayor.com](http://www.DennyforMayor.com).

*Michael F. Denny*

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# Candidates for District Attorney

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## BILL FAZIO

**My occupation is** Attorney.

**My qualifications are:**

I have 20 years of prosecution experience and a 90% conviction rate. There is no excuse for the current 36% conviction rate for violent crimes, the lowest by far in the state. My record proves I can put violent criminals in jail.

I am politically independent and therefore free to prosecute government corruption.

I have proven management experience. I have run a successful law practice for eight years, served on the Board of the San Francisco Bar Association, headed the Municipal Attorneys Association 2 terms, volunteered on the Centro Latino Board and been extensively involved in community organizations.

I plan to prosecute quality of life crimes and nursing home fraud and abuse, to demand that parents of juvenile offenders become involved in sentencing and rehabilitation, and to fast track violent criminals into jail and addicts into treatment. I will have zero tolerance for domestic violence.

Please join my wife of 28 years, my three children, community activists, business leaders and union members, and hundreds of current and retired rank and file prosecutors, judges and law enforcement professionals, your friends and neighbors, and honor me with your vote. I will get the job done right for all San Franciscans.

WWW.BILLFAZIOFORDA.ORG

*Bill Fazio*

## TERENCE HALLINAN

**My occupation is** District Attorney.

**My qualifications are:**

For 8 years, I have kept my pledge to create America's most progressive District Attorney's office; that means tough prosecution of violent criminals, while diverting non-violent offenders into treatment, not costly prison terms.

I've fought fraud, corruption, and official misconduct with independence and integrity. I prosecuted Providian, forcing the return of \$300 million to consumers. I broke the corruption case against the firm defrauding our school district. And I wasn't afraid to challenge the SFPD when rogue cops violated the public trust.

I've hired and promoted more women, African-American, Asian, Latino and LGBT staff. I fought hard to defend access to medical marijuana. And I made domestic violence prosecution and prevention a top priority.

In four decades as a criminal trial attorney, activist and elected official, I have sought to honor my family's progressive legacy.

In my two terms, I have fought crime by building a DA's office worthy of San Francisco.

I respectfully ask for your continued support.

My supporters include:

Nancy Pelosi  
Carole Migden  
Supervisors Matt Gonzalez, Jake McGoldrick, and Chris Daly  
Community Leaders Sue Bierman, Medea Benjamin, Pius Lee, Benny Yee, Jane Morrison, Jim Hammer, and Julie Lee  
School Board Members Jill Wynns, Sarah Lipson, and Mark Sanchez.

*Terence Hallinan*

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# Candidates for District Attorney

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## KAMALA HARRIS

**My occupation is** Deputy City Attorney.

**My qualifications are:**

San Francisco needs a new District Attorney.

Our quality of life has deteriorated. Our conviction rate is California's lowest. We're losing young lives to gang violence. I have the experience to meet this challenge:

- Veteran prosecutor; 13 years courtroom experience
- Managing Attorney, Career Criminal Unit
- 90% trial conviction rate
- President, San Francisco domestic violence organization
- Led effort to end child prostitution and punish abusers

As District Attorney, I'll be tough, fair and independent. I'll fight for...

- Open, honest, professional government
- Tough prosecution of violent crime, elder abuse, hate crime, toxic polluters, white collar crime, identity theft
- Homeless reform
- Police reform
- Alternatives for youth
- Tenant protections

Please join my supporters:

ORGANIZATIONS: San Francisco Firefighters, Alice B. Toklas LGBT Club, Asian American Bar Association, Black Leadership Forum, Filipino American Empowerment Council, Mexican American Political Association

LEADERS: Lt. Governor Cruz Bustamante, Assembly members Mark Leno and Leland Yee, Mayor Willie Brown, former DA Arlo Smith, current/former Supervisors Roberta Achtenberg, Harry Britt, Leslie Katz, Fiona Ma, Sophie Maxwell, Aaron Peskin

JUDGES Cahill, Chiantelli, Weinstein (retired)

4 FORMER SAN FRANCISCO BAR ASSOCIATION PRESIDENTS

COMMUNITY LEADERS: Alice Bulos, Ambassador James Hormel, Phyllis Lyon, Del Martin, Sandi Mori, Gina Moscone, Dennis Normandy, Jim Salinas, Rebecca Silverberg, Rev. Cecil Williams

[www.kamalaharris.org](http://www.kamalaharris.org)

*Kamala Harris*

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# Candidates for Sheriff

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## MICHAEL HENNESSEY

**My occupation is** Sheriff of San Francisco.

**My qualifications are:**

It has been my great honor to serve as San Francisco's Sheriff. I ask for your support to continue serving our community as your Sheriff.

I have kept my promises to bring professionalism, innovation and diversity to the Sheriff's Department.

I have created programs designed so inmates begin recovery from drug and alcohol addictions, improve educational skills, become more responsible toward their children, resolve to renounce violence, and are less likely to commit new crimes.

I have addressed jail overcrowding by adding jail capacity and developing money-saving alternatives to incarceration.

I have hired and promoted a higher percentage of women, minority, gay and lesbian officers than any other law enforcement executive anywhere.

My pledge to you, San Francisco, is a Sheriff's Department dedicated to equal treatment and compassion for all San Franciscans.

To learn more about the Sheriff's Department, go to

[www.sfsheriff.com](http://www.sfsheriff.com).

*Michael Hennessey*

## TONY CARRASCO

**My occupation is** Deputy Sheriff.

**My qualifications are:**

I have 22 years experience as a deputy sheriff. I had the privilege of working with people from almost every agency that encompasses law enforcement in San Francisco. I was born and raised in the city. I attended public schools in San Francisco. At age 18 I joined the Marine Corps. I worked for the National Park Service for 5 years. I will use my work and life experiences to fast track the SFSD into a public safety agency. A very important aspect of public safety is criminal prevention. This entails working with children. Teaching respect for others and reacting nonviolently to confrontations are prime objectives in the overall goal to eliminate the senseless youth killings and prevent domestic violence. I served on the family violence council. I have been to Washington D.C. to meet with Homeland Security. As you may know 80% of funding for west coast Port Security goes to two other areas. I will go to D.C. with a plan to develop our port security. My combat experience, ability to network and experience growing up in the city as well as working for the city will qualify me as a candidate for Sheriff of San Francisco.

*Tony Carrasco*

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# Telephoning the Department of Elections

The Department of Elections has special telephone lines for specific purposes:

- To register to vote, call 554-4375;
- To request an Absentee Ballot application, call 554-4375;
- For information about becoming a Poll Worker, call 554-4395;
- For election results on Election Night, call 554-4375;
- For election information, including Election Night results, visit the Department of Elections web site at: <http://www.sfgov.org/election>
- For all other information, call 554-4375

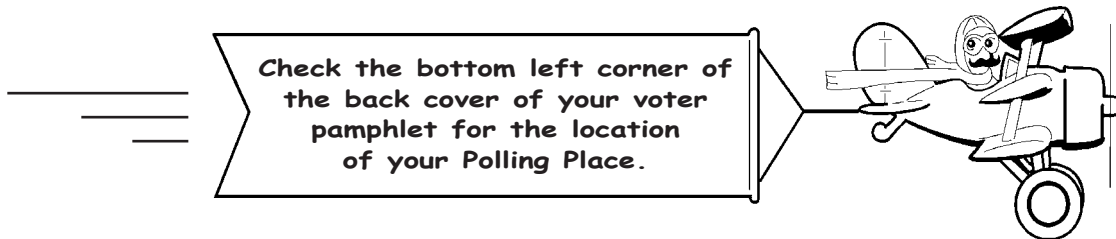
For your convenience and because of the huge number of calls during the weeks leading up to the election, the Department of Elections uses automated information lines in addition to regular operators. If all operators are busy, callers may hear recorded messages which will direct them to leave their name, address and telephone number. Callers with touch tone phones may be asked to press numbers to direct their calls to the right desk. Callers with rotary phones may wait on the line for an operator or to leave a message.



## Avoid Long Lines — Vote by Mail

1. Complete the application on the back cover of this pamphlet.
2. Put sufficient postage where indicated.
3. Drop your completed application into a mailbox.

**Applications must be received by the Department of Elections no later than 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, October 28, 2003**



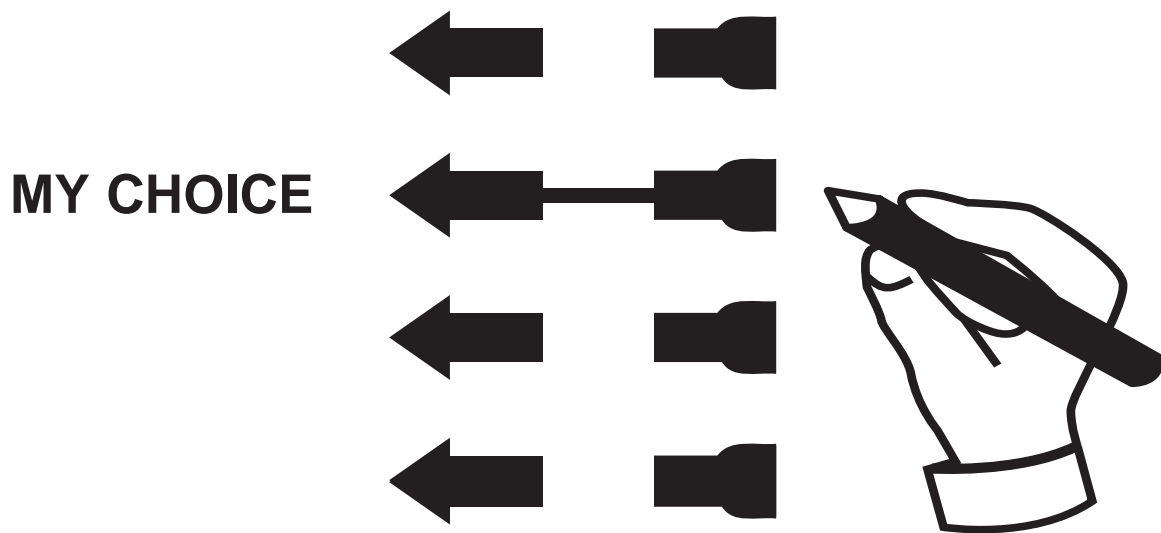
## Your Polling Place May Have Changed

We urge you to double-check the location of your polling place printed on the back cover of this pamphlet.



Voting for your choice is easy  
with the  
Optical-scan BALLOTS!

*Just **complete the arrow** that points to  
your choice, using the pen supplied at  
your polling place.*



**Notice:** Voters should carefully note the number of candidates to select for each office. If you vote for more than the allowed number of candidates, your votes for that office will be void and will not count.



# AN OVERVIEW OF SAN FRANCISCO'S DEBT

## WHAT IS BOND FINANCING?

Bond financing is a type of long-term borrowing used to raise money for projects. The City receives money by selling bonds to investors. The City must pay back the amount borrowed plus interest to those investors. The money raised from bond sales is used to pay for large capital projects such as fire and police stations, affordable housing programs, schools, libraries, parks, and other city facilities. The City uses bond financing because these buildings will last many years and their large dollar costs are difficult to pay for all at once.

**Types of Bonds.** There are two major types of bonds – General Obligation and Revenue.

**General Obligation Bonds** are used to pay for projects that benefit citizens but do not raise revenue (for example, police stations or parks are not set up to pay for themselves). The City's general obligation bonds must be approved by a two-thirds vote. The School District's general obligation bonds must be approved by fifty-five percent of the vote. When general obligation bonds are approved and sold, they are repaid by property taxes. The School District bond on this ballot is a general obligation bond.

**Revenue Bonds** are used to pay for projects such as major improvements to an airport, water system, or other large facilities which generate revenue. The City's revenue bonds must be approved by a majority vote. When they are sold, they are generally paid back from revenues generated by bond-financed projects, for example usage fees or parking fees. There is no revenue bond on this ballot.

## WHAT DOES IT COST TO BORROW?

The City's cost to borrow money depends on the interest rate on the debt and the number of years over which it will be repaid. Large debt is usually paid off over a period of 10 to 35 years. Assuming an average interest rate of 6%, the cost of paying off debt over 20 years is about \$1.73 for each dollar borrowed – \$1 for the dollar borrowed and 73 cents for the interest. These payments, however, are spread over the 20-year period. Therefore the cost after adjusting for inflation reduces the effective cost because the future payments are made with cheaper dollars. Assuming a 4% annual inflation rate, the cost of paying off debt in today's dollars would be about \$1.18 for every \$1 borrowed.

## THE CITY'S CURRENT DEBT SITUATION

**Legal Debt Limit.** The City Charter imposes a limit on the amount of general obligation bonds the City can have outstanding at any given time. That limit is 3% of the assessed value of property in the City – or currently about \$2.96 billion. Voters give the City *authorization* to issue bonds. Those bonds that have been issued and not yet repaid are considered to be *outstanding*. As of August 1, 2003, there were \$910 million in general obligation bonds issued by the City outstanding, which is equal to 0.92% of the assessed value of property. There were an additional \$872 million in bonds that are *authorized but unissued*. If all of these bonds were issued and outstanding, the total debt burden would be 1.8% of the assessed value of property. The School District bond on this ballot would not increase the City's debt burden for the purposes of the Charter limit; however, it would be repaid by property taxes (see Prudent Debt Limit below).

**Debt Payments.** During fiscal year 2003-04 the City will pay approximately \$117.8 million of principal and interest on outstanding general obligation bonds. The property tax rate for the year will be 10.7 cents per \$100 of assessed valuation or \$314 on a home assessed at \$300,000.

**Prudent Debt Limit.** Even though the City is well within its legal debt limit in issuing general obligation bonds, there is another "prudent" debt calculation used by bond rating agencies when they view the City's financial health. These agencies look at all debt using the City's tax base – our general obligation bonds, lease revenue bonds, and redevelopment agency, school and community college district debt. They then take that debt as a percentage of assessed value and the resulting percentage is called the overlapping debt ratio. Large cities in the United States have a median overlapping debt ratio of 4.4% – meaning half of the cities have less debt, half have more. The City currently has a ratio for all overlapping debt of 2.56%. **While this is under the median debt ratio of large cities, the City needs to set priorities for future debt to continue to maintain good credit ratings that, in turn, are a sign of good financial health.**

Prepared by *Ed Harrington*, Controller



# Rules for Arguments For and Against Ballot Measures

## DIGEST AND ARGUMENT PAGES

On the following pages, you will find information about local ballot measures. For each measure, a digest has been prepared by the Ballot Simplification Committee. This digest includes a brief explanation of “The Way it is Now,” what each proposal would do, what a “Yes” vote means, and what a “No” vote means. Also included is a statement by the City Controller about the fiscal impact or cost of each measure. There is also a statement of how the measure qualified to be on the ballot.

Following the ballot digest page, you will find arguments for and against each measure.

**NOTE: All arguments are strictly the opinions of their authors. They have not been checked for accuracy by this office or any other City official or agency. Arguments and rebuttals are reproduced as they are submitted, including typographical, spelling and grammatical errors.**

## “PROPONENT’S” AND “OPPONENT’S” ARGUMENTS

For each measure, one argument in favor of the measure (“Proponent’s Argument”) and one argument against the measure (“Opponent’s Argument”) is printed in the Voter Information Pamphlet free of charge.

The designation, “Proponent’s Argument” and “Opponent’s Argument” indicates only that the arguments were selected in accordance with criteria in Section 540 of the San Francisco Municipal Elections Code and were printed free of charge. The Director of Elections does not edit the arguments, and the Director of Elections makes no claims as to the accuracy of statements in the arguments.

The “Proponent’s Argument” and the “Opponent’s Argument” are selected according to the following priorities:

### “PROPONENT’S ARGUMENT”

1. The official proponent of an initiative petition; or the Mayor, the Board of Supervisors, or four members of the Board, if the measure was submitted by same.
2. The Board of Supervisors, or any member or members designated by the Board.
3. The Mayor.
4. Any bona fide association of citizens, or combination of voters and association of citizens, any individual voter.



### “OPPONENT’S ARGUMENT”

1. For a referendum, the person who files the referendum petition with the Board of Supervisors.
2. The Board of Supervisors, or any member or members designated by the Board.
3. The Mayor.
4. Any bona fide association of citizens, or combination of voters and association of citizens, any individual voter.

## REBUTTAL ARGUMENTS

The author of a “Proponent’s Argument” or an “Opponent’s Argument” may also prepare and submit a rebuttal argument. Rebuttals are also the opinions of the author and are not checked for accuracy by the Director of Elections or any other City official or agency. Rebuttal arguments are printed below the corresponding “Proponent’s Argument” and “Opponent’s Argument.”

## PAID ARGUMENTS

In addition to the “Proponent’s Arguments” and “Opponent’s Arguments” which are printed without charge, any eligible voter, group of voters, or association may submit paid arguments.

Paid arguments are printed in the pages following the proponent’s and opponent’s arguments and rebuttals. All of the arguments in favor of a measure are printed together, followed by the arguments opposed to that measure. Paid arguments for each measure are printed in order of submission.

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# WORDS YOU NEED TO KNOW

by the Ballot Simplification Committee

LISTED BELOW ARE DEFINITIONS OF TERMS:

**ABSENTEE BALLOTS** (RIGHTS OF VOTERS) — Absentee Ballots are ballots that are mailed to voters, or given to voters in person at the Department of Elections. Absentee Ballots can be mailed back to the Department of Elections, deposited at the Department of Elections Office, or turned in at any San Francisco polling place.

**AUDIT** (PROPOSITION C) — A formal examination of an organization or individual's financial or management accounts and information.

**BONDS** (PROPOSITION A) — A bond is a promise by the City to pay back money borrowed, plus interest, by a specific date. If the City needs to raise a large amount of money to pay for a library, sewer line, school, or other project or program, it may borrow the money by selling bonds.

**CHARTER AMENDMENT** (PROPOSITIONS B THROUGH H) — The Charter is the City's constitution. The Charter cannot be changed without a vote of the people.

**CONSUMER PRICE INDEX (CPI)** (PROPOSITION L) — The Consumer Price Index measures the change in the average price of goods and services such as food, energy, housing, clothing, transportation, medical care, entertainment and education.

**GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS** (PROPOSITION A) — These bonds are used to pay for large public projects that do not raise revenue. For example, these bonds have been used to construct museums, police stations, jails, libraries, and other public facilities. Normally, a two-thirds majority of the voters must approve the sale of general obligation bonds. If the bonds are issued by a school district, they require a 55% majority vote for approval. General obligation bonds are repaid by property tax money.

**INITIATIVE** (PROPOSITIONS J, L, M) — This is a way for voters to put a proposition on the ballot. It is placed on the ballot by having a certain number of voters sign a petition. Propositions passed by initiative can be changed only by another vote of the people.

**MEDIAN INCOME** (PROPOSITION I) — The level of income at which half the population makes more than that amount and half the population makes less than that amount. The current median income for a California family of four is \$63,761.

**ORDINANCE** (PROPOSITIONS I THROUGH N) — A law of the City and County, which is passed by the Board of Supervisors, or passed by the voters in an election. Ordinances approved by the voters can only be changed by the voters.

**PRINCIPAL** (PROPOSITION A) — The actual amount of borrowed money. Principal does not include interest charges.

**PROPOSITION** (PROPOSITIONS A THROUGH N) — A Proposition is any Measure that has been submitted to voters for approval or disapproval.

**QUALIFIED WRITE-IN CANDIDATES** (RIGHTS OF VOTERS) — A Qualified Write-in Candidate is a person who has turned in the required papers and signatures to the Department of Elections. Although the name of this person will not appear on the ballot, voters can vote for this person by writing the name of the person in the space on the ballot provided for write-in votes. The Department of Elections counts write-in votes only for qualified write-in candidates.

**TAXI PERMIT** (PROPOSITION N) — The City issues a limited number of taxi permits, which are similar to business licenses. When a permit holder is not driving the taxi, the permit holder may allow other drivers to operate the taxi. Taxi permits are different from drivers' licenses. All taxi drivers must have a valid driver's license.

**TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY** (PROPOSITION K) — The Transportation Authority is a public agency that is separate from the City, although the eleven members of the San Francisco Board of Supervisors serve as members of the Authority's governing board. The Authority uses a portion of sales tax money to pay for transportation projects that are approved by the voters.





# School Bonds

# A

## PROPOSITION A

Shall the San Francisco Unified School District repair and rehabilitate its facilities to current accessibility, health, safety and instructional standards, replace worn-out plumbing, electrical and other major building systems, replace aging heating, ventilation and air handling systems, renovate outdated classrooms and other training facilities, construct facilities to replace bungalows, by issuing \$295 million in bonds, at legal interest rates, with guaranteed annual audits, citizens' oversight and no money for school administrators' salaries?

YES  
NO



## Impartial Analysis

by the Ballot Simplification Committee, approved by the City Attorney

**THE WAY IT IS NOW:** The San Francisco Unified School District maintains over 160 school buildings. The District builds, maintains and upgrades its schools using money from sources including local taxes and fees, State funds and voter-approved bond measures. The District is eligible for additional money from the State to build or upgrade its schools if the District provides some of its own money for the projects. The District has adopted a Facilities Master Plan to improve existing facilities, and enhance safety and accessibility.

**THE PROPOSAL:** Proposition A would authorize the District to borrow \$295 million (\$295,000,000) by issuing general obligation bonds to complete some of the projects in the District's Facilities Master Plan. The District would use this money to:

- Renovate classrooms, kitchens and bathrooms;
- Improve accessibility for students with disabilities;
- Correct environmental hazards such as asbestos;
- Make health and safety repairs to electrical and plumbing systems;
- Replace bungalows; and
- Rebuild outdoor areas for hands-on environmental learning.

The District would set aside \$15 million (\$15,000,000) to update a building for the School of the Arts. This money would be spent only if additional public and/or private funds are raised for this purpose.

The District could undertake some of these projects only if it receives additional bond money approved by State voters. Proposition A requires the District to create a Citizens' Oversight Committee to review and report to the public on how the money approved by this measure is spent.

Principal and interest on general obligation bonds are paid from property tax revenues. Proposition A would require an increase in the property tax. A 55 percent majority vote is required to approve school bonds.

**A "YES" VOTE MEANS:** If you vote "Yes," you want the School District to issue \$295 million (\$295,000,000) in general obligation bonds to repair and improve some of its schools.

**A "NO" VOTE MEANS:** If you vote "No," you do not want the School District to issue \$295 million (\$295,000,000) in general obligation bonds for these purposes.

## Tax Rate Statement on "A"

City Controller Edward Harrington has issued the following statement on the fiscal impact of Proposition A:

Based on the best estimates of the San Francisco School District, should the proposed \$295 million in bonds be sold and issued, the annual costs over the life of the bonds would vary as follows:

- In fiscal year 2004-05, following issuance of the first series of bonds, the estimated annual costs of debt service would be \$5.67 million and result in a property tax rate of .60¢ per \$100 of assessed valuation (or \$6.04 per \$100,000 of assessed valuation).
- In fiscal year 2012-13, following issuance of the last series of bonds, and the year with the highest tax rate, the estimated annual debt service would be \$26.5 million and result in a property tax rate of 2.83¢ per \$100 of assessed valuation (or \$28.32 per \$100,000 of assessed valuation).
- The best estimate of the average tax rate from fiscal year 2004-05 through 2031-32 is 1.99¢ per \$100 of assessed valuation (or \$19.86 per \$100,000 of assessed valuation).

These estimates are based upon projections and estimates only, which are not binding upon the School District. Such projections and estimates may vary due to variations in timing of bond sales, the amount of bonds sold at each bond sale, market interest rates at the time of each bond sale, and actual assessed valuation over the term of repayment of the bonds. Hence, the actual tax rates and the years in which such rates are applicable may vary from those presently estimated above.

Based on the School District's estimates, the highest estimated increase in annual property taxes for the owner of a home with an assessed value of \$300,000 would amount to approximately \$82.98.

## How "A" Got on the Ballot

On July 17, 2003, the San Francisco Board of Education voted 7 to 0 to place Proposition A on the ballot.

The members of the Board of Education voted as follows:  
**Yes:** Members Chin, Cruz, Kelly, Lipson, Mar, Sanchez, and Wynns.

State law under Proposition 39 allows a school district to place a school facilities bond measure on the ballot in this manner.

**THIS MEASURE REQUIRES 55% AFFIRMATIVE VOTES TO PASS.**

ARGUMENTS FOR AND AGAINST THIS MEASURE IMMEDIATELY FOLLOW THIS PAGE. THE FULL TEXT BEGINS ON PAGE 32.  
SOME OF THE WORDS USED IN THE BALLOT DIGEST ARE EXPLAINED ON PAGE 28.



# A

# School Bonds

## PROPONENT'S ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF PROPOSITION A

San Francisco has some of the most beautiful but oldest schools in the state. Many, which are over 70 years old, must be repaired, modernized and upgraded. This will make them accessible to all students as safe, attractive learning and working environments. YES on Proposition A will make that happen.

Superintendent Arlene Ackerman's administration has initiated the first-ever comprehensive District Facilities Master Plan. The District identified that \$1.7 billion is required to address compliance with the Americans With Disabilities Act, remove toxic materials like lead and asbestos, remodel old and decaying infrastructure like plumbing and electrical systems and replace bungalows with permanent structures. Proposition A, through \$295 million in local General Obligation bonds, will fund the first part of this absolutely necessary work and will also qualify the District for at least \$40 million more in State matching funds.

San Francisco has passed three school bonds since 1988 totaling \$300 million dollars. This money was used for over 2000 major school facilities projects, including significant renovations to 7 schools and building 8 new schools. When the previous

administration's accounting mismanagement and contracting improprieties were uncovered, Superintendent Ackerman's administration worked hard to fix the business and facilities systems. She has initiated investigations, which have resulted in arrests, admissions of guilt, and restitution.

As required by Prop. 39, annual performance and financial audits will be independently conducted. The District will appoint a citizen's oversight committee to review and report on bond work.

These bond funds will be used only for facilities housing school children. We must begin the long road to retaking responsibility for our schools and regaining our civic pride. These are OUR children; this is OUR city.

Please join us in supporting Proposition A to ensure a New Day for San Francisco Schools.

*San Francisco Board of Education*

## REBUTTAL TO PROPONENT'S ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF PROPOSITION A

### NO ON PROPOSITION A

The San Francisco Republican Party wants good educational facilities, PLUS fiscal responsibility! The School District has a dismal record with bond funds. Since 1988, it has received over \$337 million in school bonds but **MISSPENT almost \$68 MILLION**. Many improvements never took place.

No oversight committee can ensure bonds will be spent properly. There is no guarantee \$40 million in State funds will be available. No State or Federal matching funds have come to San Francisco's schools for capital improvements over the past 15 years.

This \$295 million bond is only the first of **\$1.7 BILLION** in bonds the District plans to issue over ten years. Next year, voters may also face a **\$500 MILLION** bond to retrofit San Francisco General Hospital.

**Prop A will cost homeowners thousands of dollars in additional taxes!**

These costs will be especially unfair to homeowners on fixed incomes and young families, many of whom will be forced from their homes.

### VOTE NO ON PROPOSITION A

#### SAN FRANCISCO REPUBLICAN PARTY

*Mike DeNunzio*, Chairman

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## OPPONENT'S ARGUMENT AGAINST PROPOSITION A

### ONE \$295,000,000 BOND ISSUE TODAY – EXPECT MORE COMING DOWN THE TRACKS EACH FUTURE LOCAL ELECTION:

While the San Francisco Unified School District has seriously mishandled its prior bond issues, spending lots of money on paying administrators that should have gone for improvements, they have no shame.

Now the School District wants **MORE** bonds.

Have faith in the School District!:

Forget all you have heard about that 2001 FBI investigation.

Forget about School District official Desmond McQuoid, “who pleaded guilty last year to defrauding the [school] district out of \$200,000.” [See July 15, 2003 “Independent”, page 2A.]

Sorry, a lot of us have very little faith in the San Francisco Unified School District.

The record of the School District speaks for itself...especially when we discuss money problems.

In addition, many Asian and other parents objected to the School District’s so-called “school-placement process...after their children were assigned to schools that were not in their neighborhood.” [Again, see the July 15<sup>th</sup> “Independent”.]

Vote **NO** on these and future School District bonds until major reforms occur.

*Terence Faulkner, J.D.*

Chairman, Golden Gate Taxpayers Association

*Golden Gate Taxpayers Association*

## REBUTTAL TO OPPONENT'S ARGUMENT AGAINST PROPOSITION A

### Proposition A Benefits All San Franciscans

Proposition A does more for our schools than just increase safety measures, it helps create a new day for our school district and improves the educational conditions for our children.

Proposition A will provide a \$15 million set aside for the School of the Arts, making it possible to begin to realize the dream of an arts high school in the Civic Center.

Proposition A will provide major investments in all high schools in every part of the city.

Proposition A will make our schools healthier and more environmentally sound.

Proposition A is supported by the community. Parents, teachers and school employees all support Proposition A because it will upgrade school facilities and improve learning conditions district-wide.

Proposition A is supported by both business and labor because all children in the school system will benefit.

Proposition A is supported by all major candidates for Mayor, because a superior school system provides a desirable city for everyone who lives and works here.

With mandated accountability, Proposition A requires an annual financial audit and creates a Citizen's Oversight Committee to review how the money is being spent. As the San Francisco school system continues to improve, this school bond is essential to the future of all of our children.

Please vote “Yes on Proposition A”.

*San Francisco Unified School District, Board of Education*

*Emilio Cruz, President*

*Eric Mar, Vice President*

*Commissioner Eddie Chin*

*Commissioner Dr. Dan Kelly*

*Commissioner Sarah Lipson*

*Commissioner Mark Sanchez*

*Commissioner Jill Wynn*



# LEGAL TEXT OF PROPOSITION A

## BALLOT LANGUAGE SUMMARY

November 4, 2003, "Proposition A", San Francisco Unified School District

Shall the San Francisco Unified School District repair and rehabilitate its facilities to current accessibility, health, safety and instructional standards, replace worn-out plumbing, electrical and other major building systems, replace aging heating, ventilation and air handling systems, renovate outdated classrooms and other training facilities, construct facilities to replace bungalows, by issuing \$295 million in bonds, at legal interest rates, with guaranteed annual audits, citizens' oversight and no money for school administrators' salaries?

Bonds - Yes

Bonds - No

## FULL TEXT OF PROPOSITION A

This full text of the ballot proposition shall be reproduced in any official document required to contain the full statement of the bond proposition.

The specific school facilities projects that the San Francisco Unified School District proposes to finance with proceeds of bonds authorized by this proposition (the "Bond Project List") are listed in the following pages, which is an integral part of the proposition. The Bond Project List was developed by the Board upon evaluation of, among other factors, safety, class size reduction, and information technology needs. Each listed project may include a share of bond issuance costs, architectural, engineering, and similar planning costs, construction management, relocation costs, legal costs and other costs ordinarily chargeable to capital accounts under law, and a customary contingency for unforeseen design, construction and other costs. No bond money will be used for teacher or administrator salaries or any other school operating expenses.

Approval of this proposition does not guarantee that the proposed projects in the San Francisco Unified School District that are the subject of bonds under the proposition will be funded beyond the local revenues generated by the proposition. The San Francisco Unified School District's proposal for the project or projects may assume the receipt of matching state funds, which could be subject to appropriation by the Legislature or approval of a statewide bond measure. The Board does not guarantee that the bonds will provide sufficient funds to allow completion of all listed projects.

The Bond Project List describes work that the San Francisco Unified School District may undertake, provided funds are sufficient to complete the work contemplated. The final cost of each project will be determined as plans are finalized, construction bids are awarded, and projects are completed. San Francisco Unified School District commits that no funds obtained through bonds authorized by this measure will be spent except for projects listed

on the Bond Project List.

Any Bonds issued pursuant to Section 15100 of the Education Code shall have a maturity not exceeding twenty-five (25) years, and any Bonds issued pursuant to Section 53506 of the Government Code shall have a maturity of not exceeding forty (40) years and that the Bonds shall bear interest at a rate not exceeding the applicable legal limits.

Pursuant to Section 53410 of the Government Code, upon approval of this proposition and the sale of any bonds approved, the Board shall take actions necessary to establish an account in which proceeds of the sale of bonds will be deposited. As long as any proceeds of the bonds remain unexpended, the chief fiscal officer of the District shall cause a report to be filed no later than January 1 of each fiscal year stating 1) the amount of bond proceeds received and expended in that year and 2) the status of any project funded or to be funded from bond proceeds. The report may relate to the calendar year, fiscal year or other appropriate period as the chief fiscal officer shall determine and may be incorporated in the annual budget, any annual financial or performance audit (including the annual audits required by Proposition 39), or any other appropriate routine report to the Board.

All expenditures by the San Francisco School District of funds obtained through bonds authorized by this proposition shall be subject to the review and oversight of a Citizens' Oversight Committee, which shall actively review and report on the proper expenditure of taxpayers' money for the projects on the Bond Project List.

The Citizens' Oversight Committee shall review annual, independent performance and financial audits of bond fund expenditures and report to the public at least once a year on the results of its activities. The Citizens' Oversight Committee will have the responsibility to report to the public if any bond funds are being spent in violation of Proposition 39 or in a manner inconsistent with the Bond Project List.

## BOND PROJECT LIST

### Abraham Lincoln High School

Work anticipated to be completed at Abraham Lincoln High School through this bond program, and any available State matching funds includes the following:

#### Bungalow Replacement

The bungalows will be replaced with a new building.

#### Priority 1 Accessibility Work

- Installation of accessible parking and signage.
- Construct and/or modify curb ramps.
- Construct a ramp, lift or other means of vertical access to ensure that the path of travel from south of the girls' locker room to the girls' locker room is accessible.
- Install a ramp to the courtyard west of the

auditorium.

- Provide a path of travel from the parking lot east of the boys' locker room to each side of the stadium.
- Install a ramp to each side of the east bleachers.
- Install a lift, ramp or other means of vertical access to the lower level of the basement north of the cafeteria corridor.
- Install lockers that are accessible.
- Modify the elevators and platform lift, if necessary, to ensure they are accessible.
- Modify a section of the pull-out bleachers in the gym to provide wheelchair seating locations.
- Install a lift, ramp or other means of vertical access to the stage.
- Install side extensions to protruding hazards including, but not limited to such things as water fountains, fire alarm boxes and fire hoses.
- Replace gratings in all paths of travel with units that have narrower openings.
- Lower door thresholds and modify sizes of alcoves to provide improved accessibility.
- Installation of handrails on both indoor and outdoor stairways.
- Installation of contrasting striping on stairways.
- Modifications to existing doors, including adjustment of the door opening force and adjustment of door widths.
- Replacement of exterior door hardware with accessible hardware.
- Renovations to existing restrooms including permanent signage, adjustment of the heights and lengths of various amenities (including grab bars, towel racks, soap dispensers, mirrors, etc.), insulation of pipes, installation of doors on accessible stalls, replacement of the faucet controls, renovation to ensure sufficient space for wheelchair users.
- Provide wheelchair seating in the assembly areas.
- Provide assistive listening devices in all assembly areas.
- Installation of direction signage.
- Install visual warning system devices to provide alarm notification to hearing impaired persons.

#### Priority 2 Accessibility Work

- Modifications to existing ramps and handrails to enhance accessibility.
- Install a second handrail on stairways where there is only one handrail.
- Replace interior door hardware with accessible hardware.
- Replace drinking fountains with accessible units.
- Modify the counters in areas including, but

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- not limited to the main office, library and food service areas to ensure they are accessible.
- Lower the tray slides and tray returns in the cafeteria to ensure they are accessible.
- Modify the path of travel in each locker room to ensure a minimum aisle width of 44" throughout.
- Install a full length mirror in the girls' locker room.
- Install one accessible shower stall in each locker room.
- Remove a portion of the splash guards in the showers to create an accessible path of travel.
- Provide accessible benches in each locker room.
- Create a staging area by paving a portion of the sand and grass area in front of the east bleachers with an accessible surface. Ensure there is an accessible path of travel from behind the east bleachers to the front of the bleachers.
- Create a path of travel from the school buildings by way of the parking lot east of the boys' locker room to each side of the stadium.
- Create an accessible wheelchair seating area adjacent to the east bleachers at the stadium.

### Priority 3 Accessibility Work

- Modifications to existing handrails to either extend them in length or change the diameter of the railing.

### Environmental Improvements

- Where work will be done in areas with Asbestos Containing Materials (ACM's), those ACM's will be removed and replaced with new materials. Asbestos will be removed from crawlspaces 1 – 3, floor tiles in areas C-92A and C-93 and in crawlspace #1 under the boys' gym. Lead paint will be removed from any area that will have construction.

### Health and Safety Needs

- Replace asphalt in parking and play areas.
- Replace fencing.
- Renovate or replace stadium benches.
- Electrical wiring for exit and emergency lights will be repaired or replaced.
- Major portions of the elevators have outlived their useful life and will be replaced.
- Major portions of the electrical system have outlived their useful life and will be replaced.
- Major portions of the clock system have outlived their useful life and will be replaced.
- Major portions of the heating piping system have outlived their useful life and will be replaced.
- Major portions of the domestic water (copper piping) system have outlived their useful life and will be replaced.
- Renovate or replace plaster partitions and

- drywall.
- Doors and door hardware will be replaced as needed.
- Doors not replaced will be stripped, resealed and painted.
- Window frames not replaced will be stripped, resealed and painted.
- Damaged carpeting will be replaced with either carpeting or floor tile.
- Damaged lockers will be replaced.
- Damaged cabinets will be replaced.
- Partial or complete replacement of damaged ceilings.
- Damaged or failing flooring will be replaced.
- Damaged or outdated restroom fixtures will be replaced.
- Damaged or outdated space heaters will be replaced.
- Damaged drinking fountains will be replaced.
- Damaged wood flooring will be renovated or replaced.
- Electrical outlets and switches will be replaced.
- Ceiling exhaust fans will be installed.
- Sinks in various non-restroom areas of the building (janitor's closets, classrooms, etc.) will be replaced as needed.
- Interior ceilings and walls will be repaired as needed, primed and painted.
- Concrete floors will be resealed, as needed and, if required, repainted.
- Areas of the building being renovated will be painted.

### **Balboa High School**

Work anticipated to be completed at Balboa High School through this bond program, and any available State matching funds includes the following:

### Priority 1 Accessibility Work

- Installation of accessible parking and signage.
- Construct and/or modify curb ramps.
- Install a lift, ramp or other means of vertical access to the mezzanine seating in the gym.
- Install lockers that are accessible.
- Install a lift, ramp or other means of vertical access to the basement should the use of the basement change, or if the basement is unlocked.
- Install a ramp near the center stairway to provide access to Room 239, above the stage.
- Install a lift, ramp or other means of vertical access to the dressing rooms of Music Room 140.
- Install a lift, ramp or other means of vertical access to the bleachers in the gym, or discontinue using the bleachers.
- Modify elevators to ensure they are accessible.

- Install a lift, ramp or other means of vertical access to the stage.
- Install side extensions to protruding hazards including, but not limited to such things as water fountains, fire alarm boxes and fire hoses.
- Lower door thresholds and modify sizes of alcoves to provide improved accessibility.
- Installation of handrails on both indoor and outdoor stairways.
- Installation of contrasting striping on stairways.
- Modifications to existing doors, including adjustment of the door opening force and adjustment of door widths.
- Replacement of exterior door hardware with accessible hardware.
- Renovations to existing restrooms including permanent signage, adjustment of the heights and lengths of various amenities (including grab bars, towel racks, soap dispensers, mirrors, etc.), insulation of pipes, installation of doors on accessible stalls, replacement of the faucet controls, renovation to ensure sufficient space for wheelchair users.
- Provide wheelchair seating in the multi-purpose room.
- Provide assistive listening devices in all assembly areas.
- Installation of direction signage.
- Ensure that all devices attached to the visual warning system are operational. Install additional visual warning system devices to provide alarm notification to hearing impaired persons.

### Priority 2 Accessibility Work

- Modifications to existing ramps and handrails to enhance accessibility.
- Install a second handrail on stairways where there is only one handrail.
- Replace interior door hardware with accessible hardware.
- Replace drinking fountains with accessible units.
- Lower a portion of the window counter outside the main office to ensure it is accessible.
- Lower a portion of the outdoor snack bar counter to ensure it is accessible.
- Lower a portion of the checkout counter in the library to ensure it is accessible.
- Provide wheelchair seating in Music Room 140 and the auditorium.
- Install an accessible shower stall in each locker room.
- Remove a portion of the splash guard in each locker room to assure an accessible path of travel.
- Install accessible lockers in each locker room.
- Install a full length mirror in each locker room.

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- Install an accessible bench in each locker room.
- Modify the accessible shower stalls in the locker rooms to ensure they are fully accessible.
- Install a lift, ramp or other means of vertical access to the basketball courts.
- Create an accessible path of travel from the gym to the football field.
- Construct a ramp to the home side bleachers of the football field and provide appropriate wheelchair seating in the bleachers.
- Pave an area adjacent to the visitors' side bleachers and provide appropriate wheelchair seating.

### Priority 3 Accessibility Work

- Modifications to existing handrails to either extend them in length or change the diameter of the railing.

### Environmental Improvements

- Where work will be done in areas with Asbestos Containing Materials (ACM's), those ACM's will be removed and replaced with new materials. Asbestos will be removed from the thermal pipe insulation in the attic. Lead paint will be removed from the wall of Classroom #206, as well as any area that will have construction.

### Health and Safety Needs

- Asphalt will be replaced in parking and play areas.
- Electrical wiring for exit and emergency lights will be repaired or replaced.
- Major portions of the electrical system have outlived their useful life and will be replaced.
- Major portions of the domestic water (copper piping) system have outlived their useful life and will be replaced.
- Major portions of the heating piping system have outlived their useful life and will be replaced.
- The bleachers have outlived their useful life and will be replaced.
- Stadium benches will be renovated or replaced.
- Doors and door hardware will be replaced as needed.
- Doors not replaced will be stripped, resealed and painted.
- Window frames not replaced will be stripped, resealed and painted.
- Damaged lockers will be replaced.
- Damaged carpeting will be replaced with either carpeting or floor tile.
- Partial or complete replacement of damaged ceilings.
- Damaged or failing flooring will be replaced.
- Damaged or outdated restroom fixtures will be replaced.
- Damaged or outdated space heaters will be replaced.

- Damaged drinking fountains will be replaced.
- Damaged wood flooring will be renovated or replaced.
- Electrical outlets and switches will be replaced.
- Ceiling exhaust fans will be installed.
- Sinks in various non-restroom areas of the building (janitor's closets, classrooms, etc.) will be replaced as needed.
- Interior ceilings and walls will be repaired as needed, primed and painted.
- Concrete floors will be resealed, as needed and, if required, repainted.
- Areas of the building being renovated will be painted.

### **Galileo Academy of Science and Technology**

Work anticipated to be completed at Galileo Academy of Science and Technology School through this bond program, and any available State matching funds includes the following:

### Priority 1 Accessibility Work

- Install a ramp, lift or other means of vertical access to the mezzanine in the boys' locker room.
- Install a ramp or lift to the platform area in the Little Theater.
- Install a lift, ramp or other means of vertical access to the 4<sup>th</sup> floor garden.
- Install a lift, ramp or other means of vertical access to the amphitheater in the courtyard.
- Install a lift, ramp or other means of vertical access to the rooftop observatory. Modify the viewing platform so a person with a disability can use the platform.
- Modify the ceiling at the observatory so there is a minimum of 80" of head clearance.
- Create a path of travel from each of the two entrances to the field from Van Ness Avenue and Polk Street to the ramp next to the bleachers.
- Install lockers that are accessible.
- Modify the elevators to ensure they are accessible.
- Install side extensions to protruding hazards including, but not limited to such things as water fountains, fire alarm boxes and fire hoses.
- Replace gratings in all paths of travel with units that have narrower openings.
- Lower door thresholds and modify sizes of alcoves to provide improved accessibility.
- Installation of handrails on both indoor and outdoor stairways.
- Installation of contrasting striping on stairways.
- Modifications to existing doors, including adjustment of the door opening force and adjustment of door widths.
- Replacement of exterior door hardware with accessible hardware.
- Renovations to existing restrooms including permanent signage, adjustment of the

heights and lengths of various amenities (including grab bars, towel racks, soap dispensers, mirrors, etc.), insulation of pipes, installation of doors on accessible stalls, replacement of the faucet controls, renovation to ensure sufficient space for wheelchair users.

- Provide wheelchair seating in the assembly areas.
- Provide assistive listening devices in all assembly areas.
- Installation of direction signage.
- Ensure that all equipment connected to the visual warning system functions properly. Install visual warning system devices to provide alarm notification to hearing impaired persons.

### Priority 2 Accessibility Work

- Modifications to existing ramps and handrails to enhance accessibility.
- Install a second handrail on stairways where there is only one handrail.
- Replace interior door hardware with accessible hardware.
- Replace drinking fountains with accessible units.
- Modify the counters in areas including, but not limited to the main office, library and food service areas to ensure they are accessible.
- Install a full length mirror in the each locker room.
- Install one accessible shower stall in each locker room.
- Remove a portion of the splash guards in the showers to create an accessible path of travel.
- Provide accessible benches in each locker room.
- Ensure there exists a path of travel a minimum of 44" wide throughout the locker rooms.
- Mark an accessible wheelchair seating area adjacent to the bleachers at the football field.

### Priority 3 Accessibility Work

- Modifications to existing handrails to either extend them in length or change the diameter of the railing.

### Environmental Improvements

- Where work will be done in areas with Asbestos Containing Materials (ACM's), those ACM's will be removed and replaced with new materials. Lead paint will be removed from rails in the Boiler Room, heating radiators in the Cafeteria, the south wall in Room 403 by the exit door #2, the walls and exit door #1 of Room 403, the wall of the girls' gym Area 222E, the plaster ceiling the Cafeteria, the

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plaster wall in the kitchen, the plaster ceiling in the kitchen bake room, the wall in Stairwell S-83 between the 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> floors, the wall and ceiling of J77, the wall and under ceiling tile of T54, as well as from any area that will have construction.

### Health and Safety Needs

- Replace asphalt in parking and play areas.
- Replace damaged plastic drain piping.
- Electrical wiring for exit and emergency lights will be repaired or replaced.
- Major portions of the electrical system have outlived their useful life and will be replaced.
- Major portions of the interior lighting system have outlived their useful life and will be replaced.
- Major portions of the condensate pump system have outlived their useful life and will be replaced.
- Major portions of the heating piping system have outlived their useful life and will be replaced.
- Major portions of the domestic water (copper piping) system have outlived their useful life and will be replaced.
- Major portions of the elevator system have outlived their useful life and will be replaced.
- Damaged or missing eyewash stations will be renovated or replaced.
- Damaged safety showers will be renovated or replaced.
- Doors and door hardware will be replaced as needed.
- Doors not replaced will be stripped, resealed and painted.
- Window frames not replaced will be stripped, resealed and painted.
- Damaged lockers will be replaced.
- Damaged stadium benches will be renovated or replaced.
- Damaged carpeting will be replaced with either carpeting or floor tile.
- Partial or complete replacement of damaged ceilings.
- Damaged or failing flooring will be replaced.
- Damaged or outdated restroom fixtures will be replaced.
- Damaged or outdated space heaters will be replaced.
- Damaged cabinets will be repaired or replaced.
- Damaged drinking fountains will be replaced.
- Damaged wood flooring will be renovated or replaced.
- Electrical outlets and switches will be replaced.
- Ceiling exhaust fans will be installed.
- Sinks in various non-restroom areas of the building (janitor's closets, classrooms, etc.) will be replaced as needed.
- Interior ceilings and walls will be repaired as needed, primed and painted.

- Concrete floors will be resealed, as needed and, if required, repainted.
- Areas of the building being renovated will be painted.

### **George Washington High School**

Work anticipated to be completed at George Washington High School through this bond program, and any available State matching funds includes the following:

#### Priority 1 Accessibility Work

- Installation of accessible parking and signage.
- Install side extensions to protruding hazards including, but not limited to such things as water fountains, fire alarm boxes and fire hoses.
- Install a barrier at stairways to make sure there is adequate headroom.
- Install barriers around sidewalk tree wells.
- Replace or modify light fixtures to ensure proper head clearance.
- Install a ramp or ramps to Bungalows T1, T2, T5 and T6.
- Repair and smooth out concrete areas in the path of travel to the amphitheater.
- Modify lockers as needed to ensure accessibility.
- Lower the concessions counter to make it accessible.
- Install a ramp to the tennis courts.
- Install a ramp to the boys' locker room.
- Install a ramp from the track to the bleacher area.
- Install a ramp from the boys' locker room to the field and bleacher area.
- Install a ramp to the bleachers on each side of the field. Ensure there are accessible seating elements.
- Replace gratings in all paths of travel with units having narrower openings.
- Installation and/or modification of curb ramps.
- Installation of a ramp, lift or other means of vertical access to the mezzanine areas of the gym.
- Installation of a ramp, lift or other means of vertical access to the balcony in the auditorium.
- Install a drainage system in the locker rooms that does not impair accessibility.
- Modifications to the elevators to ensure they are accessible.
- Lower door thresholds and modify sizes of alcoves to provide improved accessibility.
- Installation of handrails on both indoor and outdoor stairways.
- Installation of contrasting striping on stairways.
- Modifications to existing doors, including adjustment of the door opening force and adjustment of door widths.
- Replacement of exterior door hardware with accessible hardware.
- Renovations to existing restrooms including permanent signage, adjustment of the heights and lengths of various amenities (including

grab bars, towel racks, soap dispensers, mirrors, etc.), insulation of pipes, installation of doors on accessible stalls, replacement of the faucet controls, renovation to ensure sufficient space for wheelchair users.

- Provide wheelchair and aisle side seating in assembly areas.
- Widen aisles in the food service lines.
- Provide assistive listening devices in all assembly areas.
- Installation of direction signage.
- Ensure that all installed units of the visual warning system are operational. Install additional visual warning system devices to provide alarm notification to hearing impaired persons.

#### Priority 2 Accessibility Work

- Modifications to existing ramps and handrails to enhance accessibility.
- Install a second handrail on stairways where there is only one handrail.
- Replace interior door hardware with accessible hardware.
- Replace drinking fountains with accessible units.
- Lower a portion of each office counter and window to make it accessible.
- Lower the height of food service counters in the cafeteria to make them accessible.
- Lower the height of the tray slides in the cafeteria.
- Provide accessible workstations in various classrooms and programs.
- Modify shower areas in the boys' and girls' locker rooms to ensure they are accessible.
- Install full length mirrors in the locker rooms.
- Provide accessible benches in each locker room.
- Create wheelchair seating at outdoor sports venues.

#### Priority 3 Accessibility Work

- Modifications to existing handrails to either extend them in length or change the diameter of the railing.

#### Environmental Improvements

- Where work will be done in areas with Asbestos Containing Materials (ACM's), those ACM's will be removed and replaced with new materials. Lead paint will be removed from the wall to the left and right of the doors adjacent to the first floor S97, various outdoor metal gates, the metal hand railing that runs around the perimeter of the football field, the wall in Room 002A, the ceiling and walls in Room 6, the lower cement walls in the Girls' Locker Room, the wood/plaster wall in the Boys' Gym area, as well as from any area that will have construction.

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### Health and Safety Needs

In the bungalows:

- Electrical wiring for exit and emergency lights will be repaired or replaced.
- Partial or complete replacement of damaged ceilings.
- Damaged or failing flooring will be replaced.
- Replace the damaged foundations.
- Replace the electrical system.
- Replace the concrete walkway.
- Repair or replace the plumbing system and water line.
- If it is determined to be less expensive to do so, replace bungalows rather than complete the repairs.

In the other buildings:

- Electrical wiring for exit and emergency lights will be repaired or replaced.
- Major portions of the electrical system have outlived their useful life and will be replaced.
- Major portions of the clock system have outlived their useful life and will be replaced.
- Major portions of the heating piping system have outlived their useful life and will be replaced.
- Major portions of the interior lighting system have outlived their useful life and will be replaced.
- Doors and door hardware will be replaced as needed.
- Doors not replaced will be stripped, resealed and painted.
- Window frames not replaced will be stripped, resealed and painted.
- Air conditioning to the computer room will be installed.
- Damaged bleachers will be renovated or replaced.
- Damaged lockers will be replaced.
- Damaged carpeting will be replaced with either carpeting or floor tile.
- Partial or complete replacement of damaged ceilings.
- Damaged stair treads will be replaced.
- Damaged or failing flooring will be replaced.
- Damaged or outdated restroom fixtures will be replaced.
- Damaged or outdated space heaters will be replaced.
- Damaged drinking fountains will be replaced.
- Damaged wood flooring will be renovated or replaced.
- Electrical outlets and switches will be replaced.
- Ceiling exhaust fans will be installed.
- Sinks in various non-restroom areas of the building (janitor's closets, classrooms, etc.) will be replaced as needed.
- Interior ceilings and walls will be repaired as needed, primed and painted as

- Concrete floors will be resealed, as needed and, if required, repainted.
- Areas of the building being renovated will be painted.

### **John O'Connell High School**

Work anticipated to be completed at John O'Connell High School through this bond program, and any available State matching funds includes the following:

- Build out the shell of the uncompleted wing into an auditorium.

### **Lowell High School**

Work anticipated to be completed at Lowell High School through this bond program, and any available State matching funds includes the following:

#### Priority 1 Accessibility Work

- Installation of accessible parking and signage.
- Construct and/or modify curb ramps.
- Install a ramp to the north entrance of the auditorium.
- Install a ramp to the directors' booth in the auditorium.
- Widen the exterior path of travel at one set of the railings at the four snack bar counters so it is a minimum of 48" wide.
- Provide a paved path 48" wide to the football field.
- Provide a paved path 48" wide to the student garden area.
- Install a lift to the upper staff lounge on the north side.
- Install a lift to the weight room of the gym.
- Install lifts to the boys' and girls' locker rooms.
- Install ramps to both south entrances of the boys' and girls' locker rooms.
- Install a ramp to the women's faculty restroom on the second floor.
- Install ramps to each of the following bungalows – T5, T6, T7, T8, T9 and T10.
- Modify/repair walkways.
- Install a lift, ramp or other means of vertical access to the Room 110.
- Create accessible wheelchair seating in the bleachers in the auxiliary gym and at the soccer field should those facilities be used by spectators.
- Install lockers that are accessible.
- Modify the elevators to ensure they are accessible.
- Replace gratings in all paths of travel with units that have narrower openings.
- Install side extensions to protruding hazards including, but not limited to such things as water fountains, fire alarm boxes and fire hoses.
- Installation of handrails on both indoor and outdoor stairways.
- Installation of contrasting striping on stairways.

- Modifications to existing doors, including adjustment of the door opening force and adjustment of door widths.
- Replacement of exterior door hardware with accessible hardware.
- Renovations to existing restrooms including permanent signage, adjustment of the heights and lengths of various amenities (including grab bars, towel racks, soap dispensers, mirrors, etc.), insulation of pipes, installation of doors on accessible stalls, replacement of the faucet controls, renovation to ensure sufficient space for wheelchair users.
- Provide wheelchair seating in the assembly areas.
- Provide assistive listening devices in all assembly areas.
- Installation of direction signage.
- Install visual warning system devices to provide alarm notification to hearing impaired persons.
- Lower door thresholds and modify sizes of alcoves to provide improved accessibility.

#### Priority 2 Accessibility Work

- Modifications to existing ramps and handrails to enhance accessibility.
- Install a second handrail on stairways where there is only one handrail.
- Replace interior door hardware with accessible hardware.
- Replace drinking fountains with accessible units.
- Modify the counters in areas including, but not limited to the main office, library and food service areas to ensure they are accessible.
- Install a full length mirror in the each locker room.
- Install one accessible shower stall in each locker room.
- Remove a portion of the splash guards in the showers to create an accessible path of travel.
- Provide accessible benches in each locker room.
- Ensure there exists a path of travel a minimum of 44" wide throughout the locker rooms.
- Widen the aisle at the food service line.
- Widen the book stack aisles to make them accessible.

#### Priority 3 Accessibility Work

- Modifications to existing handrails to either extend them in length or change the diameter of the railing.

### **Mission High School**

Work anticipated to be completed at Mission High School through this bond program, and any available State matching funds includes the following:

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### Priority 1 Accessibility Work

- Installation of accessible parking and signage.
- Construct and/or modify curb ramps.
- Install a lift, ramp or other means of vertical access to the boys' gym.
- Install a lift, ramp or other means of vertical access to the mezzanine seating level of the boys' gym.
- Install lockers that are accessible.
- Install a lift, ramp or other means of vertical access to the ROTC rifle range, should that program be used.
- Install a ramp near the center stairway to provide access to Rooms 500A, 500B and 500C.
- Install a lift, ramp or other means of vertical access to the dressing rooms above the stage of the auditorium.
- Modify the elevator to ensure it is accessible.
- Install a lift, ramp or other means of vertical access to the stage.
- Install side extensions to protruding hazards including, but not limited to such things as water fountains, fire alarm boxes and fire hoses.
- Lower door thresholds and modify sizes of alcoves to provide improved accessibility.
- Installation of handrails on both indoor and outdoor stairways.
- Installation of contrasting striping on stairways.
- Modifications to existing doors, including adjustment of the door opening force and adjustment of door widths.
- Replacement of exterior door hardware with accessible hardware.
- Renovations to existing restrooms including permanent signage, adjustment of the heights and lengths of various amenities (including grab bars, towel racks, soap dispensers, mirrors, etc.), insulation of pipes, installation of doors on accessible stalls, replacement of the faucet controls, renovation to ensure sufficient space for wheelchair users.
- Provide wheelchair seating in the assembly areas.
- Widen the aisles at the secondary food service line.
- Provide assistive listening devices in all assembly areas.
- Installation of direction signage.
- Install visual warning system devices to provide alarm notification to hearing impaired persons.

### Priority 2 Accessibility Work

- Modifications to existing ramps and handrails to enhance accessibility.
- Install a second handrail on stairways where there is only one handrail.
- Replace interior door hardware with accessible hardware.
- Replace drinking fountains with accessible units.
- Modify the counters in areas including,

but not limited to the main office, library and food service areas to ensure they are accessible.

- Install one accessible shower stall in each locker room.
- Remove a portion of the splash guards in the showers to create an accessible path of travel.
- Provide accessible benches in each locker room.
- Modify the accessible shower stalls in each locker room to make them fully accessible.
- Pave an area adjacent to the north side bleachers of the football field for use as a wheelchair seating area.

### Priority 3 Accessibility Work

- Modifications to existing handrails to either extend them in length or change the diameter of the railing.

### Environmental Improvements

- Where work will be done in areas with Asbestos Containing Materials (ACM's), those ACM's will be removed and replaced with new materials. Asbestos will be removed from the fire doors throughout the basement of the facility. Lead paint will be removed from the ceiling and wall of the girls' gym corridor, the ceiling of the basement stair corridor, the red steps at the southwest corner of Room 006, Wall "C" of Room 126, the backboard in the girls' gym, the radiator of Room 218, as well as any area that will have construction.

### Health and Safety Needs

- Asphalt will be replaced in parking and play areas.
- Electrical wiring for exit and emergency lights will be repaired or replaced.
- Major portions of the electrical system have outlived their useful life and will be replaced.
- Major portions of the interior lighting system have outlived their useful life and will be replaced.
- Major portions of the heating system, including piping, have outlived their useful life and will be replaced.
- Renovate or replace a damaged safety shower in the Mechanical Room.
- Doors and door hardware will be replaced as needed.
- Doors not replaced will be stripped, resealed and painted.
- Window frames not replaced will be stripped, resealed and painted.
- Damaged lockers will be replaced.
- Damaged auditorium seating will be renovated or replaced.
- Damaged carpeting will be replaced with either carpeting or floor tile.
- Partial or complete replacement of damaged ceilings.

- Damaged or failing flooring will be replaced.
- Damaged or outdated restroom fixtures will be replaced.
- Damaged or outdated space heaters will be replaced.
- Damaged drinking fountains will be replaced.
- Damaged wood flooring will be renovated replaced.
- Electrical outlets and switches will be replaced.
- Ceiling exhaust fans will be installed.
- Sinks in various non-restroom areas of the building (janitor's closets, classrooms, etc.) will be replaced as needed.
- Interior ceilings and walls will be repaired as necessary, then primed and painted.
- Concrete floors will be resealed, as needed and, if required, repainted.
- Areas of the building being renovated will be painted.

### **School of the Arts**

\$15 million is being included specifically for the purpose of rehabilitating the complex at 135 Van Ness in order to allow for its occupancy by the School of the Arts ("SOTA"). The District will not use this \$15 million of bond authorization for any other purpose except for the SOTA facilities described herein. The cost of the SOTA project will include its share of the costs of bond issuance, architectural, engineering and similar planning costs, construction management, legal costs and other costs ordinarily chargeable to capital accounts under applicable law and a customary contingency for unforeseen design, construction and other permitted costs.

It is further the intention of the District that these funds be used only upon the successful completion of a capital campaign undertaken by SOTA supporters. No bonds will be issued for work related to SOTA until the School Board has determined, in its sole discretion, that sufficient funds exist, in total, from Federal, State, local and donated monies, to complete the desired project.

### **Thurgood Marshall High School**

Work anticipated to be completed at Thurgood Marshall High School through this bond program, and any available State matching funds includes the following:

### Programmatic Improvements

- The construction of a new Chemistry classroom.
- The construction of a new Food/Nutrition classroom.
- The construction of a new Cafeteria building.

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- Relocation of the Library to more appropriate space within the existing building.
- Modification of the paved play area in the rear of the facility to include not only a paved play area, but also a grass play area.
- Construction of small group rooms.

### Priority 1 Accessibility Work

- Installation of accessible parking and signage.
- Install a lift, ramp or other means of vertical access to the music wing located in the basement of the auditorium.
- Install a barrier around an open tree well in the path of travel.
- Install a lift, ramp or other means of vertical access to the stage.
- Install a lift, ramp or other means of vertical access to the locker rooms.
- Modify the elevator to ensure it is accessible.
- Install side extensions to protruding hazards including, but not limited to such things as water fountains, fire alarm boxes and fire hoses.
- Lower door thresholds and modify sizes of alcoves to provide improved accessibility.
- Installation of handrails on both indoor and outdoor stairways.
- Installation of contrasting striping on stairways.
- Modifications to existing doors, including adjustment of the door opening force and adjustment of door widths.
- Replacement of exterior door hardware with accessible hardware.
- Renovations to existing restrooms including permanent signage, adjustment of the heights and lengths of various amenities (including grab bars, towel racks, soap dispensers, mirrors, etc.), insulation of pipes, installation of doors on accessible stalls, replacement of the faucet controls, renovation to ensure sufficient space for wheelchair users.
- Widen aisles in the cafeteria.
- Provide wheelchair seating in all assembly areas.
- Modify a section of the pull-out bleachers to provide wheelchair seating.
- Provide assistive listening devices in all assembly areas.
- Installation of direction signage.
- Ensure that all devices attached to the visual warning system are operational. Install additional visual warning system devices to provide alarm notification to hearing impaired persons.

### Priority 2 Accessibility Work

- Modifications to existing ramps and handrails to enhance accessibility.
- Install a second handrail on stairways where there is only one handrail.
- Replace interior door hardware with accessible hardware.
- Replace drinking fountains with accessible units.

- Lower the height of the snack bar counter to ensure it is accessible.
- Lower the tray slides to ensure they are accessible.
- Lower the check-out counter in the library to ensure it is accessible.
- Provide an accessible path of travel to the locker rooms or relocate them.
- Install an accessible shower in each of the locker rooms.
- Install accessible lockers in each locker room.
- Remove a portion of the splash guard in each of the shower areas to provide accessibility.
- Install an accessible bench in each locker room.
- Install a full length mirror in each locker room.

### Priority 3 Accessibility Work

- Modifications to existing handrails to either extend them in length or change the diameter of the railing.

### Environmental Improvements

- Where work will be done in areas with Asbestos Containing Materials (ACM's), those ACM's will be removed and replaced with new materials. Asbestos will be removed from crawlspaces A and B under the main building. Lead paint will be removed from the exterior stucco wall on the south side of the building, the wooden bench in front of the building, the ceiling of the kitchen locker room and the stage floor, as well as from any area that will have construction.

### Health and Safety Needs

#### In the bungalows:

- Electrical wiring for exit and emergency lights will be repaired or replaced.

#### In the other buildings:

- Asphalt will be replaced in parking and play areas.
- Electrical wiring for exit and emergency lights will be repaired or replaced.
- Major portions of the electrical system have outlived their useful life and will be replaced.
- Major portions of the air compressor system have outlived their useful life and will be replaced.
- Major portions of the heating piping system have outlived their useful life and will be replaced.
- The air handling unit in the gym will be replaced.
- Seating in the auditorium will be replaced.
- Doors and door hardware will be replaced as needed.
- Doors not replaced will be stripped, resealed and painted.

- Window frames not replaced will be stripped, resealed and painted.
- The air conditioning system in the computer room will be replaced.
- The bleachers in the gym will be renovated or replaced.
- Damaged lockers will be replaced.
- Damaged carpeting will be replaced with either carpeting or floor tile.
- Partial or complete replacement of damaged ceilings.
- Damaged or failing flooring will be replaced.
- Damaged or outdated restroom fixtures will be replaced.
- Damaged or outdated space heaters will be replaced.
- Damaged drinking fountains will be replaced.
- Damaged wood flooring will be renovated or replaced.
- Electrical outlets and switches will be replaced.
- Ceiling exhaust fans will be installed.
- Sinks in various non-restroom areas of the building (janitor's closets, classrooms, etc.) will be replaced as needed.
- Interior ceilings and walls will be repaired as needed, primed and painted.
- Concrete floors will be resealed, as needed and, if required, repainted.
- Areas of the building being renovated will be painted.

### **A. P. Giannini Middle School**

Work anticipated to be completed at A. P. Giannini Middle School through this bond program, and any available State matching funds includes the following:

### Priority 1 Accessibility Work

- Installation of accessible parking and signage.
- Construct and/or modify curb ramps.
- Create a path of travel to the Grip Room at the south entrance of the facility.
- Install a ramp, lift or other means of vertical access to the stage.
- Modify a section of the pullout bleachers for accessible wheel chair seating.
- Install lockers that are accessible.
- Modify the elevators to ensure they are accessible.
- Install side extensions to protruding hazards including, but not limited to such things as water fountains, fire alarm boxes and fire hoses.
- Lower door thresholds and modify sizes of alcoves to provide improved accessibility.
- Installation of handrails on both indoor and outdoor stairways.
- Installation of contrasting striping on stairways.

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- Modifications to existing doors, including adjustment of the door opening force and adjustment of door widths.
- Replacement of exterior door hardware with accessible hardware.
- Renovations to existing restrooms including permanent signage, adjustment of the heights and lengths of various amenities (including grab bars, towel racks, soap dispensers, mirrors, etc.), insulation of pipes, installation of doors on accessible stalls, replacement of the faucet controls, renovation to ensure sufficient space for wheelchair users.
- Widen the aisles at the tables of the cafeteria to ensure they are accessible.
- Provide wheelchair seating in the assembly areas.
- Provide assistive listening devices in all assembly areas.
- Installation of direction signage.
- Ensure that all installed elements of the visual warning system are operational. Install additional warning system devices to provide alarm notification to hearing impaired persons.

### Priority 2 Accessibility Work

- Modifications to existing ramps and handrails to enhance accessibility.
- Install a second handrail on stairways where there is only one handrail.
- Replace interior door hardware with accessible hardware.
- Replace drinking fountains with accessible units.
- Modify the counters in areas including, but not limited to the main office, library and food service areas to ensure they are accessible.
- Lower the tray slides and tray returns in the cafeteria to ensure they are accessible.
- Install a full length mirror in each locker room.
- Install benches that are accessible in both locker rooms.
- Install one accessible shower stall in each locker room.
- Remove a portion of the splash guards to ensure there is an accessible path of travel.
- Modify an existing shower stall so it is accessible.

### Priority 3 Accessibility Work

- Modifications to existing handrails to either extend them in length or change the diameter of the railing.

### Environmental Improvements

- Where work will be done in areas with Asbestos Containing Materials (ACM's), those ACM's will be removed and replaced with new materials. Lead paint will be removed from any area that will have construction.

### Health and Safety Needs

- Electrical wiring for exit and emergency lights will be repaired or replaced.
- Major portions of the electrical system are beyond repair and will be replaced.
- Major portions of the clock system are beyond repair and will be replaced.
- Major portions of the heating and air handling system are beyond repair and will be replaced.
- Major portions of the domestic water (copper piping) system are beyond repair and will be replaced.
- Major portions of the gym lighting system are beyond repair and will be replaced.
- Doors and door hardware will be replaced as needed.
- Doors not replaced will be stripped, resealed and painted.
- Window frames not replaced will be stripped, resealed and painted.
- Damaged bleacher seating will be renovated or replaced.
- Damaged carpeting will be replaced with either carpeting or floor tile.
- Damaged cabinets will be replaced.
- Partial or complete replacement of damaged ceilings.
- Damaged or failing flooring will be replaced.
- Damaged or outdated restroom fixtures will be replaced.
- Damaged or outdated space heaters will be replaced.
- Damaged drinking fountains will be replaced.
- Damaged wood flooring will be renovated or replaced.
- Electrical outlets and switches will be replaced.
- Ceiling exhaust fans will be installed.
- Sinks in various non-restroom areas of the building (janitor's closets, classrooms, etc.) will be replaced as needed.
- Interior ceilings and walls will be repaired as needed, primed and painted.
- Concrete floors will be resealed, as needed and, if required, repainted.
- Areas of the building being renovated will be painted.

### **Everett Middle School**

Work anticipated to be completed at Everett Middle School through this bond program, and any available State matching funds includes the following:

### Priority 1 Accessibility Work

- Provide accessible parking and signage.
- Installation of curb ramps as identified.
- Install side extensions to protruding hazards including, but not limited to such things as water fountains, fire alarm boxes and fire hoses.
- Replace gratings along all paths of travel with units having narrower openings.

- Installation of a ramp, lift or other means of vertical access to the North Gym.
- Installation of a ramp, lift or other means of vertical access to each courtyard.
- Lower door thresholds and modify sizes of alcoves to provide improved accessibility.
- Installation of handrails on both indoor and outdoor stairways.
- Installation of contrasting striping on stairways.
- Make modifications to the elevators to make them fully accessible.
- Modifications to existing doors, including adjustment of the door opening force and adjustment of door widths.
- Replacement of exterior door hardware with accessible hardware.
- Renovations to existing restrooms including permanent signage, adjustment of the heights and lengths of various amenities (including grab bars, towel racks, soap dispensers, mirrors, etc.), insulation of pipes, installation of doors on accessible stalls, replacement of the faucet controls, renovation to ensure sufficient space for wheelchair users.
- Install a ramp, lift or other means of vertical access to the stage.
- Provide aisle side seats and wheelchair seating in the assembly areas.
- Provide assistive listening devices in all assembly areas.
- Installation of direction signage.
- Ensure that installed elements of the visual warning system are working properly. Install additional visual warning system devices to provide alarm notification to hearing impaired persons.

### Priority 2 Accessibility Work

- Modifications to existing ramps and handrails to enhance accessibility.
- Install a second handrail on stairways where there is only one handrail.
- Replace interior door hardware with accessible hardware.
- Replace drinking fountains with accessible units.
- Lower the counters in the reception areas to make them accessible.
- Lower the checkout counter in the library to make it accessible.
- Remove a portion of the splash guard in the girls' locker room shower area to make it accessible.
- Install a ramp, lift or other means of vertical access to the girls' locker room.
- Install lockers that are accessible.

### Priority 3 Accessibility Work

- Modifications to existing handrails to either extend them in length or change the diameter of the railing.

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### Environmental Improvements

- Where work will be done in areas with Asbestos Containing Materials (ACM's), those ACM's will be removed and replaced with new materials. Asbestos will be the crawlspace of the main building. Lead paint will be removed from areas where construction will take place.

### Health and Safety Needs

- Asphalt will be replaced in parking and play areas.
- Electrical wiring for exit and emergency lights will be repaired or replaced.
- Major portions of the electrical system have outlived their useful life and will be replaced.
- Major portions of the heating piping system have outlived their useful life and will be replaced.
- Major portions of the copper piping (domestic water system) have outlived their useful life and will be replaced.
- Doors and door hardware will be replaced as needed.
- Doors not replaced will be stripped, resealed and painted.
- Window frames not replaced will be stripped, resealed and painted.
- Damaged lockers will be replaced.
- Damaged carpeting will be replaced with either carpeting or floor tile.
- Partial or complete replacement of damaged ceilings.
- Damaged plaster ceilings will be renovated or replaced.
- Damaged scoreboards will be renovated or replaced.
- Damaged or failing flooring will be replaced.
- Damaged or outdated restroom fixtures will be replaced.
- Damaged or outdated space heaters will be replaced.
- Damaged drinking fountains will be replaced.
- Damaged wood flooring will be renovated or replaced.
- Electrical outlets and switches will be replaced.
- Ceiling exhaust fans will be installed.
- Sinks in various non-restroom areas of the building (janitor's closets, classrooms, etc.) will be replaced as needed.
- Interior ceilings and walls will be repaired as needed, primed and painted.
- Concrete floors will be resealed, as needed and, if required, repainted.
- Areas of the building being renovated will be painted.

### **Gloria R. Davis Middle School**

Work anticipated to be completed at Gloria R. Davis Middle School through this bond program, and any available State matching funds includes the following:

### Priority 1 Accessibility Work

- Install side extensions to protruding hazards including, but not limited to such things as water fountains, fire alarm boxes and fire hoses.
- Install barriers around sidewalk tree wells.
- Modify the path of travel from the southwest entry to the building to ensure it is accessible.
- Install lockers that are accessible.
- Modify the elevator to ensure it is accessible.
- Replace gratings in all paths of travel with units having narrower openings.
- Installation and/or modification of curb ramps.
- Lower door thresholds and modify sizes of alcoves to provide improved accessibility.
- Installation of handrails on both indoor and outdoor stairways.
- Installation of contrasting striping on stairways.
- Modifications to existing doors, including adjustment of the door opening force and adjustment of door widths.
- Replacement of exterior door hardware with accessible hardware.
- Renovations to existing restrooms including permanent signage, adjustment of the heights and lengths of various amenities (including grab bars, towel racks, soap dispensers, mirrors, etc.), insulation of pipes, installation of doors on accessible stalls, replacement of the faucet controls, renovation to ensure sufficient space for wheelchair users.
- Provide assistive listening devices in all assembly areas.
- Installation of direction signage.
- Ensure that all installed units of the visual warning system are operational. Install additional visual warning system devices to provide alarm notification to hearing impaired persons.

### Priority 2 Accessibility Work

- Modifications to existing ramps and handrails to enhance accessibility.
- Install a second handrail on stairways where there is only one handrail.
- Replace interior door hardware with accessible hardware.
- Replace drinking fountains with accessible units.
- Lower a portion of the office counter to ensure it is accessible.
- Install benches in the locker room that are accessible.

### Priority 3 Accessibility Work

- Modifications to existing handrails to either extend them in length or change the diameter of the railing.

### Environmental Improvements

- Where work will be done in areas with Asbestos Containing Materials (ACM's), those ACM's will be removed and

replaced with new materials. Lead paint will be removed from the wall in Room 206, the wall in Room 211, as well as from any area that will have construction.

### Health and Safety Needs

#### In the cafeteria building:

- Electrical wiring for exit and emergency lights will be repaired or replaced.
- Doors and door hardware will be replaced as needed.
- Doors not replaced will be stripped, resealed and painted.
- Window frames not replaced will be stripped, resealed and painted.
- Replace the modular unit if it is not cost effective to repair it.

#### In the other buildings:

- Asphalt will be replaced in parking and play areas.
- Electrical wiring for exit and emergency lights will be repaired or replaced.
- Major portions of the condensate return system have outlived their useful life and will be replaced.
- Doors and door hardware will be replaced as needed.
- Doors not replaced will be stripped, resealed and painted.
- Window frames not replaced will be stripped, resealed and painted.
- Damaged cabinets will be replaced.
- Damaged wall tiles will be replaced.
- Damaged lockers will be replaced.
- Damaged carpeting will be replaced with either carpeting or floor tile.
- Partial or complete replacement of damaged ceilings.
- Damaged or failing flooring will be replaced.
- Damaged or outdated restroom fixtures will be replaced.
- Damaged or outdated space heaters will be replaced.
- Damaged drinking fountains will be replaced.
- Damaged wood flooring will be renovated or replaced.
- Electrical outlets and switches will be replaced.
- Ceiling exhaust fans will be installed.
- Sinks in various non-restroom areas of the building (janitor's closets, classrooms, etc.) will be replaced as needed.
- Interior ceilings and walls will be primed and painted.
- Concrete floors will be resealed, as needed and, if required, repainted.
- Interior ceilings and walls will be repaired as needed, primed and painted.
- Areas of the building being renovated will be painted.

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### Horace Mann Middle School

Work anticipated to be completed at Horace Mann Middle School through this bond program, and any available State matching funds includes the following:

#### Priority 1 Accessibility Work

- Installation of accessible parking and signage.
- Construct and/or modify curb ramps.
- Create a path of travel to the Grip Room at the south entrance of the facility.
- Install a ramp to the Grip Room.
- Install a lift, ramp or other means of vertical access to the boys' gym and the balcony seating level on the third floor.
- Install a lift, ramp or other means of vertical access to Rooms 251 and 252.
- Install lockers that are accessible.
- Modify the elevators and platform lift, if necessary, to ensure they are accessible.
- Install side extensions to protruding hazards including, but not limited to such things as water fountains, fire alarm boxes and fire hoses.
- Lower door thresholds and modify sizes of alcoves to provide improved accessibility.
- Installation of handrails on both indoor and outdoor stairways.
- Installation of contrasting striping on stairways.
- Modifications to existing doors, including adjustment of the door opening force and adjustment of door widths.
- Replacement of exterior door hardware with accessible hardware.
- Renovations to existing restrooms including permanent signage, adjustment of the heights and lengths of various amenities (including grab bars, towel racks, soap dispensers, mirrors, etc.), insulation of pipes, installation of doors on accessible stalls, replacement of the faucet controls, renovation to ensure sufficient space for wheelchair users.
- Provide wheelchair seating in the assembly areas.
- Provide assistive listening devices in all assembly areas.
- Installation of direction signage.
- Ensure that all installed elements of the visual warning system are operational. Install additional visual warning system devices to provide alarm notification to hearing impaired persons.

#### Priority 2 Accessibility Work

- Modifications to existing ramps and handrails to enhance accessibility.
- Install a second handrail on stairways where there is only one handrail.
- Replace interior door hardware with accessible hardware.
- Replace drinking fountains with accessible units.
- Modify the counters to ensure they are accessible.

- Widen the aisles at the food service line to ensure they are accessible.
- Lower the tray returns to ensure they are accessible.
- Install a full length mirror in each locker room.
- Install one accessible shower stall in each locker room.

#### Priority 3 Accessibility Work

- Modifications to existing handrails to either extend them in length or change the diameter of the railing.

#### Environmental Improvements

- Where work will be done in areas with Asbestos Containing Materials (ACM's), those ACM's will be removed and replaced with new materials. Lead paint will be removed from the wall and ceiling by the stairs near Room 152, a wood wall and a cement wall at the gym, a cement stairway wall in the Art Wing, as well as any area that will have construction.

#### Health and Safety Needs

In the bungalows:

- Electrical wiring for exit and emergency lights will be repaired or replaced.
- Doors and door hardware will be replaced as needed.
- Doors not replaced will be stripped, resealed and painted.
- Damaged or failing flooring will be replaced.

In the other buildings:

- Asphalt will be replaced in the parking and play areas.
- Electrical wiring for exit and emergency lights will be repaired or replaced.
- Major portions of the electrical system have outlived their useful life and will be replaced.
- Major portions of the interior lighting system have outlived their useful life and will be replaced.
- Major portions of the heating piping and condensate pump systems have outlived their useful life and will be replaced.
- Major portions of the domestic water (copper piping) system have outlived their useful life and will be replaced.
- Major portions of the casement system have outlived their useful life and will be replaced.
- Renovate or replace hot water storage tank.
- Renovate or replace damaged floor drains.
- Replace damaged lockers.
- Replace damaged cabinets.
- Renovate or replace damaged auditorium seating.
- Doors and door hardware will be replaced as needed.
- Doors not replaced will be stripped, resealed and painted.

- Window frames not replaced will be stripped, resealed and painted.
- Damaged carpeting will be replaced with either carpeting or floor tile.
- Partial or complete replacement of damaged ceilings.
- Damaged or failing flooring will be replaced.
- Damaged or outdated restroom fixtures will be replaced.
- Damaged or outdated space heaters will be replaced.
- Damaged drinking fountains will be replaced.
- Damaged wood flooring will be renovated or replaced.
- Electrical outlets and switches will be replaced.
- Ceiling exhaust fans will be installed.
- Sinks in various non-restroom areas of the building (janitor's closets, classrooms, etc.) will be replaced as needed.
- Interior ceilings and walls will be repaired as needed, primed and painted.
- Concrete floors will be resealed, as needed and, if required, repainted.
- Areas of the building being renovated will be painted.

### James Denman Middle School

Work anticipated to be completed at James Denman Middle School through this bond program, and any available State matching funds includes the following:

#### Priority 1 Accessibility Work

- Modify the parking areas to provide clearer accessible signage for parking as well as other signage to provide needed information.
- Installation of a ramp to the music rooms behind the stage.
- Installation of a ramp or lift to the stage.
- Install side extensions to protruding hazards including, but not limited to such things as water fountains, fire alarm boxes and fire hoses.
- Replacement of gratings in all paths of travel.
- Installation of handrails on both indoor and outdoor stairways.
- Installation of contrasting striping on stairways.
- Modify operational elevators to provide accessibility.
- Modifications to existing doors, including adjustment of the door opening force and adjustment of door widths.
- Replacement of exterior door hardware with accessible hardware.
- Renovations to existing restrooms including permanent signage, adjustment of the heights and lengths of various amenities (including grab bars, towel racks, soap dispensers, mirrors, etc.), insulation of

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- pipes, installation of doors on accessible stalls, replacement of the faucet controls, renovation to ensure sufficient space for wheelchair users.
- Lower one of the windows at the student bank to make it accessible.
- Modify the assembly areas (gym and auditorium) to include wheelchair seating and aisle side accessible seating.
- Provide assistive listening devices in assembly areas.
- Installation of direction signage.
- Ensure there are visual warning devices at various locations.

### Priority 2 Accessibility Work

- Modifications to existing ramps and handrails to enhance accessibility.
- Install a second handrail on stairways where there is only one handrail.
- Replace interior door hardware with accessible hardware.
- Replace drinking fountains with accessible units.
- Lower a portion of the main office counter to make it accessible.
- Adjust tables in the reading and study areas to provide proper knee clearance.
- Provide accessible work areas in each of the science and computer labs.
- Modify the girls' shower room to ensure its features are accessible.

### Priority 3 Accessibility Work

- Modifications to existing handrails to either extend them in length or change the diameter of the railing.

### Environmental Improvements

- Where work will be done in areas with Asbestos Containing Materials (ACM's), those ACM's will be removed and replaced with new materials. Asbestos will be removed in all crawl spaces under the building. Lead paint will be removed from areas where construction will take place.

### Health and Safety Needs

- Replace paving in parking and play areas.
- Electrical wiring for exit and emergency lights will be repaired or replaced.
- Major portions of the clock system have outlived their useful life and will be replaced.
- Major portions of the interior lighting system have outlived their useful life and will be replaced.
- Major portions of the heating and condensate systems, including the steel heating pipes and circulation pumps, have outlived their useful life and will be replaced.
- Major portions of the copper piping (domestic water system) have outlived their useful life and will be replaced.
- Doors and door hardware will be replaced as needed.

- Doors not replaced will be stripped, resealed and painted.
- Window frames not replaced will be stripped, resealed and painted.
- Replace the gas-fired boilers.
- Damaged carpeting will be replaced with either carpeting or floor tile.
- Partial or complete replacement of damaged ceilings.
- Damaged or failing flooring will be replaced.
- Damaged or outdated restroom fixtures will be replaced.
- Damaged or outdated locker room fixtures will be replaced.
- Damaged or outdated space heaters will be replaced.
- Damaged drinking fountains will be replaced.
- Damaged wood flooring will be renovated or replaced.
- Electrical outlets and switches will be replaced.
- Ceiling exhaust fans will be installed.
- Sinks in various non-restroom areas of the building (janitor's closets, classrooms, etc.) will be replaced as needed.
- Interior ceilings and walls will be repaired as needed, primed and painted.
- Damaged lockers will be replaced.
- Lockers will be scraped and painted.
- Missing emergency and exit lighting elements will be replaced.
- Concrete floors will be resealed, as needed and, if required, repainted.
- Areas of the building being renovated will be painted.

### **Marina Middle School**

Work anticipated to be completed at Marina Middle School through this bond program, and any available State matching funds includes the following:

### Priority 1 Accessibility Work

- Installation of accessible parking spaces and signage.
- Installation of curb ramps.
- Installation of accessible lockers.
- Replace gratings along all paths of travel with units having narrower openings.
- Lower door thresholds and modify sizes of alcoves to provide improved accessibility.
- Installation of handrails on both indoor and outdoor stairways.
- Installation of contrasting striping on stairways.
- Make modifications to the elevator to make it fully accessible.
- Modifications to existing doors, including adjustment of the door opening force and adjustment of door widths.
- Replacement of exterior door hardware with accessible hardware.
- Renovations to existing restrooms including permanent signage, adjustment of the heights and lengths of various amenities

- (including grab bars, towel racks, soap dispensers, mirrors, etc.), insulation of pipes, installation of doors on accessible stalls, replacement of the faucet controls, renovation to ensure sufficient space for wheelchair users.
- Modify the exterior path of travel at the service line south of the cafeteria.
- Widen the aisles in the cafeteria.
- Provide accessible viewing areas in the assembly areas.
- Provide assistive listening devices in all assembly areas.
- Installation of direction signage.
- Install visual warning system devices to provide alarm notification to hearing impaired persons.

### Priority 2 Accessibility Work

- Modifications to existing ramps and handrails to enhance accessibility.
- Install a second handrail on stairways where there is only one handrail.
- Replace interior door hardware with accessible hardware.
- Replace drinking fountains with accessible units.
- Modify the counters in areas including, but not limited to the main office, library and food service areas to ensure they are accessible.
- Widen the book stack aisles to make them accessible.
- Provide accessible workstations for programs.

### Priority 3 Accessibility Work

- Modifications to existing handrails to either extend them in length or change the diameter of the railing.

### Environmental Improvements

- Where work will be done in areas with Asbestos Containing Materials (ACM's), those ACM's will be removed and replaced with new materials. Lead paint will be removed from the ceiling in T-60, as well as from any area where there will be construction.

### Health and Safety Needs

- Repave parking areas.
- Electrical wiring for exit and emergency lights will be repaired or replaced.
- Major portions of the electrical system, including the interior lighting system, have outlived their useful life and will be replaced.
- Major portions of the fire alarm system have outlived their useful life and will be replaced.
- Major portions of the heating piping system, have outlived their useful life and will be replaced.

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- Major portions of the casements have outlived their useful life and will be replaced.
- Major portions of the copper piping (domestic water) system, have outlived their useful life and will be replaced.
- Doors and door hardware will be replaced as needed.
- Doors not replaced will be stripped, resealed and painted.
- Window frames not replaced will be stripped, resealed and painted.
- Damaged carpeting will be replaced with either carpeting or floor tile.
- Partial or complete replacement of damaged ceilings.
- Damaged or failing flooring will be replaced.
- Damaged or failing lockers will be replaced.
- Damaged or outdated restroom fixtures will be replaced.
- Damaged or outdated space heaters will be replaced.
- Damaged drinking fountains will be replaced.
- Damaged wood flooring will be renovated or replaced.
- Electrical outlets and switches will be replaced.
- Ceiling exhaust fans will be installed.
- Sinks in various non-restroom areas of the building (janitor's closets, classrooms, etc.) will be replaced as needed.
- Interior ceilings and walls will be repaired as needed, primed and painted.
- Concrete floors will be resealed, as needed and, if required, repainted.
- Areas of the building being renovated will be painted.

### Claire Lilienthal Elementary School

Work anticipated to be completed at Claire Lilienthal Elementary School through this bond program, and any available State matching funds includes the following:

#### Priority 1 Accessibility Work

- Create accessible parking and signage if parking is allowed in the east yard.
- Construct and/or modify curb ramps.
- Create a path of travel to each portable building.
- Install a new hydraulic elevator.
- Install an elevator or other means of vertical access to the library.
- Install a ramp, lift or other means of vertical access to the split level of the auditorium from an interior path of travel.
- Replace gratings with units that have narrower openings.
- Install side extensions to protruding hazards including, but not limited to such things as water fountains, fire alarm boxes and fire hoses.
- Lower door thresholds and modify sizes of alcoves to provide improved accessibility.

- Installation of contrasting striping on stairways.
- Modifications to existing doors, including adjustment of the door opening force and adjustment of door widths.
- Replacement of exterior door hardware with accessible hardware.
- Renovations to existing restrooms including permanent signage, adjustment of the heights and lengths of various amenities (including grab bars, towel racks, soap dispensers, mirrors, etc.), insulation of pipes, installation of doors on accessible stalls, replacement of the faucet controls, renovation to ensure sufficient space for wheelchair users.
- Provide assistive listening devices in all assembly areas.
- Installation of direction signage.
- Ensure that all equipment connect to the visual warning system is operational. Install additional visual warning system devices to provide alarm notification to hearing impaired persons.

#### Priority 2 Accessibility Work

- Modifications to existing ramps and handrails to enhance accessibility.
- Install a second handrail on stairways where there is only one handrail.
- Replace interior door hardware with accessible hardware.
- Replace drinking fountains with accessible units.
- Modify the counters in areas including, but not limited to the main office, library and food service areas to ensure they are accessible.

#### Priority 3 Accessibility Work

- Modifications to existing handrails to either extend them in length or change the diameter of the railing.

#### Environmental Improvements

- Where work will be done in areas with Asbestos Containing Materials (ACM's), those ACM's will be removed and replaced with new materials. Asbestos will be removed from crawlspace areas 001 and 002. Lead paint will be removed from the south wall of the Boiler Room, the wall on Basement East stairs, the west wall of the girls' restroom, the west wall of the boys' basement restroom, the south wall of Room 2, the east wall of Room 5, the west wall and north walls of the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor hall, the west wall of the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor stairs, as well as any area that will have construction.

#### Health and Safety Needs

In the bungalows:

- Electrical wiring for exit and emergency lights will be repaired or replaced.
- Damaged carpeting will be replaced with either carpeting or floor tile.

- Partial or complete replacement of damaged ceilings.
- Damaged or failing flooring will be replaced.
- Damaged foundation walls will be renovated or replaced in Bungalow 008.
- The electrical system will be renovated or replaced in Bungalow 008.
- Concrete walks will be renovated or replaced in Bungalow 008.
- The domestic water supply will be renovated or replaced in Bungalow 008.
- The plumbing system will be renovated or replaced in Bungalow 008.
- Bungalow 008 will be replaced if it is more economical to do so.

In the other buildings:

- Asphalt will be replaced in parking and play areas.
- Electrical wiring for exit and emergency lights will be repaired or replaced.
- Major portions of the electrical system have outlived their useful life and will be replaced.
- Major portions of the clock system have outlived their useful life and will be replaced.
- Major portions of the heating piping and condensate systems have outlived their useful life and will be replaced.
- Major portions of the domestic water (copper piping) system have outlived their useful life and will be replaced.
- Major portions of the casement system have outlived their useful life and will be replaced.
- Major portions of the roofing system have outlived their useful life and will be replaced.
- Doors and door hardware will be replaced as needed.
- Doors not replaced will be stripped, resealed and painted.
- Window frames not replaced will be stripped, resealed and painted.
- Damaged plaster partitions will be renovated or replaced.
- Damaged carpeting will be replaced with either carpeting or floor tile.
- Partial or complete replacement of damaged ceilings.
- Damaged or failing flooring will be replaced.
- Damaged or outdated restroom fixtures will be replaced.
- Damaged or outdated space heaters will be replaced.
- Damaged drinking fountains will be replaced.
- Damaged wood flooring will be renovated or replaced.
- Electrical outlets and switches will be replaced.

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- Ceiling exhaust fans will be installed.
- Sinks in various non-restroom areas of the building (janitor's closets, classrooms, etc.) will be replaced as needed.
- Interior ceilings and walls will be repaired as needed, primed and painted.
- Concrete floors will be resealed, as needed and, if required, repainted.
- Areas of the building being renovated will be painted.

### San Francisco Community Elementary School

Work anticipated to be completed at San Francisco Community Elementary School through this bond program, and any available State matching funds includes the following:

#### Priority 1 Accessibility Work

- Construction of a curb ramp at the passenger loading zone
- Installation of ramps, lifts or other vertical transports at the southwest entrance, to the second and third floors and between the south side of the building and the play area to make these areas accessible.
- Installation of contrasting striping on stairways.
- Installation of handrails on stairways that have no handrails.
- Replacement of exterior door hardware with accessible hardware.
- Modifications to existing doors, including adjustment of the door opening force and adjustment of door width.
- Install threshold ramps at all entrance doors.
- Provide door closer and accessible stall door hardware in the accessible stall in various restrooms.
- Renovations to existing restrooms including permanent signage, adjustment of the heights and lengths of various amenities (including grab bars, towel racks, soap dispensers, mirrors, etc.), insulation of pipes, installation of doors on accessible stalls, replacement of the faucet controls, renovation to ensure sufficient space for wheelchair users.
- Modifications to the outdoor play area to make it accessible.
- Provision of assistive listening devices in the assembly area.
- Installation of direction signage.
- Provide accessible classroom numbering signs, including Braille.
- Install additional visual warning system devices to provide alarm notification to hearing impaired persons.

#### Priority 2 Accessibility Work

- Modifications to existing ramps and handrails to enhance accessibility.
- Modify stairways where riser heights are not consistent.
- Install a second handrail on stairways where there is only one handrail.

- Installation of additional handrails on wide stairways.
- Replacement of interior door hardware to accessible hardware.
- Installation of accessible drinking fountains.
- Install a ramp or lift to the stage area in the cafeteria, which is also used as an assembly area.

#### Priority 3 Accessibility Work

- Modifications to existing handrails to either extend them in length or change the diameter of the railing

#### Environmental Improvements

- Where work will be done in areas with Asbestos Containing Materials (ACM's), those ACM's will be removed and replaced with new materials. Lead paint will be removed from the ceiling at the top level of the west stairwell and from the upper wall area of the plaster wall in Rooms 104 and 105 as well as any area where there will be construction.

#### Health and Safety Needs

In the bungalow:

- Electrical wiring for exit and emergency lights will be repaired or replaced.

In the main building:

- Electrical wiring for exit and emergency lights will be repaired or replaced.
- Major sections of the electrical system which have outlived their useful life will be replaced.
- Major sections of the air handling system which have outlived their useful life will be replaced.
- Major sections of damaged ductwork will be replaced.
- The copper piping for the domestic water system (plumbing system) has outlived its useful life and will be replaced.
- Doors and door hardware will be replaced as needed.
- Doors not replaced will be stripped, resealed and painted.
- Concrete floors will be resealed, as needed and, if required, repainted.
- Damaged wooden floors will be renovated or replaced.
- Damaged or outdated restroom fixtures will be replaced.
- Exhaust fans will be installed.
- Floor tiles will be replaced.
- Electrical outlets and switches will be replaced.
- Sinks in various non-restroom areas of the building (janitor's closets, classrooms, etc.) will be replaced as needed.
- Damaged drinking fountains will be replaced.
- Plaster partitions will be renovated and repainted.

- Areas with damaged carpet will be replaced either with carpet or tile, as needed.
- Interior ceilings and walls will be repaired as needed, primed and painted.
- Areas of the building being renovated will be painted.

### Treasure Island Elementary School

Work anticipated to be completed at Treasure Island Elementary School through this bond program, and any available State matching funds includes the following:

#### Priority 1 Accessibility Work

- Installation of accessible parking and signage.
- Install side extensions to protruding hazards including, but not limited to such things as water fountains, fire alarm boxes and fire hoses.
- Install barriers around sidewalk tree wells.
- Installation of a ramp, lift or other vertical means of access to Classrooms 17 and 18.
- Installation of a ramp, lift or other vertical means of access to the stage.
- Replace gratings in all paths of travel with units having narrower openings.
- Installation and/or modification of curb ramps.
- Lower door thresholds and modify sizes of alcoves to provide improved accessibility.
- Installation of handrails on both indoor and outdoor stairways.
- Installation of contrasting striping on stairways.
- Modifications to existing doors, including adjustment of the door opening force and adjustment of door widths.
- Replacement of exterior door hardware with accessible hardware.
- Renovations to existing restrooms including permanent signage, adjustment of the heights and lengths of various amenities (including grab bars, towel racks, soap dispensers, mirrors, etc.), insulation of pipes, installation of doors on accessible stalls, replacement of the faucet controls, renovation to ensure sufficient space for wheelchair users.
- Provide wheelchair and aisle side seating in assembly areas.
- Widen aisles in the food service lines.
- Provide assistive listening devices in all assembly areas.
- Installation of direction signage.
- Ensure that all installed units of the visual warning system are operational. Install additional visual warning system devices to provide alarm notification to hearing impaired persons.
- Provide wheelchair seating in assembly areas.

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### Priority 2 Accessibility Work

- Modifications to existing ramps and handrails to enhance accessibility.
- Install a second handrail on stairways where there is only one handrail.
- Replace interior door hardware with accessible hardware.
- Replace drinking fountains with accessible units.
- Lower a portion of each office counter to make it accessible.
- Lower the height of the tray rack in the cafeteria.
- Extend the length of the checkout counter in the library to more than 36”.
- Create a path of travel to the north play area and a path of travel to the garden area.

### Priority 3 Accessibility Work

- Modifications to existing handrails to either extend them in length or change the diameter of the railing.

### Environmental Improvements

- Where work will be done in areas with Asbestos Containing Materials (ACM's), those ACM's will be removed and replaced with new materials. Lead paint will be removed any area that will have construction.

### Health and Safety Needs

- Asphalt areas will be repaved in the parking and play areas.
- Electrical wiring for exit and emergency lights will be repaired or replaced.
- Major portions of the electrical system have outlived their useful life and will be replaced.
- Major portions of the clock system have outlived their useful life and will be replaced.
- Major portions of the ductwork have outlived their useful life and will be replaced.
- Major portions of the domestic water (copper piping) system have outlived their useful life and will be replaced.
- The exterior of the facility will be painted.
- Doors and door hardware will be replaced as needed.
- Doors not replaced will be stripped, resealed and painted.
- Window frames not replaced will be stripped, resealed and painted.
- Damaged carpeting will be replaced with either carpeting or floor tile.
- Partial or complete replacement of damaged ceilings.
- Damaged or failing flooring will be replaced.
- Damaged or outdated restroom fixtures will be replaced.
- Damaged or outdated space heaters will be replaced.
- Damaged drinking fountains will be replaced.

- Damaged wood flooring will be renovated or replaced.
- Electrical outlets and switches will be replaced.
- Ceiling exhaust fans will be installed.
- Sinks in various non-restroom areas of the building (janitor's closets, classrooms, etc.) will be replaced as needed.
- Interior ceilings and walls will be repaired as needed, primed and painted.
- Concrete floors will be resealed, as needed and, if required, repainted.
- Areas of the building being renovated will be painted.

### **Alvarado Elementary School**

Work anticipated to be completed at Alvarado Elementary School through this bond program, and any available State matching funds includes the following:

### Priority 1 Accessibility Work

- Installation of curb ramps.
- Replace gratings along all paths of travel with units having narrower openings.
- Lower door thresholds and modify sizes of alcoves to provide improved accessibility.
- Installation of handrails on both indoor and outdoor stairways.
- Installation of contrasting striping on stairways.
- Make modifications to the elevators to make them fully accessible.
- Modifications to existing doors, including adjustment of the door opening force and adjustment of door widths.
- Replacement of exterior door hardware with accessible hardware.
- Renovations to existing restrooms including permanent signage, adjustment of the heights and lengths of various amenities (including grab bars, towel racks, soap dispensers, mirrors, etc.), insulation of pipes, installation of doors on accessible stalls, replacement of the faucet controls, renovation to ensure sufficient space for wheelchair users.
- Install a ramp, lift or other means of vertical access to the stage.
- Install a ramp, lift or other means of vertical access to the lower play area.
- Provide accessible viewing areas in the assembly areas.
- Provide assistive listening devices in all assembly areas.
- Installation of direction signage.
- Ensure that installed elements of the visual warning system are working properly. Install additional visual warning system devices to provide alarm notification to hearing impaired persons.

### Priority 2 Accessibility Work

- Modifications to existing ramps and handrails to enhance accessibility.
- Install a second handrail on stairways where there is only one handrail.

- Replace interior door hardware with accessible hardware.
- Replace drinking fountains with accessible units.

### Priority 3 Accessibility Work

- Modifications to existing handrails to either extend them in length or change the diameter of the railing.

### Environmental Improvements

- Where work will be done in areas with Asbestos Containing Materials (ACM's), those ACM's will be removed and replaced with new materials. Asbestos will be removed from crawlspace 001. Lead paint will be removed from under the auditorium, as well as from any area where there will be construction.

### Health and Safety Needs

In the bungalows:

- Electrical wiring for exit and emergency lights will be repaired or replaced.

In the main building:

- Electrical wiring for exit and emergency lights will be repaired or replaced.
- Major portions of the electrical system have outlived their useful life and will be replaced.
- Major portions of the heating piping system, including the pumps and heating piping, have outlived their useful life and will be replaced.
- Major portions of the copper piping (domestic water system) have outlived their useful life and will be replaced.
- Doors and door hardware will be replaced as needed.
- Doors not replaced will be stripped, resealed and painted.
- Window frames not replaced will be stripped, resealed and painted.
- Damaged carpeting will be replaced with either carpeting or floor tile.
- Partial or complete replacement of damaged ceilings.
- Damaged or failing flooring will be replaced.
- Damaged or outdated restroom fixtures will be replaced.
- Damaged or outdated space heaters will be replaced.
- Damaged drinking fountains will be replaced.
- Damaged wood flooring will be renovated or replaced.
- Electrical outlets and switches will be replaced.
- Ceiling exhaust fans will be installed.
- Sinks in various non-restroom areas of the building (janitor's closets, classrooms, etc.) will be replaced as needed.

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- Interior ceilings and walls will be repaired as needed, primed and painted.
- Concrete floors will be resealed, as needed and, if required, repainted.
- Areas of the building being renovated will be painted.

### **Bret Harte Elementary School**

Work anticipated to be completed at Bret Harte Elementary School through this bond program, and any available State matching funds includes the following:

#### Priority 1 Accessibility Work

- Installation of accessible parking and signage.
- Install side extensions to protruding hazards including, but not limited to such things as water fountains, fire alarm boxes and fire hoses.
- Remount the doorbell at the Gilman Street entrance.
- Install barriers around sidewalk tree wells.
- Installation of a ramp, lift or other vertical means of access to the second floor of Building C.
- Modification of the elevator to ensure it is accessible.
- Replace gratings in all paths of travel with units having narrower openings.
- Installation and/or modification of curb ramps.
- Lower door thresholds and modify sizes of alcoves to provide improved accessibility.
- Installation of handrails on both indoor and outdoor stairways.
- Installation of contrasting striping on stairways.
- Modifications to existing doors, including adjustment of the door opening force and adjustment of door widths.
- Replacement of exterior door hardware with accessible hardware.
- Renovations to existing restrooms including permanent signage, adjustment of the heights and lengths of various amenities (including grab bars, towel racks, soap dispensers, mirrors, etc.), insulation of pipes, installation of doors on accessible stalls, replacement of the faucet controls, renovation to ensure sufficient space for wheelchair users.
- Provide wheelchair and aisle side seating in assembly areas.
- Provide assistive listening devices in all assembly areas.
- Installation of direction signage.
- Ensure that all installed units of the visual warning system are operational. Install additional visual warning system devices to provide alarm notification to hearing impaired persons.
- Provide wheelchair seating in assembly areas.

#### Priority 2 Accessibility Work

- Modifications to existing ramps and handrails to enhance accessibility.

- Install a second handrail on stairways where there is only one handrail.
- Replace interior door hardware with accessible hardware.
- Replace drinking fountains with accessible units.
- Lower the height of the tray return in the cafeteria.
- Extend the length of the checkout counter in the library to more than 36" and lower the height to ensure it is accessible.
- Modify the path of travel in the garden area between the planters.

#### Priority 3 Accessibility Work

- Modifications to existing handrails to either extend them in length or change the diameter of the railing.

#### Environmental Improvements

- Where work will be done in areas with Asbestos Containing Materials (ACM's), those ACM's will be removed and replaced with new materials. Asbestos will be removed from the fan unit in the boiler room (002). Lead paint will be removed any area that will have construction.

#### Health and Safety Needs

- Electrical wiring for exit and emergency lights will be repaired or replaced.
- Major portions of the electrical system have outlived their useful life and will be replaced.
- Doors and door hardware will be replaced as needed.
- Doors not replaced will be stripped, resealed and painted.
- Window frames not replaced will be stripped, resealed and painted.
- Damaged carpeting will be replaced with either carpeting or floor tile.
- Partial or complete replacement of damaged ceilings.
- Damaged or failing flooring will be replaced.
- Damaged or outdated restroom fixtures will be replaced.
- Damaged or outdated space heaters will be replaced.
- Damaged drinking fountains will be replaced.
- Damaged wood flooring will be renovated or replaced.
- Electrical outlets and switches will be replaced.
- Ceiling exhaust fans will be installed.
- Sinks in various non-restroom areas of the building (janitor's closets, classrooms, etc.) will be replaced as needed.
- Interior ceilings and walls will be repaired as needed, primed and painted.
- Concrete floors will be resealed, as needed and, if required, repainted.
- Areas of the building being renovated will be painted.

### **Bryant Elementary School**

Work anticipated to be completed at Bryant Elementary School through this bond program, and any available State matching funds includes the following:

#### Priority 1 Accessibility Work

- Install accessible parking and signage.
- Construct and/or modify curb ramps.
- Install a ramp to the unisex bathroom.
- Install a ramp, lift or other means of vertical access to the stage.
- Replace gratings with units that have narrower openings.
- Install side extensions to protruding hazards including, but not limited to such things as water fountains, fire alarm boxes and fire hoses.
- Lower door thresholds and modify sizes of alcoves to provide improved accessibility.
- Modify elevators so they are fully accessible.
- Installation of handrails on both indoor and outdoor stairways.
- Installation of contrasting striping on stairways.
- Modifications to existing doors, including adjustment of the door opening force and adjustment of door widths.
- Replacement of exterior door hardware with accessible hardware.
- Renovations to existing restrooms including permanent signage, adjustment of the heights and lengths of various amenities (including grab bars, towel racks, soap dispensers, mirrors, etc.), insulation of pipes, installation of doors on accessible stalls, replacement of the faucet controls, renovation to ensure sufficient space for wheelchair users.
- Provide assistive listening devices in all assembly areas.
- Installation of direction signage.
- Install visual warning system devices to provide alarm notification to hearing impaired persons.

#### Priority 2 Accessibility Work

- Modifications to existing ramps and handrails to enhance accessibility.
- Install a second handrail on stairways where there is only one handrail.
- Replace interior door hardware with accessible hardware.
- Replace drinking fountains with accessible units.
- Modify the counters in areas including, but not limited to the main office, library and food service areas to ensure they are accessible.

#### Priority 3 Accessibility Work

- Modifications to existing handrails to either extend them in length or change the diameter of the railing.

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### Environmental Improvements

- Where work will be done in areas with Asbestos Containing Materials (ACM's), those ACM's will be removed and replaced with new materials. Lead paint will be removed from any area that will have construction.

### Health and Safety Needs

- Damaged fencing will be replaced.
- The damaged exterior of the facility will be painted.
- Electrical wiring for exit and emergency lights will be repaired or replaced.
- Major portions of the air compressors have outlived their useful life and will be replaced.
- Doors and door hardware will be replaced as needed.
- Doors not replaced will be stripped, resealed and painted.
- Window frames not replaced will be stripped, resealed and painted.
- Damaged carpeting will be replaced with either carpeting or floor tile.
- Partial or complete replacement of damaged ceilings.
- Damaged or failing flooring will be replaced.
- Damaged or outdated restroom fixtures will be replaced.
- Damaged or outdated space heaters will be replaced.
- Damaged drinking fountains will be replaced.
- Damaged wood flooring will be renovated or replaced.
- Damaged stair treads will be renovated or replaced.
- Electrical outlets and switches will be replaced.
- Ceiling exhaust fans will be installed.
- Sinks in various non-restroom areas of the building (janitor's closets, classrooms, etc.) will be replaced as needed.
- Interior ceilings and walls will be repaired as needed, primed and painted.
- Concrete floors will be resealed, as needed and, if required, repainted.
- Areas of the building being renovated will be painted.

### **Clarendon Alternative Elementary School**

Work anticipated to be completed at Clarendon Alternative Elementary School through this bond program, and any available State matching funds includes the following:

### Priority 1 Accessibility Work

- Provide accessible parking spaces and permanent signage
- Construction of new curb ramps
- Installation of ramps to inaccessible levels of the facility
- Modifications to handrails
- Contrasting striping on stair treads

- Door modifications throughout including adjustment of door pressure and changing the door opening mechanisms to accessible units.
- Renovations to existing restrooms including permanent signage, adjustment of the heights and lengths of various amenities (including grab bars, towel racks, soap dispensers, mirrors, etc.), insulation of pipes, installation of doors on accessible stalls, replacement of the faucet controls, renovation to ensure sufficient space for wheelchair users.
- Provide assistive listening devices in the assembly areas.

### Priority 2 Accessibility Work

- Construction of new accessible passenger loading zones.
- Modifications to existing ramps and handrails.
- Modification of restrooms that are marked as accessible.
- Modification of existing telephones.
- Installation of a wheelchair lift to serve the stage in the multi-purpose room.
- Lowering the height of the tray return in the cafeteria to make it accessible.
- Lowering the height of certain tables in the library to make them accessible to wheelchair users. This includes the card catalog table.
- Installation of ramps, lifts or other means of vertical access to the Kindergarten and East Play Areas.
- Installation of new accessible signage (other than Priority 1 parking signage).

### Priority 3 Accessibility Work

- Modifications to existing ramps to provide sufficient space between the top of these ramps and the latch side of doors located at the ramp tops.
- Modifying the size or position of existing handrails to ensure they meet accessibility guidelines.

### Environmental Improvements

- Where work will be done in areas with Asbestos Containing Materials (ACM's), those ACM's will be removed and replaced with new materials. Asbestos will be removed from the basement boiler room and fan room. Lead paint will be removed from outdoor wooden yard benches in the upper yard, middle yard and lower yard as well as from any areas that are subject of construction.

### Health and Safety Needs

#### In Classroom A:

- Partial or complete replacement of damaged ceilings.
- Doors and door hardware will be replaced.
- Doors which are not replaced and windows will be stripped, repainted and resealed.

#### In Classroom B:

- Partial or complete replacement of damaged ceilings.
- Doors and door hardware will be replaced.
- Doors which are not replaced and windows will be stripped, repainted and resealed.
- Foundation walls will be repaired or replaced.
- The electrical system will be replaced.
- Concrete walks will be replaced.
- The domestic water supply system will be replaced.
- The plumbing system will be replaced.
- If it is less costly to replace the classroom, it will be replaced instead of repaired.

#### In the main building:

- Asphalt will be replaced in parking and play areas.
- Doors and door hardware will be replaced.
- Doors which are not replaced and windows will be stripped, repainted and resealed.
- Electrical wiring for exit and emergency lights will be repaired or replaced.
- Damaged sections of driveways, walkways and ramps will be repaired or replaced.
- Major sections of the electrical system which have outlived their useful life will be replaced.
- Major sections of the heating system which have outlived their useful life will be replaced.
- Major sections of the domestic water system (plumbing system) which have outlived their useful life will be replaced.
- Damaged or outdated restroom fixtures will be replaced.
- Damaged carpeting will be replaced, either with carpet or with alternative flooring materials.
- Doors and door hardware will be replaced as needed.
- Concrete floors will be resealed, as needed and, if required, repainted.
- Floor tiles will be replaced.
- Partial or complete replacement of damaged ceilings.
- Sinks in various non-restroom areas of the building (janitor's closets, classrooms, etc.) will be replaced as needed.
- Electrical outlets and switches will be replaced as needed.
- Interior ceilings and walls will be repaired as needed, primed and painted.
- The wooden floor in the gym will be refinished.
- Areas with damaged carpet will be replaced either with carpet or tile, as needed.
- Areas of the building being renovated will be painted.

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### Commodore Sloat Elementary School

Work anticipated to be completed at Commodore Sloat Elementary School through this bond program, and any available State matching funds includes the following:

#### Priority 1 Accessibility Work

- Modify/install curb ramps.
- Modify the wall-mounted Hopper windows in the pod common space and in the cafeteria so they are not protruding hazards.
- Create an accessible path of travel across the east play yard.
- Modify or repair the paved surface to the portable buildings so it is fully accessible.
- Install a ramp, lift or other means of vertical access to the courtyard amphitheater.
- Install a ramp, lift or other means of vertical access to the stage.
- Install side extensions to protruding hazards including, but not limited to such things as water fountains, fire alarm boxes and fire hoses.
- Replace gratings with units that have narrower openings.
- Lower door thresholds and modify sizes of alcoves to provide improved accessibility.
- Installation of handrails on both indoor and outdoor stairways.
- Installation of contrasting striping on stairways.
- Modifications to existing doors, including adjustment of the door opening force and adjustment of door widths.
- Replacement of exterior door hardware with accessible hardware.
- Renovations to existing restrooms including permanent signage, adjustment of the heights and lengths of various amenities (including grab bars, towel racks, soap dispensers, mirrors, etc.), insulation of pipes, installation of doors on accessible stalls, replacement of the faucet controls, renovation to ensure sufficient space for wheelchair users.
- Provide wheelchair seating in the multi-purpose room.
- Provide assistive listening devices in all assembly areas.
- Installation of direction signage.
- Install visual warning system devices to provide alarm notification to hearing impaired persons.

#### Priority 2 Accessibility Work

- Modifications to existing ramps and handrails to enhance accessibility.
- Install a second handrail on stairways where there is only one handrail.
- Replace interior door hardware with accessible hardware.
- Replace drinking fountains with accessible units.
- Widen the book stack aisles to at least 44".

#### Priority 3 Accessibility Work

- Modifications to existing handrails to either extend them in length or change the diameter of the railing.

#### Environmental Improvements

- Where work will be done in areas with Asbestos Containing Materials (ACM's), those ACM's will be removed and replaced with new materials. Lead paint will be removed from any area that will have construction.

#### Health and Safety Needs

- Asphalt will be replaced in parking and play areas.
- Electrical wiring for exit and emergency lights will be repaired or replaced.
- Major portions of the electrical system have outlived their useful life and will be replaced.
- Major portions of the fire alarm system have outlived their useful life and will be replaced.
- Major portions of the heating system have outlived their useful life and will be replaced.
- Major portions of the domestic water (copper piping) system have outlived their useful life and will be replaced.
- The air handling system will be balanced.
- Doors and door hardware will be replaced as needed.
- Doors not replaced will be stripped, resealed and painted.
- Window frames not replaced will be stripped, resealed and painted.
- Damaged carpeting will be replaced with either carpeting or floor tile.
- Partial or complete replacement of damaged ceilings.
- Damaged or failing flooring will be replaced.
- Damaged or outdated restroom fixtures will be replaced.
- Damaged or outdated space heaters will be replaced.
- Damaged drinking fountains will be replaced.
- Damaged wood flooring will be renovated or replaced.
- Electrical outlets and switches will be replaced.
- Ceiling exhaust fans will be installed.
- Sinks in various non-restroom areas of the building (janitor's closets, classrooms, etc.) will be replaced as needed.
- Interior ceilings and walls will be repaired as needed, primed and painted.
- Concrete floors will be resealed, as needed and, if required, repainted.
- Areas of the building being renovated will be painted.

### Dr. Charles R. Drew Elementary School

Work anticipated to be completed at Dr. Charles R. Drew Elementary School through this bond program, and any available State matching funds includes the following:

#### Priority 1 Accessibility Work

- Repave the access aisle at the passenger loading zone.
- Install a lift, ramp or other means of vertical access to the second level of the facility.
- Install a lift, ramp or other means of vertical access to the southwest picnic area.
- Install a lift, ramp or other means of vertical access to the stage.
- Lower the assisted service call button at the main entry.
- Install side extensions to protruding hazards including, but not limited to such things as water fountains, fire alarm boxes and fire hoses.
- Installation and/or modification of curb ramps.
- Lower door thresholds and modify sizes of alcoves to provide improved accessibility.
- Installation of handrails on both indoor and outdoor stairways.
- Installation of contrasting striping on stairways.
- Modifications to existing doors, including adjustment of the door opening force and adjustment of door widths.
- Replacement of exterior door hardware with accessible hardware.
- Renovations to existing restrooms including permanent signage, adjustment of the heights and lengths of various amenities (including grab bars, towel racks, soap dispensers, mirrors, etc.), insulation of pipes, installation of doors on accessible stalls, replacement of the faucet controls, renovation to ensure sufficient space for wheelchair users.
- Provide assistive listening devices in all assembly areas.
- Installation of direction signage.
- Install visual warning system devices to provide alarm notification to hearing impaired persons.

#### Priority 2 Accessibility Work

- Modifications to existing ramps and handrails to enhance accessibility.
- Install a second handrail on stairways where there is only one handrail.
- Replace interior door hardware with accessible hardware.
- Replace drinking fountains with accessible units.

#### Priority 3 Accessibility Work

- Modifications to existing handrails to either extend them in length or change the diameter of the railing.

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### Environmental Improvements

- Where work will be done in areas with Asbestos Containing Materials (ACM's), those ACM's will be removed and replaced with new materials. Lead paint will be removed from the wall in Room 126 of Building 1, from the janitors' closet Room 100 in Building 2, as well as from any area that will have construction.

### Health and Safety Needs

- Damaged fencing will be replaced.
- Asphalt will be replaced in parking and play areas.
- Electrical wiring for exit and emergency lights will be repaired or replaced.
- Major portions of the electrical system have outlived their useful life and will be replaced.
- Major portions of the clock system have outlived their useful life and will be replaced.
- The damaged exterior of the facility will be painted.
- Doors and door hardware will be replaced as needed.
- Doors not replaced will be stripped, resealed and painted.
- Window frames not replaced will be stripped, resealed and painted.
- Damaged carpeting will be replaced with either carpeting or floor tile.
- Partial or complete replacement of damaged ceilings.
- Damaged or failing flooring will be replaced.
- Damaged or outdated restroom fixtures will be replaced.
- Damaged or outdated space heaters will be replaced.
- Damaged drinking fountains will be replaced.
- Damaged wood flooring will be repaired or replaced.
- Electrical outlets and switches will be replaced.
- Ceiling exhaust fans will be installed.
- Sinks in various non-restroom areas of the building (janitor's closets, classrooms, etc.) will be replaced as needed.
- Interior ceilings and walls will be repaired, as needed, primed and painted.
- Concrete floors will be resealed, as needed and, if required, repainted.
- Areas of the building being renovated will be painted.

### **Edward Robeson Taylor Elementary School**

Work anticipated to be completed at Edward Robeson Taylor Elementary School through this bond program, and any available State matching funds includes the following:

#### Priority 1 Accessibility Work

- Installation of direction signage.
- Construction of a curb ramp at the passenger loading zone on Goettingen Street.

- Install side extensions to protruding hazards including, but not limited to such things as water fountains, fire alarm boxes and fire hoses.
- Installation of ramps, lifts or other vertical means of transport to various inaccessible areas.
- Installation of handrails on stairways that have no handrails.
- Installation of contrasting striping on stairways.
- Installation of additional handrails on wide stairways.
- Modifications to the existing elevators to ensure accessibility.
- Modifications to existing doors, including adjustment of the door opening force and adjustment of door width.
- Renovations to existing restrooms including permanent signage, adjustment of the heights and lengths of various amenities (including grab bars, towel racks, soap dispensers, mirrors, etc.), insulation of pipes, installation of doors on accessible stalls, replacement of the faucet controls, renovation to ensure sufficient space for wheelchair users.
- Installation of a ramp, lift or other means of vertical access in the Library/Auditorium.
- Modifications to the outdoor play area to make it accessible.
- Provision of assistive listening devices in the assembly area.
- Install visual warning system devices to provide alarm notification to hearing impaired persons.

#### Priority 2 Accessibility Work

- Modifications to existing ramps and handrails to enhance accessibility.
- Replacement of door hardware to accessible hardware.
- Installation of accessible drinking fountains.
- Lowering a portion of the main reception office counter.
- Modification of the heights of tables in the library.
- Creation of an accessible path of travel to viewing areas for the basketball play areas.

#### Priority 3 Accessibility Work

- Modifications to existing handrails to either extend them in length or change the diameter of the railing.

### Environmental Improvements

- Where work will be done in areas with Asbestos Containing Materials (ACM's), those ACM's will be removed and replaced with new materials. Lead paint will be removed from the closet wall and door in Room 17 in Building 2 and in any area where there will be construction.

### Health and Safety Needs

In the bungalow:

- Electrical wiring for exit and emergency lights will be repaired or replaced.
- Wiring receptacle will be replaced as identified.
- The furnace will be replaced.
- Damage to the water closet and lavatory will be repaired.

In the main building:

- Electrical wiring for exit and emergency lights will be repaired or replaced.
- Major sections of the electrical system which have outlived their useful life will be replaced.
- The fire alarm system has outlived its useful life and will be replaced.
- The heating piping has outlived its useful life and will be replaced.
- The piping for the domestic water system (plumbing system) has outlived its useful life and will be replaced.
- Damaged or outdated restroom fixtures will be replaced.
- Doors and door hardware will be replaced as needed.
- Concrete floors will be cleaned and resealed, as needed and, if required, repainted.
- Floor tiles will be replaced.
- Exhaust fans will be installed.
- Partial or complete replacement of damaged ceilings.
- Sinks in various non-restroom areas of the building (janitor's closets, classrooms, etc.) will be replaced as needed.
- Electrical outlets and switches will be replaced as needed.
- Interior ceilings and walls will be repaired, as needed, primed and painted.
- Areas with damaged carpet will be replaced either with carpet or tile, as needed.
- Areas of the building being renovated will be painted.

### **Harvey Milk Civil Rights Academy**

Work anticipated to be completed at Harvey Milk Civil Rights Academy through this bond program, and any available State matching funds includes the following:

#### Priority 1 Accessibility Work

- Installation of a curb ramp.
- Install side extensions to protruding hazards including, but not limited to such things as water fountains, fire alarm boxes and fire hoses.
- Installation of a ramp to the bungalow.
- Raise the visual alarms so as not to be a hazard.
- Replace gratings along all paths of travel with units having narrower openings.
- Installation of barriers under open stair-

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- ways to provide minimum head clearance.
- Modification of the elevator to ensure it is accessible.
- Lower door thresholds and modify sizes of alcoves to provide improved accessibility.
- Installation of handrails on both indoor and outdoor stairways.
- Installation of contrasting striping on stairways.
- Make modifications to the elevators to make them fully accessible.
- Modifications to existing doors, including adjustment of the door opening force and adjustment of door widths.
- Replacement of exterior door hardware with accessible hardware.
- Renovations to existing restrooms including permanent signage, adjustment of the heights and lengths of various amenities (including grab bars, towel racks, soap dispensers, mirrors, etc.), insulation of pipes, installation of doors on accessible stalls, replacement of the faucet controls, renovation to ensure sufficient space for wheelchair users.
- Widen the aisle at the food service line.
- Install a ramp, lift or other means of vertical access to the stage.
- Provide assistive listening devices in all assembly areas.
- Installation of direction signage.
- Ensure that the visual warning system is operational in those areas where it is already installed. Install additional visual warning system devices to provide alarm notification to hearing impaired persons.

### Priority 2 Accessibility Work

- Modifications to existing ramps and handrails to enhance accessibility.
- Install a second handrail on stairways where there is only one handrail.
- Replace interior door hardware with accessible hardware.
- Replace drinking fountains with accessible units.
- Widen the book stack aisle in the library.
- Modification or replacement of a computer card catalog table or relocation of a computer work station to a different table to ensure accessibility.
- Modify a table in the reading and study area to make it accessible.
- Modify the path of travel to the park across 19<sup>th</sup> Street to make it accessible.

### Priority 3 Accessibility Work

- Modifications to existing handrails to either extend them in length or change the diameter of the railing.

### Environmental Improvements

- Where work will be done in areas with Asbestos Containing Materials (ACM's), those ACM's will be removed and replaced with new materials. Lead paint will be removed from the plaster ceiling in T53, exte-

rior benches, exterior doors, exterior door casings, exterior grease hoods, as well as any area where construction will take place.

### Health and Safety Needs

- Electrical wiring for exit and emergency lights will be repaired or replaced.
- Major portions of the clock system have outlived their useful life and will be replaced.
- Major portions of the heating piping system have outlived their useful life and will be replaced.
- Major portions of the copper piping (domestic water system) have outlived their useful life and will be replaced.
- Doors and door hardware will be replaced as needed.
- Doors not replaced will be stripped, resealed and painted.
- Window frames not replaced will be stripped, resealed and painted.
- Damaged carpeting will be replaced with either carpeting or floor tile.
- Partial or complete replacement of damaged ceilings.
- Damaged or failing flooring will be replaced.
- Damaged or outdated restroom fixtures will be replaced.
- Damaged or outdated space heaters will be replaced.
- Damaged drinking fountains will be replaced.
- Damaged wood flooring will be renovated or replaced.
- Electrical outlets and switches will be replaced.
- Ceiling exhaust fans will be installed.
- Sinks in various non-restroom areas of the building (janitor's closets, classrooms, etc.) will be replaced as needed.
- Interior ceilings and walls will be repaired as needed, primed and painted.
- Concrete floors will be resealed, as needed and, if required, repainted.
- Areas of the building being renovated will be painted.

### Hillcrest Elementary School

Work anticipated to be completed at Hillcrest Elementary School through this bond program, and any available State matching funds includes the following:

### Priority 1 Accessibility Work

- Install a curb ramp.
- Remount the doorbell so it is no more than 48 inches high.
- Replace the gratings in all paths of travel with units that have narrower openings.
- Install side extensions to protruding hazards including, but not limited to such things as water fountains, fire alarm boxes and fire hoses.
- Install a ramp to Bungalow 3.
- Install a ramp, lift or other means of vertical

- access to the main entrance on Silver Avenue.
- Install a new hydraulic elevator to the second floor.
- Installation of handrails on both indoor and outdoor stairways.
- Installation of contrasting striping on stairways.
- Modifications to existing doors, including adjustment of the door opening force and adjustment of door widths.
- Replacement of exterior door hardware with accessible hardware.
- Renovations to existing restrooms including permanent signage, adjustment of the heights and lengths of various amenities (including grab bars, towel racks, soap dispensers, mirrors, etc.), insulation of pipes, installation of doors on accessible stalls, replacement of the faucet controls, renovation to ensure sufficient space for wheelchair users.
- Installation of a ramp or lift to the stage.
- Lower door thresholds and modify sizes of alcoves to provide improved accessibility.
- Widen the aisles in the food service line to a minimum of 36 inches.
- Provide assistive listening devices in assembly areas.
- Installation of direction signage.
- Install visual warning system devices to provide alarm notification to hearing impaired persons.

### Priority 2 Accessibility Work

- Modifications to existing ramps and handrails to enhance accessibility.
- Install a second handrail on stairways where there is only one handrail.
- Replace interior door hardware with accessible hardware.
- Replace drinking fountains with accessible units.

### Priority 3 Accessibility Work

- Modifications to existing handrails to either extend them in length or change the diameter of the railing.

### Environmental Improvements

- Where work will be done in areas with Asbestos Containing Materials (ACM's), those ACM's will be removed and replaced with new materials. Asbestos will be removed in from Room 013. Lead paint will be removed from the exterior window sill, window mullions, exterior walls and stairs of Bungalow B-01, the exterior walls and stairs of Bungalow B-02, the exterior wall of Bungalow B-03, the windows on the SE playground side of the classroom wing and the outside south-side wall of the classroom wing adjacent to C92A, as well as from any area where construction will take place.

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### Health and Safety Needs

#### In the Bungalows:

- Electrical wiring for exit and emergency lights will be repaired or replaced.
- Partial or complete replacement of damaged ceilings.
- Damaged or failing flooring will be replaced.
- Replace the damaged of the bungalows.
- Replace the electrical system of the bungalows.
- Replace the concrete walkway of the bungalows.
- Renovate or replace the plumbing system and water line the bungalows.
- If it is determined to be less expensive to do so, replace the bungalows rather than complete the repairs.

#### In the main building:

- Replace paving in parking and play areas.
- Electrical wiring for exit and emergency lights will be repaired or replaced.
- Major portions of the electrical system have outlived their useful life and will be replaced.
- Major portions of the clock system have outlived their useful life and will be replaced.
- Major portions of the steel heating pipes have outlived their useful life and will be replaced.
- Major portions of the copper piping (domestic water system) have outlived their useful life and will be replaced.
- Replacement of the basement boiler circulator pump.
- Replace gas water heaters.
- Doors and door hardware will be replaced as needed.
- Doors not replaced will be stripped, resealed and painted.
- Window frames not replaced will be stripped, resealed and painted.
- Damaged carpeting will be replaced with either carpeting or floor tile.
- Partial or complete replacement of damaged ceilings.
- Damaged or failing flooring will be replaced.
- Damaged or outdated restroom fixtures will be replaced.
- Damaged or outdated locker room fixtures will be replaced.
- Damaged or outdated space heaters will be replaced.
- Damaged drinking fountains will be replaced.
- Damaged wood flooring will be repaired or replaced.
- Electrical outlets and switches will be replaced.
- Ceiling exhaust fans will be installed.
- Sinks in various non-restroom areas of the building (janitor's closets, classrooms, etc.) will be replaced as needed.

- Interior ceilings and walls will be repaired as needed, primed and painted.
- Damaged lockers will be replaced.
- Lockers will be scraped and painted.
- Concrete floors will be resealed, as needed and, if required, repainted.
- Areas of the building being renovated will be painted.

### **Leonard R. Flynn Elementary School**

Work anticipated to be completed at Leonard R. Flynn Elementary School through this bond program, and any available State matching funds includes the following:

#### Priority 1 Accessibility Work

- If necessary, install a ramp, lift or other means of vertical access to the new bungalow.
- Construct and/or modify curb ramps.
- Install a ramp, lift or other means of vertical access to the stage.
- Install a new hydraulic elevator to the upper levels of the facility.
- Replace gratings with units that have narrower openings.
- Install side extensions to protruding hazards including, but not limited to such things as water fountains, fire alarm boxes and fire hoses.
- Lower door thresholds and modify sizes of alcoves to provide improved accessibility.
- Installation of handrails on both indoor and outdoor stairways.
- Installation of contrasting striping on stairways.
- Modifications to existing doors, including adjustment of the door opening force and adjustment of door widths.
- Replacement of exterior door hardware with accessible hardware.
- Renovations to existing restrooms including permanent signage, adjustment of the heights and lengths of various amenities (including grab bars, towel racks, soap dispensers, mirrors, etc.), insulation of pipes, installation of doors on accessible stalls, replacement of the faucet controls, renovation to ensure sufficient space for wheelchair users.
- Provide assistive listening devices in all assembly areas.
- Installation of direction signage.
- Install visual warning system devices to provide alarm notification to hearing impaired persons.

#### Priority 2 Accessibility Work

- Modifications to existing ramps and handrails to enhance accessibility.
- Install a second handrail on stairways where there is only one handrail.
- Replace interior door hardware with accessible hardware.
- Replace drinking fountains with accessible units.

### Priority 3 Accessibility Work

- Modifications to existing handrails to either extend them in length or change the diameter of the railing.

### Environmental Improvements

- Where work will be done in areas with Asbestos Containing Materials (ACM's), those ACM's will be removed and replaced with new materials. Lead paint will be removed from the ceiling and wall of Room 110, the concrete/block wall of Room 120, the west exterior window casing, the backstage wall in Area 108A, the basement wall of Area 121, as well as any area that will have construction.

### Health and Safety Needs

#### In the bungalows:

- Electrical wiring for exit and emergency lights will be repaired or replaced.

#### In the other buildings:

- Asphalt will be replaced in parking and play areas.
- Electrical wiring for exit and emergency lights will be repaired or replaced.
- Major portions of the interior lighting have outlived their useful life and will be replaced.
- Major portions of the heating piping and condensate return systems have outlived their useful life and will be replaced.
- Major portions of the domestic water (copper piping) return systems have outlived their useful life and will be replaced.
- Replace the circulating pumps.
- Doors and door hardware will be replaced as needed.
- Doors not replaced will be stripped, resealed and painted.
- Window frames not replaced will be stripped, resealed and painted.
- Damaged carpeting will be replaced with either carpeting or floor tile.
- Partial or complete replacement of damaged ceilings.
- Damaged or failing flooring will be replaced.
- Damaged or outdated restroom fixtures will be replaced.
- Damaged or outdated space heaters will be replaced.
- Damaged drinking fountains will be replaced.
- Damaged wood flooring will be renovated or replaced.
- Electrical outlets and switches will be replaced.
- Ceiling exhaust fans will be installed.
- Sinks in various non-restroom areas of the building (janitor's closets, classrooms, etc.) will be replaced as needed.

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- Interior ceilings and walls will be repaired, as needed, primed and painted.
- Concrete floors will be resealed, as needed and, if required, repainted.
- Areas of the building being renovated will be painted.

### Malcolm X Elementary School

Work anticipated to be completed at Malcolm X Elementary School through this bond program, and any available State matching funds includes the following:

#### Priority 1 Accessibility Work

- Accessible parking spaces, including accessible van parking, will be provided. Signage for this parking will also be provided.
- Install handrails on ramps where there are no handrails.
- Installation of contrasting striping on stairways.
- Modifications to existing doors, including increasing door widths and adjustment of the door opening force.
- Replacement of exterior door hardware with accessible hardware.
- Renovations to existing restrooms including permanent signage, adjustment of the heights and lengths of various amenities (including grab bars, towel racks, soap dispensers, mirrors, etc.), insulation of pipes, installation of doors on accessible stalls, replacement of the faucet controls, renovation to ensure sufficient space for wheelchair users.
- Installation of a ramp, lift or other vertical transport to the stage area in the cafeteria.
- Installation of ramps, lifts or other vertical transport to the upper northwest yard.
- Provision of assistive listening devices in the assembly area.
- Installation of direction signage.
- Provide accessible classroom numbering signs, including Braille.
- Installation of visual warning devices.

#### Priority 2 Accessibility Work

- Modifications to existing ramps and handrails to enhance accessibility.
- Install a second handrail on stairways where there is only one handrail.
- Install a ramp or lift to the stage area in the cafeteria, which is also used as an assembly area.
- Replacement of interior door hardware to accessible hardware.
- Installation of accessible drinking fountains.
- Modify tables in the library.

#### Priority 3 Accessibility Work

- Modifications to existing handrails to either extend them in length or change the diameter of the railing.

#### Environmental Improvements

- Where work will be done in areas with Asbestos Containing Materials (ACM's), those ACM's will be removed and replaced with new materials. Asbestos will be removed from crawlspaces under the main building, the K-wing and the auditorium. Lead paint will be removed from the first floor corridor, the ground floor corridor, and the auditorium floor and stage areas, as well as from any areas that are the subject of construction.

#### Health and Safety Needs

- Replace paving in parking and play areas.
- Major sections of the electrical system which have outlived their useful life will be replaced.
- Major sections of the fire alarm system which have outlived their useful life will be replaced.
- Major sections of the clock system which have outlived their useful life will be replaced.
- Major sections of the heat piping system and circulator pumps which have outlived their useful life will be replaced.
- The copper piping for the domestic water system (plumbing system) has outlived its useful life and will be replaced.
- Damaged or outdated restroom fixtures will be replaced.
- Exhaust fans will be installed.
- Doors and door hardware will be replaced as needed.
- Doors not replaced will be stripped, resealed and painted.
- Sinks in various non-restroom areas of the building (janitor's closets, classrooms, etc.) will be replaced as needed.
- Partial or complete replacement of damaged ceilings.
- Window frames not replaced will be stripped, resealed and painted.
- Floor tiling and sheeting will be replaced.
- Electrical outlets and switches will be replaced.
- Damaged drinking fountains will be replaced.
- Areas with damaged carpet will be replaced either with carpet or tile, as needed.
- Electrical wiring for exit and emergency lights will be repaired or replaced.
- Concrete floors will be resealed, as needed and, if required, repainted.
- Damaged wooden floors will be repaired or replaced.
- Exhaust fans will be installed.
- Interior ceilings and walls will be repaired, as needed, primed and painted.
- Areas of the building being renovated will be painted.

### Rosa Parks Elementary School

Work anticipated to be completed at Rosa Parks Elementary School through this bond

program, and any available State matching funds includes the following:

#### Priority 1 Accessibility Work

- Installation of accessible parking and signage.
- Modify/install curb ramps.
- Install a ramp to the entrance at the 1st floor elevator vestibule.
- Install a lift, ramp or other means of vertical access to the upper level of the Raphael Weill Child Development Center.
- Modify the elevators so they are fully accessible.
- Install a lift, ramp or other means of vertical access to the stage.
- Install side extensions to protruding hazards including, but not limited to such things as water fountains, fire alarm boxes and fire hoses.
- Replace gratings with units that have narrower openings.
- Lower door thresholds and modify sizes of alcoves to provide improved accessibility.
- Installation of handrails on both indoor and outdoor stairways.
- Installation of contrasting striping on stairways.
- Modifications to existing doors, including adjustment of the door opening force and adjustment of door widths.
- Replacement of exterior door hardware with accessible hardware.
- Renovations to existing restrooms including permanent signage, adjustment of the heights and lengths of various amenities (including grab bars, towel racks, soap dispensers, mirrors, etc.), insulation of pipes, installation of doors on accessible stalls, replacement of the faucet controls, renovation to ensure sufficient space for wheelchair users.
- Provide wheelchair seating in the multi-purpose room.
- Provide assistive listening devices in all assembly areas.
- Installation of direction signage.
- Ensure that all devices attached to the visual warning system are operational. Install additional visual warning system devices to provide alarm notification to hearing impaired persons.

#### Priority 2 Accessibility Work

- Modifications to existing ramps and handrails to enhance accessibility.
- Install a second handrail on stairways where there is only one handrail.
- Replace interior door hardware with accessible hardware.
- Replace drinking fountains with accessible units.

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### Priority 3 Accessibility Work

- Modifications to existing handrails to either extend them in length or change the diameter of the railing.

### Environmental Improvements

- Where work will be done in areas with Asbestos Containing Materials (ACM's), those ACM's will be removed and replaced with new materials. Lead paint will be removed from walls in the restrooms across from Room 26, plaster walls in T50, the baseboards in Room 092, the door casing and metal jamb in Room 101, the door casing in Room 103, the baseboard in Room 091, the casing and jamb in Room 032, as well as any area that will have construction.

### Health and Safety Needs

- Damaged fencing will be replaced.
- Asphalt will be replaced in parking and play areas.
- Electrical wiring for exit and emergency lights will be repaired or replaced.
- Major portions of the electrical system have outlived their useful life and will be replaced.
- Major portions of the clock system have outlived their useful life and will be replaced.
- Major portions of the interior lighting system have outlived their useful life and will be replaced.
- Major portions of the heating piping and condensate return systems have outlived their useful life and will be replaced.
- Major portions of the elevator system have outlived their useful life and will be replaced.
- Doors and door hardware will be replaced as needed.
- Doors not replaced will be stripped, resealed and painted.
- Window frames not replaced will be stripped, resealed and painted.
- Damaged cabinets will be replaced.
- Damaged carpeting will be replaced with either carpeting or floor tile.
- Partial or complete replacement of damaged ceilings.
- Damaged or failing flooring will be replaced.
- Damaged or outdated restroom fixtures will be replaced.
- Damaged or outdated space heaters will be replaced.
- Damaged drinking fountains will be replaced.
- Damaged wood flooring will be renovated or replaced.
- Electrical outlets and switches will be replaced.
- Ceiling exhaust fans will be installed.
- Sinks in various non-restroom areas of the building (janitor's closets, classrooms, etc.) will be replaced as needed.

- Interior ceilings and walls will be repaired as needed, primed and painted.
- Concrete floors will be resealed, as needed and, if required, repainted.
- Areas of the building being renovated will be painted.

### **Sherman Elementary School**

Work anticipated to be completed at Sherman Elementary School through this bond program, and any available State matching funds includes the following:

### Priority 1 Accessibility Work

- Installation of curb ramps.
- Replace gratings in all paths of travel with units having narrower openings.
- Installation of a ramp, lift or other means of vertical access to the band room.
- Installation of a ramp from the west yard to the building.
- Installation of a ramp, lift or other means of vertical access to the stage.
- Lower door thresholds and modify sizes of alcoves to provide improved accessibility.
- Installation of handrails on both indoor and outdoor stairways.
- Installation of contrasting striping on stairways.
- Make modifications to the elevator to make it fully accessible.
- Modifications to existing doors, including adjustment of the door opening force and adjustment of door widths.
- Replacement of exterior door hardware with accessible hardware.
- Renovations to existing restrooms including permanent signage, adjustment of the heights and lengths of various amenities (including grab bars, towel racks, soap dispensers, mirrors, etc.), insulation of pipes, installation of doors on accessible stalls, replacement of the faucet controls, renovation to ensure sufficient space for wheelchair users.
- Provide assistive listening devices in all assembly areas.
- Installation of direction signage.
- Install visual warning system devices to provide alarm notification to hearing impaired persons.

### Priority 2 Accessibility Work

- Modifications to existing ramps and handrails to enhance accessibility.
- Install a second handrail on stairways where there is only one handrail.
- Replace interior door hardware with accessible hardware.
- Replace drinking fountains with accessible units.

### Priority 3 Accessibility Work

- Modifications to existing handrails to either extend them in length or change the diameter of the railing.

### Environmental Improvements

- Where work will be done in areas with Asbestos Containing Materials (ACM's), those ACM's will be removed and replaced with new materials. Lead paint will be removed from the wall in Room 201A's Coat Room, the wall in Stairwell 183 between the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> floors, the wall of Room 360 Store Room, the interior northeastern corner wall of Room 201, the exterior window sill in the Principal's Office, the upper wall in Stairwells 180, 181 and 182, the plaster wall in Room 200, the ceramic tile on the south wall of the Boys' restroom, the plaster wall in Stairwell #2, the upper wall of the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor hall, the upper wall of the kitchen, the ceiling and upper wall of Room 311, outdoor wooden benches, as well as from any areas where there will be construction.

### Health and Safety Needs

- Repave asphalt and concrete areas in the parking and play areas.
- Electrical wiring for exit and emergency lights will be repaired or replaced.
- Major portions of the electrical system have outlived their useful life and will be replaced.
- Major portions of the fire alarm system have outlived their useful life and will be replaced.
- Major portions of the clock system have outlived their useful life and will be replaced.
- Major portions of the condensate return system have outlived their useful life and will be replaced.
- The exterior of the facility will be painted.
- Doors and door hardware will be replaced as needed.
- Doors not replaced will be stripped, resealed and painted.
- Window frames not replaced will be stripped, resealed and painted.
- Damaged carpeting will be replaced with either carpeting or floor tile.
- Partial or complete replacement of damaged ceilings.
- Damaged or failing flooring will be replaced.
- Damaged or outdated restroom fixtures will be replaced.
- Damaged or outdated space heaters will be replaced.
- Damaged drinking fountains will be replaced.
- Damaged wood flooring will be renovated or replaced.
- Electrical outlets and switches will be replaced.
- Ceiling exhaust fans will be installed.
- Sinks in various non-restroom areas of the building (janitor's closets, classrooms, etc.) will be replaced as needed.

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## LEGAL TEXT OF PROPOSITION A (CONTINUED)

- Interior ceilings and walls will be repaired as needed, primed and painted.
- Concrete floors will be resealed, as needed and, if required, repainted.
- Areas of the building being renovated will be painted.

### West Portal Elementary School

Work anticipated to be completed at West Portal Elementary School through this bond program, and any available State matching funds includes the following:

#### Priority 1 Accessibility Work

- Install accessible parking and signage.
- Modify/install curb ramps.
- Install a ramp to portable buildings 7, 8, 16 and 17.
- Modify or repair the sidewalk on Lenox Way at the southwest corner.
- Install a ramp, lift or other means of vertical access to the stage.
- Modify or replace the carpeting in Portable 6 to ensure there is an accessible path of travel.
- Repair or replace the elevator so it can function as an accessible path of travel among the various floors of the facility.
- Install a ramp, lift or other means of vertical access to the play area east of Portable B6
- Modify the play areas between the two portable buildings in the yard south of the main building so they are accessible.
- Install side extensions to protruding hazards including, but not limited to such things as water fountains, fire alarm boxes and fire hoses.
- Replace gratings with units that have narrower openings.
- Lower door thresholds and modify sizes of alcoves to provide improved accessibility.
- Installation of handrails on both indoor and outdoor stairways.
- Installation of contrasting striping on stairways.
- Modifications to existing doors, including adjustment of the door opening force and adjustment of door widths.
- Replacement of exterior door hardware with accessible hardware.
- Renovations to existing restrooms including permanent signage, adjustment of the heights and lengths of various amenities (including grab bars, towel racks, soap dispensers, mirrors, etc.), insulation of pipes, installation of doors on accessible stalls, replacement of the faucet controls, renovation to ensure sufficient space for wheelchair users.
- Provide wheelchair seating in the multipurpose room.
- Provide assistive listening devices in all assembly areas.
- Installation of direction signage.
- Ensure that all installed elements of the visual warning system are operational. Install additional visual warning system

devices to provide alarm notification to hearing impaired persons.

#### Priority 2 Accessibility Work

- Modifications to existing ramps and handrails to enhance accessibility.
- Install a second handrail on stairways where there is only one handrail.
- Replace interior door hardware with accessible hardware.
- Replace drinking fountains with accessible units.
- Lower a portion of the office counter to ensure it is accessible.
- Create an accessible path of travel to basketball/volleyball courts. Pave an area to accommodate wheelchair viewing.

#### Priority 3 Accessibility Work

- Modifications to existing handrails to either extend them in length or change the diameter of the railing.

#### Environmental Improvements

- Where work will be done in areas with Asbestos Containing Materials (ACM's), those ACM's will be removed and replaced with new materials. Lead paint will be removed from the walls in the restrooms across from Room 26, under the ceiling tiles in Room 124, as well as any area that will have construction.

#### Health and Safety Needs

In the bungalows:

- Electrical wiring for exit and emergency lights will be repaired or replaced.
- Damaged sinks will be renovated or replaced.
- Concrete wall foundations will be replaced.
- Electrical systems will be replaced.
- Concrete walks will be replaced.
- The domestic water supply system will be replaced and other plumbing renovations and replacements will be made.
- Damaged ductwork will be renovated or replaced.
- Bungalows will be replaced if it is less costly to do so.

In the other buildings:

- Electrical wiring for exit and emergency lights will be repaired or replaced.
- Water heaters will be renovated or replaced.
- Major portions of the domestic water (copper piping) system have outlived their useful life and will be replaced.
- Doors and door hardware will be replaced as needed.
- Doors not replaced will be stripped, resealed and painted.
- Window frames not replaced will be stripped, resealed and painted.
- Damaged carpeting will be replaced with either carpeting or floor tile.

- Partial or complete replacement of damaged ceilings.
- Damaged or failing flooring will be replaced.
- Damaged or outdated restroom fixtures will be replaced.
- Damaged or outdated space heaters will be replaced.
- Damaged drinking fountains will be replaced.
- Damaged wood flooring will be renovated or replaced.
- Electrical outlets and switches will be replaced.
- Ceiling exhaust fans will be installed.
- Sinks in various non-restroom areas of the building (janitor's closets, classrooms, etc.) will be replaced as needed.
- Interior ceilings and walls will be repaired as needed, primed and painted.
- Concrete floors will be resealed, as needed and, if required, repainted.
- Areas of the building being renovated will be painted.

### Greening of Playgrounds

The District proposes to use \$2.0 million of bond proceeds to incorporate green design opportunities in the play areas of certain District schools and as a way of providing an outdoor learning environment for students as specified. It is the District's intent to prioritize the use of these funds to the following schools:

#### Priority 1 Schools

Alvarado Elementary School  
Bret Harte Elementary School  
Bryant Elementary School  
Clarendon Elementary School  
Commodore Sloat Elementary School  
Dr. Charles R. Drew Elementary School  
Edward Robeson Taylor Elementary School  
Harvey Milk Civil Rights Academy  
Hillcrest Elementary School  
Leonard R. Flynn Elementary School  
Malcom X Academy  
Rosa Parks Elementary School  
Sherman Elementary School  
West Portal Elementary School  
Claire Lilienthal (3-8) Alternative School  
San Francisco Community Elementary School  
Treasure Island School

#### Priority 2 Schools

AP Giannini Middle School  
Everett Middle School  
Gloria R. Davis Middle School  
Horace Mann Middle School  
James Denman Middle School  
Marina Middle School

#### Priority 3 Schools

Abraham Lincoln High School  
Balboa High School

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## LEGAL TEXT OF PROPOSITION A (CONTINUED)

Galileo Academy of Science & Technology  
George Washington High School  
Lowell Alternative High School  
Mission High School  
Thurgood Marshall High School

Gardening in schools provides for standards based teaching, interaction with the environment and hands on learning. Basic design of schoolyard gardens will include:

- Gardening area, including plants and irrigation systems
- Work areas for potting, cutting, measuring, writing, drawing, etc.
- Areas for reflection, journaling, reading, observing
- Shade areas with gazebos or roofs
- Toolshed/Storage Shed with space for student instruction, including seating, bulletin boards, whiteboards, display and/or blackboard surface
- Fencing-Basic chain link as barrier or multi-use for vertical growing
- Curb or mowstrip
- Entrances and exit gates

Additional elements may include:

- Lighting
- Sundial
- Water gauge
- Weather station
- Solar powered items such as clocks and fountains
- Greenhouses
- Cold frames
- Worm bins
- Weather vanes
- Bird houses
- A labyrinth on the lawn
- Art & Educational signatures
- Tile, mosaics, murals, birdbaths
- Fenced areas for animals

The cost of the green design projects will include their share of the costs of bond issuance, architectural, engineering and similar planning costs, construction management, legal costs and other costs ordinarily chargeable to capital accounts under applicable law and a customary contingency for unforeseen design, construction and other permitted costs. The District will not use this \$2 million of bond authorization for any other purpose except for the greening of playgrounds described herein.

### **ADA Planning and Appraisals**

Planning for ADA accessibility work at all District schools for which ADA work is not included in this proposition.



# DO YOU KNOW WHERE TO GO TO VOTE?

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or call 415-554-4375.

**San Francisco Department of Elections**



# Retirement Benefits for Safety Employees



## PROPOSITION B

Shall the City be authorized to amend its contract with the Public Employees Retirement System for retirement benefits for certain safety employees if the employees pay any increase in cost?

YES ←   
NO ←

## Digest

by the Ballot Simplification Committee

**THE WAY IT IS NOW:** Most City employees are members of the San Francisco Employee Retirement System (SFERS). Certain City employees, including probation officers and district attorney investigators, are members of the Public Employees Retirement System (PERS). These employees are referred to as “miscellaneous safety employees.” The Charter permits the City to contract with PERS to provide retirement benefits to these employees if there is “no net increase in cost” to the City.

**THE PROPOSAL:** Proposition B is a Charter amendment that would allow the City to amend its contract with PERS to change the retirement benefits for miscellaneous safety employees even if there is an increase in the cost of the contract. Any increase in the cost of the contract would be paid by the employees rather than the City.

**A “YES” VOTE MEANS:** If you vote “Yes,” you want to allow the City to amend its contract with the Public Employees Retirement System to change the retirement benefits for miscellaneous safety employees, as long as any increase in the cost of the contract is paid by the employees rather than the City.

**A “NO” VOTE MEANS:** If you vote “No,” you do not want to make these changes.

## Controller’s Statement on “B”

City Controller Edward Harrington has issued the following statement on the fiscal impact of Proposition B:

Should the proposed charter amendment be approved by the voters, in my opinion, it would not increase the cost of government.

The charter currently limits the Board of Supervisors’ authority to enter into contracts with the California Public Employees Retirement System (PERS) for the City’s miscellaneous safety employees to those contracts with “no net increase in cost” to the City or the Community College District. The proposed amendment removes that limitation and allows the Board of Supervisors to enter into PERS contracts which do include increases in the cost of retirement benefits for this employee group. However, the charter amendment also specifies that any such PERS contract amendments will be cost-neutral and provides that employee organizations can exchange salary or other benefits to pay for an improved retirement benefit. The Board of Supervisors and the Community College District are empowered to determine compliance with the cost-neutral requirement.

## How “B” Got on the Ballot

On July 15, 2003 the Board of Supervisors voted 11 to 0 to place Proposition B on the ballot.

The Supervisors voted as follows:

**Yes:** Supervisors Ammiano, Daly, Dufty, Gonzalez, Hall, Ma, Maxwell, McGoldrick, Newsom, Peskin, and Sandoval.

THIS MEASURE REQUIRES 50%+1 AFFIRMATIVE VOTES TO PASS.

ARGUMENTS FOR AND AGAINST THIS MEASURE IMMEDIATELY FOLLOW THIS PAGE. THE FULL TEXT BEGINS ON PAGE 62.

SOME OF THE WORDS USED IN THE BALLOT DIGEST ARE EXPLAINED ON PAGE 28.



# B

# Retirement Benefits for Safety Employees

## PROPONENT'S ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF PROPOSITION B

The Board of Supervisors authorized the submission of the following argument. As of the date of the publication of this Voter Information Pamphlet, the following Supervisors endorse the measure: Supervisors Ammiano, Daly, Dufty, Gonzalez, Hall, Ma, Maxwell, McGoldrick, Newsom, Peskin, and Sandoval.

Vote YES on Proposition B.

Proposition B will amend Charter Section A.506-2 to **allow miscellaneous safety officers to trade salary for retirement benefits at no additional cost to taxpayers.**

Various peace officer classifications employed by the City and the Community College District are authorized to be members of the California Public Employees' Retirement System.

The Charter currently permits some of these employees to trade salary for retirement benefits, but it does not give the same right to miscellaneous safety officers, a group which includes probation officers, juvenile hall counselors, medical examiners, district attorney's investigators, and institutional police officers.

This measure will give miscellaneous safety officers an equal opportunity to collectively bargain for retirement plan parity with other peace officers, but without increasing the cost of their total compensation.

**Please join all of the members of the Board of Supervisors in voting YES on Proposition B.**

*Supervisor Tom Ammiano*

*Supervisor Tony Hall*

*Supervisor Gerardo Sandoval*

*Supervisor Jake McGoldrick*

*Supervisor Fiona Ma*

*Supervisor Bevan Dufty*

*Supervisor Matt Gonzalez*

## REBUTTAL TO PROPONENT'S ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF PROPOSITION B

**THE ISSUE IS WHETHER THE CITY SHOULD CONTRACT WITH THE CONTROVERSIAL CALIFORNIA PUBLIC EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT SYSTEM (PERS):**

Proposition B proposes to amend Section A8.506-2 of the City Charter to "allow the Board of Supervisors to contract with PERS for retirement benefits for miscellaneous safety officers, allowing amendments to the benefits of these employees, provided that the amendments are cost-neutral." [Board of Supervisors File No. 020938, Legislative Digest, Second Revised Digest.]

In other words, the cost of retirement benefits for these City employees will not change.

The only issue is whether City employees' money should be invested in the controversial and highly political PERS organization.

PERS, whose Board is dominated by appointees of California Governor Gray Davis and his "Big Cigar" labor allies, is best known for its none-too-impressive investment results, its lavishly paid consultants, its widely travelled Board members, and its frankly Byzantine politics.

There is a strong case to be made that other retirement programs have less expenses and might yield better investment results for our City employees.

Many other cities, special districts, and counties have chosen not to become involved with PERS.

Vote "NO" on Proposition B.

*Terence Faulkner, J.D.*  
Former City Commissioner

*Thomas C. Agee*

*Max Woods*  
County Central Committeeman

*Gail E. Neira*  
County Central Committeewoman





# Retirement Benefits for Safety Employees

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## OPPONENT'S ARGUMENT AGAINST PROPOSITION B

**THE KINDEST THING SAN FRANCISCO SHOULD DO FOR ITS EMPLOYEES IS TO WITHDRAW THEM FROM THE POLITICALLY-DOMINATED CALIFORNIA PUBLIC EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT SYSTEM (PERS):**

The California Public Employees Retirement System (PERS) has never produced very good results for those covered by its system. Over the last couple of years, PERS has been left holding some of the worst turkey stocks on the market.

Admittedly, the members of PERS politically-appointed Board have a lot of fun meeting out of state and at various foreign locations. PERS, of course, pays the travel bills.

There are lots of perks for the "BIG CIGAR" labor leaders and "HIGH ON THE HOG" political figures who run the PERS Board.

Favored "investments advisors" and stock brokerage firms also make good profits from PERS.

Less favored are the local and state employees who look to PERS for their retirement funds.

They just don't have enough political "PULL". No "GOLD" for them.

Vote "NO" on misguided Proposition B.

PERS is a low-grade retirement system that produces only "low-to-moderate" results for retirees.

San Francisco can do better.

*Golden Gate Taxpayers Association*

*Dr. Terence Faulkner, J.D.*

Chairman, Golden Gate Taxpayers Association

## REBUTTAL TO OPPONENT'S ARGUMENT AGAINST PROPOSITION B

*The Board of Supervisors authorized the submission of the following argument. As of the date of the publication of this Voter Information Pamphlet, the following Supervisors endorse the measure: Supervisors Ammiano, Daly, Dufty, Gonzalez, Hall, Ma, Maxwell, McGoldrick, Newsom, Peskin, and Sandoval.*

The employee bargaining units that elected to transfer to CalPERS are aware of its relative effectiveness. We continue to believe that CalPERS provides better benefits at less cost than the local alternative.

Furthermore, Controller Edward Harrington reports that passage of **Proposition B will NOT increase the cost of government.**

Enough said!

*Claudia Fabiani*

Steward, Juvenile Hall Counselors, SEIU Local 790

*Ched Frierson*

Steward, Probation Supervisors, Operating Engineers Local 3

*Ron Huberman*

Sr. Investigator, DA Investigators Association

*Rich Perino*

President, Deputy Probation Officers' Association

*John Radogno*

Steward, Supervising Counselors, Teamsters Local 856

*Beatrice Ramirez*

Steward, Community College Police, SEIU Local 790

*Michael Tong*

Steward, SFGH Institutional Police, SEIU Local 790



# B

# Retirement Benefits for Safety Employees

## PAID ARGUMENTS IN FAVOR OF PROPOSITION B

**SAN FRANCISCO DEMOCRATIC PARTY** urges **YES on B** -- Retirement benefits for miscellaneous city employees.

*Jane Morrison*, Chair, San Francisco Democratic Party.

The true source of funds used for the printing fee of this argument is the San Francisco Democratic Party.

The three largest contributors to the true source recipient committee are: 1. Tom Lantos 2. Nancy Pelosi 3. SEIU 250 PAC.

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**Proposition B is fair to public safety employees and to taxpayers.**

**Charter Section A.506-2 should be amended to allow public safety employees to trade salary for retirement benefits at no additional cost to taxpayers.**

*We urge you to vote YES on Proposition B.*

*Jeff Adachi*, Public Defender  
*Chris Cunnie*, President, Police Officers' Association  
*Terence Hallinan*, District Attorney  
*Michael Hennessey*, Sheriff  
*Mark Leno*, California Assembly  
*Carole Migden*, Chair, Board of Equalization  
*Jane Morrison*, Chair, San Francisco Democratic Party  
*Leland Yee*, California Assembly

The true source of funds used for the printing fee of this argument is Equity for Public Service Employees.

The largest contributor to the true source recipient committee is the SF Deputy Probation Officers' Association.

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The San Francisco Labor Council urges a **YES** vote on Proposition B.

This measure allows the contract with the Public Employees Retirement system for certain safety employees including probation officers and DA investigators to be updated if the employees pay any increased costs. This is fair to employees and the City.

*San Francisco Labor Council*

The true source of funds used for the printing fee of this argument is the San Francisco Labor Council.



# Retirement Benefits for Safety Employees

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## PAID ARGUMENTS AGAINST PROPOSITION B

### **Proposition B opens the door to closed door deals!**

Proposition B will allow the Board of Supervisors to contract with the California Public Employees Retirement System (CALPERS) for retirement benefits for the city's miscellaneous safety employees.

But nothing is said in the proposition about the terms and conditions of the contract the Board of Supervisors is expected to negotiate. And, there is reason to be suspicious. Closed-door deals are all too common at City Hall.

**The voters should have the final say on whatever contract the Board negotiates.**

VOTE NO ON B

*San Francisco Association of REALTORS®*

The true source of funds used for the printing fee of this argument is the San Francisco Association of REALTORS®.



## LEGAL TEXT OF PROPOSITION B

Describing and setting forth a proposal to the qualified electors of the City and County of San Francisco to amend the Charter of said City and County by amending Appendix A8.506-2 thereto, relating to retirement benefits for miscellaneous safety employees.

The Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco hereby submits to the qualified electors of said city and county at an election to be held therein on November 4, 2003, a proposal to amend the Charter of said city and county by amending Appendix A8.506-2 to read as follows:

Note: Additions are *single-underline italics Times New Roman*;  
Deletions are ~~*strikethrough italics Times New Roman*~~.

### A8.506-2 MISCELLANEOUS SAFETY EMPLOYEES

Notwithstanding any other provisions of this charter, the board of supervisors or the community college board shall have the power to contract with the Board of Administration of the Public Employees' Retirement System of the State of California to provide that the probation officers, airport police officers, district attorney and public defender investigators, ~~coroner~~ *medical examiner* investigators, juvenile court counselors, institutional police, fire safety inspectors and fire protection engineers who are not members of the Section 8.588 plans, shall be members of the public employees' retirement system, and the board of supervisors, the community college board and the retirement board shall have the power to perform all acts necessary to carry out the terms and purposes of such contract.

~~*The power to contract created herein shall be limited to a contract with no net increase in cost to the city and county or the community college district.*~~

~~*Contracts and contract amendments shall be cost-neutral and employee bargaining units shall be permitted to trade salary or other employer-paid benefits to achieve cost-neutrality. The Board of Supervisors or the Community College District is empowered to determine compliance under this Section. As provided in Section A8.409-5 of the City Charter, disputes under this paragraph shall not be subject to the dispute resolution procedures contained in Charter Section A8.409-4.*~~

Any person who shall become a member of the public employees' retirement system pursuant to such contract shall have the right to be a member of the health service system and the health service board shall make provision for the participation in the benefits of the health service system by such persons.



# City Services Auditor



## PROPOSITION C

Shall the Controller be required to monitor City services, audit City programs, and investigate complaints, and shall the City set aside at least 0.2% of the annual budget to fund these activities?



## Digest

by the Ballot Simplification Committee

**THE WAY IT IS NOW:** The Controller is the City's chief financial officer. The Charter authorizes the Controller to analyze and report on the City's finances, and to audit the performance and efficiency of City departments.

**THE PROPOSAL:** Proposition C is a Charter amendment that would require the Controller to serve as City Services Auditor (CSA). The CSA would be required to monitor the level and effectiveness of services provided by the City to its residents. For example, the CSA would:

- Conduct regular performance audits of City departments;
- Monitor the condition of streets, parks and public recreational facilities each year;
- Review the effectiveness of the City's emergency services, health services and the criminal justice system;
- Audit the City's management practices;
- Oversee the City's contracting procedures;
- Investigate complaints about the quality and delivery of City services, and about government waste, fraud and inefficiency; and
- Maintain a website and hotline to receive complaints.

The City would set aside at least two-tenths of one percent (0.2%) of the City's annual budget to fund the City Services Auditor program.

A Citizens Audit Review Board would advise the CSA about the performance of the CSA's duties.

**A "YES" VOTE MEANS:** If you vote "Yes," you want the Controller to monitor the level and effectiveness of City services, and audit City management and contracting practices, and you want to set aside at least two-tenths of one percent (0.2%) of the City's annual budget to fund these activities.

**A "NO" VOTE MEANS:** If you vote "No," you do not want to make these changes.

## Controller's Statement on "C"

City Controller Edward Harrington has issued the following statement on the fiscal impact of Proposition C:

Should the proposed charter amendment be approved by the voters, in my opinion, there would be an increase in the cost of government. The amendment specifies that 2/10ths of one percent of the annual budget be set aside to fund auditing, performance measurement, a whistleblower hotline for reporting government waste and fraud and other efforts to increase effectiveness and efficiency of City services. Using the Fiscal Year 2003-04 budget as an example, an additional \$1.2 million of general fund and \$4.1 million of non-general fund (e.g. Water, Airport, MUNI) support would be designated for this purpose in addition to the \$3.2 million currently budgeted.

The amendment adds the function of City Services Auditor to the Controller's duties, and specifies the creation of a Services Audit Unit. An annual review of City management and employment practices including overtime and workers compensation costs and an annual performance audit of the cleaning and maintenance of streets, sidewalks, and parks are specifically required.

To the extent that City funds are shifted to these activities, other current City spending would have to be reduced or new revenues identified. As a result of this work, however, City services may be improved or made more efficient resulting in savings to the City.

Please note that this amendment involves the Controller's office, which has prepared this statement.

## How "C" Got on the Ballot

On July 15, 2003 the Board of Supervisors voted 10 to 1 to place Proposition C on the ballot.

The Supervisors voted as follows:

**Yes:** Supervisors Ammiano, Dufty, Gonzalez, Hall, Ma, Maxwell, McGoldrick, Newsom, Peskin, and Sandoval.

**No:** Supervisor Daly.

THIS MEASURE REQUIRES 50%+1 AFFIRMATIVE VOTES TO PASS.

ARGUMENTS FOR AND AGAINST THIS MEASURE IMMEDIATELY FOLLOW THIS PAGE. THE FULL TEXT BEGINS ON PAGE 70.

SOME OF THE WORDS USED IN THE BALLOT DIGEST ARE EXPLAINED ON PAGE 28.







# City Services Auditor

## PROPONENT’S ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF PROPOSITION C

The Board of Supervisors authorized the submission of the following argument. As of the date of the publication of this Voter Information Pamphlet, the following Supervisors endorse the measure: Supervisors Ammiano, Dufty, Gonzalez, Hall, Ma, Maxwell, McGoldrick, Newsom, Peskin, and Sandoval; take no position on the measure: Supervisor Daly.

**San Franciscans deserve a City government concerned both with Clean Government and with Clean Streets and Parks.** Proposition C, the Clean Streets, Clean Parks, Clean Government initiative, focuses City attention on both of these important areas and guarantees a minimum level of funding to ensure such oversight.

**Proposition C will ensure that every City program receives a regular performance audit, giving voters the confidence that City dollars are being spent on the most effective, efficient, and responsive City services possible.** Virtually every large organization, whether corporation or university, conducts regular performance audits of its operations. We should expect no less from our City departments.

Proposition C also **requires annual audits of City programs related to street, sidewalk, and park maintenance and cleaning** so that residents will have the information they need to assess

the effectiveness, efficiency and responsiveness of programs crucial to the quality of life of every San Franciscan.

In tough economic times, San Francisco must stretch its resources and get **a dollar’s worth of services for every dollar it collects.** These regular audits will help ensure that scarce resources are not misused or wasted and allow us to **demand accountability** from local government.

**Equally important, Proposition C helps ensure that City government will be run in a clean manner,** above reproach. It empowers the Controller to investigate complaints of misuse of City government funds, and improper activities by City government officers and employees. **The Controller would maintain and publicize a whistleblower and citizen complaint hotline** telephone number and website to take complaints.

**San Franciscans of every political persuasion want both Clean Streets and Clean Government.** That’s why organizations and elected officials of every political stripe, such as Tony Hall, Bevan Dufty, Aaron Peskin, Jake McGoldrick, Tom Ammiano, and Matt Gonzalez, have joined together to support Proposition C.

*Supervisor Jake McGoldrick*

## REBUTTAL TO PROPONENT’S ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF PROPOSITION C

### WILL PROPOSITION C HELP OR HURT HONESTY IN GOVERNMENT???

One of the most serious areas of possible revenue loss by the City and County of San Francisco is with its municipal contractors.

Many city contractors have signed agreements to pay a fixed percentage (sometimes 10%) of their gross revenue to our local tax authorities in exchange for the use of public property.

The accounting problems and eventual criminal convictions of clothing czar Wilkes Bashford by the office of former District Attorney Arlo Smith underlines the municipal contractors’ problem.

Proposition C puts the City Services Auditor under the Controller’s Office.

Should the City Services Auditor start actively investigating other municipal contractors, heavy political counter pressures can be expected.

A City Services Auditor appointed by the judges of the local court might be better situated to withstand these pressures.

Many city contractors distribute their campaign donations widely, being able to call in political favors when needed.

Vote only for a City Services Auditor who is well isolated from political pressures.

Proposition C doesn’t offer the City Services Auditor enough freedom of action.

Vote **“NO”** on Proposition C.

*Terence Faulkner, J.D.*  
Past County Chairman  
San Francisco Republican Party

*Thomas C. Agee*

*Max Woods*  
County Central Committeeman

*Gail E. Neira*  
County Central Committeewoman

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# City Services Auditor



## OPPONENT'S ARGUMENT AGAINST PROPOSITION C

### THE CITY SERVICES AUDITOR SHOULD BE AN INDEPENDENT INVESTIGATIVE POST NOT SUBJECT TO POLITICAL CONTROL:

The City Services Auditor should be an office not subject to political control. The incumbent should be appointed for a term of years, perhaps by the judges of our local courts from a list of certified public accountants with special training in detecting fraud.

This independent officer should not be subject to any control by the City Controller's Office. He should have an investigative staff, be in charge of the Service Audit Unit, carefully review the (sometimes "cooked") books of City contractors to avoid their all-too-common frauds, issue an annual report on City financial and accounting problems, and work closely with San Francisco's annually appointed civil grand juries.

All so-called "whistle blower" hotline telephone information regarding governmental waste, fraud, and missing assets should be investigated by this independent City Services Auditor's Office. Various employees of this agency should be granted police powers and coordinate their activities with state and federal police agencies.

Under no circumstances should the City Services Auditor's Office be made to take any orders from the City Controller, the Mayor, nor other local officials.

- Vote **FOR** good accounting practices.
- Vote **FOR** honesty in government.
- Vote **NO** on misguided Proposition C.

*Golden Gate Taxpayers Association*

*Dr. Terence Faulkner, J.D.*  
Chairman, Golden Gate Taxpayers Association

## REBUTTAL TO OPPONENT'S ARGUMENT AGAINST PROPOSITION C

*The Board of Supervisors authorized the submission of the following argument. As of the date of the publication of this Voter Information Pamphlet, the following Supervisors endorse the measure: Supervisors Ammiano, Dufty, Gonzalez, Hall, Ma, Maxwell, McGoldrick, Newsom, Peskin, and Sandoval; take no position on the measure: Supervisor Daly.*

Prop C sets up a citywide whistleblower program and directs the independent City Controller to investigate claims of waste, fraud and abuse. It also calls for service standards for street and park maintenance and regular audits of all city departments.

Prop C was placed on the ballot by 10 San Francisco supervisors and is endorsed by the San Francisco Democratic Party, the San Francisco Chamber of Commerce and the Harvey Milk LGBT Club.

The Board of the San Francisco Planning and Urban Research Association, the City's oldest government watchdog group, unanimously endorsed Prop C.

If the opponent of Prop C questions the need for Prop C, he should review recent stories about the operation of the Port of San

Francisco facilities department. The Chronicle describes recent allegations that port employees used port supplies and workers to renovate family property; stole equipment; made personal use of port-owned vehicles; operated private businesses from port offices; falsified overtime records; and retaliated against workers who objected to the alleged misdeeds. Their alleged activities might have cost the City millions.

Blow the whistle on government waste. Vote YES on Prop C.

*Supervisor Jake McGoldrick*  
*Supervisor Tom Ammiano*  
*Supervisor Matt Gonzalez*  
*Supervisor Tony Hall*  
*Supervisor Gavin Newsom*  
*Supervisor Gerardo Sandoval*

*San Francisco Planning and Urban Research Association (SPUR)*





# City Services Auditor

## PAID ARGUMENTS IN FAVOR OF PROPOSITION C

### LGBT Community Supports Prop C

Prop C requires the City Controller to conduct annual management and performance audits of city departments. At a time when public health dollars and other resources are stretched to the breaking point, regular audits will ensure that city money is spent effectively.

Past experience has shown that, by uncovering waste, inefficient practices and misspending, occasional city performance audits have saved substantially more than they cost. Prop C will require the city to audit key functions every year.

Prop C also establishes a citywide whistleblower hotline, providing an anonymous way for San Franciscans to call attention to waste, inefficiency and wrongdoing in city government.

Prop C is good government reform.

*Harvey Milk LGBT Democratic Club*  
*Debra Walker*, Former President, Harvey Milk LGBT Democratic Club  
*Robert Haaland*, President, Harvey Milk LGBT Democratic Club

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### The San Francisco Democratic Party Supports Prop C

Prop C is a good-government measure that will require annual audits of street and park maintenance and of city department functions, reform the city contracting process and establish a whistleblower hotline to receive complaints about waste and fraud in city government.

Please join us and vote YES on Prop C.

*Jane Morrison*, Chair, San Francisco Democratic Party

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### Dianne Feinstein urges you to vote YES on Prop C

In times like these, it is vital that we get the most out of every dollar spent at City Hall.

Prop C institutes some common sense reforms to ensure that residents receive the services they need and expect and that San Francisco remains a great place to live and work.

Prop C directs the independent City Controller to set service standards for street and park maintenance and perform regular audits of other city departments. Prop C also requires the Controller to set citywide standards for contracting, so contracts are awarded based on merit, not political connections.

Finally, Prop C directs the City Controller to set up a citywide whistleblower hotline and website so San Franciscans have a convenient place to draw attention to problems in city government.

Please join me in voting YES on Prop C

*Senator Dianne Feinstein*

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### Blow the Whistle on Dirty Streets!

When the condition of our streets and parks declines, San Francisco's quality-of-life suffers.

Prop C will require the independent City Controller to set service standards for and conduct regular audits of street and park maintenance.

The measure will require the City to post regular maintenance schedules on the web so you can ensure that your neighborhood is getting the services you and your neighbors paid for and to which you are entitled.

Please vote YES on Prop C for clean streets, clean parks and clean government.

*Rebecca L. Silverberg*, Excelsior Improvement Association  
*Steven R. Currier*, Outer Mission Residents Association  
*Mike Sullivan*, Chair, Plan C San Francisco

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## PAID ARGUMENTS IN FAVOR OF PROPOSITION C

Proposition C will institute regular oversight of all City Departments. It also requires follow up to ensure that recommendations are followed. This measure will more than pay for itself.

YES on C!

*San Francisco Tomorrow*

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Ballot Argument for a YES vote on Proposition C

We have all witnessed the ineffectiveness of our City government. Money is being spent, but the goals are ambiguous and the results are often ineffective. **We need to hold our department heads accountable.** Proposition C will formalize an auditing procedure for all City departments. The ineffective and the incompetent will no longer be able to hide. **I strongly support Yes on C.**

*Tony Ribera, University Administrator*

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The San Francisco Democratic Party Supports Prop C

The undersigned members of the San Francisco Democratic Party County Central Committee endorse Prop C.

Prop C is a good-government measure that will require annual audits of street and park maintenance and of city department functions, reform the city contracting process and establish a whistleblower hotline to receive complaints about waste and fraud in city government.

Please join us and vote YES on Prop C.

*Debra Walker, Former President, Harvey Milk LGBT Democratic Club*  
*Robert Haaland, Member, Democratic County Central Committee*  
*Meagan Levitan, Member, Democratic County Central Committee*

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### San Francisco Business Supports Prop C

Prop C will improve the efficiency and effectiveness of city government by:

- Establishing a citywide whistleblower hotline and website for San Franciscans to report waste and inefficiency in city government.
- Requiring creation of service standards for street and park maintenance.
- Mandating regular performance audits for all city departments.
- Creating citywide standards for city Requests for Proposals (RFPs) to ensure that public contracts go to the most qualified bidder.

*Nathan Dwiri, President, Yellow Cab Co-op Inc.*  
*Nathan Nayman, Executive Director, Committee on Jobs*

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### Vote Yes for Government Accountability.

Proposition C will institute regular, outside audits of government performance for the first time in City history. Whereas management audits are a normal part of most large organizations, the City has not had them. In order to begin to create a culture of performance and service delivery in government, we have to measure and report performance on a regular basis. Prop. C will be an important start.

### Vote Yes for Government Accountability.

*For more information, see [www.spur.org](http://www.spur.org).*

*San Francisco Planning and Urban Research Association (SPUR)*

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# City Services Auditor

## PAID ARGUMENTS IN FAVOR OF PROPOSITION C

### Asian-Americans Support Good Government

Prop C will bring much-needed and long-overdue reforms to City Hall. Prop C establishes a citywide whistleblower hotline and website to receive complaints about waste and abuse in city government. It will require annual performance audits of services that affect our quality of life, like street and park maintenance. And it will set citywide standards for contracting, so contracts are awarded based on competence, not insider connections.

Prop C is good government. Please vote YES.

*Mabel S. Teng*, San Francisco Assessor  
*Myrna Lim*, Filipino Chinese Americans for Good Government  
*Richard Ow*, Democratic County Central Committee

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### Support Proposition C for Clean, Efficient Government

Prop C gets San Franciscans involved in working for clean and efficient government by requiring annual performance audits of key city departments and publishing the results on the web, reforming the city contracting process, and setting up a citywide whistleblower hotline for anonymous complaints about inefficiency and wrongdoing in city government. Vote Yes on Prop C.

*Julie D. Soo*, Consumer Attorney  
*Linda Richardson*, Commissioner/Women's Activist  
*Timothy Toye Moses*, Community Leader  
*Sonia E. Melara*, San Francisco Homeowner  
*Christopher L. Bowman*  
*Johnnie L. Carter*, Trustee, City College of San Francisco

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### Vote YES on Prop C for Clean Government

Prop C is supported by San Francisco leading government watchdog groups because it requires regular management and performance audits of city departments, some of which haven't been audited in nearly ten years.

Prop C requires service standards for street and park maintenance, modeled after the successful Rescue MUNI measure, to

ensure that scarce resources are spent effectively to protect quality-of-life in the neighborhoods.

Prop C sets standards for drafting city Requests For Proposals (RFPs) to reduce the City's tendency toward wasteful sole-source contracting.

Finally, Prop C establishes a whistleblower hotline and website to get San Franciscans involved in making their government cleaner and more responsive.

*Assemblyman Mark Leno*  
*Tom Radulovich*, BART Director  
*Nia Crowder*, Commissioner, Commission on the Environment  
*Amandeep Jawa*, President, League of Conservation Voters  
*John Holtzclaw*, Environmental/Transit Activist

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### Delivery of City Services Can Be Improved—Vote YES on C

Have you ever tried to use a city service and wound up frustrated because all you got was the runaround? You're not alone!

City government in San Francisco is growing out of control. In the last seven years, nearly 4,000 employees have been added to the city's work force. And these employees have some of the most generous pay and benefit packages in the nation—\$74,000 for the average city employee! So, has the hiring of all these employees brought about any improvement in the delivery of city services? If you feel like the rest of us, the answer has to be an emphatic NO!

Proposition C will add the function of city services auditor to the Controller's duties. The performance of various "nuts and bolts" services, such as the cleaning and maintenance of our streets, sidewalks, and parks, would be audited annually. The audits would review city management and employment practices, including overtime and worker's compensation costs, and whether essential city services are being delivered in a cost-effective manner.

Proposition C holds the promise of bringing badly needed efficiencies to the operation of city government and improving the delivery of city services.

Vote YES on C.

*San Francisco Association of REALTORS®*

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## PAID ARGUMENTS AGAINST PROPOSITION C

Labor **OPPOSES** Proposition C because it “sets aside” part of the City’s budget for this use **ONLY**. That’s too restrictive. The City can do any audits it needs without this budget “set aside”.

The San Francisco Labor Council recommends a **NO** vote on Proposition C.

*San Francisco Labor Council AFL-CIO*

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# LEGAL TEXT OF PROPOSITION C

Describing and setting forth a proposal to the qualified voters of the City and County of San Francisco to amend the Charter of the City and County of San Francisco by amending Section 3.105 and adding Appendix F to designate the Controller as the City Services Auditor, establish duties for that function, and set aside two-tenths of one percent of the City's annual budget for a Controller's Audit Fund.

The Board of Supervisors hereby submits to the qualified voters of the City and County, at an election to be held on November 4, 2003, a proposal to amend the Charter of the City and County by amending Section 3.105 and adding Appendix F, to read as follows:

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Section 1. The San Francisco Charter is hereby amended, by amending Section 3.105, to read as follows:

## **SEC. 3.105. CONTROLLER; CITY SERVICES AUDITOR.**

The Mayor shall appoint or reappoint a Controller for a ten-year term, subject to confirmation by the Board of Supervisors. The Controller may only be removed by the Mayor for cause, with the concurrence of the Board of Supervisors by a two-thirds vote.

The Controller shall be responsible for the timely accounting, disbursement or other disposition of monies of the City and County in accordance with sound financial practices applicable to municipalities and counties. The Controller shall have the power and duties of a county auditor, except as otherwise provided in this Charter. The Controller shall have authority to audit the accounts and operations of all boards, commissions, officers and departments to evaluate their effectiveness and efficiency. The Controller shall have access to, and authority to, examine all documents, records, books and other property of any board, commission, officer or department.

The Controller shall also serve as City Services Auditor for the City and County. As City Services Auditor, the Controller shall be responsible for monitoring the level and effectiveness of services rendered by the City to its residents, as set forth in Appendix F to this Charter.

Should the Controller determine at any time during the fiscal year that the revenues of the General Fund, or any special, sequestered or other fund are insufficient or appear to be insufficient to support the remaining anticipated expenditure from that fund for the fiscal year for any department, function or program, the Controller shall reduce or reserve all or a portion of the expenditure appropriation until such time as the Controller determines that the anticipated revenues for the remainder of that fiscal year are sufficient to support the level of expen-

diture anticipated for the remainder of the fiscal year. Whenever the Controller makes a reduction or reservation, the Controller shall so inform the Mayor and Board of Supervisors within 24 hours.

The Controller shall exercise general supervision over the accounts of all officers, commissions, boards and employees of the City and County charged in any manner with the receipt, collection or disbursement of City and County funds or other funds, in their capacity as City and County officials or employees. The Controller shall establish accounting records, procedures and internal controls with respect to all financial transactions of the City and County. Such records, procedures and controls shall permit the financial statements of the City and County to be prepared in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles applicable to municipalities and counties.

The Controller shall within 150 days of the end of each fiscal year prepare an annual report of the financial condition of the City and County. Such annual report shall be prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. The annual report shall contain such information and disclosures as shall be necessary to present to the public a full and understandable report of all City and County financial activity.

The Controller shall prepare an impartial financial analysis of each City and County ballot measure which shall include the amount of any increase or decrease in the cost of government of the City and County and its effect upon the cost of government. Such analysis shall be issued in sufficient time to permit inclusion in the voters' pamphlet.

The Controller shall issue from time to time such periodic or special financial reports as may be requested by the Mayor or Board of Supervisors.

All disbursements of funds in the custody of the Treasurer must be authorized by the Controller. No officer or employee shall bind the City and County to expend money unless there is a written contract or other instrument and unless the Controller shall certify that sufficient unencumbered balances are available in the proper fund to meet the payments under such contract or other obligation as these become due.

Section 2. The San Francisco Charter is hereby amended, by adding Appendix F (Sections F1.100 to F1.114), to read as follows:

### **Charter Appendix F: Authority and Duties of City Services Auditor**

#### **F1.100. FINDINGS.**

(a) City residents rely upon the government of the city and county to deliver many important services affecting the health, vitality and economy of San Francisco. These include services related to the maintenance and cleanliness of streets and parks, health care, emer-

gency services, transportation and public works. Recognizing the difficult economic times the City faces, preservation and enhancement of such services can be achieved only by ensuring that city services are delivered in an efficient, cost-effective manner, and that government waste and unnecessary bureaucracy are curtailed to the greatest extent possible.

(b) It is often difficult for individual San Franciscans to judge the effectiveness and efficiency of local government in providing direct services to residents because of the size and complexity of city government. Consistent with the goals of open government, City government should establish tools to enable residents to assess the effectiveness and efficiency of city services; to compare the city's progress in delivering such services to that of other cities, counties and government agencies; and, where appropriate, to adopt "best practices" used in other jurisdictions when consistent with the goals of San Francisco residents.

(c) The San Francisco Controller is uniquely situated to provide objective, rigorous measurement of City service levels and effectiveness because the Controller is already charged with assessment of departmental performance and fiscal soundness. In addition, the Controller is appointed to a ten-year term, and therefore is sufficiently independent to render impartial assessments of the city's provision of public services.

(d) Therefore, this Charter Amendment:

(1) Establishes the Controller as the City Services Auditor, with the authority to conduct independent management and performance audits of departments providing services to San Francisco residents;

(2) Instructs the Controller/City Services Auditor to publish comparisons of the performance of San Francisco departments, the services they deliver, and the outcomes they achieve with other public agencies;

(3) Requires that the Controller/City Services Auditor perform comprehensive financial and performance audits of selected city departments each year;

(4) Mandates that the Controller/City Services Auditor review standards for street and park maintenance in consultation with responsible City departments and perform an annual Clean Streets/Clean Parks audit to track whether these standards are met;

(5) Provides the Controller/City Services Auditor the authority to review citywide standards for government contracting processes and the development of "Requests For Proposals" to ensure that the selection process is fair and unbiased;

(6) Prohibits conflicts of interest in the auditing process by preventing companies that

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have participated in departmental operations from acting as outside auditors, requiring that all employees participating in audits be designated confidential employees for labor-relations purposes, and permitting the Controller to obtain outside independent assistance when in-house employees are subject to potential conflicts of interest;

(7) Requires the Controller/City Services Auditor to administer and publicize a whistleblower hotline and website for citizens and employees to report wrongdoing, waste, inefficient practices and poor performance in city government and service delivery;

(8) Authorizes the Citizens' General Obligation Bond Oversight Committee to also function as an independent Citizens Audit Review Board to advise the Controller/City Services Auditor, to recommend departments in need of comprehensive audit, and to review citizen complaints received through the whistleblower program; and

(9) Provides a dedicated source of revenue equivalent to two-tenths of one percent of the budget of the City and County of San Francisco.

### **FI.101. CITY SERVICES AUDITOR; SERVICES AUDIT UNIT.**

(a) In addition to the other duties prescribed by this Charter, the Controller shall perform the duties of a City Services Auditor, responsible for monitoring the level and effectiveness of services provided by the government of the City and County of San Francisco to the people of San Francisco. The City Services Auditor shall establish and maintain a Services Audit Unit in the Controller's Office to ensure the financial integrity and improve the overall performance and efficiency of City government. The Services Audit Unit shall review performance and cost benchmarks developed by City departments in consultation with the Controller and based on their departmental efficiency plans under Chapter 88 of the Administrative Code, and conduct comparisons of the cost and performance of San Francisco City government with other cities, counties and public agencies performing similar functions. In particular, the Services Audit Unit shall assess:

(1) Measures of workload addressing the level of service being provided or providing an assessment of need for a service;

(2) Measures of efficiency including cost per unit of service provided, cost per unit of output, or the units of service provided per full time equivalent position; and

(3) Measures of effectiveness including the quality of service provided, citizen perceptions of quality, and the extent a service meets the needs for which it was created.

(b) The service areas for which data is collected and comparisons conducted shall include, but not be limited to:

(1) The cleanliness and condition of streets, sidewalks, and the urban environment

and landscape;

(2) The performance of other public works and government-controlled public utilities, including water and clean water programs;

(3) Parks, cultural and recreational facilities;

(4) Transportation, as measured by the standards set out in Charter Section 8A.103, provided, however, that primary responsibility for such assessment shall continue to be exercised by the Municipal Transportation Agency pursuant to Charter Section 8A.100 et seq.;

(5) The criminal justice system, including the Police Department, Juvenile and Adult Probation Departments, Sheriff, District Attorney and Public Defender;

(6) Fire and paramedic services;

(7) Public health and human services;

(8) City management; and,

(9) Human resources functions, including personnel and labor relations.

(c) The information obtained using the service measurement standards set forth above shall be compiled on at least an annual basis, and the results of such benchmark studies, as well as comparative data, shall be available on the City's website.

### **FI.102. STREET, SIDEWALK, AND PARK CLEANING AND MAINTENANCE.**

(a) The Services Audit Unit shall conduct annually a performance audit of the City's street, sidewalk, and public park maintenance and cleaning operations. The annual audit shall:

(1) Include quantifiable, measurable, objective standards for street, sidewalk, and park maintenance, to be developed in cooperation and consultation with the Department of Public Works and the Recreation and Park Department;

(2) Based upon such measures, report on the condition of each geographic portion of the City;

(3) To the extent that standards are not met, assess the causes of such failure and make recommendations of actions that will enhance the achievement of those standards in the future;

(4) Ensure that all bond funds related to streets, parks and open space are spent in strict accordance with the stated purposes and permissible uses of such bonds, as approved by the voters.

Outside of the audit process, the City departments charged with cleaning and maintaining streets, sidewalks, and parks shall remain responsible for addressing individual complaints regarding specific sites, although the Controller may receive and investigate such complaints under Section FI.107.

(b) In addition, all city agencies engaged in street, sidewalk, or park maintenance shall establish regular maintenance schedules for streets, sidewalks, parks and park facilities, which shall be available to the public and on the department's website. Each such department shall monitor compliance with these

schedules, and shall publish regularly data showing the extent to which the department has met its published schedules. The City Services Audit Unit shall audit each department's compliance with these requirements annually, and shall furnish recommendations for meaningful ways in which information regarding the timing, amount and kind of services provided may be gathered and furnished to the public.

### **FI.103. MANAGEMENT PRACTICES.**

The City Services Audit Unit shall:

(1) Conduct and publish an annual review of management and employment practices, including City policies and MOU provisions, that either promote or impede the effective and efficient operation of city government;

(2) Identify the top five City departments by workers compensation claims, list the cost of these claims, and recommend ways to reduce both workplace injuries and improper claims;

(3) Identify the top five departments by overtime expenditures and report on the cause and potential mitigations for any excessive overtime spending; and,

(4) Conduct best practices reviews and other studies and assist departments in implementing their findings.

### **FI.104. PERFORMANCE AUDITS.**

The City Services Audit Unit shall conduct periodic, comprehensive financial and performance audits of city departments, services, and activities. Except as provided in Section FI.102, the Controller shall have discretion to select, on a rotating basis, departments, services, and activities for audit, giving priority to matters affecting direct services to the residents of the City and County of San Francisco. In selecting audit subjects, the Controller shall give preference to requests for performance audits made by the Audit Review Board, the Mayor, the Board of Supervisors, department heads, and commissions; provided, however, that absent extraordinary circumstances, no department, activity, or service shall be subject to repeated audits in two successive years.

### **FI.105. AUDIT RESULTS.**

(a) Before making public any portion of any draft, notes, preliminary or final report relating to the operations or activities of a City officer or agency, the Controller shall deliver a copy of the draft report to any such officer, and to the head of any agency discussed in such report and provide the officer and agency, in writing, with a reasonable deadline for their review and response. The Controller shall include in any report, or portion thereof that is made public, a copy or summary of all such officer and agency responses. In addition, the audit shall include an analysis of the anticipat-

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ed costs and/or savings of any recommendations contained in the report.

(b) The Controller shall publish the results of all final performance audits and a summary of agency responses, shall deliver copies of such audits to relevant department heads, Audit Review Board, Mayor, City Attorney, Board of Supervisors, San Francisco Civil Grand Jury, and San Francisco Public Library, and shall make the audits available on the City's website. Each department subject to recommendations by the Controller shall include with its next two annual budget requests following such audit a report on the status of the Controller's recommendations. In particular, the report shall include:

(1) the Controller's final audit recommendations;

(2) a plan to address the Controller's findings and to implement the Controller's recommendations;

(3) any costs or savings reflected in the proposed budget attributable to implementation of Controller recommendations; and

(4) a statement of the recommendations that the department does not intend to implement and the basis of the department head's determination not to adopt the Controller's recommendation.

(c) To avoid conflicts of interest, all employees engaged in preparation of audits shall be designated as confidential employees. If the Controller determines that any member of the regular audit staff is unable to participate in an audit due to a potential conflict of interest, or as a result of the employee's collective bargaining representation, the Controller shall have the option of assigning other employees regardless of civil service job description, hiring outside experts, or contracting for such services with an outside individual or agency.

### **FI.106. OVERSIGHT OF CONTRACTING PROCEDURES.**

The Controller shall have the duty to perform regular oversight of the City's contracting procedures, including developing model criteria and terms for City Requests for Proposals (RFPs), auditing compliance with City contracting rules and procedures, and, where appropriate, investigating cases of alleged abuse or conflict of interest. Nothing in this Section shall be construed to alter the existing jurisdiction of City departments and agencies with respect to contracting. Should the Controller find that there has been an abuse or conflict of interest, he or she shall refer that finding to the Ethics Commission, the District Attorney, and the City Attorney for possible enforcement action.

### **FI.107. CITIZENS' COMPLAINTS; WHISTLEBLOWERS.**

(a) The Controller shall have the authority to receive individual complaints concerning the quality and delivery of government services, wasteful and inefficient City government

practices, misuse of City government funds, and improper activities by City government officers and employees. When appropriate, the Controller shall investigate and otherwise attempt to resolve such individual complaints except for those which:

(1) another City agency is required by federal, state, or local law to adjudicate,

(2) may be resolved through a grievance mechanism established by collective bargaining agreement or contract,

(3) involve allegations of conduct which may constitute a violation of criminal law, or

(4) are subject to an existing, ongoing investigation by the District Attorney, the City Attorney, or the Ethics Commission, where either official or the Commission states in writing that investigation by the Controller would substantially impede or delay his, her, or its own investigation of the matter.

If the Controller receives a complaint described in items (1), (2), (3), or (4) of this paragraph, the Controller shall advise the complainant of the appropriate procedure for the resolution of such complaint.

(b) If the Controller receives a complaint alleging conduct that may constitute a violation of criminal law or a governmental ethics law, he or she shall promptly refer the complaint regarding criminal conduct to the District Attorney or other appropriate law enforcement agency and shall refer complaints regarding violations of governmental ethics laws to the Ethics Commission and the City Attorney. Nothing in this Section shall preclude the Controller from investigating whether any alleged criminal conduct also violates any civil or administrative law, statute, ordinance, or regulation.

(c) Notwithstanding any provision of this Charter, including, but not limited to Section C3.699-11, or any ordinance or regulation of the City and County of San Francisco, the Controller shall administer a whistleblower and citizen complaint hotline telephone number and website and publicize the hotline and website through press releases, public advertising, and communications to City employees. The Controller shall receive and track calls and emails related to complaints about the quality and delivery of government services, wasteful and inefficient City government practices, misuse of government funds and improper activities by City government officials, employees and contractors and shall route these complaints to the appropriate agency subject to subsection (a) of this Section. The Board of Supervisors shall enact and maintain an ordinance protecting the confidentiality of whistleblowers, and protecting City officers and employees from retaliation for filing a complaint with, or providing information to, the Controller, Ethics Commission, District Attorney, City Attorney or a City department or commission about improper government activity by City officers and employees. The City may incorporate all whistleblower functions set

forth in this Charter or by ordinances into a unified City call center, switchboard, or information number at a later time, provided the supervision of the whistleblower function remains with the Controller and its responsibilities and function continue unabridged.

### **FI.108. CUSTOMER SERVICE PLANS.**

The Controller shall assess the progress of City departments' compliance with Charter Section 16.120 and any implementing ordinances requiring City departments to prepare effective customer service plans. The Controller shall make recommendations to departments to improve the effectiveness of such plans. The Controller shall report to the Board of Supervisors and Mayor the failure of any department to comply substantially with the Controller's recommendations regarding customer service plans.

### **FI.109. LEGISLATION.**

The Controller may propose legislation to the Board of Supervisors and the Mayor to improve City programs and services and to make the delivery of such programs and services more efficient.

### **FI.110. ACCESS TO RECORDS; PRELIMINARY REPORTS.**

(a) The Controller shall have timely access to all records and documents the Controller deems necessary to complete the inquiries and reviews required by this Appendix. If a City officer, employee, agency, department, commission, or agency does not comply with the Controller's request for such records and documents, the Controller may issue a subpoena. The provisions of this subdivision shall not apply to those records and documents of City agencies for which a claim of privilege has been properly and appropriately raised, or which are prepared or maintained by the City Attorney, the District Attorney, or the Ethics Commission for use in any investigation authorized by federal, state law or local law.

(b) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Charter, or any ordinance or regulation of the City and County of San Francisco, and except to the extent required by state or federal law, all drafts, notes, preliminary reports of Controller's benchmark studies, audits, investigations and other reports shall be confidential.

### **FI.111. CITIZENS AUDIT REVIEW BOARD.**

In addition to its duties under Article V of Chapter 5 of the Administrative Code, the Citizens' General Obligation Bond Oversight Committee shall serve as a Citizens Audit Review Board. In its role as the Review Board, the Oversight Committee shall provide advisory input to the Controller on matters pertaining to the functions set forth in this Appendix, and, in particular, shall:

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## LEGAL TEXT OF PROPOSITION C (CONTINUED)

(1) Review the Controller's service standards and benchmarks to ensure their accuracy and usefulness;

(2) Review all audits to ensure that they meet the requirements set forth above;

(3) Subject to appropriate rules ensuring the confidentiality of complainants, as well as the confidentiality of complaints referred to and handled by the District Attorney, the City Attorney, and the Ethics Commission, review citizen and employee complaints received through the whistleblower/complaint hotline and website and the Controller's disposition of those complaints; and

(4) Where it deems appropriate, hold public hearings regarding the results of benchmark studies and audits to encourage the adoption of "best practices" consistent with the conclusions of the studies and audits. An audio or video recording of such hearings shall be made available for public inspection free of charge.

### **FI.112. OUTSIDE EXPERTS.**

(a) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Charter or any ordinance or regulation of the City and County of San Francisco, the Controller shall be authorized to contract with outside, independent experts to assist in performing the requirements of this Appendix. In doing so, the Controller shall make good faith efforts as defined in Chapter 12D of the Administrative Code to comply with the provisions of Chapters 12 et seq. of the Administrative Code, but shall not be subject to the approval processes of other City agencies. The Controller shall submit an annual report to the Board of Supervisors summarizing any contracts issued pursuant to this Section and discussing the Controller's compliance with Chapters 12 et seq. Contracts issued by the Controller pursuant to this Section shall be subject, where applicable, to the requirements of Section 9.118.

(b) No outside expert or firm shall be eligible to participate or assist in an audit or investigation of any issue, matter, or question as to which that expert or firm has previously rendered compensated advice or services to any individual, corporation or City department other than the Controller. The Controller shall adopt appropriate written regulations implementing this provision, and shall incorporate this requirement in all written contracts with outside experts and firms utilized pursuant to this Section.

### **FI.113. CONTROLLER'S AUDIT FUND.**

Notwithstanding any other provision of this Charter, the Mayor and Board of Supervisors shall be required to budget an amount equal to at least two-tenths of one percent (0.2%) of the City's overall budget, apportioned by fund and excluding bond related debt, to implement this provision. This amount shall be referred to as the Controller's Audit Fund, and shall be used exclusively to implement the duties and requirements of this Appendix, and shall not be used to displace funding for the non-audit

related functions of the Controller's Office existing prior to the date this provision is enacted. If the funds are not expended or encumbered by the end of the fiscal year, the balance in the fund shall revert to the General Fund or the enterprise funds where it originated.

### **FI.114. OPERATIVE DATE; SEVERABILITY.**

(a) This charter amendment shall be operative on July 1, 2004. This amendment shall not affect the term or tenure of the incumbent Controller.

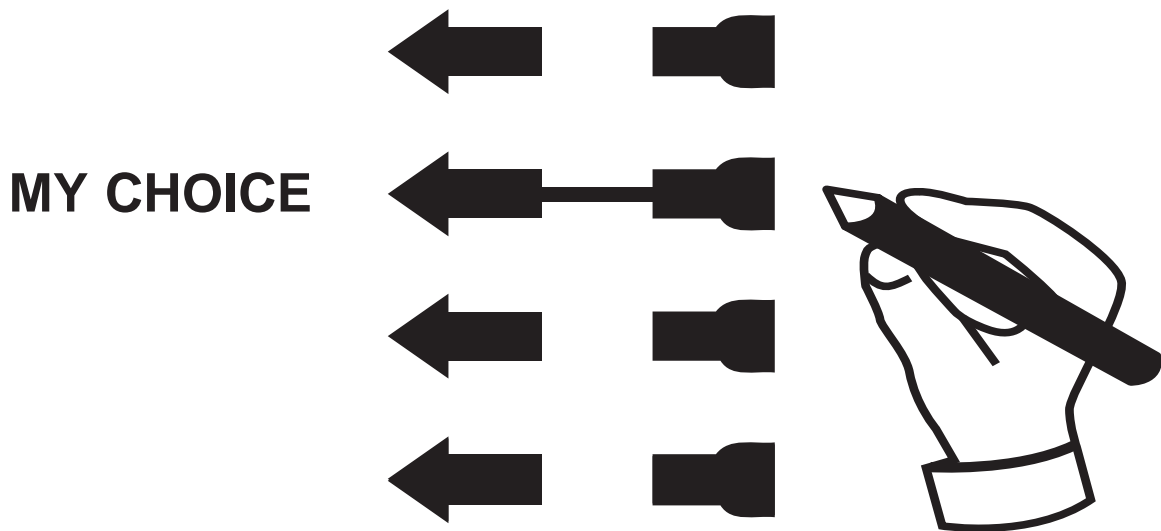
(b) If any section, subsection, provision or part of this charter amendment or its application to any person or circumstances is held to be unconstitutional or invalid, the remainder of the amendment, and the application of such provision to other persons or circumstances, shall not be affected.





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# Small Business Commission



## PROPOSITION D

Shall the City be required to have a Small Business Commission to set policies affecting small businesses, with four members appointed by the Mayor and three members appointed by the Board of Supervisors?



## Digest

by the Ballot Simplification Committee

**THE WAY IT IS NOW:** The City has a Small Business Commission as part of the Department of Business and Economic Development. The Commission advises the Mayor and the Board of Supervisors on policies that affect small businesses.

The Commission has seven members, all appointed by the Mayor. By a two-thirds vote, the Board of Supervisors can reject any appointee. By a majority vote, the Board can change the number, qualifications and method of appointment of Commission members, and can abolish the Commission.

**THE PROPOSAL:** Proposition D is a Charter amendment that would require the City to have a Small Business Commission with the power to set City policy that affects small businesses.

The Small Business Commission would have seven members. Four members would be appointed by the Mayor and three by the Board of Supervisors. The Board could reject the Mayor's appointees by a two-thirds vote. At least five of the seven Commissioners would own, operate or be officers of a small business located in San Francisco. Only the voters could change the number, qualifications or method of appointment of Commission members, or abolish the Commission.

**A "YES" VOTE MEANS:** If you vote "Yes," you want to require the City to have a Small Business Commission to set policies affecting small businesses. The Mayor would appoint four members and the Board of Supervisors would appoint three.

**A "NO" VOTE MEANS:** If you vote "No," you do not want to make any of these changes.

## Controller's Statement on "D"

City Controller Edward Harrington has issued the following statement on the fiscal impact of Proposition D:

Should the proposed charter amendment be adopted by the voters, in my opinion, there would be no significant increase in the cost of government.

This charter amendment changes the current Small Business Commission, which is established under the Administrative Code, to a Commission established under the Charter, and changes the appointment methods for the Commissioners. The amendment does not otherwise alter or specify the functions or duties of the Small Business Commission.

## How "D" Got on the Ballot

On June 17, 2003 the Board of Supervisors voted 10 to 0 to place Proposition D on the ballot.

The Supervisors voted as follows:  
**Yes:** Supervisors Ammiano, Daly, Dufty, Gonzalez, Hall, Ma, Maxwell, Newsom, Peskin, and Sandoval.  
**Excused:** Supervisor McGoldrick.

THIS MEASURE REQUIRES 50%+1 AFFIRMATIVE VOTES TO PASS.

ARGUMENTS FOR AND AGAINST THIS MEASURE IMMEDIATELY FOLLOW THIS PAGE. THE FULL TEXT BEGINS ON PAGE 81.  
SOME OF THE WORDS USED IN THE BALLOT DIGEST ARE EXPLAINED ON PAGE 28.



# D

# Small Business Commission

## PROPONENT'S ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF PROPOSITION D

*The Board of Supervisors authorized the submission of the following argument. As of the date of the publication of this Voter Information Pamphlet, the following Supervisors endorse the measure: Supervisors Ammiano, Daly, Dufty, Gonzalez, Hall, Ma, Maxwell, McGoldrick, Newsom, and Peskin; take no position on the measure: Supervisor Sandoval.*

### YES ON D

#### Small Businesses Put San Franciscans to Work

San Francisco's economy needs a jump-start. Many of our friends and neighbors are out of work; others have a hard time making ends meet. San Francisco small businesses are a key part of our economic recovery. Proposition D ensures that small businesses have an independent voice at the table when public policy is made and that they get the critical support they need. Proposition D makes the Small Business Commission a Charter commission, giving it added authority and making it permanent.

Despite the state of the economy, women and men who operate small businesses are putting San Franciscans to work in every neighborhood. From Mission Street to West Portal, from Geary Boulevard to Union Street, small businesses are serving our neighborhoods and bolstering San Francisco's economy.

Because small businesses take a lot of work, small business owners often can't come down to City Hall to advocate on important issues. The regulations and required paperwork can often be complicated for a new small business. That's why Proposition D amends the Charter to ensure small businesses have a permanent voice in City government through the Small Business Commission that can help small businesses cut through government red tape.

The Commission will advocate small business issues and concerns, analyze and initiate legislation, provide technical assistance to small businesses, liaison with City departments that impact small business and continue effective work to make information available to persons starting a small business.

Four commissioners will be appointed by the Mayor; three by the Board of Supervisors. At least six members must be small business owners, operators or officers and all the members will have to reflect the neighborhood interests and diversity of San Francisco.

Join neighborhood leaders and business groups. Vote Yes on D.

*Supervisor Chris Daly*

## REBUTTAL TO PROPONENT'S ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF PROPOSITION D

### ANOTHER WASTEFUL AND MONEY-EATING COMMISSION???

Many of our current City commissions are way past any usefulness that they might ever have had. The Commission on the Status of Women is a glaring example of a "do nothing" political body. There are many more.

Most of the City commissions are just an excuse to spend money and to drive up the cost of doing business in San Francisco.

The taxpayers are not drawing any real benefits from these superfluous commissions.

Placing the Small Business Commission in our City Charter permanently shackles taxpayers with another eternal commission...an endless expenses.

The commission that should be established is the "COMMISSION TO ABOLISH UNNECESSARY GOVERNMENTAL AGENCIES AND COMMISSIONS". That would be a money-saving and highly useful City body.

San Francisco needs a phase out of obsolete commissions.

Abolishing 25 City commissions in the next year would be a fine money-saving goal for the San Francisco Board of Supervisors.

*Terence Faulkner, J.D.*  
Member of California Certified  
Farmers Market Advisory  
Committee

*Thomas C. Agee*

*Max Woods*  
County Central Committeeman

*Gail E. Neira*  
County Central Committeewoman



# Small Business Commission

# D

## OPPONENT'S ARGUMENT AGAINST PROPOSITION D

**AFTER AN ORGY OF SPENDING AND RED TAPE FROM CITY HALL, NOW PROPOSITION D CALLS FOR CREATING STILL ANOTHER COMMISSION TO "HELP" THE SMALL BUSINESSES ALREADY STEPPED UPON:**

Over the almost eight years since the outgoing administration started in early 1996, the budget of San Francisco has almost doubled.

Many new employees have been hired by City Hall—including lots of political hacks chosen outside of any Civil Service testing rules.

The Red Tape and new regulations have been mass produced to cause more problems for the local business community.

Now, with Proposition D, a Small Business Commission is proposed as a "cure" for some of the damage already done.

In practice, don't expect much. The Small Business Commission is likely to be manned by politically appointed hacks and "gold bricks."

The role of this Commission is likely to be the job of making the owners of the businesses being stepped upon *thankful* for not being "*crunched*" *harder*.

Don't vote for this shell game.

Vote "NO" on Proposition D.

*Citizens Against Tax Waste*

*Dr. Terence Faulkner, J.D.*

Chairman, Citizens Against Tax Waste

## REBUTTAL TO OPPONENT'S ARGUMENT AGAINST PROPOSITION D

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Dr. Faulkner misses the point regarding the importance of small business in San Francisco and fails to understand the need for a stronger Small Business Commission, which demonstrates his apparent disconnect with the small business community that is so vital to the economic well being of our city.

**PROP D SEEKS TO TAKE AN EXISTING COMMISSION AND MAKE IT STRONGER** by creating a permanent stand alone commission, with members appointed by the Mayor and Board of Sups, which will represent the needs and concerns of the San Francisco small business community at City Hall. It will help new business owners manage their way through the maze of permits, rules and regulations at City Hall; will offer support to new and existing small businesses; will help create programs that tar-

get small business retention and growth; and will help set policy to help secure a bright future for small business in this city.

Prop D will provide all of this at **NO ADDITIONAL COST TO TAXPAYERS**. Small businesses employ tens of thousands of San Francisco residents, pay millions of dollars in taxes and help define the character of our neighborhoods and the downtown financial district. Please do your part to make sure small business stays a vibrant part of San Francisco. **VOTE YES ON MEASURE D.**

*Rolf Dieter Mueller, Small Business Advocates  
Cynthia Seid, Small Business Network*



# D

# Small Business Commission

## PAID ARGUMENTS IN FAVOR OF PROPOSITION D

**SAN FRANCISCO DEMOCRATIC PARTY** urges **YES on D** -- Aids small businesses.

*Jane Morrison*, Chair, San Francisco Democratic Party

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The three largest contributors to the true source recipient committee are: 1. Tom Lantos 2. Nancy Pelosi 3. Carole Migden.

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**AT THE HEART OF EVERY SAN FRANCISCO NEIGHBORHOOD IS ITS NAMESAKE COMMERCIAL DISTRICT.** These unique shopping areas are home to a disappearing breed of small neighborhood businesses — hardware stores, drug stores, delicatessens, restaurants, pet shops — where service and the personal touch make up for a sometimes slightly higher price.

**OUR NEIGHBORHOOD MERCHANTS NEED A STRONG VOICE AT CITY HALL** and the Small Business Commission is meant to be that voice. Unfortunately, elected officials often ignore the current non-chartered Small Business Commission. Proposition D will create a fully chartered commission, a commission to be reckoned with.

**NEIGHBORHOODS WILL BENEFIT FROM PROP D ALSO.** It will help revitalize our local commercial streets by giving the merchants a resource to assist them in navigating a complex bureaucracy that is often stacked against them, leaving them more time to concentrate on running their businesses.

**Support your local merchants; vote YES on Proposition D.**

*Rebecca Silverberg*, Excelsior Improvement Association Delegate, Coalition for San Francisco Neighborhoods

*Jim Wachob*, President, Irish-American Democratic Club of San Francisco

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Everyday, San Francisco small businesses serve the needs of over one million people and they contribute millions of dollars in taxes to our local government. Even so, the voice of small business is muffled at City Hall, and their ability to help make policy decisions that directly impact small business is severely hampered.

**PROP D WILL HELP ALLEVIATE THIS LACK OF REPRESENTATION AT CITY HALL.** It will help keep our

small businesses strong, and will work to encourage new small businesses to locate here. It will assist existing and new businesses as they maneuver through the complex rules and regulations that has become part of doing business in San Francisco. It will insure a bright future for small business, our neighborhoods and our city. **AND IT WILL DO THIS WITHOUT ANY ADDITIONAL COST TO TAXPAYERS.**

**VOTE YES ON MEASURE D — VOTE YES ON SMALL BUSINESS.**

*Pat Lakey*, Carpenters Union Local #22

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San Francisco is at a critical turning point. Deficits, both at the State and local level, threaten to decimate programs and services that small businesses have come to rely on. Nowhere is the impact of this new reality more apparent than to the thousands of small businesses that call San Francisco home.

**SMALL BUSINESSES IN SAN FRANCISCO TOUCH THE LIVES OF OVER ONE MILLION PEOPLE EVERY-DAY.** They provide thousands of jobs for local citizens and pay millions of dollars in taxes and fees to the City every year. They provide a valuable link to our neighborhoods and our community.

Today, **SMALL BUSINESSES MUST STRUGGLE TO BE HEARD BY OUR ELECTED LEADERS AT CITY HALL.** Often, they must navigate the complex City bureaucracy unguided, leaving many disenfranchised and deflated.

Prop D will help secure a vibrant future for small businesses in San Francisco by creating a stand alone Small Business Commission **AT NO ADDITIONAL COST TO TAXPAYERS.** It gives small business a seat at the table at City Hall and will help develop programs to protect, retain and grow small businesses, thus creating more jobs for local residents.

**VOTE YES ON PROP D. VOTE YES FOR SMALL BUSINESS!**

*Cynthia Seid*, Small Business Network

*Rolf Dieter Mueller*, San Francisco Small Business Advocates

The true sources of funds used for the printing fee of this argument are the Small Business Advocates and the Small Business Network.





# Small Business Commission

# D

## PAID ARGUMENTS IN FAVOR OF PROPOSITION D

### Small Business Means Jobs for San Franciscans

As a long-time small business owner, I urge you to vote Yes on Proposition D.

This measure will give San Francisco's biggest employer the respect it deserves. Our small businesses need to be nurtured and promoted. Creating a Chartered commission will ensure that small businesses will take their rightful place at the table when economic policies are designed and implemented.

Our small businesses are the lifeblood of our neighborhoods – let's keep them healthy and viable.

### Vote Yes on D

*Angela Alioto, Civil Rights Attorney*

The true source of funds used for the printing fee of this argument is the Law Offices of Angela Alioto.

### The City's Small Business Commission Deserves to Be a Charter Commission

Several years ago, the Small Business Commission was created to adopt policies that would make it easier for small neighborhood-serving businesses to continue to operate in the city, and to act as a sounding board for district merchants when dealing with City Hall.

Unfortunately, since its inception, the Commission has failed to deliver due to structural and funding problems. Currently, it is the poor stepchild of the Mayor's Department of Business and Economic Development. Its powers and responsibilities have been poorly defined and its recommendations often have not received the attention they deserve.

It is time for the commission to be able to stand on its own feet like every other commission in the city and to have its own budget.

If Proposition D passes, at least five of its members must be owners, operators, or officers of small businesses, and thereby will be better able to represent the diversity of interests that it was created to protect and promote.

The time has come to reform the Small Business Commission. Proposition D does that in a sensible and purposeful manner.

VOTE YES ON D

*San Francisco Association of REALTORS®*

The true source of funds used for the printing fee of this argument is the San Francisco Association of REALTORS®.

The San Francisco Labor Council supports Proposition D. Sharing commission appointments between the Mayor and the Board of Supervisors seems to be a good idea.

*San Francisco Labor Council AFL-CIO*

The true source of funds used for the printing fee of this argument is the San Francisco Labor Council.

### Vote Yes for Small Business

Small business is the backbone of San Francisco's economy. Proposition D ensures that small businesses have a seat-at-the table in creating local policy that will increase job growth and neighborhood vitality. Additionally, Prop D, secures resources for existing and new small businesses to flourish.

### Say Yes to San Francisco's Future – Vote Yes on D.

*San Francisco Chamber of Commerce*

The true source of funds used for the printing fee of this argument is the San Francisco Chamber of Commerce.

As a former businesswoman and entrepreneur, I understand the challenges that small businesses face in establishing and growing their companies in our City. Proposition D will help ensure that small business concerns are included in city policymaking.

Small business is the backbone of San Francisco's economy. They create jobs and they give our neighborhoods character. Please join me in voting yes on Proposition D.

*Treasurer Susan Leal*

The true source of funds used for the printing fee of this argument is Susan Leal.



# D

# Small Business Commission

## PAID ARGUMENTS AGAINST PROPOSITION D

As a member of the sponsoring committee when Supervisor Daly offered support, it's difficult to write against D. Given the many serious problems for small businesses in San Francisco, making this Commission permanent seems a good idea... right? Things aren't always what they seem... especially in San Francisco politics.

While D enjoys support among politicians, it's based more on politics than good judgment. It's natural to want to "do something" and appear pro-jobs after driving businesses out and 94,000 jobs just last year. It's natural to try to divert attention from our crumbling infrastructure and sick economy.

But this Commission is not going to solve San Francisco's business problems. In fact, it could make them worse. By fostering the illusion that "something is being done" we hide the ugly truth. This Commission has existed for years and is routinely ignored and hardly even consulted. It's a shame that small business relations with City Hall are so bad that symbolic gestures like D seem important.

What would make it better? The existing Commission is staffed with Mayoral political appointees. The proposed Commission has some chosen by Supervisors. Big deal! None will be selected directly by the business community. This Commission sells City Hall to business, not business interests to City Hall. All City Commissions should be staffed by the People, not politicians.

Also, commissioners are vulnerable to political manipulation. For example, politicians are telling Commission supporters to support minimum wage increases regardless of negative effects on jobs or small businesses this will bankrupt. Again, politics supersedes business at the expense of our jobs and livelihood.

While the Controller says D has no fiscal impact, it already costs \$500,000 per year. That money should be returned to taxpayers and the Commission charter rewritten.

Vote "NO" on D.

*Michael F. Denny, Candidate for Mayor*

The true source of funds used for the printing fee of this argument is the Denny for Mayor Campaign.

The three largest contributors to the true source recipient committee are: 1. John Bostock 2. Jerry Cullen 3. Michael Cesario.



## LEGAL TEXT OF PROPOSITION D

Describing and setting forth a proposal to the qualified voters of the City and County of San Francisco to amend the Charter of the City and County of San Francisco by adding Section 4.134 to establish a Small Business Commission.

The Board of Supervisors hereby submits to the qualified voters of the City and County, at an election to be held on November 4, 2003, a proposal to amend the Charter of the City and County by adding Section 4.134 to read as follows:

Note: Additions are *single-underline italics Times New Roman*.  
Deletions are ~~*strikethrough italics Times New Roman*~~.

### **SEC. 4.134. SMALL BUSINESS COMMISSION.**

*(a) There shall be a Small Business Commission to oversee the San Francisco Office of Small Business. The Commission shall consist of seven members, who shall serve at the pleasure of the appointing authority. The Mayor shall appoint four members of the Commission; the Board of Supervisors shall appoint the remaining three members. The Mayor shall designate two of his or her initial appointments to serve for two-year terms; the Board of Supervisors shall designate one of its initial appointments to serve a two-year term. Thereafter, all commissioners shall serve for four-year terms.*

*(b) At least five of the individuals appointed to the Commission shall be owners, operators, or officers of San Francisco small businesses. One of the individuals appointed to the Commission may be either a current or former owner, operator, or officer of a San Francisco small business. One member of the Commission may be an officer or representative of a neighborhood economic development organization or an expert in small business finance.*

*Pursuant to Government Code Section 87103, individuals appointed to the Commission under this Section are intended to represent and further the interest of the particular industries, trades, or professions specified herein. Accordingly, it is found that for purposes of persons who hold such office, the specified industries, trades, or professions are tantamount to and constitute the public generally within the meaning of Government Code Section 87103.*

*(c) The Mayor and the Board of Supervisors shall select Commission members who reflect the diversity of neighborhood and small business interests in the City.*





# Telephoning the Department of Elections

The Department of Elections has special telephone lines for specific purposes:

- **To register to vote**, call 554-4375;
- **To request an Absentee Ballot application**, call 554-4375;
- **For information about becoming a Poll Worker**, call 554-4395;
- **For election results on Election Night**, call 554-4375;
- **For election information, including Election Night results**, visit the **Department of Elections web site at:** <http://www.sfgov.org/election>
- **For all other information**, call 554-4375

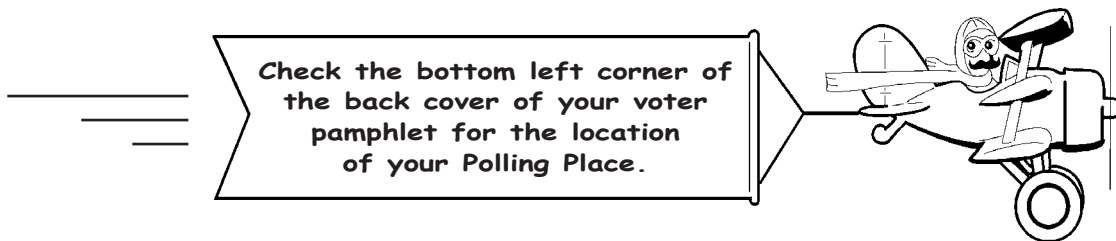
For your convenience and because of the huge number of calls during the weeks leading up to the election, the Department of Elections uses automated information lines in addition to regular operators. If all operators are busy, callers may hear recorded messages which will direct them to leave their name, address and telephone number. Callers with touch tone phones may be asked to press numbers to direct their calls to the right desk. Callers with rotary phones may wait on the line for an operator or to leave a message.



## Avoid Long Lines — Vote by Mail

1. Complete the application on the back cover of this pamphlet.
2. Put sufficient postage where indicated.
3. Drop your completed application into a mailbox.

**Applications must be received by the Department of Elections no later than 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, October 28, 2003**



## Your Polling Place May Have Changed

We urge you to double-check the location of your polling place printed on the back cover of this pamphlet.



# Ethics Reform



## PROPOSITION E

Shall the City consolidate its governmental ethics law in one code, amend some of those ethics laws, and create new ethics laws?

YES  
NO



## Digest

by the Ballot Simplification Committee

**THE WAY IT IS NOW:** The City Charter and City ordinances contain ethics rules for City officers and employees. For example, City law prohibits City officers and employees from:

- Making decisions in which they have a financial interest;
- Accepting gifts or campaign contributions from certain sources;
- Engaging in outside activities that are incompatible with their work for the City;
- Contracting with the City;
- Disclosing confidential City information; and
- Lobbying other City officers.

Ethics laws in the Charter or in ordinances passed by the voters may be changed only by the voters. The Board of Supervisors may change all other ethics laws.

Individuals who are guilty of official misconduct while in City office are permanently barred from City office or employment. In general, City officers who are convicted of crimes involving violence or fraud must be removed from office.

**THE PROPOSAL:** Proposition E is a Charter amendment that would modify and clarify the City's ethics laws as follows:

- Consolidate all of the City's ethics laws into its Campaign and Governmental Conduct Code;
- Amend some of these ethics laws; and
- Create new ethics laws.

The Board of Supervisors could amend these ethics laws by a two-thirds vote with the approval of four-fifths of the Ethics Commission. Voter approval no longer would be required.

In addition to the existing ethics laws, the new and amended laws would:

- Prohibit City officers and employees from making employment decisions regarding family members;
- Require City officers and employees to disclose their personal, professional and business relationships with people who are affected by the decisions they make;
- Restrict gifts from subordinates and from persons who contact City officers or employees;
- Change the restrictions on campaign contributions from City contractors;
- Regulate referrals made by City officers and employees;
- Require each City department to list outside activities that are incompatible with service or employment in that department; and
- Regulate the activities of City officers and employees after they leave City service or employment.

Any person removed from federal, state, county or city office because of official misconduct would be barred from City office or employment for five years.

Any City officer or employee would be removed if convicted of a felony crime involving violence or fraud, and if the Ethics Commission determined that the crime warrants removal. Any person removed from federal, state, county or city office because of such a crime would be barred from City office or employment for 10 years.

**A "YES" VOTE MEANS:** If you vote "Yes," you want to make these changes to the City's ethics laws.

**A "NO" VOTE MEANS:** If you vote "No," you do not want to make these changes.

## Controller's Statement on "E"

City Controller Edward Harrington has issued the following statement on the fiscal impact of Proposition E:

Should the proposed charter amendment be approved by the voters, in my opinion, there would be a minimal increase in the cost of government.

## How "E" Got on the Ballot

On July 22, 2003 the Board of Supervisors voted 10 to 0 to place Proposition E on the ballot.

The Supervisors voted as follows:  
**Yes:** Supervisors Ammiano, Daly, Dufty, Gonzalez, Hall, Maxwell, McGoldrick, Newsom, Peskin, and Sandoval.  
**Absent:** Supervisor Ma.

THIS MEASURE REQUIRES 50%+1 AFFIRMATIVE VOTES TO PASS.

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# Ethics Reform

## PROPONENT’S ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF PROPOSITION E

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Faith in government is the cornerstone of democracy. To maintain the public's faith in local government, San Franciscans have enacted various conflict of interest laws. These laws seek to ensure that City officials make their decisions in a manner that is fair and evenhanded for all of our City's residents.

Many of these laws are outdated, confusing or don't adequately address the conduct they were intended to regulate. As a result, the San Francisco Ethics Commission spent the last 11 months analyzing and discussing these laws with members of the public, City officials and employees, and legal experts from across California. Proposition E is the result of that process.

**Proposition E updates, clarifies and strengthens the City's conflict of interest laws.** Some of Proposition E's major provisions:

- Restrict City officers and employees from making decisions that affect their financial interests and their own character or conduct;
- Restrict gifts to City officers and employees from individuals and entities that do business with the City;
- Prohibit City officers and employees from participating in out-

- side activities that are incompatible with their official duties;
- Mandate removal of City officers and employees who are convicted of felony crimes involving violence or fraud; and
- Restrict post-service activities of City officers and employees including additional restrictions for former Mayors and members of the Board of Supervisors.

**Proposition E is a vital step towards keeping democracy alive and well in San Francisco. Please vote YES on Proposition E.**

*Supervisor Tom Ammiano*  
*Supervisor Aaron Peskin*  
*Supervisor Tony Hall*  
*Supervisor Jake McGoldrick*  
*Supervisor Gerardo Sandoval*  
*Supervisor Fiona Ma*  
*Supervisor Matt Gonzalez*

## REBUTTAL TO PROPONENT’S ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF PROPOSITION E

### BOSS TWEED WOULD LIKE PROPOSITION E:

William Marcy Tweed, New York Democratic Alderman (1852-1853), U.S. Congressman (1853-1855), frequent State Senator, and Tammany Hall leader ran the most corrupt political machine in American history until his 1871 extortion conviction.

Richard Sullivan, bag man of the “Tweed Ring”, entered the American language as the original “Tricky Dick”. Sullivan jumped \$1,000,000 bail, fleeing to Egypt with his remaining \$6,000,000.

Proposition E is a piece of “reform legislation” worthy of Tweed and Sullivan.

Proposition E removes ethics laws from the City Charter, where there would be a public vote on any changes, to the Campaign and Governmental Code, which the Supervisors can amend.

Proposition E ends the two (2) year ban on former Supervisors lobbying City agencies, the new bar being only one (1) year.

If Sullivan were still alive, he would send an endorsement letter for Proposition E from Egypt.

Proposition E smells bad.

*Terence Faulkner, J.D.*  
 Past County Chairman  
 San Francisco Republican Party

*Thomas C. Agee*

*Max Woods*  
 County Central Committeeman

*Gail E. Neira*  
 County Central Committeewoman



## OPPONENT'S ARGUMENT AGAINST PROPOSITION E

### **DON'T GIVE UP YOUR RIGHT TO VOTE ON SAN FRANCISCO'S VITAL CONFLICT OF INTEREST PROVISIONS:**

Proposition E will transfer our City's conflict of interest rules for public office holders from the City Charter (where the voters must approve any changes) to the local Campaign and Governmental Conduct Code (which can be modified by a two-thirds vote of the Board of Supervisors). Important questions involving the ethics of public officials should be voted upon by the people. Quick "fixes" are not in the City's best interest.

### **BE MORE CAREFUL ABOUT HIRING PAST VIOLENT FELONS AND THOSE REMOVED FROM PUBLIC OFFICE FOR OFFICIAL MISCONDUCT:**

Lately, San Francisco has been hiring a number of people to deal with the public who are really little more than thugs. Banning those removed from official employment because of "*felony crime involving moral turpitude...for ten years and [those]... removed...[for] official misconduct...for five years*" is not enough. Such persons should only be hired after the necessary five or ten year ban and by at least a two-thirds vote of the Board of Supervisors after a full investigation of the individual proposed City employee. Dangerous criminals are not needed in San Francisco's public service.

### **DON'T REDUCE THE TWO YEAR LOBBYING BAN ON FORMER SUPERVISORS TO ONE YEAR:**

The two (2) years ban on former Board of Supervisors members lobbying the City Government and its agencies should not be reduced to one (1) year.

### **VOTE AGAINST PROPOSITION E:**

For all the above reasons, vote against this unwise Proposition E.

*Golden Gate Taxpayers Association*

*Dr. Terence Faulkner, J.D.*

Chairman, Golden Gate Taxpayers Association

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It has been nearly 30 years since the City conducted a complete review of local laws that govern the conduct of City officials and employees. Many of our existing ethics laws are outdated and fail to adequately address today's complex concerns. Accordingly, the Ethics Commission, **with input from the public and ethics experts from across California**, spent nearly one-year examining the City's existing laws and developing these amendments.

The opponents would like you to believe that Proposition E is an unwise measure. But contrary to what the opponents argue, Proposition E actually:

- Strengthens restrictions on the types of individuals who may serve the City **by mandating the removal of a City officer or employee upon conviction of certain felony crimes**

### **involving moral turpitude;**

- Strengthens post-service laws by imposing on all City officers and employees, including members of the Board of Supervisors, **a lifetime ban on lobbying about certain matters in which the officer or employee participated while serving the City;**
- **Maintains your right to vote on ethics laws**, but, like the City's campaign finance laws, permits a super-majority of the Board of Supervisors to amend the City's ethics laws only if the changes are approved by four-fifths of the Ethics Commission.

Listen to the Ethics Commission and the experts and approve this much-needed reform to our City's ethics laws. **Please vote Yes on Proposition E!**

*San Francisco Common Cause*





# Ethics Reform

## PAID ARGUMENTS IN FAVOR OF PROPOSITION E

**SAN FRANCISCO DEMOCRATIC PARTY** urges **YES** on E -- Strengthens rules against political conflicts of interest.

*Jane Morrison*, Chair, San Francisco Democratic Party

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In 1995, I crafted Prop N, San Francisco's first major Ethics reform. Let's continue to fight for clean government. Please vote Yes.

*Terence Hallinan*

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The San Francisco Labor Council supports Proposition E. Consolidation of all of the City's ethics laws in one code makes sense.

The San Francisco Labor Council recommends a **YES** vote on Proposition E.

*San Francisco Labor Council AFL-CIO*

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## PAID ARGUMENTS AGAINST PROPOSITION E

### **This Measure is Extremely Misleading.**

Who could be against “ethics” in government? No one. But Proposition E is an extremely misleading measure. It includes many ideas that make sense, but these are bundled in with some terrible ideas that will make City government work even worse than it already does. It tries to write a law against every ethical lapse of the last eight years, but is so overly-broad and so over-reaching that it will literally tie the City into knots. And if it passes, there will be no way to change the provisions without going back to the ballot. Among its major problems:

- Prop. E will make it extremely difficult to recruit citizen volunteers to serve on commission and advisory boards.
- Prop. E will make it harder to hire knowledgeable people to work for the City.
- Prop. E is a veiled power grab by the Board of Supervisors.

### **Vote No on Prop. E.**

*For more information, see [www.spur.org](http://www.spur.org)*

*San Francisco Planning and Urban Research Association (SPUR)*

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### **Case of the Fox Guarding the Henhouse?**

Proposition E proclaims that it’s an ethics reform measure, but, in fact, it would move various ethics and conflict of interest provisions for city officers and employees from the Charter into the Campaign and Government Conduct Code—where voter approval would no longer be required for changes in the law.

The San Francisco Association of REALTORS® was one of the few organizations in San Francisco that supported the creation of an ethics commission during the last decade. And, we would be the first to admit that Proposition E contains many worthwhile new provisions governing ethics and conflicts of interest among city officers and employees. But moving the ethics and conflict of interest provisions from the Charter into ordinance form—eliminating voter approval of any changes—strikes us as not being in the public’s interest. For that reason, we must respectfully urge a “NO” vote on Proposition E.

VOTE NO ON E

*San Francisco Association of REALTORS®*

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# LEGAL TEXT OF PROPOSITION E

Describing and setting forth a proposal to the qualified voters of the City and County of San Francisco to amend the Charter of the City and County of San Francisco by amending Sections 4.108, 4.109, 15.100, 15.103, 15.105, 16.118 and Article XVII, deleting Sections 15.104, 15.106, 15.108, C8.105 and adding Section 18.115 and Appendix Sections C9.101, C9.102, C9.103, C9.104, C9.105, C9.106, C9.107, C9.108, C9.109, C9.110, C9.111, C9.112, C9.113, C9.114, C9.115, C9.116, C9.117, C9.118, C9.119, C9.120, C9.121, C9.122, C9.123, C9.124, C9.125, C9.126 and C9.127 to enact new conflict of interest provisions, to make technical changes, to move various provisions into ordinances, and to clarify existing provisions.

The Board of Supervisors hereby submits to the qualified voters of the City and County, at an election to be held on November 4, 2003, a proposal to amend the Charter of the City and County by amending Sections 4.108, 4.109, 15.100, 15.103, 15.105, 16.118 and Article XVII, deleting Sections 15.104, 15.106, 15.108 and C8.105 and adding Section 18.115 and Appendix Sections C9.101, C9.102, C9.103, C9.104, C9.105, C9.106, C9.107, C9.108, C9.109, C9.110, C9.111, C9.112, C9.113, C9.114, C9.115, C9.116, C9.117, C9.118, C9.119, C9.120, C9.121, C9.122, C9.123, C9.124, C9.125, C9.126 and C9.127 to read as follows:

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Deletions are ~~strikethrough italics Times New Roman~~.

## SEC. 4.108. FIRE COMMISSION.

The Fire Commission shall consist of five members appointed by the Mayor, pursuant to Section 3.100, for four-year terms. Members may be removed by the Mayor. In addition to any other powers set forth in this Charter, the Fire Commission is empowered to prescribe and enforce any reasonable rules and regulations that it deems necessary to provide for the efficiency of the Department, provided that the civil service and ethics provisions of this Charter shall control in the event of any conflict with rules adopted under this section.

## SEC. 4.109. POLICE COMMISSION.

The Police Commission shall consist of five members appointed by the Mayor, pursuant to Section 3.100, for four-year terms. Members may be removed by the Mayor.

Notwithstanding any other provision of the Charter, the Chief of Police may be removed by the Commission or the Mayor, acting jointly or separately of each other. In addition to any other powers set forth in this Charter, the Police Commission is empowered to prescribe and enforce any reasonable rules and regulations that it deems necessary to provide for the efficiency of the Department, provided that the civil service and ethics provisions of this

Charter shall control in the event of any conflict with rules adopted under this section.

## SEC. 15.100. ETHICS COMMISSION.

The Ethics Commission shall consist of five members who shall serve six-year terms; provided that the first five commissioners to be appointed to take office on the first day of February, 2002 shall by lot classify their terms so that the term of one commissioner shall expire at 12:00 o'clock noon on each of the second, third, fourth, fifth and sixth anniversaries of such date, respectively; and, on the expiration of these and successive terms of office, the appointments shall be made for six-year terms.

The Mayor, the Board of Supervisors, the City Attorney, the District Attorney and the Assessor each shall appoint one member of the Commission. The member appointed by the Mayor shall have a background in public information and public meetings. The member appointed by the City Attorney shall have a background in law as it relates to government ethics. The member appointed by the Assessor shall have a background in campaign finance. The members appointed by the District Attorney and Board of Supervisors shall be broadly representative of the general public.

In the event a vacancy occurs, the officer who appointed the member vacating the office shall appoint a qualified person to complete the remainder of the term. Members of the Commission shall serve without compensation. Members of the Commission shall be officers of the City and County, and may be removed by the appointing authority only pursuant to Section 15.105.

No person may serve more than one six-year term as a member of the Commission, provided that persons appointed to fill a vacancy for an unexpired term with less than three years remaining or appointed to an initial term of three or fewer years shall be eligible to be appointed to one additional six-year term. Any term served before the effective date of this Section shall not count toward a member's term limit. Any person who completes a term as a Commissioner shall be eligible for reappointment six years after the expiration of his or her term. Notwithstanding any provisions of this Section or any other section of the Charter to the contrary, the respective terms of office of the members of the Commission who shall hold office on the first day of February, 2002, shall expire at 12 o'clock noon on said date, and the five persons appointed as members of the Commission as provided in this Section shall succeed to said offices on said first day of February, 2002, at 12 o'clock noon; provided that if any appointing authority has not made a new appointment by such date, the sitting member shall continue to serve until replaced by the new appointee.

During his or her tenure, members and employees of the Ethics Commission are subject to the following restrictions:

(a) Restrictions on Holding Office. No

member or employee of the Ethics Commission may hold any other City or County office or be an officer of a political party.

(b) Restrictions on Employment. No member or employee of the Ethics Commission may be a registered lobbyist or campaign consultant, or be employed by or receive gifts or other compensation from a registered lobbyist or campaign consultant. No member of the Ethics Commission may hold employment with the City and County and no employee of the Commission may hold any other employment with the City and County.

(c) Restrictions on Political Activities. No member or employee of the Ethics Commission may participate in any campaign supporting or opposing a candidate for City elective office, a City ballot measure, or a City officer running for any elective office. For the purposes of this section, participation in a campaign includes but is not limited to making contributions or soliciting contributions to any committee within the Ethics Commission's jurisdiction, publicly endorsing or urging endorsement of a candidate or ballot measure, or participating in decisions by organizations to participate in a campaign.

~~For a period of one year upon completing his or her service with the Commission, no member of the Commission may: be a lobbyist or campaign consultant, be employed by, or receive any gifts or other compensation from a lobbyist or campaign consultant, or a person who employs someone required to register as a lobbyist or campaign consultant. For purposes of this section, the terms lobbyist and campaign consultant mean persons required to register under the City's lobbyist or campaign consultant ordinances.~~

The Commission may subpoena witnesses, compel their attendance and testimony, administer oaths and affirmations, take evidence and require by subpoena the production of any books, papers, records or other items material to the performance of the Commission's duties or exercise of its powers.

## SEC. 15.103. CONFLICT OF INTEREST.

~~All officers and employees of the City and County shall be subject to all state laws and City ordinances proscribing conflicts of interest and incompatible activities, as well as the provisions of Section C8.105. Any violation of such laws shall be official misconduct and shall be a basis for discipline and/or removal, in addition to any other penalties prescribed by law.~~

Public office is a public trust and all officers and employees of the City and County shall exercise their public duties in a manner consistent with this trust. The City may adopt conflict of interest and governmental ethics laws to implement this provision and to prescribe penalties in addition to discipline and removal authorized in this Charter. All officers and employees of the City and County shall be sub-

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## LEGAL TEXT OF PROPOSITION E (CONTINUED)

ject to such conflict of interest and governmental ethics laws and the penalties prescribed by such laws.

### **SEC. 15.104. PENALTY FOR OFFICIAL MISCONDUCT.**

~~Any person found guilty of official misconduct shall forfeit his or her office, and shall be forever after disbarred and disqualified from being elected, appointed or employed in the service of the City and County.~~

### **SEC. 15.105. SUSPENSION AND REMOVAL.**

~~(a) ELECTIVE AND CERTAIN APPOINTED OFFICERS.~~ Any elective officer, and any member of the Airport Commission, Asian Art Commission, Civil Service Commission, Commission on the Status of Women, Golden Gate Concourse Authority Board of Directors, Health Commission, Human Services Commission, Juvenile Probation Commission, Municipal Transportation Agency Board of Directors, Port Commission, Public Utilities Commission, Recreation and Park Commission, Fine Arts Museums Board of Trustees, Taxi Commission, War Memorial and Performing Art Center Board of Trustees, Board of Education or Community College Board is subject to suspension and removal for official misconduct as provided in this section. Such officer may be suspended by the Mayor ~~and removed by the Board of Supervisors for official misconduct~~, and the Mayor shall appoint a qualified person to discharge the duties of the office during the period of suspension. ~~Upon~~ On such suspension, the Mayor shall immediately notify the Ethics Commission and Board of Supervisors thereof in writing and the cause thereof, and shall present written charges against such suspended officer to the Ethics Commission and Board of Supervisors at or prior to their next regular meetings following such suspension, and shall immediately furnish a copy of the same to such officer, who shall have the right to appear with counsel before the Ethics Commission in his or her defense. ~~Hearing by~~ The Ethics Commission shall ~~hold a hearing~~ be held not less than five days after the filing of written charges. After the hearing, the Ethics Commission shall transmit the full record of the hearing to the Board of Supervisors with a recommendation as to whether the charges should be sustained. If, after reviewing the complete record, the charges are sustained by not less than a three-fourths vote of all members of the Board of Supervisors, the suspended officer shall be removed from office; if not so sustained, or if not acted on by the Board of Supervisors within 30 days after the receipt of the record from the Ethics Commission, the suspended officer shall thereby be reinstated.

~~(b) BUILDING INSPECTION COMMISSION, PLANNING COMMISSION, BOARD OF APPEALS, ELECTIONS COMMISSION, ETHICS COMMISSION, AND ENTERTAINMENT COMMISSION.~~ Members of the Building Inspection Commission, the Planning Commission, ~~and~~ the Board of Appeals, the Elections Commission, the Ethics Commission,

and the Entertainment Commission ~~who were appointed by the Mayor~~ may be suspended and removed pursuant to the provisions of subsection (a) of this section set forth above ~~except that the Mayor may initiate removal only of the Mayor's appointees and the appointing authority shall act in place of the Mayor for all other appointees.~~ Members of the Commission appointed by the President of the Board of Supervisors may be suspended and removed pursuant to the same procedures, except that the President of the Board shall act in place of the Mayor. ~~Members of the Elections Commission and Ethics Commission may be suspended and removed pursuant to the provisions set forth above, except that the appointing authority shall act in place of the Mayor.~~

### **(c) REMOVAL FOR CONVICTION OF A FELONY CRIME INVOLVING MORAL TURPITUDE.**

(1) Officers Enumerated in Subsections (a) and (b).

~~(A) The Mayor~~ An appointing authority must immediately remove from office any elective official enumerated in subsections (a) or (b) upon:

(i) a court's final conviction of that official convicted of a felony crime involving moral turpitude; and

(ii) a determination made by the Ethics Commission, after a hearing, that the crime for which the official was convicted warrants removal.

~~(B) For the purposes of this subsection, the Mayor shall act as the appointing authority for any elective official, and failure of the Mayor so to act shall constitute official misconduct on his or her part. Any appointee of the Mayor or the Board of Supervisors guilty of official misconduct or convicted of a crime involving moral turpitude must be removed by the Mayor or the Board of Supervisors, as the case may be and failure of the Mayor or any Supervisor to take such action shall constitute official misconduct on their part. Any member of the Elections Commission or Ethics Commission guilty of official misconduct or convicted of a crime involving moral turpitude must be removed by the appointing authority, and failure of the appointing authority to act shall constitute official misconduct on his or her part.~~

(C) Removal under this subsection is not subject to the procedures in subsections (a) and (b) of this section.

### (2) Other Officers and Employees.

(A) At will appointees. Officers and employees who hold their positions at the pleasure of their appointing authority must be removed upon:

(i) a final conviction of a felony crime involving moral turpitude; and

(ii) a determination made by the Ethics Commission, after a hearing, that the crime for which the appointee was convicted warrants removal.

(B) For cause appointees. Officers and employees who by law may be removed only for

cause must be removed upon:

(i) a final conviction of a felony crime involving moral turpitude; and

(ii) a determination made by the Ethics Commission, after a hearing, that the crime for which the appointee was convicted warrants removal.

(3) Penalty for Failure to Remove. Failure to remove an appointee as required under this subsection shall be official misconduct.

### (d) DISQUALIFICATION.

(1)(A) Any person who has been removed from any federal, state, county or city office or employment upon a final conviction of a felony crime involving moral turpitude shall be ineligible for election or appointment to City office or employment for a period of ten years after removal.

(B) Any person removed from any federal, state, county or city office or employment for official misconduct shall be ineligible for election or appointment to City office or employment for a period of five years after removal.

(2)(A) Any City department head, board, commission or other appointing authority that removes a City officer or employee from office or employment on the grounds of official misconduct must invoke the disqualification provision in subsection (d)(1)(B) and provide notice of such disqualification in writing to the City officer or employee.

(B) Upon the request of any former City officer or employee, the Ethics Commission may, after a public hearing, overturn the application of the disqualification provision of subsection (d)(1)(B) if: (i) the decision that the former officer or employee engaged in official misconduct was not made after a hearing by a court, the Board of Supervisors, the Ethics Commission, an administrative body, an administrative hearing officer, or a labor arbitrator; and (ii) if the officer or employee does not have the right to appeal his or her restriction on holding future office or employment to the San Francisco Civil Service Commission.

(e) OFFICIAL MISCONDUCT. Official misconduct means any wrongful behavior by a public officer in relation to the duties of his or her office, willful in its character, including any failure, refusal or neglect of an officer to perform any duty enjoined on him or her by law, or conduct that falls below the standard of decency, good faith and right action impliedly required of all public officers and including any violation of a specific conflict of interest or governmental ethics law. When any City law provides that a violation of the law constitutes or is deemed official misconduct, the conduct is covered by this definition and may subject the person to discipline and/or removal from office.

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## LEGAL TEXT OF PROPOSITION E (CONTINUED)

### ~~SEC. 15.106. — DUAL OFFICE HOLDING.~~

~~Any person holding an office under the City and County with an annual salary in excess of \$2,500 whether by election or by appointment, who shall, during his or her term of office, hold or retain any other office with such a salary under the government of the United States, the State of California, or the City and County shall be deemed to have thereby vacated the office held by him or her under the City and County.~~

### ~~SEC. 15.108. — EMPLOYMENT OF FORMER MAYOR OR SUPERVISOR.~~

~~No person shall be eligible for a period of one year after the last day of service as Mayor or member of the Board of Supervisors for appointment to any full time, compensated employment with the City and County. This restriction shall not apply to a former Mayor or Supervisor elected to an office of the City and County, appointed to fill a vacancy in an elective office of the City and County, or appointed to a board or commission in the executive branch.~~

### SEC. 16.118. APPENDIX C — ETHICS PROVISIONS.

The following sections of the Charter of 1932, as amended, shall be included in Appendix C with full force and effect, and each shall be designated with a prefix "C":

3.699-10—3.699-16 Ethics Commission Procedures

~~8.105 Conflict of Interest and Other Prohibited Practices~~

The provisions of Appendix C may be amended only pursuant to the provisions of state law governing charter amendments.

### ARTICLE XVII: DEFINITIONS

For all purposes of this Charter, the following terms shall have the meanings specified below:

"Business day" shall mean any day other than a Saturday, Sunday or holiday on which governmental agencies are authorized by law to close.

"Confirm" or "confirmation" shall mean the approval by a majority of the members of the Board of Supervisors.

"Discrimination" shall mean violations of civil rights on account of race, color, religion, creed, sex, national origin, ethnicity, age, disability or medical condition, political affiliation, sexual orientation, ancestry, marital or domestic partners status, gender identity, parental status, other non-merit factors, or any category provided for by ordinance.

"Domestic partners" shall mean persons who register their partnerships pursuant to the voter-approved Domestic Partnership Ordinance.

"Elector" shall mean a person registered to vote in the City and County.

"For cause" shall mean the issuance of a written public statement by the Mayor describing those actions taken by an individual as a

member of a board or commission which are the reasons for removal, provided such reasons constitute official misconduct in office.

"General municipal election" shall mean the election to be held in the City and County on the Tuesday immediately following the first Monday in November in odd-numbered years.

"Initiative" shall mean (1) a proposal by the voters with respect to any ordinance, act or other measure which is within the powers conferred upon the Board of Supervisors to enact, any legislative act which is within the power conferred upon any other official, board, commission or other unit of government to adopt, or any declaration of policy; or (2) any measure submitted to the voters by the Mayor or by the Board of Supervisors, or four or more members of the Board.

"Notice" shall mean publication in an official newspaper (as defined by ordinance), and a contemporaneous filing with the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors or other appropriate office.

~~"Official misconduct" shall mean any wrongful behavior by a public officer in relation to the duties of his or her office, willful in its character, including any willful or corrupt failure, refusal or neglect of an officer to perform any duty enjoined on him or her by law, or conduct that falls below the standard of decency, good faith and right action impliedly required of all public officers.~~

"One-third," "a majority" or "two-thirds" of the Board of Supervisors or any other board or commission of the City and County shall mean one-third, a majority or two-thirds of all members of such board or commission.

"Published" shall mean published in an official newspaper of the City and County.

"Referendum" shall mean the power of the voters to nullify ordinances involving legislative matters except that the referendum power shall not extend to any portion of the annual budget or appropriations, annual salary ordinances, ordinances authorizing the City Attorney to compromise litigation, ordinances levying taxes, ordinances relative to purely administrative matters, ordinances necessary to enable the Mayor to carry out the Mayor's emergency powers, or ordinances adopted pursuant to Section 9.106 of this Charter.

"Special municipal election" shall mean, in addition to special elections otherwise required by law, the election called by (1) the Director of Elections with respect to an initiative, referendum or recall, and (2) the Board of Supervisors with respect to bond issues, election of an official not required to be elected at the general municipal election, or an initiative or referendum.

"Statewide election" shall mean an election held throughout the state.

"Voter" shall mean an elector who is registered in accordance with the provisions of state law.

### SEC. 18.115. DELETION OF ORDINANCES REGULATING CONFLICTS OF INTEREST AND TRANSFER OF CHAR-

### TER SECTIONS REGULATING CONFLICTS OF INTEREST INTO THE CAMPAIGN AND GOVERNMENTAL CONDUCT CODE.

(a) On the effective date of this Charter Amendment, Section 1.50 of the Administrative Code and Section 1.200; Article III, Chapter 2 and Section 3.200; Article III, Chapter 3 and Section 3.300; Article III, Chapter 4 and Sections 3.400 and 3.405; Article III, Chapter 5 and Sections 3.500, 3.505, 3.510, 3.515, 3.520, 3.525, 3.530, 3.535, 3.540, 3.545; Article III, Chapter 6 and Section 3.600; and Article III, Chapter 7 and Sections 3.700, 3.705, 3.710, 3.715, 3.720, 3.725, 3.730, 3.735, and 3.740 of the Campaign and Governmental Conduct Code shall be deemed repealed, and the City Attorney is authorized and directed to take appropriate steps to remove them from future editions of published codes.

(b) On the effective date of this Charter Amendment, Charter Sections C9.101 – C9.127 shall be deemed enacted into ordinance, and the City Attorney is directed and authorized to codify Section C9.101 as Administrative Code Section 1.50; Section C9.102 as Campaign and Governmental Conduct Code Section 1.200; Section C9.103 as Campaign and Governmental Conduct Code Section 3.1-102.5; Section C9.127 in a new Chapter 3 of the Campaign and Governmental Conduct Code titled "Ethics Commission" as Section 3.300; and the remaining sections in a new Chapter 2 of the Campaign and Governmental Conduct Code titled "Conflict of Interest and Other Prohibited Activities" as follows: Section C9.104 as Section 3.200; Section C9.105 as Section 3.202; Section C9.106 as Section 3.204; Section C9.107 as Section 3.206; Section C9.108 as Section 3.208; Section C9.109 as Section 3.210; Section C9.110 as Section 3.212; Section C9.111 as Section 3.214; Section C9.112 as Section 3.216; Section C9.113 as Section 3.218; Section C9.114 as Section 3.220; Section C9.115 as Section 3.222; Section C9.116 as Section 3.224; Section C9.117 as Section 3.226; Section C9.118 as Section 3.228; Section C9.119 as Section 3.230; Section C9.120 as Section 3.232; Section C9.121 as Section 3.234; Section C9.122 as Section 3.236; Section C9.123 as Section 3.238; Section C9.124 as Section 3.240; Section C9.125 as Section 3.242; and Section C9.126 as Section 3.244.

These sections may be amended by the Board of Supervisors if (a) the amendment serves the purposes of the Ordinance; (b) the Ethics Commission approves the proposed amendment by at least a four-fifths vote of all its members; (c) the proposed amendment is available for public review at least 30 days before the amendment is considered by the Board of Supervisors; and (d) the Board of Supervisors

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*approves the proposed amendment by at least a two-thirds vote of all its members.*

### **~~CS.105 CONFLICT OF INTEREST AND OTHER PROHIBITED PRACTICES~~**

*(a) No officer or employee of the city and county shall become directly or indirectly interested in any contract, franchise, right privilege or sale or lease of property awarded, entered into or authorized by him or her in his or her capacity as an officer or employee, or by an officer or employee under his or her supervision and control, or by a board or commission of which he or she is a member, unless same is devolved upon him or her by law. An officer or employee with such an interest, however acquired, shall become divested of said interest within 60 days or shall resign said office or employment.*

*(b) No officer or employee shall give or promise any money or other valuable thing in consideration of his or her nomination, appointment, or election to any city and county office or employment or accept, other than lawful political campaign contributions, any gratuity in money or other valuable thing, either directly or indirectly, from any subordinate or employee or from any candidate or applicant for a position as employee or subordinate under him or her.*

*(c) No officer or employee shall make, participate in making or in any way attempt to use his or her office or employment to influence a governmental decision in which he or she knows or has reason to know he or she has a financial interest, as defined by California Government Code Section 87103.*

*(d) No officer or employee of the city and county shall willfully or knowingly disclose any privileged information concerning property, government, or affairs of the city and county, unless a duty to do so is imposed upon said person by law, nor shall that person use any privileged information obtained by him or her by virtue of his or her office or employment to advance the financial or other private interest of himself or herself or others.*

*(e) No person who has served as an officer or employee of the city and county shall within a period of two years after termination of such service or employment appear before the board or agency of the city and county of which he or she was a member in order to represent any private interest, provided, however, that said officer or employee may appear before said board for the purpose of representing himself or herself.*

*(f) No officer or employee of the city and county shall receive, directly or indirectly, any compensation, reward or gift from any source except compensation from the City and County of San Francisco, or any other governmental agency to which he or she has been duly appointed for any service, advice, assistance or other matter related to the governmental processes of the city and county, except for fees for speeches or published writing.*

*(g) The ethics commission with respect to*

*officers and employees whose positions are subject to the civil service provisions of the charter other than officers and members of the fire and police departments, the fire commission with respect to officers and members of the fire department and the police commission with respect to officers and members of the police department, are each empowered to prescribe and enforce such reasonable rules and regulations as each commission deems necessary to effectuate the purposes and intent of this section. Such rules and regulations may provide for restrictions against activities, employments and enterprises other than those described or mentioned herein when such restrictions are found necessary for the preservation of the honor or integrity of the city and county. Rules and regulations previously adopted or approved by the civil service pursuant to this section shall remain in effect until amended by the ethics commission.*

*The civil service commission with respect to officers and employees whose positions are subject to the civil service provisions of the charter other than officers and members of the fire and police departments, the fire commission with respect to officers and members of the fire department and the police commission with respect to officers and members of the police department, are each empowered to prescribe and enforce such reasonable rules and regulations as each commission deems necessary to provide for the efficiency of the city and county civil service.*

*(h) An officer or employee shall not be deemed to be interested in any transaction described in Subsections (a) or (e) above if he or she has only a remote interest in the transaction and if the fact of such interest is disclosed and noted in the official records of the board, commission or department and thereafter the board, commission or department authorizes, approves, or ratifies the transaction in good faith by a vote of its membership sufficient for the purpose without counting the vote or votes of the officer or member with the remote interest or by his or her immediate superior unless the transaction must be awarded to the highest or lowest responsible bidder as the case may be on a particular day and the vote of such officer or member is necessary to a quorum on that day.*

*(1) As used in this article "remote interest" means:*

*(A) That of a nonsalaried officer of a non-profit corporation;*

*(B) That of an employee or agent of the party involved in the transaction, if such party has 10 or more other employees and if the officer or employee was an employee or agent of said party for at least three years prior to his or her initially accepting his or her office or employment.*

*For the purposes of this subsection, time of employment with the party by the officer or employee shall be counted in computing the three year period specified in this subsection*

*even though such party has been converted from one form of business organization to a different form of business organization within three years of the initial taking of office by such officer. Time of employment in such case shall be counted only if, after the transfer or change in organization, the real or ultimate ownership of the party is the same or substantially similar to that which existed before such transfer or change in organization. For the purposes of this subsection, stockholders, bondholders, partners, or other persons holding an interest in the contracting party are regarded as having the "real or ultimate ownership" of such party.*

*(C) That of a parent in the earnings of his or her minor child for personal services;*

*(D) That of a landlord or tenant of the transacting party;*

*(E) That of an attorney of the transacting party;*

*(F) That of a supplier of goods or services when such goods or services had been supplied to the transacting party by the officer or employee for at least five years prior to his or her election or appointment to office or employment;*

*(G) That of an officer, director, or employee of a bank, bank holding company, or savings and loan association with which a party to the transaction has the relationship of borrower or depositor, debtor or creditor.*

*(2) The provisions of this subsection shall not be applicable to any officer or employee interested in a transaction who influences or attempts to influence another officer or employee to enter into the transaction.*

*(i) An officer or employee shall not be deemed to be interested in a transaction pursuant to Subsections (a) and (e) above if his or her interest is:*

*(1) The ownership of less than three percent of the shares of a corporation for profit, provided the total annual income to him or her from dividends, including the value of stock dividends, from the corporation does not exceed five percent of his or her total annual income, and any other payments made to him or her by the corporation do not exceed five percent of his or her total annual income;*

*(2) That of an officer or employee in being reimbursed for his or her actual and necessary expenses incurred in the performance of official duty;*

*(3) That of a recipient of public services generally provided by the board, commission or department of which he or she is a member or employee, on the same terms and conditions as if he or she were not a member or employee of the board, commission or department.*

*(4) That of a landlord or tenant of the transacting party if such party is the federal government or any federal department or agency, this state or an adjoining state, any department or agency of this state or an adjoining*

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ing state, any county or city of this state or an adjoining state, or any public corporation or special, judicial, or other public district of this state or an adjoining state unless the subject matter of such transaction is the property in which such officer or employee has such interest as landlord or tenant in which event his or her interest shall be deemed a remote interest within the meaning and subject to the provisions of Subsection (g).

(5) ~~That of a tenant in a public housing authority created pursuant to Part 2 (commencing with Section 34200) of Division 24 of the Health and Safety Code in which he or she serves as a member of the board of commissioners of the authority or of a community development commission created pursuant to Part 1.7 (commencing with Section 34100) of Division 24 of the Health and Safety Code.~~

(6) ~~That of a spouse of an officer or employee in his or her spouse's employment or officeholding if his or her spouse's employment or officeholding has existed for at least one year prior to his or her election or appointment.~~

(7) ~~That of a nonsalaried member of a nonprofit corporation, provided that such interest is disclosed at the time of the first consideration of the transaction and provided further that such interest is noted in its official records.~~

(8) ~~An officer or employee shall not be deemed to be interested in a contract made pursuant to competitive bidding under a procedure established by law if his or her sole interest is that of an officer, director, or employee of a bank or savings and loan association with which a party to the contract has the relationship of a borrower or depositor, debtor or creditor.~~

(j) ~~No member of any board or commission of the city and county shall knowingly vote on or in any way attempt to influence the outcome of governmental action on any measure or question involving his or her own character or conduct, his or her right as a member, or his or her appointment to any office, position, or employment, wherein the said member's financial interest is immediate, particular, and distinct from the public interest. The word "knowingly" as used in this paragraph shall mean actual or constructive knowledge of the existence of the interest which would disqualify the vote under the provisions of this section.~~

~~If under any provision of this charter or of any ordinance, resolution, rule or regulation, action on any measure or question must be taken on a particular day and such action cannot be taken by a qualified voting quorum of the board or commission on that day by reason for the disqualification from voting under the provisions of this section, said action may be postponed until, but not later than, there are sufficient qualified members present to vote and take action on said measure or question. The term "a qualified voting quorum" as used in this paragraph shall mean the presence of a sufficient number of qualified voting members~~

~~of the board or commission to take either affirmative or negative action on the measure or question before the board or commission.~~

(k) ~~The city attorney, the district attorney of the City and County of San Francisco or any resident or group of residents of the City and County of San Francisco may bring a suit in the superior court to compel compliance with the provisions of this section.~~

(l) ~~The provisions of Section 8.105 shall not apply to any member serving as a representative of any profession, trade, business, union or association on any board, commission or other body heretofore or hereafter created by an ordinance of the City and County of San Francisco which requires that the membership consists in whole or in part of representatives of specific professions, trades, businesses, unions or associations. Conflicts of interest and prohibited practices of such members and the penalties therefor shall be as prescribed by the ordinance creating such board, commission or other body or by an amendment thereto.~~

(m) ~~Any person violating any of the provisions of this section shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and, upon a final judgment of conviction of same, shall be removed from office or in the alternative shall be subject to a penalty of not more than one year in jail and/or fine of not more than \$10,000, as well as removal.~~

(n) ~~Every contract made in violation of any of the provisions of Section 8.105 may be avoided at the insistence of any party except the officer or employee interested therein. No such contract may be avoided because of the interest of an officer or employee therein unless such contract is made in the official capacity of such officer or employee, or by a board or body of which he or she is a member.~~

### **C9.101. OFFICERS OF THE CITY AND COUNTY.**

~~The officers of the City and County shall be the officers elected by vote of the people, members of the Board of Education, members of boards and commissions appointed by the Mayor and the Board of Supervisors, members of the Building Inspection Commission, members of the Ethics Commission, members of the Elections Commission, members of the Retirement Board, members of the Health Service Board, members of the Sunshine Ordinance Task Force, members of the Youth Commission, members of the Small Business Commission, members of the Board of Law Library Trustees, the Superintendent of Schools, the executive appointed as the chief executive officer under each board or commission, the Controller, the City Administrator, the head of each department under the Mayor, and such other officers as may hereafter be provided by law or so designated by ordinance.~~

### **C9.102. PROHIBITION ON MULTIPLE CAMPAIGN ACCOUNTS.**

~~An officer of the City and County of San Francisco, or any person or committee on~~

~~behalf of an officer of the City and County of San Francisco, is hereby prohibited from establishing any account, other than a campaign fund, for the solicitation and expenditure of funds. Nothing in this section shall prohibit an officer from spending personal funds on official or related business activities.~~

(a) ~~An account established by an officer or on behalf of an officer of the City and County of San Francisco is defined as any account used to pay expenses incurred directly in connection with carrying out the usual and necessary duties of holding office, including but not limited to, travel between an officer's residence and public office, meetings with constituents which are not campaign related meetings, salary payments to staff for other than campaign activities, office promotional materials, advertising, mailings, postage, and paid radio or television airtime.~~

(b) ~~Any and all monies or services accepted or received by an officer or on behalf of an officer, except monies or services accepted or received from or as a result of the officer's personal or business activities, unrelated to his or her office, shall be deposited, credited or otherwise reported to a campaign fund established by the officer and shall be subject to the provisions contained in Section 1.114 of the Campaign and Governmental Conduct Code.~~

(c) ~~This Section shall not be applied retroactively. Funds held in officeholder accounts, or accounts on behalf of any officer, existing on November 2, 1993, may be expended on official or business related activities notwithstanding this Section. No further deposits, transfer, credits or other additions to the balance of the account shall be made. Upon depletion of all available funds in the officer's account, the account shall be closed.~~

### **C9.103. FAILURE TO FILE**

(a) ~~Subject to the removal and Civil Service provisions of the Charter as well as any applicable Civil Service Rules, any officer or employee of the City and County of San Francisco who fails to file any statement required by sections 3.1-101 and 3.1-102 of the Campaign and Governmental Conduct Code within 30 days after receiving notice from the Ethics Commission of a failure to file may be subject to disciplinary action by his or her appointing authority, including removal from office or termination of employment.~~

(b) ~~The Ethics Commission may issue a letter to an appointing authority recommending removal of any City officer or termination of any City employee who has failed to file a statement required by sections 3.1-101 and 3.1-102 of the Campaign and Governmental Conduct Code if the City officer or employee has not filed the required statement within 30 days of receiving notice from the Ethics Commission of~~

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his or her failure to file.

(c) Every appointing authority whose appointees file statements required by sections 3.1-101 and 3.1-102 of the Campaign and Governmental Conduct Code with the Ethics Commission shall provide written notice to the Ethics Commission of the name of any appointee who has assumed or left office or employment. Such notice shall be provided within 15 days of the City officer or employee assuming or leaving office or employment. Failure to provide such notice may constitute official misconduct.

### **C9.104. FINDINGS AND PURPOSE**

(a) The people of the City and County of San Francisco declare that public office is a public trust and all officers and employees of the City and County shall exercise their public duties in a manner consistent with this trust. To assure that the governmental processes of the City and County promote fairness and equity for all residents and to maintain public trust in governmental institutions, the people of the City and County declare that they have a compelling interest in creating laws regulating conflicts of interest and outside activities of City officers and employees.

(b) The proper operation of the government of the City and County of San Francisco requires that public officers and employees be independent, impartial, and responsible to the people and that public office and employment not be used for personal gain. The public interest, therefore, requires that officers and employees of the City and County be prohibited from making, participating in making or otherwise seeking to influence governmental decisions in which they have a financial interest or accepting gifts and other things of value from regulated sources.

(c) In order to maintain the public's confidence in the integrity of governmental decisions related to the appointment and discipline of public officers and employees, public officers and employees must not give or receive anything of value in consideration of their appointment or accept anything of value from their subordinates, and must not participate in decisions related to their own character or conduct or that of their family members.

(d) City and County contracts should be, and should appear to be, awarded on a fair and impartial basis. The practice of members of Boards and Commissions of the City and County contracting with the City and County creates the potential for, and the appearance of, favoritism or preferential treatment by the City and County. Prohibiting members of Boards and Commissions of the City and County from contracting with the City and County will eliminate both actual and perceived favoritism or preferential treatment without creating unnecessary barriers to public service.

(e) Government decisions of officers and employees of the City and County should be, and should appear to be, made on a fair and impartial basis. The practice of former officers

and employees communicating with their former colleagues on behalf of private interests and the practice of current officers of the City and County communicating with other officers and employees on behalf of any other person for compensation creates the potential for, and the appearance of, undue influence, favoritism or preferential treatment. Prohibiting former officers and employees from communicating orally, in writing, or in any other manner with their former colleagues for specified periods of time and prohibiting current officers from communicating orally, in writing, or in any other manner with other officers and employees of the City and County on behalf of any other person for compensation will eliminate both actual and perceived undue influence, favoritism or preferential treatment without creating unnecessary barriers to public service.

### **C9.105. CONSTRUCTION**

This Chapter shall be liberally construed in order to effectuate its purposes, provided that nothing in this Chapter shall be interpreted or applied to prohibit officers, members and representatives of employee organizations from engaging in organizational activities that are protected by the California Meyers-Milias-Brown Act, the First Amendment to the United States Constitution or any other federal, state or local law. No error, irregularity, informality, neglect or omission of any officer in any procedure taken under this Chapter which does not directly affect the jurisdiction of the Board of Supervisors or the City and County to control the ethical conduct of its officers and employees shall avoid the effect of this Chapter.

### **C9.106. AMENDMENT OR REPEAL OF THIS CHAPTER**

The voters may amend or repeal this Chapter. The Board of Supervisors may amend this Chapter if all of the following conditions are met:

(a) The amendment furthers the purposes of this Chapter;

(b) The Ethics Commission approves the proposed amendment by at least a four-fifths vote of all its members;

(c) The proposed amendment is available for public review at least 30 days before the amendment is considered by the Board of Supervisors or any committee of the Board of Supervisors; and

(d) The Board of Supervisors approves the proposed amendment by at least a two-thirds vote of all its members.

### **C9.107. FINANCIAL CONFLICTS OF INTEREST**

(a) Incorporation of the California Political Reform Act. No officer or employee of the City and County shall make, participate in making, or seek to influence a decision of the City and County in which the officer or employee has a financial interest within the meaning of California Government Code section 87100

et seq. and any subsequent amendments to these sections.

(b) **Incorporation of California Government Code 1090, et seq.** No officer or employee of the City and County shall make a contract in which he or she has a financial interest within the meaning of California Government Code section 1090 et seq. and any subsequent amendments to these sections.

(c) **Future Employment.** No officer or employee of the City shall make, participate in making, or otherwise seek to influence a governmental decision, affecting a person or entity with whom the officer or employee is discussing or negotiating an agreement concerning future employment.

### **SEC. C9.108. APPOINTMENTS AND NOMINATIONS**

No person shall give or promise, and no officer or employee of the City and County may solicit or accept, any money or other valuable thing in consideration for (i) the person's nomination or appointment to any City and County office or employment, or promotion or other favorable City and County employment action, or (ii) any other person's nomination or appointment to any City and County office or employment or promotion or other favorable City and County employment action.

### **C9.109. VOTING ON OWN CHARACTER OR CONDUCT**

(a) **Prohibition.** No officer or employee of the City and County shall knowingly vote on or attempt to influence a governmental decision involving his or her own character or conduct, or his or her appointment to any office, position, or employment.

(b) **Exceptions.** Nothing in this section shall prohibit an officer or employee from (i) responding to allegations, applying for an office, position, or employment, or responding to inquiries; or (ii) participating in the decision of his or her board, commission, or committee to choose him or her as chair, vice chair, or other officer of the board, commission, or committee.

### **C9.110. DECISIONS INVOLVING FAMILY MEMBERS**

(a) **Prohibition.** No officer or employee of the City and County may make, participate in making, or otherwise seek to influence a decision of the City and County regarding an employment action involving a relative. Nothing in this section shall prohibit an officer or employee from acting as a personal reference or providing a letter of reference for a relative who is seeking appointment to a position in any City department, board, commission or agency other than the officer or employee's department, board, commission or agency or under the control of any such department,

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board, commission or agency.

(b) **Delegation.** A Department Head who is prohibited under subsection (a) from participating in an employment action involving a relative shall delegate in writing to an employee within the department any decisions regarding such employment action.

(c) **Definitions.** For purposes of this section, the term "employment action" shall be limited to hiring, promotion, or discipline, and the term "relative" shall mean a spouse, domestic partner, parent, grandparent, child, sibling, parent-in-law, aunt, uncle, niece, nephew, first cousin, and includes any similar step relationship or relationship created by adoption.

### **C9.III. DISCLOSURE OF PERSONAL, PROFESSIONAL AND BUSINESS RELATIONSHIPS**

(a) **Disclosure.** A City officer or employee shall disclose on the public record any personal, professional or business relationship with any individual who is the subject of or has an ownership or financial interest in the subject of a governmental decision being made by the officer or employee where as a result of the relationship, the ability of the officer or employee to act for the benefit of the public could reasonably be questioned. For the purposes of this section, the minutes of a public meeting at which the governmental decision is being made, or if the governmental decision is not being made in a public meeting, a memorandum kept on file at the offices of the City officer or employee's department, board, commission or agency shall constitute the public record.

(b) **Penalties.** A court may void any governmental decision made by a City officer or employee who fails to disclose a relationship as required by subsection (a) if the court determines that: (1) the failure to disclose was willful; and (2) the City officer or employee failed to render his or her decision with disinterested skill, zeal, and diligence and primarily for the benefit of the City. No other penalties shall apply to a violation of this section, provided that nothing in this section shall prohibit an appointing authority from imposing discipline for a violation of this section.

(c) **Regulations.** The Ethics Commission may adopt regulations setting forth the types of personal, professional and business relationships that must be disclosed pursuant to this section.

### **C9.II.2. GIFTS**

(a) **Prohibition on bribery.** No person shall offer or make, and no officer or employee shall accept, any gift with the intent that the City officer or employee will be influenced thereby in the performance of any official act.

(b) **General gift restrictions.** In addition to the gift limits imposed by California Government Code section 89503, section 3.1-101 of the Campaign and Governmental Conduct Code and any subsequent amendments to those sections, no officer or employee of the City and County shall solicit or accept any gift in excess

of \$100 in a calendar year from a person who the officer or employee knows or has reason to know is a restricted source. For purposes of this subsection, the term gift has the same meaning as under California Government Code section 89503 and any subsequent amendments to that section.

(1) **Restricted Source.** For purposes of this section, a restricted source means: (A) a person doing business with or seeking to do business with the department of the officer or employee; (B) any person who during the prior 12 months knowingly attempted to influence the officer or employee in any legislative or administrative action.

(2) **Adjustment of gift limits.** The Ethics Commission is authorized to adjust annually the gift limits imposed by this section to reflect changes in the California Consumer Price Index.

(c) **Gifts from subordinates.** No officer or employee shall solicit or accept any gratuity in money or other valuable thing, either directly or indirectly, from any subordinate or employee or from any candidate or applicant for a position as employee or subordinate under him or her. The Ethics Commission shall issue regulations implementing this section, including regulations exempting voluntary gifts that are given or received for special occasions or under other circumstances in which gifts are traditionally given or exchanged.

(d) **Additional Restrictions.** Nothing in this section shall prohibit a City department, agency, board or commission from imposing additional gift restrictions on its officers or employees.

### **C9.II.3. INCOMPATIBLE ACTIVITIES**

(a) **Prohibition.** No officer or employee of the City and County may engage in any employment, activity, or enterprise that the department, board, commission, or agency of which he or she is a member or employee has identified as incompatible in a statement of incompatible activities adopted under this section. No officer or employee may be subject to discipline or penalties under this section unless he or she has been provided an opportunity to demonstrate that his or her activity is not in fact inconsistent, incompatible or in conflict with the duties of the officer or employee.

(b) **Statement Of Incompatible Activities.** Every department, board, commission, and agency of the City and County shall, by August 1 of the year after which this section becomes effective, submit to the Ethics Commission a statement of incompatible activities. No statement of incompatible activities shall become effective until approved by the Ethics Commission after a finding that the activities are incompatible under the criteria set forth in subsection (c). After initial approval by the Ethics Commission, a department, board, commission or agency of the City and County may, subject to the approval of the Ethics Commission, amend its statement of incompat-

ible activities. The Ethics Commission may, at any time, amend the statement of incompatible activities of any department, board, commission or agency of the City and County.

(c) **Required Language.** Each statement of incompatible activities shall list those outside activities that are inconsistent, incompatible, or in conflict with the duties of the officers and employees of the department, board, commission, or agency of the City and County. This list shall include, but need not be limited to, activities that involve: (1) the use of the time, facilities, equipment and supplies of the City and County; or the badge, uniform, prestige, or influence of the City and County officer or employee's position for private gain or advantage; (2) the receipt or acceptance by an officer or employee of the City and County of any money or other thing of value from anyone other than the City and County for the performance of an act that the officer or employee would be required or expected to render in the regular course of his or her service or employment with the City and County; (3) the performance of an act in a capacity other than as an officer or employee of the City and County that may later be subject directly or indirectly to the control, inspection, review, audit or enforcement of the City and County officer or employee's department, board, commission or agency; and (4) time demands that would render performance of the City and County officer or employee's duties less efficient. The Ethics Commission may permit City boards and commissions to exclude any required language from their statement of incompatible activities if their members, by law, must be appointed in whole or in part to represent any profession, trade, business, union or association.

(d) **Meet and Confer.** No statement of incompatible activities or any amendment thereto shall become operative until the City and County has satisfied the meet and confer requirements of State law.

(e) **Notice.** Every department, board, commission and agency of the City and County shall annually provide to its officers and employees a copy of its statement of incompatible activities.

(f) **Existing Civil Service Rules.** Rules and Regulations relating to outside activities previously adopted or approved by the Civil Service Commission shall remain in effect until statements of incompatible activities are adopted pursuant to this section.

### **C9.II.4. PROHIBITION ON DUAL OFFICE HOLDING**

Any person holding an office under the City and County with an annual salary in excess of \$2,500, whether by election or by appointment, who shall, during his or her term of office, hold or retain any other office with such a salary under the government of the United States, the

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State of California, or the City and County shall be deemed to have thereby vacated the office held by him or her under the City and County. For the purposes of this section, the term salary does not include: (1) a stipend, per diem, or other payment provided for attendance at meetings; or (2) health, dental or vision insurance, or other non-cash benefits.

### **C9.115. PROHIBITING MEMBERS OF BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS FROM CONTRACTING WITH THE CITY AND COUNTY**

(a) Definitions. For purposes of this section, the following definitions shall apply:

(1) Board or Commission. The term "board or commission" means an appointed board or commission created by Charter or ordinance of the City and County, but does not include advisory boards or commissions.

(2) Business. The term "business" means any corporation, partnership, sole proprietorship, firm, enterprise, franchise, association, organization, or other legal entity or undertaking organized for economic gain.

(3) City and County. The term "City and County" includes any commission, board, department, agency, committee, or other organizational unit of the City and County of San Francisco.

(4) Contract. The term "contract" means any agreement to which the City and County is a party, other than a grant funded in whole or in part by the City and County or an agreement for employment with the City and County in exchange for salary and benefits.

(5) Subcontract. The term "subcontract" means a contract to perform any work that a primary contractor has an agreement with the City and County to perform.

(b) Prohibition. No member of a board or commission of the City and County shall, during his or her term of office, contract or subcontract with the City and County, the San Francisco Redevelopment Agency, the San Francisco Housing Authority, the San Francisco Unified School District, or the San Francisco Community College District, where the amount of the contract or the subcontract exceeds \$10,000.

(c) Exceptions. This section shall not apply to the following contracts or subcontracts:

(1) A contract or subcontract with a non-profit organization;

(2) A contract or subcontract with a business with which a member of a board or commission is affiliated unless the member exercises management and control over the business. A member exercises management and control if he or she is:

(A) An officer or director of a corporation;

(B) A majority shareholder of a closely held corporation;

(C) A shareholder with more than five percent beneficial interest in a publicly traded corporation;

(D) A general partner or limited partner with

more than 20 percent beneficial interest in the partnership; or

(E) A general partner regardless of percentage of beneficial interest and who occupies a position of, or exercises management or control of the business;

(3) A contract or subcontract with the City and County entered into before a member of a board or commission commenced his or her service; or

(4) An agreement to provide property, goods or services to the City and County at substantially below fair market value.

(d) Limitation. Failure of a member of a board or commission to comply with this section shall not be grounds for invalidating any contract with the City and County.

### **C9.116. PROHIBITION ON REPRESENTING PRIVATE PARTIES BEFORE OTHER CITY OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES – COMPENSATED ADVOCACY.**

(a) Prohibition. No officer of the City and County shall directly or indirectly receive any form of compensation to communicate orally, in writing, or in any other manner on behalf of any other person with any other officer or employee of the City and County with the intent to influence a government decision.

(b) Exceptions. This section shall not apply to any communication by: (1) an officer of the City and County on behalf of the City and County; (2) an officer of the City and County on behalf of a business, union, or organization of which the officer is a member or full-time employee; (3) an associate, partner or employee of an officer of the City and County, unless it is clear from the totality of the circumstances that the associate, partner or employee is merely acting as an agent of the City and County officer; or (4) a City officer acting in his or her capacity as a licensed attorney representing clients in communications with the City Attorney's Office, outside legal counsel hired by the City, or representatives of the City who are named in a pending litigation matter.

(c) Waiver. The Ethics Commission may waive the prohibitions in this section for any member of a City board or commission who, by law, must be appointed to represent any profession, trade, business, union or association.

### **C9.117. REFERRALS**

No officer or employee of the City and County shall: (a) receive any money, gift or other thing of economic value from a person or entity other than the City and County for referring a member of the public to a person or entity for any advice, service or product related to the processes of the City and County; or (b) condition any governmental action on a member of the public hiring, employing, or contracting with any specific person or entity. The Ethics Commission may waive the restriction in subsection (b) if the Commission determines that granting a waiver is necessary for the proper administration of a governmental

program or action.

### **C9.118. DISCLOSURE OR USE OF CONFIDENTIAL CITY INFORMATION**

No current or former officer or employee of the City and County shall: (a) willfully or knowingly disclose any confidential or privileged information, unless authorized or required by law to do so; or (b) use any confidential or privileged information to advance the financial or other private interest of himself or herself or others. Confidential or privileged information is information that at the time of use or disclosure was not subject to disclosure under the Sunshine Ordinance or California Public Records Act.

### **C9.119. PROHIBITION ON POLITICAL ACTIVITY**

(a) Solicitation of Contributions. No City officer or employee shall knowingly, directly or indirectly, solicit political contributions from other City officers or employees or from persons on employment lists of the City. Nothing in this section shall prohibit a City officer or employee from communicating through the mail or by other means requests for political contributions to a significant segment of the public which may include City officers or employees.

(b) Political Activities in Uniform. No City officer or employee shall participate in political activities of any kind while in uniform.

(c) Political Activities on City Time or Premises. No City officer or employee may engage in political activity during working hours or on City premises. For the purposes of this subsection, the term "City premises" shall not include City owned property that is made available to the public and can be used for political purposes.

### **C9.120. PROHIBITION ON USE OF PUBLIC FUNDS FOR PRINTED GREETING CARDS.**

(a) Definitions. The term "greeting card" means any printed card that celebrates or recognizes a holiday.

(b) Prohibition. No public funds may be used to design, produce, create, mail, send, or deliver any printed greeting card. The Controller of the City and County of San Francisco shall, in the Controller's sole discretion, determine whether a payment is prohibited under this section.

The Controller's decision regarding whether a payment is prohibited under this section is final.

### **C9.121. POST-EMPLOYMENT RESTRICTIONS**

(a) All Officers and Employees.

(1) General Post-Employment Restrictions.

(A) Permanent restriction on representation in particular matters. No former officer or employee of the City and County, after the ter-

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## LEGAL TEXT OF PROPOSITION E (CONTINUED)

mination of his or her service or employment with the City, shall, with the intent to influence, act as agent or attorney, or otherwise represent any other person (except the City and County) before any court, or before any state, federal, or local agency, or any officer or employee thereof, by making any formal or informal appearance or by making any oral, written, or other communication in connection with a particular matter:

(i) in which the City and County is a party or has a direct and substantial interest;

(ii) in which the former officer or employee participated personally and substantially as a City officer or employee;

(iii) which involved a specific party or parties at the time of such participation; and

(iv) which is the same matter in which the officer or employee participated as a City officer or employee.

(B) Permanent restriction on assisting others in particular matters. No former officer or employee of the City and County, after the termination of his or her service or employment with the City, shall aid, advise, counsel, consult or assist another person (except the City and County) in any proceeding in which the officer or employee would be precluded under subsection (A) from personally appearing.

(C) Exception for testimony. The prohibitions in subsections A and B do not prohibit a former officer or employee of the City and County from testifying as a witness, based on the former officer's or employee's personal knowledge, provided that no compensation is received other than the fees regularly provided for by law or regulation of witnesses.

(D) One year restriction on communicating with former department. No former officer or employee of the City and County, for one year after termination of his or her service or employment with the City, shall, with the intent to influence a government decision, communicate orally, in writing, or in any other manner on behalf of any other person (except the City and County) with any officer or employee of the department, board, commission, office or other unit of government, for which the officer or employee served.

(E) Waiver. (i) At the request of a former City officer or employee, the Ethics Commission may waive any of the restrictions in subsections (a)(1)(A), (a)(1)(B) and (a)(1)(D) if the Commission determines that granting a waiver would not create the potential for undue influence or unfair advantage. The Ethics Commission shall adopt regulations implementing this provision. (ii) The Ethics Commission may waive any of the restrictions in subsections (a)(1)(A), (a)(1)(B) and (a)(1)(D) for members of City boards and commissions who, by law, must be appointed to represent any profession, trade, business, union or association.

(2) Future Employment.

(A) Future Employment With Parties That Contract With The City. No officer or employ-

ee of the City shall, for a period of one year after termination of City service or employment, be employed by or otherwise receive compensation from a person or entity that entered into a contract with the City within the 12 months prior to the officer or employee leaving City service where the officer or employee personally and substantially participated in the award of the contract.

(B) Waiver. At the request of a former City officer or employee, the Ethics Commission may waive the prohibition in subsection (a)(2)(A) if the Commission determines that imposing the restriction would cause extreme hardship for the former City officer or employee. The Ethics Commission shall adopt regulations implementing this provision.

(b) Mayor and Members of the Board of Supervisors.

(1) One year restriction on communicating with City departments. For purposes of the one-year restriction under subsection (a)(1)(D), the "department" for which a former Mayor or member of the Board of Supervisors served shall be the City and County and the prohibition in subsection (a)(1)(D) shall extend to communications with:

(A) a board, department, commission or agency of the City and County;

(B) an officer or employee of the City and County;

(C) an appointee of a board, department, commission, agency, officer, or employee of the City and County; or

(D) a representative of the City and County.

(2) City service. No former Mayor or member of the Board of Supervisors shall be eligible for a period of one year after the last day of service as Mayor or member of the Board of Supervisors, for appointment to any full time, compensated employment with the City and County. This restriction shall not apply to a former Mayor or Supervisor elected to an office of the City and County, appointed to fill a vacancy in an elective office of the City and County, or appointed to a board or commission in the executive branch.

### **C9.122. AIDING AND ABETTING**

No person shall knowingly and intentionally provide assistance to or otherwise aid or abet any other person in violating any of the provisions of this Chapter.

### **C9.123. FILING OF FALSE CHARGES**

No person shall knowingly and intentionally file with the Ethics Commission, the District Attorney or the City Attorney any false charge alleging a violation of this Chapter.

### **C9.124. PROVISION OF FALSE OR MISLEADING INFORMATION; WITHHOLDING OF INFORMATION; AND DUTY TO COOPERATE AND ASSIST.**

(a) Prohibition. No person shall knowingly and intentionally furnish false or fraudulent evidence, documents, or information to the

Ethics Commission, District Attorney or City Attorney, or knowingly and intentionally misrepresent any material fact, or conceal any evidence, documents, or information relevant to an investigation by the Ethics Commission, District Attorney or City Attorney of an alleged violation of this Chapter.

(b) Duty to Cooperate and Assist. The Ethics Commission, District Attorney or City Attorney may request and shall receive from every City officer and employee cooperation and assistance with an investigation into an alleged violation of this Chapter.

### **C9.125. PENALTIES AND ENFORCEMENT**

(a) Criminal Penalties. Any person who knowingly or willfully violates any of the City's conflict of interest and governmental ethics laws shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be punished by a fine of not more than \$10,000 for each violation or by imprisonment in the County jail for a period of not more than one year in jail or by both such fine and imprisonment.

(b) Civil Penalties. Any person who intentionally or negligently violates any City conflict of interest or governmental ethics law shall be liable in a civil action brought by the City Attorney for an amount up to \$5,000 for each violation.

(c) Injunctive Relief. The City Attorney or any resident may bring a civil action on behalf of the people of San Francisco to enjoin violations of or compel compliance with a conflict of interest or governmental ethics law. No resident may commence a civil action under this section without first notifying the City Attorney in writing of the intent to file a civil action under this section. If the City Attorney fails to notify the resident within 120 days of receipt of the notice that the City Attorney has filed or will file a civil action, the complainant may file the action. No resident may file an action under this section if the City Attorney responds within 120 days that the City Attorney intends to file an action or has already filed a civil action. No resident may bring an action under this section if the Ethics Commission has issued a finding of probable cause arising out of the same facts, the District Attorney has commenced a criminal action arising out of the same facts, or another resident has filed a civil action under this section arising out of the same facts. A court may award reasonable attorney's fees and costs to any resident who obtains injunctive relief under this section.

(d) Administrative Penalties. Any person who violates any of the City's conflict of interest or governmental ethics laws shall be liable in an administrative proceeding before the Ethics Commission held pursuant to the Charter. In addition to the administrative penalties set forth in the Charter, the Ethics

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Commission may issue warning letters to City officers and employees.

(e) **Statute Of Limitations.** No person may bring a criminal, civil or administrative action under this section against any other person more than four years after the date of the alleged violation.

### **C9.126. SEVERABILITY**

If any provision of this Chapter, or the application thereof to any person or circumstance, is held invalid, the validity of the remainder of the Chapter and the applicability of such provisions to other persons and circumstances shall not be affected thereby.

### **C9.127. ETHICS COMMISSION.**

The powers and duties of the Ethics Commission are governed by Charter Sections 15.100, et seq., and Appendix C, Sections C3.699-10—C3.699-16.



# **DO YOU KNOW WHERE TO GO TO VOTE?**

**YOUR POLLING PLACE MAY HAVE CHANGED.**

**Please vote at your assigned polling place  
or vote by mail**

**Your polling place is listed on the  
back cover of this pamphlet**

**or you can check online at:  
*[www.sfgov.org/election](http://www.sfgov.org/election)***

**or call 415-554-4375.**

**San Francisco Department of Elections**





# Targeted Early Retirement



## PROPOSITION F

Shall the City allow some of its employees to retire early if they are in job classifications where individual positions are being eliminated because of the City's budget shortfall?



## Digest

by the Ballot Simplification Committee

**THE WAY IT IS NOW:** Currently, City employees may retire at age 50 if they have worked for 20 years, or at age 60 if they have worked for 10 years. Generally, an employee's retirement benefits increase with the number of years worked, the employee's age and salary. A budget shortfall has caused the City to lay off employees.

**THE PROPOSAL:** Proposition F is a Charter amendment that would authorize early retirement of City employees if the employees are in job classifications where individual positions are being eliminated because of the City's budget shortfall. Employees who receive this benefit would be treated as if they had worked three years longer and were three years older. This would allow some employees to retire who are not now eligible. Also, it would increase the retirement pay of employees who are already eligible to retire.

The City would offer early retirement to permanent civil service employees based on seniority, and only if early retirement by that employee would prevent another worker from losing his or her employment with the City.

For those who are not permanent civil service employees, the City would offer early retirement only if the worker is being laid off from City employment.

The number of employees who receive early retirement could not exceed the number of jobs eliminated because of the budget shortfall. This early retirement benefit would be available until June 30, 2005. The Board of Supervisors could extend this benefit until June 30, 2007.

Proposition F would authorize the School District and Community College District to offer these early retirement benefits as well.

**A "YES" VOTE MEANS:** If you vote "Yes," you want to authorize early retirement of City employees in job classifications where individual positions are being eliminated because of the City's budget shortfall.

**A "NO" VOTE MEANS:** If you vote "No," you do not want to authorize these early retirement benefits for City employees.

## Controller's Statement on "F"

City Controller Edward Harrington has issued the following statement on the fiscal impact of Proposition F:

Should the proposed charter amendment be approved by the voters, in my opinion, savings or costs to the City would depend on how the proposal is implemented.

The proposal allows for early retirements instead of layoffs as a method to reduce the City workforce only in the event that positions are cut to balance the City budget. At current rates, the City would save, on average, approximately \$85,000 in salary and benefits annually for each position removed from the budget. As determined by the Retirement System actuary, the cost to the City of early retirements would vary depending on the age, years of service, and salaries of employees who become eligible under the proposal, with the most common cost approximately two times the amount of the individual's annual salary and benefits. Under these conditions, the City would save money when it cuts positions and

does not replace them for approximately two years. Positions that were replaced before two years have passed would not generate a net savings.

## How "F" Got on the Ballot

On July 15, 2003 the Board of Supervisors voted 11 to 0 to place Proposition F on the ballot.

The Supervisors voted as follows:  
**Yes:** Supervisors Ammiano, Daly, Dufty, Gonzalez, Hall, Ma, Maxwell, McGoldrick, Newsom, Peskin, and Sandoval.

THIS MEASURE REQUIRES 50%+1 AFFIRMATIVE VOTES TO PASS.

ARGUMENTS FOR AND AGAINST THIS MEASURE IMMEDIATELY FOLLOW THIS PAGE. THE FULL TEXT BEGINS ON PAGE 104.

SOME OF THE WORDS USED IN THE BALLOT DIGEST ARE EXPLAINED ON PAGE 28.



# F

# Targeted Early Retirement

## PROPONENT'S ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF PROPOSITION F

*The Board of Supervisors authorized the submission of the following argument. As of the date of the publication of this Voter Information Pamphlet, the following Supervisors endorse the measure: Supervisors Ammiano, Daly, Dufty, Hall, Ma, Maxwell, McGoldrick, Newsom, and Sandoval; take no position on the measure: Supervisors Gonzalez and Peskin.*

### Vote Yes on Proposition F.

**Proposition F helps the City save money by providing an incentive for employees to retire early. It is targeted to reduce harm to employees who will be laid off and only provides a benefit when a position is cut from the City's budget. On average, the City saves approximately \$85,000 in salary and benefits for each position removed from the budget.**

Proposition F helps the City balance its budget by encouraging employees to retire and reducing the number of City employees. It will remain in effect until June 30, 2005, but can be extended for two additional years by a three-fourths vote of the Board of Supervisors.

Under Proposition F, an employee who chooses early retirement cannot be replaced with a new employee. The City's Controller will ensure that the number of employees retiring early does not exceed the number of employees who are laid off.

Proposition F provides City employees with an additional three years of age and three years of service credit when calculating retirement benefits. Proposition F applies to the Miscellaneous category of City employees which does not include Police and Fire personnel. Proposition F also allows San Francisco Unified School District and San Francisco Community College to offer early retirement.

Proposition F was authored by the Mayor's Office and was placed on the ballot by a unanimous vote of the Board of Supervisors.

*Supervisor Gerardo Sandoval*

## REBUTTAL TO PROPONENT'S ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF PROPOSITION F

### PROPOSITION F WILL DRIVE OUT SOME OF THE CITY'S BEST EXECUTIVES:

Proposition F is a demonic formula for bad City government: Get rid of the most experienced municipal workers and replace them with their less qualified assistants.

Proposition F is a thinly veiled sweetheart labor union employment scam. It would methodically slice away the more seasoned veteran civil service employees.

Replacing more knowledgeable employees with those from the bottom of the employment pecking order will produce City Hall clerks that will give you the wrong information and hand you the wrong forms. They can also be counted upon to have poor files and lose your papers

### PROPOSITION F STANDS FOR "FIX":

"Survival of the least fit" seems to be the goal of Proposition F. It represents labor union thinking at it worst.

When an inexperienced City engineer, in a role beyond his training, hits the wrong button, think of Proposition F. As those sewer pipes empty into the fresh water mains, those taking showers can all sing: "Solidarity Forever—The Union Makes Us Strong!"

*Terence Faulkner, J.D.*  
Former City Commissioner

*Thomas C. Agee*

*Max Woods*  
County Central Committeeman

*Gail E. Neira*  
County Central Committeewoman



# Targeted Early Retirement

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## OPPONENT'S ARGUMENT AGAINST PROPOSITION F

### **A HALT ON CIVIL SERVICE HIRING FOR TWO OR THREE YEARS SHOULD BE ENACTED BEFORE A REVISED PROPOSITION F SHOULD EVEN BE CONSIDERED:**

Proposed Proposition F, a so-called "Targeted Early Retirement" program, is just another free-spending proposal at the end of a failed administration.

Under the outgoing administration, the budget of the City and County of San Francisco has almost doubled since it took office in 1996.

What is really needed is a ban on further hiring by the Civil Service Commission for at least the next two or three years. The number of City employees would, over such a hiring ban period, gradually decline to a more reasonable ratio of residents to City workers.

At the same time, sharp limits need to be made across the board on the number of non-Civil Service jobs that have been created under the outgoing administration.

Let the current Mayor take his politically-appointed hacks out the door of City Hall with him.

San Francisco needs to clean up its financial and employment acts.

Those to be included in the proposed Proposition F, might better be transferred to fill the overpaid posts of the current Mayor's exiting political hacks.

Vote "**NO**" on Proposition F.

*Golden Gate Taxpayers Association*

*Dr. Terence Faulkner, J.D.*

Chairman, Golden Gate Taxpayers Association

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## REBUTTAL TO OPPONENT'S ARGUMENT AGAINST PROPOSITION F

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By allowing city employees whose positions have been cut from the city budget to retire early, the city will be able to reduce the negative effects of laying off employees while at the same time reducing the number of positions from the city administration. As we streamline our services, the city will save approximately \$85,000 in salary and benefits for each position removed from the budget.

*Supervisor Gerardo Sandoval*



# F

# Targeted Early Retirement

## PAID ARGUMENTS IN FAVOR OF PROPOSITION F

**SAN FRANCISCO DEMOCRATIC PARTY** urges **YES on F** -- Early retirement from city jobs eliminated by budget cuts.

*Jane Morrison, Chair, San Francisco Democratic Party*

The true source of funds used for the printing fee of this argument is the San Francisco Democratic Party.

The three largest contributors to the true source recipient committee are: 1. SEIU 250 PAC 2. Tom Lantos 3. Carole Migden.

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Prop F saves the City and County money and is an employee-friendly way to reduce its workforce. Vote Yes on F.

*Harvey Milk Democratic Club*

The true source of funds used for the printing fee of this argument is SEIU Local 790.

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Reducing the city's labor expenses without hurting the city's employees is a win-win policy strategy. Reduce the city's debt. Vote Yes on F.

*Supervisor Aaron Peskin, Supervisor Jake McGoldrick, Supervisor Sopenia Maxwell, and Supervisor Tom Ammiano*

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Prop F will help reduce our city's debt while enabling San Francisco to protect its employees by encouraging longtime employees to retire, thus saving the city \$85,000 per year per employee.

*San Francisco Labor Council*

The true source of funds used for the printing fee of this argument is SEIU Local 790.

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Cities and Counties are stuck with hard fiscal decisions, and new policies are necessary. San Francisco's Proposition F enables the city to reduce its workforce in an employee-friendly way and save money. It's good fiscal policy in these tough times. Vote Yes on F.

*State Board of Equalization Member Carole Migden*

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This year, city employees agreed to take a 7.5 percent pay cut so that as few people would be laid off as possible. Prop F is another way to help the city reduce the number of employees without laying people off, by providing incentives to retirement. Vote Yes on F.

*Assemblymember Mark Leno*

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# Targeted Early Retirement



## PAID ARGUMENTS AGAINST PROPOSITION F

City Hall employees already make 50% more than average San Franciscans. Taxpayers are not to blame for City Hall's economic problems and layoffs. Why then should we pay people who lose City Hall jobs more than is written in our agreement with them? Many San Franciscans have lost their jobs and everyone is concerned about unemployment. With all due respect, unemployed City Hall workers don't deserve better treatment than average citizens and taxpayers?

Vote NO on F.

*Michael F. Denny, Candidate for Mayor*

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### Golden Parachute for Elite City Workers?

The City and County of San Francisco employs approximately 28,000 workers. Four thousand have been added in just the last seven years, adding \$296,000,000 annually to the city's cost of doing business. Faced with a \$347,000,000 budget shortfall this year and anticipated budget shortfalls in future years, the city now finds itself with too many workers. The question is, how should the number of city workers be reduced?

Several reasonable possibilities exist—layoffs of inexperienced workers, across-the-board cut backs, or selective cuts designed to maintain essential city services while phasing out lower priority and redundant jobs.

Proposition F offers another possibility—the worst of all the alternatives. Under Proposition F, city workers with the most knowledge and experience would be induced to take early retirement. How would the city sweeten the deal to make that happen? By granting an additional three years of age and additional three years of service credit in computing the amount of these workers' monthly retirement checks. We all should enjoy such a “golden parachute”!

City Hall cannot afford to lose the institutional memory of its long-time employees. Where should the city look to cut its bureaucracy? It should begin by examining the 4,000 unnecessary and inexperienced workers it has hired during the last seven years.

VOTE NO ON F

*San Francisco Association of REALTORS®*

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# LEGAL TEXT OF PROPOSITION F

Describing and setting forth a proposal to the qualified voters of the City and County of San Francisco to amend the Charter of the City and County of San Francisco by adding Sections A8.401 and A8.522 to provide early retirement benefits to eligible employees.

The Board of Supervisors hereby submits to the qualified voters of the City and County, at an election to be held on November 4, 2003, a proposal to amend the Charter of the City and County by adding Sections A8.401 and A8.522 to the Appendix thereto to read as follows:

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Section 1. The San Francisco Charter is hereby amended by adding Section A8.401 to read as follows:

## **A8.401 EARLY RETIREMENT BENEFITS TARGETED TO MITIGATE LAYOFFS**

### **A8.401-1 PURPOSE**

The current fiscal crisis requires the City and County to lay off employees to balance its budget. The need for such layoffs is expected to continue through fiscal years 2003-2004 and 2004-2005. The purpose of this early retirement measure is to: (1) encourage employees in classifications identified for layoff, due to cuts in City and County services or functions, to take early retirement, (2) minimize the effects of layoffs on employees already laid off from these classifications by increasing the possibility of return from holdover lists, (3) achieve good labor relations by extending the benefits to eligible employees who were laid off after March 1, 2003, but before the date this measure was enacted, (4) limit early retirement benefits to employees in classifications identified for layoffs, (5) provide for certification by the Controller that the number of employees selected for early retirement benefits in each classification shall not exceed the number of employees separated due to layoff, and (6) provide for participation by the School District and the Community College District.

### **A8.401-2 EARLY RETIREMENT BENEFITS**

The following criteria govern those employees eligible to receive the early retirement benefit set forth in Section A8.522 of the Charter.

### **A8.401-3 AUTHORITY**

During fiscal years 2003-2004 and 2004-2005, the Mayor shall identify, subject to confirmation by the Controller and the Director of the Department of Human Resources ("Director"):

- (A) City and County services or functions that have been terminated or reduced during the fiscal year because of budget constraints, and
- (B) The classifications of positions that

have been eliminated in the budget for the fiscal year because of the termination or reduction of City and County services or functions ("Identified Classifications").

### **A8.401-4 SCHEDULE**

The determinations made by the Mayor, Controller and the Director under Section A8.401-3, above, shall be made after the Board of Supervisors has enacted the budget for the fiscal year or adopted a supplemental change to the budget.

### **A8.401-5 ELIGIBILITY**

The Director shall develop procedures according to the following criteria and limitations to identify those employees eligible to receive early retirement benefits due to layoffs in Identified Classifications.

(A) The Director shall identify employees eligible for early retirement benefits in the following order:

#### 1. Permanent civil service employees

a. In order of seniority, employees currently employed in an Identified Classification and employees laid off between March 1, 2003 and June 30, 2005 from an Identified Classification.

b. In order of seniority, employees currently employed in classifications that have been near-listed to an Identified Classification.

The Director shall determine seniority at the time of notification using the Civil Service Commission rules on layoff. A current employee who has not received notice that he or she will be separated from employment due to layoff shall be eligible for early retirement benefits only if his or her retirement would result in the retention or return to employment of an employee who has received notice of separation or been separated from employment due to layoff.

2. Exempt and provisional employees. Exempt and provisional employees, employed under Charter Sections 10.104 or 10.105, shall be eligible for early retirement benefits only if they have been involuntarily separated from employment due to layoff between March 1, 2003 and June 30, 2005 from an Identified Classification.

(B) The number of employees who receive early retirement benefits in each Identified Classification shall not exceed the number of employees notified for separation or separated from employment due to layoffs in the Identified Classification. The Controller shall certify the names of the employees identified, and that the number of employees identified for early retirement benefits in each Identified Classification does not exceed the number of employees separated from employment due to layoffs in the Identified Classification.

### **A8.401-6 NOTIFICATION PROCEDURE**

The Director shall notify in writing those employees eligible for early retirement benefits, with a copy to the retirement system, and shall set a deadline for the employees to retire, not to exceed 30 days after notification.

### **A8.401-7 EXTENSION**

This program may be extended by a three-fourths vote of the Board of Supervisors. The Board may authorize an extension limited to fiscal years 2005-2006 and 2006-2007.

### **A8.401-8 COSTS**

The City and County, not the Retirement System, shall bear the costs of identifying and giving notice, as described in this section, to employees eligible for the early retirement benefit.

## **A8.401-9 SCHOOL AND COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICTS**

For the purpose of offering early retirement benefits to their eligible employees, the San Francisco Unified School District and the San Francisco Community College District, through their authorized officials, shall exercise the authority granted in Section A8.401-3 to identify classifications of positions, held by employees enrolled in the San Francisco Retirement System, that meet the criteria in Section A8.401-3. Any offer of early retirement benefits to School District or Community College District employees shall be governed by the criteria, limitations and procedures set forth in Sections A8.401-3 through A8.401-8 above. The determinations made in Section A8.401-3 by the School District or the Community College District shall be made after the governing bodies of the School District or Community College District, as appropriate, have adopted the budget for the fiscal year or adopted a supplemental change to the budget.

### **A8.401-10 NON-VESTED BENEFIT**

This Section and Section A8.522 do not create vested rights in any employee who has not yet retired under this Section. The voters expressly reserve the right to alter or repeal for any reason the early retirement benefits provided in this Section and Section A8.522.

### **A8.401-11 DISCRETIONARY AUTHORITY**

The determinations made under this Section are within the sole discretion of the City and County, School District and Community College District. In adopting this charter amendment the voters intend to grant broad discretion to City and County officials, including the Director and the Controller, as well as appropriate School District and Community College District officials. The voters intend that courts grant deference to these officials' interpretations and applications of the provi-

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## LEGAL TEXT OF PROPOSITION F (CONTINUED)

*sions of this charter amendment. The voters intend that courts defer to the decisions of these officials unless they are devoid of any conceivable basis in reason. The voters do not intend to impose any duties on the City and County, or its officials, including the Director and Controller, or on the School District, Community College District, or their officials, for breach of which any aggrieved party may recover damages, attorneys fees or costs.*

Section 2. The San Francisco Charter is hereby amended by adding Section A8.522 to read as follows:

### **A8.522 EARLY RETIREMENT BENEFITS**

#### **A8.522-1 EARLY RETIREMENT BENEFITS**

*Under this section, certain employees may become eligible to receive early retirement benefits. These early retirement benefits shall only apply to members who are certified under section A8.401 and who retire with an effective date of retirement within the time limit established by the notice in Section A8.401-6. As used in this section, the term "early retirement benefits" means increasing an eligible employee's age and credited service for both qualification and benefit computation purposes by three (3) years but shall not apply to the disability or vesting benefit provisions or computations under Charter Sections A8.509(c), A8.509(f), A8.587-3 and A8.587-6. Early retirement benefits are available to members under Charter Sections A8.509 and A8.587, subject to any limitations in those sections, and also subject to the limits in Section A8.401 and herein but, are not available to members covered by Charter sections A8.559, A8.585, A8.586, A8.588, A8.595, A8.596, A8.597 or A8.598 or other Charter sections.*

#### **A8.522-2 RECALCULATION/EFFECTIVE DATE OF RETIREMENT**

*Any employee who separated from employment due to layoff between March 1, 2003 and June 30, 2005, and is later determined to be eligible for early retirement benefits, may have his or her retirement allowance recalculated as of his or her date of retirement. Any employee who separated from employment due to layoff between March 1, 2003 and June 30, 2005, but did not retire, and who is later determined to be eligible for early retirement benefits, may retire after notice in Section A8.401-6 but no earlier than the first day of the month in which he or she applies for retirement. Any such employee who withdrew his or her accumulated contributions shall redeposit in the retirement fund the amount, plus interest, refunded to him or her.*

#### **A8.522-3 RETURN TO SERVICE**

*Any employee who retires under any early retirement program and later reenters City and County service as a member of the retirement system shall forfeit any service or age credit received under the early retirement program.*

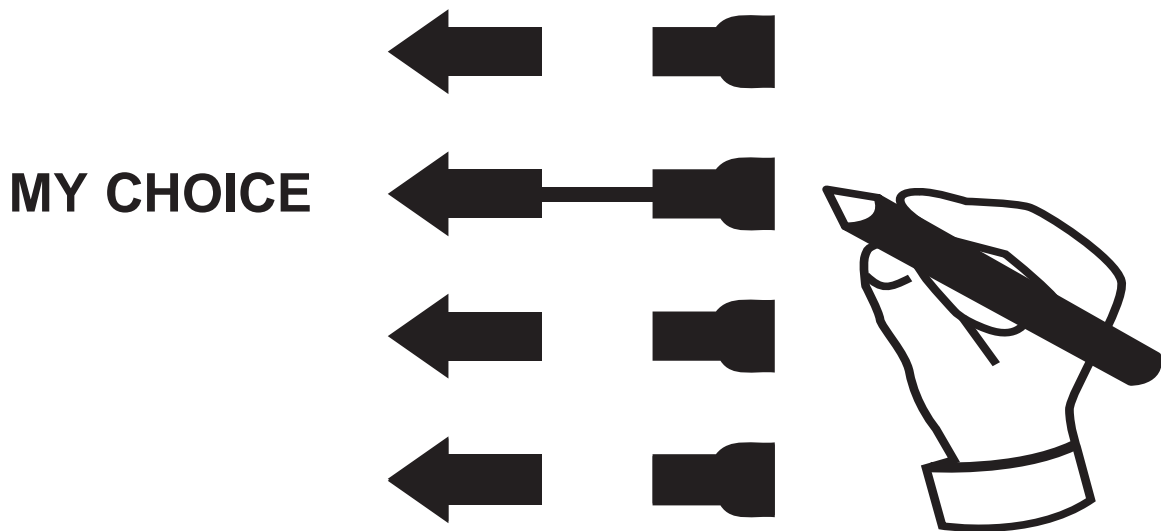
#### **A8.522-5 COMPLIANCE WITH TAX LAWS**

*The early retirement benefits under this section will be limited by Section 415 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended from time to time, and no early retirement benefits under this section will be effective if they have an adverse effect on the tax qualified status of the retirement system under Section 401 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended from time to time.*



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# Rainy Day Fund

## PROPOSITION G

Shall the City create a "rainy day" fund for money collected when there is an unusually large surplus, and for use in years when there is a revenue shortfall?

YES  
NO



## Digest

by the Ballot Simplification Committee

**THE WAY IT IS NOW:** The Charter requires the City to maintain a Cash Reserve fund equal to ten percent (10%) of the City's property tax base. Property taxes make up about one quarter of all general fund revenues. Funds can be borrowed from the Cash Reserve within a fiscal year, but must be repaid by the end of the fiscal year.

**THE PROPOSAL:** Proposition G is a Charter amendment that would replace the Cash Reserve fund with a new Rainy Day Reserve (Economic Stabilization fund). In any year when the City collects over five percent more money than it collected in the previous year, the City would reserve half of this money for the Rainy Day Reserve fund, one quarter for capital and other one-time spending, and one quarter for unrestricted use.

The City could use the Reserve only when it collects less money than in the previous year. The City could spend up to half the money in the Reserve to make up for this shortfall in revenue.

In addition, the City could use up to one quarter of the Reserve to help the San Francisco Unified School District when the District collects less money per student than in the previous year and plans significant layoffs.

**A "YES" VOTE MEANS:** If you vote "Yes," you want to create a Rainy Day Reserve (Economic Stabilization fund).

**A "NO" VOTE MEANS:** If you vote "No," you do not want to create a Rainy Day Reserve.

## Controller's Statement on "G"

City Controller Edward Harrington has issued the following statement on the fiscal impact of Proposition G:

Should the proposed charter amendment be approved by the voters, in my opinion, it would not change the cost of government over time. The amendment would require that the City set aside funds into a reserve account in years in which revenue growth exceeds five percent compared to the year before. The City would be able to spend those reserved funds in years in which revenues decline or grow by less than two percent. The amendment includes other specifications such as a cap on the total amount of money that must be set aside, and limits as to how reserved funds may be spent. Overall these changes would cause the City to budget less in some years, and to fund the budget with reserved funds in other years, but the total amount of City revenue or expenditure would not change.

## How "G" Got on the Ballot

On July 8, 2003 the Board of Supervisors voted 10 to 0 to place Proposition G on the ballot.

The Supervisors voted as follows:

**Yes:** Supervisors Ammiano, Daly, Dufty, Gonzalez, Hall, Ma, Maxwell, McGoldrick, Peskin, and Sandoval.

**Excused:** Supervisor Newsom.

THIS MEASURE REQUIRES 50%+1 AFFIRMATIVE VOTES TO PASS.

ARGUMENTS FOR AND AGAINST THIS MEASURE IMMEDIATELY FOLLOW THIS PAGE. THE FULL TEXT BEGINS ON PAGE 111.

SOME OF THE WORDS USED IN THE BALLOT DIGEST ARE EXPLAINED ON PAGE 28.





# Rainy Day Fund

## PROPONENT’S ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF PROPOSITION G

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Proposition G will make San Francisco City government a statewide leader in sound fiscal management by establishing a Rainy Day Reserve.

The idea behind Proposition G is simple: **the City should save money during economic boom times in order to build a cushion for economic downturns.**

I authored Proposition G with the help of Controller Ed Harrington and the Mayor’s Budget Office, using models of Rainy Day funds adopted by states around the country. It was placed on the ballot by a unanimous vote of the Supervisors. Here’s how Proposition G will work:

- 1) Proposition G **will eliminate double-digit increases in annual City spending** by requiring that 50% of extraordinary revenue growth (growth greater than 5% compared to prior year) be deposited in the Rainy Day Reserve.
- 2) Proposition G **will provide a cushion to City services dur-**

**ing economic downturns** by allowing withdrawals when revenues decline and subsequent withdrawals when revenue growth is weak.

- 3) Proposition G **will provide a financial safety net for public schools.** In the current crisis, City officials had trouble identifying funds to help the cash-strapped San Francisco Unified School District because the City faced its own \$347 million budget crisis.

- 4) Proposition G will keep costs of City borrowing low by maintaining strong City bond ratings.

Analysis by the Controller of how the Reserve would have operated over the last 20 years demonstrates that a \$105 million reserve would have been built to help weather our early 1990s downturn and a \$166 million reserve would have been built to help weather our current downturn.

Proposition G will end the boom-bust cycle of unsustainable growth in City spending followed by dramatic cuts in City services. **Please join San Franciscans of all political persuasions in voting YES on G for good government.**

*Supervisor Tom Ammiano*

## REBUTTAL TO PROPONENT’S ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF PROPOSITION G

G is not sound fiscal management or good government. It’s the exact opposite. In fact, it allows City Hall to overtax San Franciscans and keep the money.

G says it “will eliminate double-digit spending increases”. Big deal! The 5% spending increase allowed by G represents nearly \$250 million dollars per year. And if politicians tax more than 5% over budget, the rest goes into their “Rainy Day Fund”. Thanks Supervisors.

The Supervisors say the “Rainy Day Fund” is reasonable as other states have them. Who cares? State fiscal irresponsibility is rampant. But in Colorado, all excess funds go back to taxpayers. Now taxpayers have a stake in their budget and reduced spending. And taxes and spending can only increase proportionally with population and inflation. San Francisco incomes and populations are declining but City Hall wants to spend 5% more and keep the rest. Thanks Supervisors.

G says it provides “a cushion to City services” during downturns. But where’s the taxpayers’ cushion? Nowhere!

Supporters say it will reduce borrowing costs. Yet our bond rating is in jeopardy because City Hall can’t manage. Now they need G for fiscal responsibility? Do I hear laughter?

G will increase taxes and spending while City Hall tries to make it look otherwise. Tell them you will not be fooled by fake reform. Demand real accountability and good government. Send G back to City Hall. Vote for San Francisco taxpayers. We want less spending and surplus money back. Vote NO on G.

*Michael F. Denny*  
Mayoral Candidate

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## OPPONENT'S ARGUMENT AGAINST PROPOSITION G

This Charter Amendment is called the "Rainy Day Fund" as it recommends that City Hall should save money during surplus times rather than spend. While it's unlikely San Francisco will see surplus funds soon, putting politicians in charge of a "Rainy Day Fund" is like foxes guarding the henhouse. Surplus should not be put into a "Rainy Day Fund". They should be returned immediately to taxpayers as they do in Colorado and other places that truly value fiscal responsibility. Vote NO on G.

*Michael F. Denny*  
Candidate for Mayor

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## REBUTTAL TO OPPONENT'S ARGUMENT AGAINST PROPOSITION G

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According to the Controller, in eleven of the last twenty years, the City saw annual revenue growth of more than 5%. Budgets grew as revenue increased.

Proposition G will restrain City spending in periods of strong revenue growth by requiring that half of all general revenue growth above 5% be saved for fiscal crises. An additional 25% of this extraordinary growth would have to be expended for one-time purposes such as capital projects. This fiscal discipline will restrain unsustainable local government spending.

During the past twenty years, the City has seen three serious economic recessions. The City provides invaluable services such as parks, police and fire, public health programs, and services for

children and families that are threatened during recessions – when the need is often greatest. **The Rainy Day Reserve will protect against drastic cuts to these services.**

The opponent is wrong: elected officials won't be guarding the "hen house." The City Controller will be responsible for managing the Rainy Day Reserve.

**As of 1998, 45 of 50 states had adopted Rainy Day funds** (unfortunately, California does not have such a fund). **This is a proven practice.**

**Please join San Franciscans of all political persuasions in voting Yes on G!**

*San Francisco Democratic Party  
San Francisco Chamber of Commerce  
Harvey Milk Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, Transgender Democratic Club  
San Francisco Planning and Urban Research (SPUR)  
San Francisco Labor Council  
San Francisco League of Conservation Voters*





# Rainy Day Fund

## PAID ARGUMENTS IN FAVOR OF PROPOSITION G

**SAN FRANCISCO DEMOCRATIC PARTY** urges **YES** on **G** – Saves Rainy Day Fund for City’s tough budget years.

*Jane Morrison, Chair, San Francisco Democratic Party*

The true source of funds used for the printing fee of this argument is the San Francisco Democratic Party.

The three largest contributors to the true source recipient committee are: 1. Carole Migden 2. Nancy Pelosi 3. John Burton.

Proposition G will ensure that in times of plenty, attention will be paid to long-term needs. And that, in bad times, the needy won’t bear the brunt of a tight economy.

Yes on G!

*San Francisco Tomorrow*

*San Francisco League of Conservation Voters*

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## PAID ARGUMENTS AGAINST PROPOSITION G

**NO PAID ARGUMENTS AGAINST PROPOSITION G WERE SUBMITTED**

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# LEGAL TEXT OF PROPOSITION G

Describing and setting forth a proposal to the qualified voters of the City and County of San Francisco to amend the Charter of the City and County of San Francisco by adding Section 9.113.5 and amending Section 9.113, to create a Rainy Day (Economic Stabilization) Reserve and clarify general rules for fiscal operations.

The Board of Supervisors hereby submits to the qualified voters of the City and County, at an election to be held on November 4, 2003, a proposal to amend the Charter of the City and County by amending Section 9.113 and adding Section 9.113.5, to read as follows:

Note: Additions are *single-underline italics Times New Roman*.  
Deletions are ~~strikethrough italics Times New Roman~~.

Section 1. The San Francisco Charter is hereby amended by adding Section 9.113.5, to read as follows:

## **SEC. 9.113.5. RAINY DAY RESERVE.**

*(a) There shall be a Rainy Day Reserve (the Reserve), which may also be known as an economic stabilization reserve.*

### **Allocations to the Reserve**

*(b) If the Controller projects that total General Fund revenues for the upcoming budget year will exceed total General Fund revenues for the current year by more than five percent, the budget shall allocate the anticipated General Fund revenues in excess of that five percent growth (the excess revenues) as follows:*

- (i) 50 percent of the excess revenues to the Reserve;*
- (ii) 25 percent of the excess revenues to capital and other one-time expenditures; and,*
- (iii) 25 percent of the excess revenues to any lawful governmental purpose.*

*(c) Total monies in the Reserve may not exceed 10 percent of actual total general fund revenues, as stated in the City's most recent independent annual audit. The budget shall allocate excess revenues that would otherwise be allocated to the Reserve above the 10 percent cap instead to capital and other one-time expenditures.*

*(d) The Mayor and the Board of Supervisors may, at any time, appropriate monies from the capital and other one-time expenditures allocation for capital projects or for expenditures such as, but not limited to, acquisition of equipment or information systems.*

*(e) The Mayor and the Board of Supervisors may, at any time, appropriate monies from the general purpose allocation for any lawful governmental purpose.*

### **Withdrawals from the Reserve**

*(f) If the Controller projects that total General Fund revenues for the upcoming bud-*

*get year will be less than the current year's total General Fund revenues, or the highest of any other previous year's total General Fund revenues, the budget may appropriate up to 50 percent of the current balance in the Reserve, but no more than the shortfall in total General Fund revenues, for any lawful governmental purpose in the upcoming budget year.*

*(i) If the trigger for withdrawals from the Reserve was not met in the current year, the Controller shall calculate the shortfall for the upcoming budget year by subtracting the total projected General Fund revenues for the upcoming budget year from the total projected General Fund revenues for the current year.*

*(ii) If the trigger for withdrawals from the Reserve was met in the current year, the shortfall shall be calculated by subtracting the total projected General Fund revenues for the upcoming budget year from the highest of any previous year's total General Fund revenues, plus two percent for each intervening year.*

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### **Adjustments**

*(g) If the City made appropriations from the Reserve in the current year and in the immediately preceding budget year pursuant to subsection (f), the City is not required to allocate any anticipated excess revenues to the Reserve or to capital and other one-time expenditures for the upcoming budget year.*

*(h) If the Controller projects that the Consumer Price Index for the upcoming budget year shall exceed the index for the current year by more than five percent, the trigger for allocations to the Reserve as set forth in Subparagraph (b) above shall instead be the percentage of growth in the index plus two percent. If the Controller projects that the Consumer Price Index for the upcoming budget year shall be less than the index for the current year, the trigger for withdrawals from the Reserve as set forth in Subparagraph (f) above shall instead be the percentage of negative growth in the index. The Controller shall use for these purposes the San Francisco All Items Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U), or its successor, as reported by the U.S. Department of Labor's Bureau of Labor Statistics.*

*(i) If the Board of Supervisors or the voters take an action that changes the amount of total General Fund revenues in any material manner, such as reducing a tax or imposing a new fee, the revenue changes caused by that action will not be counted as part of the triggers for allocations to or withdrawals from the Reserve during the year or years in which the action is first implemented.*

*(j) In conjunction with the year-end close of the budget, the Controller shall reconcile the*

*revenue projections triggering any budgeted allocations to or withdrawals from the Reserve with actual revenue results, as stated in the City's independent annual audit for the years in question, and rebalance the Reserve, the capital and other one-time expenditures allocation, and the general purpose allocation accordingly.*

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### **Withdrawals for the Benefit of the Unified School District**

*(k) If the Controller projects that inflation-adjusted per-pupil revenues for the San Francisco Unified School District will be reduced in the upcoming budget year and the School District has noticed a significant number of layoffs, the Board of Supervisors and the Mayor may, in their discretion, appropriate funds from the Reserve to the School District to offset the costs of maintaining education during the upcoming budget year. Such appropriations may not exceed the dollar value of the total decline in inflation-adjusted per-pupil revenues for the year, or 25 percent of the Reserve balance, whichever is lower. If the triggers for withdrawals from the Reserve for the benefit of the School District were met in the current year, the decline in per-pupil revenues shall be calculated by subtracting the inflation-adjusted per-pupil revenues for the upcoming budget year from the highest of any previous year's inflation-adjusted per-pupil revenues, plus two percent for each intervening year.*

### **Transition**

*(l) On the effective date of this Section, the Controller shall transfer all monies in the City's Cash Reserve to the Rainy Day Reserve.*

*(m) For purposes of initial implementation of this Section, the Mayor and the Board of Supervisors may make appropriations from the Reserve for the 2004-2005 budget year and subsequent years if the Controller certifies that the trigger for withdrawal in subsection (f) would have been met during the 2003-2004 budget year, if this Section had been in effect at that time; provided, however, that the City shall not be required to make allocations of any anticipated excess revenues to the Reserve or to capital and other one-time expenditures for the 2004-2005 budget year.*

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Section 2. The San Francisco Charter is hereby amended by amending Section 9.113, to read as follows:

## **SEC. 9.113. GENERAL FISCAL PROVISIONS CASH RESERVES.**

*(a) Unused and unencumbered appropri-*

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## LEGAL TEXT OF PROPOSITION G (CONTINUED)

ations or unencumbered balances existing at the close of any fiscal year in revenue or expense appropriations of the City and County for any such fiscal year, but exclusive of revenue or money required by law to be held in school, bond, bond interest, bond redemption, pension, trust, utility or other specific funds, or to be devoted exclusively to specified purposes other than annual appropriations, and together with revenues collected or accruing from any source during such fiscal year, in excess of the estimated revenue from such source as shown by the annual budget and the appropriation ordinance for such fiscal year, shall be transferred by the Controller, at the closing of such fiscal year, to the General Fund, a "Cash Reserve Fund" which may be used only in the manner authorized by Section 6.304 of the Charter of 1932, including the transfer provisions, as codified in the Administrative Code; provided, however, that when the balance in the Cash Reserve Fund equals ten per cent of the current or the last preceding tax levy no such transfer shall be made except on the recommendation of the Controller, the approval of the Mayor and the authorization of the Board of Supervisors.

~~Such unused and unencumbered appropriations, balance and revenue collections in excess of revenue estimates, as defined in this section when not transferred to the Cash Reserve Fund as hereinbefore in this section required or authorized, shall be held as surplus.~~

~~Such surplus shall be taken into account as revenue of the ensuing fiscal year; provided, however, that any such surplus created or existing in any fiscal year may be appropriated by the Board of Supervisors by means of an ordinance designated as a supplemental appropriation ordinance.~~

(b) In the event that funds are not available to meet authorized expenditures, the Treasurer, upon the recommendation of the Controller, is authorized to transfer monies among funds held by the Treasurer in the pooled funds of the City and County which are legally available for such a purpose, except a pension fund. The Treasurer and the Controller shall set the terms and conditions of the transfer, taking into account the requirements and nature of the fund from which the transfer was made. All monies transferred pursuant to this Section shall accrue interest at not less than the then current rate of interest earned by the Treasurer on the pooled funds of the City and County. In no event shall the Controller or the Treasurer cause any transfer of monies pursuant to this Section if said transfer would be inconsistent with the terms and conditions of any outstanding bonded indebtedness of the City and County, including any of its boards or commissions.

(c) In the event the Mayor or a member of the Board of Supervisors recommends a supplemental appropriation ordinance after the adoption of the budget for any fiscal year and

prior to the close of the fiscal year containing any item which had been rejected by the Mayor in his/her review of departmental budget estimates for the fiscal year or which had been rejected by the Board of Supervisors in its consideration of the Mayor's proposed budget for the fiscal year, it shall require a vote of two-thirds of all members of the Board of Supervisors to approve such supplemental appropriation ordinance.

(d) No ordinance or resolution for the expenditure of money, except the annual appropriation ordinance, shall be passed by the Board of Supervisors unless the Controller first certifies to the Board that there is a sufficient unencumbered balance in a fund that may legally be used for such proposed expenditure, and that, in the judgment of the Controller, revenues as anticipated in the appropriation ordinance for such fiscal year and properly applicable to meet such proposed expenditures will be available in the treasury in sufficient amount to meet the same as it becomes due.

(e) The Board of Supervisors shall have the power to borrow money by the issuance of tax anticipation notes, temporary notes, commercial paper, or any other short-term debt instruments in the manner provided by state law or City ordinance.

(f) Annual appropriations shall expire at the end of the fiscal year and the City shall have no authority to expend funds from such appropriations unless and until the Board of Supervisors adopts a new budget, interim budget, or supplemental appropriation for such expenditures.

(g) No City monies shall be drawn from the treasury of the City and County, nor shall any obligation for the expenditure of any money be incurred, except in pursuance of appropriations or transfers made as provided in the Charter and the Administrative Code.



# Police Commission/Office of Citizen Complaints



## PROPOSITION H

Shall the City increase the size of the Police Commission and change how its members are appointed, and shall the Office of Citizen Complaints be authorized to file charges against police officers with the Police Commission?

YES ←   
NO ←

## Digest

by the Ballot Simplification Committee

**THE WAY IT IS NOW:** The Police Commission oversees the Police Department and the Office of Citizen Complaints (OCC). The Mayor appoints all five members of the Police Commission. The Board of Supervisors can reject an appointee by a two-thirds vote. Police Commissioners serve a four-year term, and may continue to serve until reappointed or replaced. The Mayor can remove Commissioners at any time for any reason.

The OCC investigates complaints of police misconduct and neglect of duty. The OCC cannot file charges against police officers, but it can recommend that the Police Chief do so. The Chief is not required to act on OCC recommendations.

The Police Chief can reprimand an officer or suspend the officer for up to ten days. If the Chief files charges against the officer with the Police Commission, the Commission holds a trial and can fire, suspend up to three months, fine or reprimand the officer. If the Chief reprimands or suspends an officer, the Commission cannot also discipline the officer for the same conduct.

**THE PROPOSAL:** Proposition H is a Charter amendment that would increase the number of Police Commissioners from five to seven. The Mayor would nominate four members and a committee of the Board of Supervisors would nominate three. Each member would have to be confirmed by a majority of the Board. The

Mayor could remove his or her appointees only with the approval of a majority of the Board. The Board could remove its appointees at any time for any reason, by majority vote. After a Police Commissioner serves a term, the position would be vacant until the Commissioner is either reappointed or replaced.

The Office of Citizen Complaints (OCC) could file charges against police officers after conferring with the Police Chief. In general, the Chief would have to allow the OCC time to file those charges before the Chief could reprimand or suspend the officer; however, the Chief could temporarily suspend an officer without OCC approval.

**A "YES" VOTE MEANS:** If you vote "Yes," you want to make these changes to the Police Commission and the Office of Citizen Complaints.

**A "NO" VOTE MEANS:** If you vote "No," you do not want to make these changes.

## Controller's Statement on "H"

City Controller Edward Harrington has issued the following statement on the fiscal impact of Proposition H:

Should the proposed charter amendment be approved by the voters, in my opinion, there would be a minimal increase in the cost of government.

## How "H" Got on the Ballot

On July 15, 2003 the Board of Supervisors voted 7 to 4 to place Proposition H on the ballot.

The Supervisors voted as follows:  
**Yes:** Supervisors Ammiano, Daly, Gonzalez, Maxwell, McGoldrick, Peskin, and Sandoval.  
**No:** Supervisors Dufty, Hall, Ma, and Newsom.

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# Police Commission/Office of Citizen Complaints

## PROPONENT’S ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF PROPOSITION H

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San Franciscans deserve a Police Department that is accountable and responsive to community concerns. We need the Police Department to effectively investigate crimes and expect that police misconduct will be thoroughly investigated. Unfortunately, the accountability of the Police Department over the past several years has been disappointing. While most hardworking police officers perform their jobs admirably, insufficient oversight and poor management systems have led to significant problems.

These problems run the spectrum:

- According to the independent Office of Citizen Complaints ("OCC") the Department routinely "obstructs and delays" investigations of police misconduct.
- According to the Civil Grand Jury, misconduct cases have been dismissed due to inaction by the Police Department.
- According to an independent analysis by the Controller, the OCC lacks sufficient "independence and power."

Despite these widely reported problems, the Police Commission – the body charged with overseeing the Police Department – has

failed to adequately address these issues. The Commission is not representative and lacks sufficient independence. The Controller found that the Commission contains "structural weaknesses" when compared with other jurisdictions.

**Proposition H strengthens the Police Commission and empowers the Office of Citizen Complaints.** It divides appointment power for the Commission between the Mayor and the Board of Supervisors while staggering commissioners’ terms to create a more independent and representative body. It guarantees that the OCC will have access to all documents in conducting their investigations and allows the OCC Director to bring cases of sustained misconduct to the Commission if the Chief of Police fails to act.

**Proposition H will lead to a less political and more accountable Police Commission. It will ensure that police misconduct cases are fairly and independently investigated. Please vote Yes on Proposition H.**

*Supervisor Tom Ammiano*

*Supervisor Aaron Peskin*

*Supervisor Jake McGoldrick*

*Supervisor Gerardo Sandoval*

*Supervisor Matt Gonzalez*

## REBUTTAL TO PROPONENT’S ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF PROPOSITION H

### **More Politics Does Not Equal More Accountability.**

Police officers have always embraced needed change. But allowing the Board of Supervisors to take virtual day-to-day control of one of San Francisco’s most important and complicated departments is not the answer.

San Francisco pioneered civilian oversight of the police department. Our Office of Citizen Complaints is already one of the strongest in the nation, if not the strongest. Our current Police Commission provides additional oversight of the department. The District Attorney’s Office, as we have witnessed, does not hesitate to take action as well.

The way to make change is to make sure you have a strong Chief of Police who is getting the job done. If that chief is unable to bring accountability, then he or she should be held accountable and replaced by the mayor and the Police Commission.

Proposition H doesn’t create more accountability, it creates more politics.

If Proposition H is passed, will powerful supervisors require their neighborhoods to be better policed, while other neighborhoods suffer? Will supervisors promote political favorites to command positions, even Chief of Police? Will supervisors, through their new power over the Police Commission, second-guess routine decisions made by officers on the street?

Recent history leads a reasonable person to conclude the answers to these questions are yes.

**Don’t let politics get in the way of real police reform. Vote NO on Proposition H.**

*Chris Cunnie, President*

San Francisco Police Officers’ Association

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# Police Commission/Office of Citizen Complaints



## OPPONENT'S ARGUMENT AGAINST PROPOSITION H

### **Don't Put the Board of Supervisors In Charge of the Police Department!**

If you want real reform of the San Francisco Police Department, vote No on Proposition H.

Proposition H was rushed to the ballot by the Board of Supervisors, without consulting or conferring with the men and women who are most impacted by its changes: the officers of the San Francisco Police Department.

The San Francisco Police Officers' Association has always embraced needed reforms, but because Proposition H gives the Board of Supervisors control of the Police Department, it is fatally flawed. We were willing to negotiate on this issue, but instead the Board chose politics over sound policy and placed the measure on the ballot.

If this was about real reform of the Police Department, Board members would have been willing to work out a solution. Instead they chose pure politics.

Make no mistake: Proposition H gives the Board of Supervisors control of the Police Department.

It is the Board's job to set policy, not to try and run one of the city's most complicated departments.

With oversight of the Police Commission and the Office of Citizen Complaints as an investigative arm, San Francisco's Police Department currently has some of the best oversight provisions in the country. Change is necessary. But a raw political power grab should not be part of the equation.

We need real reform together, not pure politics.

Vote No on Proposition H.

*Chris Cunnie*  
President, San Francisco Police Officers' Association

## REBUTTAL TO OPPONENT'S ARGUMENT AGAINST PROPOSITION H

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The Police Officers Association and the Acting Chief **were** consulted before Proposition H was placed on the ballot – in two required meet and confer meetings. Several suggestions were included including a requirement that one member of the new Police Commission be a retired judge or have experience as a litigator.

The Supervisors **won't** run the Department. The Mayor will retain a majority of Commission appointments, the right to hire or fire the Chief of Police and budget control over the Department.

The process was **not** rushed. The Supervisors sought independent reports from the Controller, the Office of Citizen Complaints and the San Francisco Police Department before crafting Proposition H. Proposition H is based on recommendations from

the Controller's report and the OCC report.

**San Francisco needs real reform, not more of the same. Proposition H is good for law enforcement and good for the community.**

Please join us in supporting effective and responsive policing. Vote Yes on Prop H.

*Mayoral Candidates Angela Alioto, Tom Ammiano, Matt Gonzalez, and Susan Leal*  
*District Attorney Candidates Bill Fazio, Terence Hallinan, and Kamala Harris*  
*Golden Gate Law School Dean Peter Keane*  
*Public Defender Jeff Adachi*

*The ACLU, National Organization for Women, the National Center for Lesbian Rights, the Asian American Bar Association, Coleman Advocates for Children and Youth, the Irish-American Democratic Club, the San Francisco Democratic Women's Forum, Green Party, and many others.*

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# Police Commission/Office of Citizen Complaints

## PAID ARGUMENTS IN FAVOR OF PROPOSITION H

The Police Commission and Office of Citizen Complaints need independence in order to function effectively. Proposition H will supply that.

Vote Yes on H!

*San Francisco Tomorrow*

The true source of funds used for the printing fee of this argument is San Francisco Tomorrow.

Youth Deserve Accountable Institutions

There have been many incidents of police mistreatment of youth in San Francisco, including harassment, excessive force, and inappropriate arrests.

Community efforts to demand fairness and accountability have often been ignored. San Franciscans want a Police Department that treats ALL children fairly, and is accountable for its actions.

**Vote YES on Prop H.**

*Coleman Advocates for Children and Youth*

The true source of funds used for the printing fee of this argument is Coleman Advocates For Children And Youth.

The present system needs fundamental reform. This measure creates a necessary system of checks and balances and improves enforcement power. Let's restore faith in our City's police. Please vote Yes.

*Terence Hallinan*

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As representatives of the Asian-American legal community, we understand the importance of strong oversight to an effective police force. Join us in supporting Prop H.

*Asian-American Bar Association*

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Prop H will make the Police Commission more independent and give the Office of Citizen Complaints access to documents they need to conduct investigations of misconduct against lesbian, gay, bi-sexual and transgender people and LGBT establishments. **The LGBT community supports Proposition H.**

*Supervisor Tom Ammiano  
National Center for Lesbian Rights  
Transgender Law Center  
Harvey Milk LGBT Democratic Club*

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Support responsive and effective police oversight. As elected representatives of the **San Francisco Democratic Party** we urge a **yes vote on Prop. H.**

*Jane Morrison, Dan Kalb, Eric Mar, Connie O'Connor, Bill Barnes, Tracy Baxter, Robert Haaland, Joe Julian, Debra Walker*

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Our communities need strong effective oversight of the Police Department by a Police Commission that is connected and accountable to the community to ensure positive interaction among youth and police officers. Create a more independent and representative Police Commission! Vote **Yes on Proposition H!**

*School Board Members Eric Mar, Mark Sanchez, Sarah Lipson, Jill Wynns, Eddie Chin.*

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# Police Commission/Office of Citizen Complaints



## PAID ARGUMENTS IN FAVOR OF PROPOSITION H

Police misconduct is a women's issue affecting families and children. We urge passage of this police accountability measure to ensure that all San Franciscans can voice their concerns to police through effective oversight. **Vote YES on H.**

*Democratic Women's Forum  
National Organization for Women SF  
Green Party Feminist Issues Group*

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The two largest contributors to the true source recipient committee are: 1. Democratic Women's Forum 2. Green Party Feminist Issues Group.

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Access to evidence of police misconduct is crucial to our criminal justice system. Recently I discovered that the police department failed to disclose police disciplinary records in 3,500 criminal cases. Now these cases must be re-opened at taxpayer's expense. Proposition H will guarantee that the OCC receive all evidence of police misconduct in their investigations, and ensure greater police accountability.

**Vote Yes on H.**

*Jeff Adachi, Public Defender*

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# Police Commission/Office of Citizen Complaints

## PAID ARGUMENTS AGAINST PROPOSITION H

### VOTE NO ON PROPOSITION H!

THIS ISN'T "REFORM". It's a misguided breakdown of separation of powers and a fundamental misunderstanding of the proven structure of America government.

It allows Supervisors to name 3 of 7 Police Commissioners and have veto power on the other four! Supervisors constitute the City's legislature, the mayor the executive branch. *American government separates these branches.* The legislature passes laws, the executive appoints commissioners and ensures the laws are carried out.

If police reform is needed, the Supervisors and Mayor should act accordingly. To seek to restructure American government because the timing is right is dangerous and misguided.

### Proposition H deserves rejection – VOTE NO!

*Mara S. Kopp*  
Good Government Alliance

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### Keep Politics Out of the SFPD.

The men and women of the San Francisco Police Department work hard every day to keep our streets safe and to protect our homes and businesses. We don't need the department taken over by the Board of Supervisors. While reform may be necessary, Proposition H is a poorly thought out proposal that could place San Franciscans at great risk. It is the job of the supervisors to set policy for the city. We need professional staff to manage the day-to-day operations of one of our most complex departments.

### Don't put politics ahead of good policy. Vote No on H.

*San Francisco Chamber of Commerce*

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### NO ON PROPOSITION H!

This is a shameless power grab by the Board of Supervisors to weaken the San Francisco Police Department and the Office of the Mayor.

The Supervisors already have the power to REJECT any Police Commissioner nominated by the Mayor. The Police Commission oversees the Police Department and the Office of Citizen Complaints which investigates police misconduct.

Prop H will give the Supervisors **COMPLETE CONTROL** of the San Francisco Police Commission and Police Department.

**The misguided radical leftists on the Board of Supervisors who are WRECKING THE CITY should not CONTROL the SFPD anymore than Congress should control the U.S. Armed Forces.**

### VOTE NO ON H.

SAN FRANCISCO REPUBLICAN PARTY  
*Mike DeNunzio, Chairman*

BALLOT ADVISORY COMMITTEE:  
*Joshua Kriesel, Ph.D.* Vice Chair, Political Affairs  
*Christopher L. Bowman*  
*Howard Epstein*

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*Leonard J. Lacayo*  
*Rodney Leong*  
*Darcy Linn*  
*Gail E. Neira*  
*Jim Soderborg*  
*Max Woods*  
*Sue C. Woods*

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We oppose Proposition H.

Proposition H politicizes the Police Department and gives too much control to the Board of Supervisors. We believe that a police department must have appropriate accountability, and if changes are needed, they must be done with that goal in mind.

Proposition H does not achieve meaningful change, it simply injects politics into the management of the police department.

Please join us in voting No on Proposition H.

*Tony Hall, District 7 Supervisor*  
*Gavin Newsom, District 2 Supervisor*

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# Police Commission/Office of Citizen Complaints



## PAID ARGUMENTS AGAINST PROPOSITION H

### Help keep San Francisco safe - Vote No on Proposition H.

As firefighters, we know what it's like to put your life on the line for the people of San Francisco. Police officers know, too. They deserve a department that is run professionally, not one that is controlled by the political whims of the Board of Supervisors.

People who place their lives at risk every day deserve more than petty politics.

Don't let the Board of Supervisors take over the Police Department.

Join us in voting No on H.

*Francis Kelly*, Secretary  
San Francisco Firefighters Association Local 798

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We oppose Proposition H.

Proposition H is not about real reform of the Police Department – it is simply about giving more power to the Board of Supervisors, and doing that will completely politicize the Department.

Any real reform must be more meaningful than this poorly thought out proposal.

### Please join us in voting No on Proposition H.

*National Latino Peace Officers' Association – San Francisco Metro Chapter*  
*Antonio Flores*, Vice President

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Join the Asian Peace Officers' Association in opposition to Proposition H.

We believe in accountability and oversight, but Proposition H does neither. Proposition H politicizes the Police Department by giving control to the Board of Supervisors, which will make it more difficult to have an efficient and accountable department. This proposition mixes the roles of the executive and legislative branches, which will make it more difficult to have appropriate checks and balances.

### Please vote No on Proposition H.

*San Francisco Asian Peace Officers' Association*  
*Nelson Lum*, President

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### Put public safety first, not politics.

### Vote No on Proposition H.

As police officers, we work hard every day to keep San Francisco's streets safe. The last thing we need is to lose the ability to do our jobs because the Police Department has become the political playground of the Board of Supervisors.

Real reforms must be crafted thoughtfully and with input from all sides. That was not the case with this proposal.

Please vote no on Proposition H.

*Women Officers' Network*  
*Sally DeHaven*, President

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We have fought for real reform in the Police Department for years, and we are proud to have made great strides to achieve one of the most diverse departments in the country.

Proposition H is not about real reform – it is about pure politics. Simply giving more control to the Board of Supervisors does not mean things will be better – it means things will be more political. The last thing we need is a Police Department that is about politics rather than about keeping our city safe.

### Join us in voting No on Proposition H.

*Officers for Justice*  
*Kevin Whitfield*, Executive Board Member

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# Police Commission/Office of Citizen Complaints

## PAID ARGUMENTS AGAINST PROPOSITION H

Proposition H will make it more difficult for police officers to keep our city safe for everyone.

Proposition H cedes control of the Police Department to the Board of Supervisors by giving the Board effective control of the Police Commission.

We believe in accountability and real reform, but that is not what we get with Proposition H.

**Please join us in opposition to Proposition H.**

*S.F.P.O. Pride Alliance*  
*Scott Hoey-Custock, Co-Chairman*

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**As members of the San Francisco Democratic County Central Committee, we urge you to vote No on H.**

Proposition H is a poorly disguised attempt to create more bureaucracy in city government.

The police department can be improved, but this proposal is not the answer.

Stop our Board of Supervisors from gaining more power than they already have.

Vote No on H.

*Dan Dunnigan, DCCC Member*  
*Frank Jordan, Jr., DCCC Member*

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**Join the District 6 Democrats in opposition to Proposition H**

Our police department is one of the most complex departments in the city, and while reform may be necessary, Proposition H is not about real reform.

Proposition H is political response and will be counterproductive to any real reform that may be needed.

Please join us in voting No on H.

*District 6 Democrats*  
*Frederick Hobson, President*

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We oppose Proposition H.

A clear command structure, with appropriate oversight, is what an effective police department needs. Proposition H politicizes the police department by allowing the Board of Supervisors to control it.

Proposition H is not about reform; it's about politics.

Join us in voting No on H.

*San Francisco Deputy Sheriffs' Association*  
*David Wong, President*

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**Join me in voting no on Proposition H.**

Proposition H politicizes the police department by handing control to the Board of Supervisors.

As a former police chief, I can tell you that good management and accountability are critical components of an effective department, but Proposition H is not about these things. It is about politics, pure and simple.

Say no to politics in the police department.

Vote no on H.

*Tony Ribera*

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We oppose Proposition H.

We have always supported the men and women of the police department, who do an excellent job of protecting our city every day.

The oversight system in place already, a national model, has checks and balances that are appropriate. There is no need to fix a problem that is not broken.

Join us in voting No on H.

*Golden Gate Restaurant Association*

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# LEGAL TEXT OF PROPOSITION H

Describing and setting forth a proposal to the qualified voters of the City and County of San Francisco to amend the Charter of the City and County of San Francisco by: (1) amending Section 4.109 to (i) increase the membership of the Police Commission from five members to seven members, (ii) change the process for appointing members to the Police Commission so that the Mayor nominates four members, subject to confirmation by the Board of Supervisors, and the Rules Committee of the Board of Supervisors or a successor committee thereto nominates three members, subject to confirmation by the Board of Supervisors, (iii) require that the Mayor nominate at least one retired judge or attorney with trial experience to the Police Commission, (iv) require the approval of the Board of Supervisors for the Mayor to remove members of the Police Commission who were nominated by the Mayor and confirmed by the Board of Supervisors, (v) authorize the Board of Supervisors to remove members of the Police Commission who were nominated by the Rules Committee and confirmed by the Board of Supervisors, (vi) stagger the terms of the members of the Police Commission, (vii) prohibit "holdover" commissioners by terminating the tenure of each member of the Police Commission by operation of law effective upon the expiration of the member's term, (viii) terminate the terms and tenures of sitting members of the Police Commission by operation of law effective April 30, 2004, and (ix) expressly authorize the District Attorney, Sheriff and Public Defender to recommend persons to the Mayor and Board of Supervisors for nomination to the Police Commission; (2) amending Section 4.127 to (i) authorize the director of the Office of Citizen Complaints ("OCC") to verify and file disciplinary charges with the Police Commission against members of the Police Department arising out of citizen complaints that are sustained by the OCC after meeting and conferring with the Chief of Police, (ii) clarify that the duty of the Police Department and other City and County officials and employees to cooperate with and assist the OCC includes the obligation to promptly produce all records requested by the OCC except for records the disclosure of which to the OCC is prohibited by law, (iii) require that the OCC use its best efforts to conclude investigations of citizen complaints and, if sustained, transmit the sustained complaint to the Police Department within nine months of the OCC's receipt of the complaint, and (iv) require the OCC, if unable to conclude its investigation within nine months, to transmit information and evidence from its investigation to the Chief of Police to facilitate the Chief's timely consideration of the matter; (3) amending Section A8.343 to (i) require the Chief of Police, prior to suspending a member of the Police Department in cases where the OCC has recommended discipline in excess of a 10-day suspension, to meet and confer with the director of the OCC and afford

the director an opportunity to verify and file disciplinary charges with the Police Commission against the member, and (ii) except as provided in Section A8.344, prohibit the Chief of Police from suspending a member of the Police Department pending the outcome of Police Commission proceedings on disciplinary charges verified and filed by the OCC director; and (4) amending Section A8.344 to clarify the authority of the chiefs of the Police Department and Fire Department to temporarily suspend a member of the respective departments pending a hearing before the Police Commission or Fire Commission on disciplinary charges against the member.

The Board of Supervisors hereby submits to the qualified voters of the City and County, at an election to be held on November 4, 2003, a proposal to amend the Charter of the City and County by amending Sections 4.109, 4.127, A8.343 and A8.344 to read as follows:

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## SEC. 4.109. POLICE COMMISSION.

The Police Commission shall consist of ~~five~~ seven members appointed pursuant to this section. ~~appointed by the Mayor, pursuant to Section 3.100;~~ The Mayor shall nominate four members to the commission, at least one of whom shall be a retired judge or an attorney with trial experience. The Rules Committee of the Board of Supervisors, or any successor committee thereto, shall nominate three other members to the commission. Each nomination shall be subject to confirmation by the Board of Supervisors, and the Mayor's nominations shall be the subject of a public hearing and vote within 60 days. If the Board of Supervisors rejects the Mayor's nomination to fill the seat designated for a retired judge or attorney with trial experience, the Mayor shall nominate a different person with such qualifications. If the Board of Supervisors fails to act on a mayoral nomination within 60 days of the date the nomination is transmitted to the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors, the nominee shall be deemed confirmed. Appointments to fill a vacancy on the commission shall become operative on the date the Board of Supervisors adopts a motion confirming the nomination, or on the 61<sup>st</sup> day following the date a mayoral nomination is transmitted to the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors if the Board of Supervisors fails to vote on the nomination prior to such date. Confirmations of nominations to fill a vacancy that will be created upon the expiration of a sitting member's term shall become operative upon the expiration of the sitting member's term, or, if the Board of Supervisors fails to act on a mayoral nomination to fill such anticipated vacancy, on the 61<sup>st</sup> day following the date the nomination was transmitted to the Clerk of

the Board of Supervisors or on the expiration of the sitting member's term, whichever occurs later. The terms and tenures of all members sitting on the commission as of the effective date of the amendments to this section approved at the November 2003 election shall terminate at 12 noon on April 30, 2004. To stagger the terms of the seven members thereafter, of the first four members nominated by the Mayor, two members shall serve terms of two years and two members shall serve terms of four years, and of the three members nominated by the Rules Committee, one member shall serve a term of one year, one member shall serve a term of two years, and one member shall serve a term of three years. The Clerk of the Board of Supervisors shall designate such initial terms by lot. All subsequent appointments to the commission shall be for four-year terms.

The tenure of each member shall terminate upon the expiration of the member's term. The Mayor shall transmit a nomination or renomination to the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors no later than 60 days prior to the expiration of the term of a member nominated by the Mayor. For vacancies occurring for reasons other than the expiration of a member's term, within 60 days following the creation of such vacancy, the Mayor shall nominate a member to fill such vacancy if the vacancy is for a seat filled by nomination of the Mayor.

The District Attorney, Sheriff and Public Defender may recommend persons to the Mayor and Board of Supervisors for nomination or appointment to the Police Commission.

The Mayor, with the consent of the Board of Supervisors, may remove a member the Mayor has nominated. The Board of Supervisors may remove a member the Rules Committee has nominated. ~~Members may be removed by the Mayor.~~

Notwithstanding any other provision of the Charter, the Chief of Police may be removed by the Commission or the Mayor, acting jointly or separately of each other.

## SEC. 4.127. POLICE DEPARTMENT.

The Police Department shall preserve the public peace, prevent and detect crime, and protect the rights of persons and property by enforcing the laws of the United States, the State of California and the City and County.

The Chief of Police may appoint and remove at pleasure special police officers.

The Chief of Police shall have all powers which are now or that may be conferred upon a sheriff by state law with respect to the suppression of any riot, public tumult, disturbance of the public peace or organized resistance against the laws or public authority.

DISTRICT POLICE STATIONS. The Police Department shall maintain and operate district police stations. The Police Commission, subject to the approval by the Board of

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## LEGAL TEXT OF PROPOSITION H (CONTINUED)

Supervisors, may establish additional district stations, abandon or relocate any district station, or consolidate any two or more district stations.

OFFICE OF CITIZEN COMPLAINTS. The Mayor shall appoint a nominee of the Police Commission as the director of the Office of Citizen Complaints, subject to confirmation by the Board of Supervisors. The director shall serve at the pleasure of the Police Commission. If the Board fails to act on the appointment within 30 days, the appointment shall be deemed approved. In the event the office is vacant, until the Mayor makes an appointment and that appointment is confirmed by the Board, the Police Commission shall appoint an interim director who shall serve at the pleasure of the Police Commission. The appointment shall be exempt from the civil service requirements of this Charter. The director shall never have been a uniformed member or employee of the department. The director of the Office of Citizen Complaints shall be the appointing officer under the civil service provisions of this Charter for the appointment, removal or discipline of employees of the Office of Citizen Complaints.

The Police Commission shall have the power and duty to organize, reorganize and manage the Office of Citizen Complaints. Subject to the civil service provisions of this Charter, the Office of Citizen Complaints shall include investigators and hearing officers. As of July 1, 1996, the staff of the Office of Citizen Complaints shall consist of no fewer than one line investigator for every 150 sworn members. Whenever the ratio of investigators to police officers specified by this section is not met for more than 30 consecutive days, the director shall have the power to hire, and the city Controller must pay, temporary investigators to meet such staffing requirements. No full-time or part-time employee of the Office of Citizen Complaints shall have previously served as a uniformed member of the department. Subject to rule of the Police Commission, the director of the Office of Citizen Complaints may appoint part-time hearing officers who shall be exempt from the civil service requirements of this Charter. Compensation of the hearing officers shall be at rates recommended by the Commission and established by the Board of Supervisors or by contract approved by the Board of Supervisors.

Complaints of police misconduct or allegations that a member of the Police Department has not properly performed a duty shall be promptly, fairly and impartially investigated by staff of the Office of Citizen Complaints. The Office of Citizen Complaints shall investigate all complaints of police misconduct, or that a member of the Police Department has not properly performed a duty, except those complaints which on their face clearly indicate that the acts complained of were proper and those complaints lodged by other members of the Police Department. The Office of Citizen Complaints shall use its best efforts to conclude investiga-

tions of such complaints and, if sustained, transmit the sustained complaint to the Police Department within nine (9) months of receipt thereof by the Office of Citizen Complaints. If the Office of Citizen Complaints is unable to conclude its investigation within such nine-month period, the director of the Office of Citizen Complaints, within such nine-month period, shall inform the Chief of Police of the reasons therefor and transmit information and evidence from the investigation as shall facilitate the Chief's timely consideration of the matter. The Office of Citizen Complaints shall recommend disciplinary action to the Chief of Police on those complaints that are sustained. The director of the Office of Citizen Complaints, after meeting and conferring with the Chief of Police or his or her designee, may verify and file charges with the Police Commission against members of the Police Department arising out of sustained complaints; provided, that the director may not verify and file such charges for a period of 60 days following the transmittal of the sustained complaint to the Police Department unless the director issues a written determination that the limitations period within which the member or members may be disciplined under Government Code Section 3304, as amended from time to time or any successor provisions thereto, may expire within such 60-day period and either (i) the Chief of Police fails or refuses to file charges with the Police Commission arising out of the sustained complaint, (ii) the Chief of Police or his or her designee fails or refuses to meet and confer with the director on the matter, or (iii) other exigent circumstances necessitate that the director verify and file charges to preserve the ability of the Police Commission to impose punishment pursuant to Section A8.343. The director of the Office of Citizen Complaints shall schedule hearings before hearing officers when such is requested by the complainant or a member of the department and, in accordance with rules of the Commission, such a hearing will facilitate the fact-finding process. The Board of Supervisors may provide by ordinance that the Office of Citizen Complaints shall in the same manner investigate and make recommendations to the Chief of Police regarding complaints of misconduct by patrol special police officers and their uniformed employees.

Nothing herein shall prohibit the Chief of Police or a commanding officer from investigating the conduct of a member of the department under his or her command, or taking disciplinary or corrective action, otherwise permitted by this Charter, when such is warranted; and nothing herein shall limit or otherwise restrict the disciplinary powers vested in the Chief of Police and the Police Commission by other provisions of this Charter.

The Office of Citizen Complaints shall prepare in accordance with rules of the Commission monthly summaries of the complaints received and shall prepare recommen-

dations quarterly concerning policies or practices of the department which could be changed or amended to avoid unnecessary tension with the public or a definable segment of the public while insuring effective police services. The Office of Citizen Complaints shall prepare a report for the President of the Board of Supervisors each quarter. This report shall include, but not be limited to, the number and type of complaints filed, the outcome of the complaints, and a review of the disciplinary action taken. The President of the Board of Supervisors shall refer this report to the appropriate committee of the Board of Supervisors charged with public safety responsibilities. Said committee may issue recommendations as needed.

In carrying out its objectives the Office of Citizen Complaints shall receive prompt and full cooperation and assistance from all departments, officers and employees of the City and County, which shall promptly produce all records requested by the Office of Citizen Complaints except for records the disclosure of which to the Office of Citizen Complaints is prohibited by law. The director may also request and the Chief of Police shall require the testimony or attendance of any member of the Police Department to carry out the responsibilities of the Office of Citizen Complaints.

BUDGET. Monetary awards and settlements disbursed by the City and County as a result of police action or inaction shall be taken exclusively from a specific appropriation listed as a separate line item in the Police Department budget for that purpose.

POLICE STAFFING. The police force of the City and County shall at all times consist of not fewer than 1,971 full duty sworn officers. The staffing level of the Police Department shall be maintained with a minimum of 1,971 full duty sworn officers thereafter.

All officers and employees of the City and County are directed to take all acts necessary to implement the provisions of this section. The Board of Supervisors is empowered to adopt ordinances necessary to effectuate the purpose of this section including but not limited to ordinances regulating the scheduling of police training cases.

Further, the Commission shall initiate an annual review to civilianize as many positions as possible to maximize police presence in the communities and submit that report to the Board of Supervisors annually for review and approval.

The number of full duty sworn officers in the Police Department dedicated to neighborhood policing and patrol for fiscal year 1993-1994 shall not be reduced in future years, and all new full duty sworn officers authorized for the Police Department shall also be dedicated to neighborhood community policing, patrol and investigations.

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## LEGAL TEXT OF PROPOSITION H (CONTINUED)

PATROL SPECIAL POLICE OFFICERS. The Commission may appoint patrol special police officers and for cause may suspend or dismiss patrol special police officers after a hearing on charges duly filed with the Commission and after a fair and impartial trial. Patrol special police officers shall be regulated by the Police Commission, which may establish requirements for and procedures to govern the position, including the power of the Chief of Police to suspend a patrol special police officer pending a hearing on charges. Each patrol special police officer shall be at the time of appointment not less than 21 years of age and must possess such physical qualifications as may be required by the Commission.

Patrol special police officers may be designated by the Commission as the owners of a certain beat or territory which may be established or rescinded by the Commission. Patrol special police officers designated as the owners of a certain beat or territory or the legal heirs or representatives of the owners may dispose of their interest in the beat or territory to a person of good moral character, approved by the Police Commission and eligible for appointment as a patrol special police officer.

Commission designation of beats or territories shall not affect the ability of private security companies to provide on-site security services on the inside or at the entrance of any property located in the City and County.

### **A8.343 FINE, SUSPENSION AND DISMISSAL IN POLICE AND FIRE DEPARTMENTS**

Members of the uniformed ranks of the fire or the police department guilty of any offense or violation of the rules and regulations of their respective departments, shall be liable to be punished by reprimand, or by fine not exceeding one month's salary for any offense, or by suspension for not to exceed three months, or by dismissal, after trial and hearing by the commissioners of their respective departments; provided, however, that the chief of each respective department for disciplinary purposes may suspend such member for a period not to exceed 10 days for violation of the rules and regulations of his department. Any such member so suspended shall have the right to appeal such suspension to the fire commission or to the police commission, as the case may be, and have a trial and hearing on such suspension. Written notice of appeal must be filed within 10 days after such suspension and the hearing of said appeal must be held within 30 days after the filing of said notice of appeal. If the commission shall reverse or alter the finding of the chief, it shall ~~in the case of a reversal and in other cases it may in its discretion,~~ order that the member affected be paid salary for the time of ~~his~~ the suspension ~~reversed or altered.~~ In the event the chief should exercise such power of suspension, the member involved shall not be subject to any further disciplinary action for the same offense; provided, that where the

Office of Citizen Complaints has sustained a complaint and recommended discipline in excess of a 10-day suspension, the Chief of Police may not exercise his or her power of suspension under this section without first meeting and conferring with the director of the Office of Citizen Complaints and affording the director an opportunity to verify and file charges with the Police Commission pursuant to Section 4.127. If the director of the Office of Citizen Complaints verifies and files charges, the Police Commission shall conduct a trial and hearing thereon, and the Chief of Police may not suspend the member pending the outcome of the Police Commission proceedings on the charges except as provided in Section A8.344.

Subject to the foregoing, members of the uniformed ranks of either department shall not be subject to dismissal, nor to punishment for any breach of duty or misconduct, except for cause, nor until after a fair and impartial trial before the commissioners of their respective departments, upon a verified complaint filed with such commission setting forth specifically the acts complained of, and after such reasonable notice to them as to time and place of hearings as such commission may, by rule, prescribe. The accused shall be entitled, upon hearing, to appear personally and by counsel; to have a public trial; and to secure and enforce, free of expense, the attendance of all witnesses necessary for his defense.

### **A8.344 TEMPORARY SUSPENSION PENDING COMMISSION HEARING; EXONERATION OF CHARGES**

In the circumstances listed in Section A8.341 the chief of the police department and the chief of the fire department may temporarily suspend a member of the respective department pending a hearing before the police or fire commission on disciplinary charges against the member, and the member shall be entitled to a prompt administrative hearing to determine if he or she should remain suspended pending the outcome of the commission proceedings. If, ~~as provided for in Section 8.343~~ a member of the uniformed ranks of the police and fire departments is suspended by the chief of the respective department pending hearing before the police or fire commission for charges filed against him and subsequently takes a voluntary leave of absence without pay pending his trial before the commission, and, if after such trial he is exonerated of the charges filed against him, the commission ~~may, at its discretion, remit the suspension and leave of absence without pay and may shall~~ order payment of salary to such member for the time under suspension and may, in its discretion, order payment of salary to such member for the time on voluntary leave of absence without pay, and the report of such suspension and leave of absence without pay shall thereupon be expunged from the record of service of such member.







# Telephoning the Department of Elections

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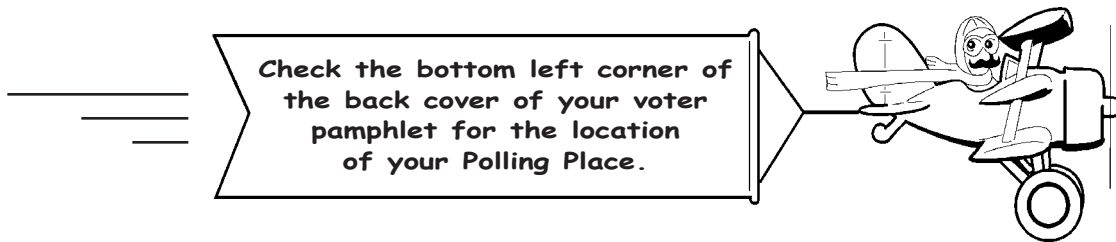
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# Child Care for Low Income Families



## PROPOSITION I

Shall the City create a program to pay part of the cost of child care and preschool for families with income under a specified limit and with at least one child between three and five years old?

YES ←    
NO ←  

## Digest

by the Ballot Simplification Committee

**THE WAY IT IS NOW:** San Francisco uses federal, State and local money to fund organizations that provide child care and preschool for certain families and to help these families pay for those services. In general, to qualify for these funds, families must meet income limits specified in federal and State law.

The City sets aside a portion of property taxes in a special Children's Fund. This fund can be used only for expanded services for children up to age 18, including affordable child care.

**THE PROPOSAL:** Proposition I is an ordinance that would create a separate program to pay part of the cost of child care and preschool for certain families. Families with at least one child between 3 and 5 years old could receive this subsidy if they live in San Francisco; have an income at or below 75% of the California median income; and do not receive a child care or preschool subsidy from the State.

Under Proposition I, money from the Children's Fund could not be used to pay for this child care program. It would be up to the Mayor and the Board of Supervisors to fund this program each year.

**A "YES" VOTE MEANS:** If you vote "Yes," you want to create a separate program to pay part of the cost of child care and preschool for families that meet specified income limits and have at least one child between 3 and 5 years old.

**A "NO" VOTE MEANS:** If you vote "No," you do not want to create this separate program.

## Controller's Statement on "I"

City Controller Edward Harrington has issued the following statement on the fiscal impact of Proposition I:

Should the proposed ordinance be approved by the voters, in my opinion, it would not in and of itself increase the cost of government because an ordinance cannot bind future Mayors and Boards of Supervisors to provide funding for this or any other purpose. Only Charter amendments can require the City to fund programs into the future.

The ordinance creates mechanisms to provide additional child-care subsidies to eligible families; however, it does not require that any funds be budgeted or spent. The ordinance states that 1,650 children may be eligible for childcare subsidies. The City's average annual cost for childcare is approximately \$9,900 per child. If all of the estimated 1,650 children were provided with City subsidies, the cost would be approximately \$16.3 million annually. However, as noted, the actual cost of this proposal would depend on decisions made by the Mayor and the Board of Supervisors in the annual budget process.

## How "I" Got on the Ballot

On August 4, 2003 the Department of Elections received a proposed ordinance signed by Supervisors Daly, Dufty, Ma, and Maxwell.

The City Elections Code allows four or more Supervisors to place an ordinance on the ballot in this manner.

THIS MEASURE REQUIRES 50%+1 AFFIRMATIVE VOTES TO PASS.

ARGUMENTS FOR AND AGAINST THIS MEASURE IMMEDIATELY FOLLOW THIS PAGE. THE FULL TEXT BEGINS ON PAGE 130.

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# Child Care for Low Income Families

## PROPONENT'S ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF PROPOSITION I

### *Yes on Proposition I Pre-School & Quality Childcare for the Children of Working Parents*

We worked with early childhood education advocates to put Proposition I – the *Smart Start Initiative* – on the ballot to help children get the basic skills they need to succeed in school. San Francisco's children need a solid start in life. San Francisco's working parents need licensed, quality preschool for their children.

Proposition I provides greater access to licensed, quality preschool for three to five year old children of working parents in San Francisco. Proposition I is an affordable, achievable first step towards universal preschool.

**A Sound Investment for the Future:** Every dollar invested in preschool saves \$7 later in remedial education, welfare and incarceration. Studies show that children who attend early education programs achieve higher rates of high school graduation, higher incomes as adults, and lower rates of arrest, dropout, teen pregnancy, and welfare dependence.

**Cost Effective:** At a cost of less than one-tenth of one percent of the city's nearly \$5 billion budget, Proposition I is one of the most important investments we can make as a City in our most precious resource for the future – our children.

**Family-Friendly:** By providing young children with safe, licensed care and instruction, Proposition I will help ease the burden of raising a family in San Francisco for many working parents.

**Good for Business:** Business leaders know that early childcare and education issues *are* workplace issues – from higher morale to improved productivity to the importance of investing in the skilled workforce of tomorrow.

Proposition I – the *Smart Start for S.F. Kids Initiative* – is an important statement about our values and priorities as a City. Please join us in voting YES on Proposition I.

*Treasurer Susan Leal  
Supervisor Chris Daly  
Supervisor Bevan Dufty  
Supervisor Fiona Ma  
Supervisor Sophie Maxwell*

## REBUTTAL TO PROPONENT'S ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF PROPOSITION I

NO REBUTTAL TO PROPONENT'S ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF PROPOSITION I WAS SUBMITTED

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# Child Care for Low Income Families

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# Child Care for Low Income Families

## PAID ARGUMENTS IN FAVOR OF PROPOSITION I

**SAN FRANCISCO DEMOCRATIC PARTY** urges **YES on I** – Helps pay for child care for low-income working families.

*Jane Morrison*, Chair, San Francisco Democratic Party

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### **Proposition I is Good for San Francisco.**

As leaders in the LGBT community, we know that Proposition I is an important investment in the future of our city that will benefit all San Franciscans. Proposition I will provide expanded quality, licensed preschool and childcare opportunities for the children of working parents – including LGBT parents – struggling to earn a living and raise their families.

We commend Treasurer Susan Leal and members of the Board of Supervisors for giving the children of working parents preschool and quality childcare. Please join us in voting YES on Proposition I.

*Mark Leno*, Assemblyman  
*Rich Kowalewski*, Co-Chair, Alice B. Toklas Democratic Club  
*Leslie Katz*, Former Supervisor  
*Robert Haaland*, Democratic County Central Committee

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### **A Smart Start for S.F. Kids!**

As state and local advocates on the issues of quality childcare and preschool, we urge all San Franciscans to vote yes on Proposition I.

Treasurer Susan Leal and members of the Board of Supervisors worked with childcare and early education advocates to put Proposition I on the ballot. Proposition I will provide expanded subsidies for licensed, quality childcare and preschool for the eligible children of working parents. Prop I is an important investment in our most precious resource for the future – our children.

*Susan Lyon*, San Francisco Association For Education of Young Children  
*Norman Yee*  
*Fran Kipnis*, Child Care Advocate

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# Child Care for Low Income Families



PAID ARGUMENTS AGAINST PROPOSITION I

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# LEGAL TEXT OF PROPOSITION I

## **Initiative ordinance adding Article IV to Section 20 of the Administrative Code to expand access to licensed early care and education opportunities for 3 to 5 year old children of working families by creating additional subsidies for eligible families.**

Be it ordained by the People of the City and County of San Francisco:

Section 1. The San Francisco Administrative Code is hereby amended by adding a new Article IV to Chapter 20, to read as follows:

### **ARTICLE IV—SMART START FOR SAN FRANCISCO KIDS**

SEC. 20.100 FINDINGS. The people of the City and County of San Francisco hereby find and declare the following:

(a) California subsidizes early childhood education for children whose families earn up to 75 percent of the State Median Income, but state funding limitations allow only an estimated 50 to 60 percent of eligible San Francisco families actually to receive the subsidy; and

(b) Children who attend high quality early education programs demonstrate higher rates of high school graduation, higher incomes as adults, and lower rates of arrest, dropout, teen pregnancy, and welfare dependence; and

(c) Every \$1 invested in high quality early childhood education saves approximately \$7 later in remedial education, welfare, and incarceration; and

(d) California is moving toward providing universal preschool through the First Five California Commission, established by the cigarette tax approved by the electorate in 1998, and has made available \$100 million to increase access to pre-school by funding demonstration projects, expanding the pre-school teacher workforce, and matching funds for counties that establish programs to raise levels of pre-school attendance; and

(e) An estimated 1,650 3 to 5 year old children in San Francisco are not receiving the state early education subsidies for which they are eligible, and these children of working parents need access to full-day, full-year care to help these families stay in San Francisco; and

(f) San Francisco has a strong, existing network of licensed early childhood education and family child care home providers to help young children become “school ready”; and

(g) San Francisco has an existing infrastructure through the Department of Children, Youth and Families and its subcontractors to administer subsidies through a voucher system for eligible families, so that expanding San Francisco children’s access to early childhood education can be done without creating new rules and regulations for licensing and eligibility; and

(h) An expanded system of early childhood education in San Francisco could qualify for matching funds from the First Five California Commission; and

(i) Portable subsidies linked to the con-

sumer rather than the agency allow parents to choose culturally, linguistically appropriate child care providers close to work or home; and

(j) Annual reports from administrators to the Board of Supervisors and the Mayor will provide program evaluation and accountability.

Sec. 20.101 DEFINITIONS. For the purposes of this Article only, the following definitions shall apply to the terms used herein:

(a) “Licensed Early Care and Education” shall mean care and educational services provided to children prior to enrollment in kindergarten, including those provided by family child care providers, as determined by the Director of the lead agency.

(b) “Eligible Working Family” shall mean a family that meets all of the following eligibility criteria:

1. The family has at least one child between the ages of 3 and 5.
2. The family resides in the City and County of San Francisco.
3. The family’s income is at 75% or below of the California median income.
4. The family applies for any state subsidy for which they are eligible but does not currently receive a subsidy from the state of California pursuant to Education Code Section 8263.1.

(c) “Ages 3 to 5” shall mean any child who is at least 3 years of age and determined to be too young for kindergarten as determined by the San Francisco Unified School District.

(d) “Subsidy” shall mean the difference between the actual cost of the service and the amount allowed for by the most current “Regional Market Rate Survey of California Child Care Providers.” Families will pay a family fee based on the state family fee schedule.

SEC. 20.102 SMART START FOR SAN FRANCISCO KIDS. There is hereby established a “Smart Start for San Francisco Kids” program to be administered by a lead agency designated by the Mayor within 90 days from enactment of this measure. The program shall provide a portable subsidy for licensed early care and education to any eligible working family for the purposes of providing these services to any child ages 3 to 5. Nothing in this section is intended to preclude the Mayor and the Board of Supervisors from making subsidies for licensed early care and education available to children between the ages of 0 and 2.

Sec. 20.103 SMART START FOR SAN FRANCISCO KIDS FUND. There is hereby established a fund to be known as “Smart Start for San Francisco Kids Fund,” which shall contain all appropriations for the implementation of this ordinance. This fund shall be a Category 8 fund, meaning that funds shall automatically be appropriated, interest shall accumulate and that any fund balance shall carry forward from year to year. The fund shall contain all monies appropriated from any lawful source for this purpose pursuant to Article IX of the City Charter, except that no funds provided by the Children’s Fund (Charter Section 16.108(c))

may be used in the “Smart Start for San Francisco Kids Fund.”

Sec. 20.104 PROMULGATION OF REGULATIONS. The Director of the lead agency shall have the authority to promulgate regulations in collaboration with the Department of Children, Youth and Families, the Human Services Commission, the Children and Families Commission, the Child Care Planning and Advisory Council and any interested community organizations. Such regulations shall require approval by the Children and Families Commission. On an annual basis, the director of the lead agency shall provide a report to the Mayor and the Board of Supervisors.

Sec. 20.105 EVALUATION. Within two years from the effective date of this initiative, the Controller shall audit and evaluate the efficacy of this program. The Controller shall also advise on additional steps to expand early childhood education opportunities.

Sec. 20.106 GENERAL WELFARE. In undertaking this program, the City and County of San Francisco is assuming an undertaking only to promote the general welfare. It is not assuming, nor is it imposing on its officers, commissions, and employees, an obligation for breach of which it is liable in money damages to any person who claims that such breach proximately caused injury.

Section 20.107 SEVERABILITY. If any section, subsection, subdivision, paragraph, sentence, clause or phrase of this initiative or any part thereof is, for any reason, held to be unconstitutional or invalid or ineffective by any court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the validity or effectiveness of the remaining portions of this Chapter or any part thereof. The people hereby declare that they would have passed each section, subsection, subdivision, paragraph, sentence, clause or phrase thereof irrespective of the fact that any one or more section, subsections, subdivisions, paragraphs, sentences, clauses or phrases be declared unconstitutional or invalid or ineffective.



# Facilities for the Homeless



## PROPOSITION J

Shall the City provide temporary shelter for homeless seniors, youth, families and disabled individuals that is separate from the temporary shelter provided to the general homeless population?



### Digest

by the Ballot Simplification Committee

**THE WAY IT IS NOW:** San Francisco provides temporary shelter for homeless individuals and families, with some separate facilities for homeless families and for homeless youth. San Francisco does not provide separate shelter facilities for homeless seniors or homeless disabled individuals.

**THE PROPOSAL:** Proposition J is an ordinance that would require San Francisco to provide safe, decent and sanitary temporary shelter for homeless seniors, youth, families and disabled individuals that is separate from the temporary shelter provided to the general homeless population.

Proposition J would make it City policy to protect homeless seniors, youth, families and disabled individuals from homelessness and poverty.

**A "YES" VOTE MEANS:** If you vote "Yes," you want to require San Francisco to provide temporary shelter for homeless seniors, youth, families and disabled individuals that is separate from the temporary shelter provided to the general homeless population.

**A "NO" VOTE MEANS:** If you vote "No," you do not want to require San Francisco to provide temporary shelter for homeless seniors, youth, families and disabled individuals that is separate from the temporary shelter provided to the general homeless population.

### Controller's Statement on "J"

City Controller Edward Harrington has issued the following statement on the fiscal impact of Proposition J:

Should the proposed ordinance be approved by the voters, in my opinion, it would not in and of itself increase the cost of government because an ordinance cannot bind future Mayors and Boards of Supervisors to provide funding for this or any other purpose. Only Charter amendments can require the City to fund programs into the future.

The City already has services for homeless seniors, families, youth, and disabled persons in a variety of settings and programs, including some that provide separate facilities, and others that do not. This ordinance specifies separate facilities for those who want them. Estimates of the cost to provide these facilities, should the Mayor and Board choose to fund them, range from minimal to significant amounts depending on the number of people served and the method by which the City provides the separate facility.

### How "J" Got on the Ballot

On July 24, 2003 the Department of Elections certified that the initiative petition, calling for Proposition J to be placed on the ballot, had qualified for the ballot.

9,735 signatures were required to place an initiative ordinance on the ballot.

This number is equal to 5% of the total number of people who voted for Mayor in 1999. A random check of the signatures submitted on July 7, 2003 by the proponent of the initiative petition showed that more than the required number of signatures was valid.

**THIS MEASURE REQUIRES 50%+1 AFFIRMATIVE VOTES TO PASS.**

ARGUMENTS FOR AND AGAINST THIS MEASURE IMMEDIATELY FOLLOW THIS PAGE. THE FULL TEXT BEGINS ON PAGE 141.

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# J

# Facilities for the Homeless

## PROPONENT'S ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF PROPOSITION J

Proposition J – The Safe Care Initiative – accomplishes three specific goals:

1. **Provides safe and separate care** for homeless seniors, families, youth and disabled individuals who are the easiest to take off the street through intervention.
2. **Increases accountability** by requiring the City to use our taxpayer money more effectively.
3. **Does NOT** increase costs as existing funds and services can be used to implement the separation.

San Francisco's homeless services program is not managing its money effectively and our shelters are a disgrace. Many homeless individuals and families feel safer and cleaner on the street than they do in the dangerous and filthy shelters.

- Many seniors forced to stay among the general homeless population are physically abused. Even more seniors routinely have their medications and other belongings stolen while in these unsafe facilities.
- While limited family facilities exist, 140 families are on a waiting list for emergency shelter everyday. These families with children prefer to stay on the street in order to stay together.

- While there is one youth facility, there are few beds available for the estimated 1400 homeless youth, many of whom are survivors of serious abuse.

- No beds are set aside for individuals with physical disabilities, mats are not appropriate, and basic accommodations are lacking.

San Francisco spends over \$100 million per year on homeless services. As taxpayers, we're not getting our money's worth. Proposition J will change that.

Proposition J will improve care to those more likely to emerge from homelessness and force the City to spend our money more effectively – without increasing costs.

Support an important step toward reducing homelessness. Please vote **YES** on Proposition J.

*Angela Alioto*  
Civil Rights Attorney and Former President of the Board of Supervisors

## REBUTTAL TO PROPONENT'S ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF PROPOSITION J

Proposition J's proponents have presented their measure as the best thing since sliced bread, a silver bullet that will magically house the homeless at little or no cost to the taxpayers and, at the same time, miraculously increase government efficiency.

Nothing could be further from the truth.

Contrary to the proponent's assertions, Prop J does not provide safe and separate care for the homeless. The sad truth is, shelters cost money and Prop J contains no funding mechanism to make good on its pie-in-the-sky promises. It represents nothing more than a cruel promise.

Nor will Prop J increase "accountability," as the proponent claims. Indeed, nowhere in the measure's 84 words is increased accountability mentioned. The notion that Prop J endows the bureaucracy that administers our shelter system with some sort of enhanced vision is nothing more than wishful thinking.

The proponent also claims that Prop J will not cost any money. Of course, the controller disagrees, noting that Prop J has "significant" costs attached to it. In fact, it's a safe bet that the Prop J price tag could soar into the tens of millions of dollars.

The truth is, Prop J is a fraud, a solution in search of a problem -- and an expensive one at that.

Vote No on Prop J.

*David Heller*  
Greater Geary Blvd. Merchants Association



# Facilities for the Homeless

# J

## OPPONENT'S ARGUMENT AGAINST PROPOSITION J

Proposition J is a solution in search of a problem. Fundamentally flawed, Prop J is duplicative, fraught with unintended consequences, and written with little regard for the measure's fiscal consequences.

According to a recent report by the Office of the Controller, San Francisco already provides shelter services for our homeless seniors, families, youth and disabled. Yet Prop J would require additional facilities to be set aside for these groups, at a cost that could run into the millions of dollars.

One would have hoped that Prop J's authors would have drafted the measure with some regard for the consequences, should it become law. Sadly, this seems to not be the case. Because the measure requires separate facilities for specifically defined groups of people, yet contains no funding for additional shelters, San Francisco would be forced to take existing shelter space off-line in order to comply with the ordinance. Under Prop J, then, it is entirely likely that some folks, who don't happen to fall into one of the protected classes, could find themselves out on the streets and out of luck. That's no solution.

Moreover, Prop J would leave San Francisco wide open to ongoing and expensive litigation, should even one individual decide that San Francisco is not in compliance with the ordinance and file a lawsuit alleging so.

In the final analysis, then, it is clear that Prop J is more trouble than it's worth. Vote No on Proposition J.

*David Heller*  
President, Geary Blvd. Merchants Association

## REBUTTAL TO OPPONENT'S ARGUMENT AGAINST PROPOSITION J

The logic of Prop J's opponent is fundamentally flawed.

The Controller's statement does NOT say that Prop J is duplicative. Nor does it say it will cost millions of dollars. In fact, just the opposite is true.

Prop J will protect seniors, the physically disabled, families, and youth from shelter abuses caused by inappropriately mixing these vulnerable groups with the general homeless population. Prop J does NOT require separate shelters, only separate facilities, which can mean as little as a small section of an existing shelter which is physically off-limits to all but the designated group. Please don't believe the politically motivated lies of the campaign hucksters who authored the opponent's argument.

Prop J will alleviate the potential for litigation, not cause it as the politicians claim, because seniors will no longer be beaten and their medications stolen, children will no longer be exposed to drug use, and disabled people will have accessible places to sleep.

The Coalition for San Francisco Neighborhoods (CSFN), representing 39 neighborhoods across the city, endorsed Prop J early because it is sound, cost-neutral public policy and an excellent example of the kind of creative thinking which will eventually take the homeless off of our streets.

Please join your neighbors and vote Yes on Proposition J.

*Barbara R. Meskunas*, President  
Coalition for San Francisco Neighborhoods





# J

# Facilities for the Homeless

## PAID ARGUMENTS IN FAVOR OF PROPOSITION J

**Please support Proposition J to provide safe and compassionate care to reduce homelessness and increase tourism in San Francisco.**

As an effective step in reducing homelessness, Proposition J will help bring tourism back to San Francisco and help boost our local economy.

It is compassionate and humane to provide safe and sanitary care to our homeless. As we are able to lift homeless individuals and families off the street, the entire City will benefit.

We live in one of the most unique and beautiful cities in the world. Our City and our culture make San Francisco an attractive tourist destination. Tourists boost our local economy and provide jobs to thousands of small businesses, restaurant workers, hotel workers, and others. However, the perception of San Francisco as a City with a homeless problem has limited those tourist dollars just as New York City faced a similar problem in the 1990's.

It is time to tackle our homeless problem and the ripple effect it has on our City's economy. It is time to take a meaningful step toward reducing homelessness through providing compassionate and safe care.

**Proposition J will not only benefit homeless seniors, families, youth and disabled persons, it will benefit San Francisco's economy and all San Franciscans.**

*Gino Lazzara, Hotel General Manager*

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**Every day there are nearly 150 homeless families on the waiting list for shelter. This is a disgrace.**

Because there is no safe place set-aside for families with children in our city-run shelters, the city makes them stay in one of only two family-only shelters. If there is no room, they stay on the streets so they are not split up.

The number of homeless families is growing faster than any other group - many are only one paycheck away from being homeless. The public housing waiting list numbers in the thousands, so that is not an option. We MUST make room for these families in our city shelters to keep our children from sleeping in the streets.

*Espanola Jackson, Community Activist*

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**The CHINESE AMERICAN DEMOCRATIC CLUB recommends a YES Vote on Proposition J – The Safe Care Initiative.**

Proposition J will help reduce homelessness by providing safe care for seniors, families, youth, and disabled individuals. Reducing homelessness will help our economy through increased tourism and bringing more businesses to San Francisco.

Proposition J will also hold the City more accountable for how it spends our taxpayer dollars.

**Because small businesses will benefit from Proposition J, we urge a YES vote.**

*Sam Kwong, President, Chinese American Democratic Club*

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**The SAN FRANCISCO DEMOCRATIC PARTY recommends a YES Vote on J – Safe Care for Homeless Seniors, Families, Youth, and Disabled Persons.**

Proposition J – *The Safe Care Initiative* – is a tremendous step toward reducing homelessness. We must provide our seniors, families, youth and disabled individuals with safe and compassionate care.

**Please join us in supporting SAFE CARE. Vote YES on Proposition J.**

*Jane Morrison, Chair, San Francisco Democratic Party*

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## PAID ARGUMENTS IN FAVOR OF PROPOSITION J

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### Senator John Burton supports Proposition J – The Safe Care Initiative!

Please join me in supporting SAFE CARE for homeless seniors, families, youth and disabled persons.

Vote YES on Proposition J.

*Senator John L. Burton, Senate President pro Tempore*

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### Support Safe Care and Improve San Francisco's Economy. Vote YES on Proposition J!

Supporting the Safe Care Initiative is not only the right thing to do because it is compassionate, Proposition J will have a positive effect on San Francisco's overall economy for the following reasons:

1. Proposition J doesn't require any additional taxpayer funding. Separating seniors, families, youth and disabled individuals from the general homeless population can be accomplished within the existing homeless services budget.
2. Through providing safe care, homeless seniors, families, youth and disabled individuals will have better access to benefits assistance. Once a senior or disabled person receives the federal and state benefits for which they are eligible, the City saves General Fund money that is providing services to these individuals. Once a family or youth gains employment through job training and placement assistance the City not only saves General Fund money but those individuals pay taxes and increase City revenue.
3. Reducing homelessness overall has a tremendous economic benefit to San Francisco. Reducing the amount of homeless on the street will change any perception that may exist about San Francisco's homeless problem and make the City more attractive to new businesses and investment that will bring more jobs.

Safe Care not only helps human beings through meaningful intervention, but it helps our economy.

### Please join us in voting YES for Proposition J.

*Sal Rosselli, President, Health Care Workers Union SEIU 250*  
*Peter Fatooh, Member, Assessment Appeals Board*  
*Vickie Johnson, Tenant Support Counselor, Tenderloin Housing Clinic*  
*Angelo Quaranta, Businessman*

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Spiritual traditions and moral conscience beckon support for Proposition J – The Safe Care Initiative.

The City has long neglected real solutions to our current crisis in housing and homelessness.

We can take a step in the right direction by passing Proposition J and thereby promoting safe and compassionate care to the thousands of homeless seniors, families, youth, and disabled persons who are on the street every night.

Sadly, many homeless individuals and families feel safer and cleaner on the streets than they do in some shelters.

We must provide true care for our brothers and sisters, as we work to provide adequate and permanent housing.

Therefore, you are urged to vote YES on Proposition J.

*Friar Louis Vitale, OFM, Pastor, St. Boniface Church*  
*Dan Kalb, S.F. Democratic Party Community Service Chair, Jewish Community Activist*  
*Sister Bernie Galvin, Director, Religious Witness with Homeless People*

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## PAID ARGUMENTS IN FAVOR OF PROPOSITION J

### Please vote YES on Proposition J to protect our youth!

Studies have shown there are more than 1400 homeless youth in the streets of San Francisco. Yet there is only one youth-only shelter and it only has 30 beds.

Youth that do not get a space at Lark Inn must either go to a general shelter and be exposed to drug abuse that can be more rampant than it is on the streets.

Homeless youth are some of our most vulnerable human beings. Many are victims of abuse and still many more grew up in foster care and have aged out of the system. These youths can find the right track but need a helping hand.

Proposition J – The Safe Care Initiative – will help them by providing safe and separate care for youths in the current shelter system. Youths will feel safe seeking out shelter and will have better access to services that benefit their unique needs.

The City will be able to better provide job training and placement for these youths when they are in from the street. If they are not exposed to meaningful intervention, the chances are greater of these youths slipping down the path of drug abuse and chronic homelessness.

We must help. Vote YES on Proposition J.

*Bill Barnes, Former Youth Commissioner*

*Donny Kountz, Father and S.F. Recreation and Parks Employee*

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### It is time to hold the City accountable for how it spends our taxpayer dollars on homeless services.

Proposition J – The Safe Care Initiative – will force City Hall to use our taxpayer dollars more effectively.

Several studies, including studies commissioned by the U.S. Conference of Mayors, show that seniors, families, youth, and disabled individuals are the segments of the homeless population who are the most likely to respond to intervention and services.

Yet these are the groups who are not accessing services now because they don't feel safe doing so. They feel safer on the streets than they do in City-run shelters.

Because these groups can be helped the most, we must create an environment where they will feel safe accessing services so they come in off the street. This is what Proposition J does and this is how it makes the City use our tax dollars more effectively.

The City spends more than \$100 million per year on homeless services. It is time to get our money's worth and start using our taxpayer dollars to actually reduce homelessness. Providing safe and separate care for homeless seniors, families, youth, and disabled persons will accomplish that.

### Vote YES on Proposition J.

*Bayard P. Fong, Contract Compliance Officer, San Francisco Human Rights Commission*

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This November's ballot offers voters an opportunity to tell city government that they *do* care about the lives of our most vulnerable homeless San Franciscans. Proposition J presents us with an opportunity to ensure that homeless Seniors, people with disabilities, youth, and homeless families are afforded the kind of compassionate support for their special needs that makes us all proud to be San Franciscans.

Either that or we can continue to seek to punish homeless people for the fact of their poverty and their misery.

Before you walk into your polling place, ask yourself:

Will San Francisco allow retired workers on fixed incomes to be priced out of the housing market and then left to fend for themselves on our streets?

Can we permit disabled homeless people – who are most at risk for premature homeless deaths -- to become future statistics?

Will we continue to permit homeless families to risk losing their children to Child Protective Services, watching them grow up in taxpayer-supported group homes only to cycle back into homelessness as young adults?

Is it really homeless people with whom we are angry? Or is it the indifference and inaction of our local, state and federal government?



# Facilities for the Homeless



## PAID ARGUMENTS IN FAVOR OF PROPOSITION J

It's time to end the status quo for our most vulnerable victims of a national tragedy we call homelessness. VOTE YES ON PROPOSITION J.

*K.E. "Chance" Martin, STREET SHEET Project Coordinator, Coalition on Homelessness, San Francisco\*, Public Interest Seat, San Francisco Mental Health Board\**

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### **Vote YES on Proposition J to protect individuals with disabilities!**

Proposition J – The Safe Care Initiative – will require that the City provide safe, separate and adequate services to physically disabled homeless persons.

Right now, shelters are unsafe and unsanitary. However, the physically disabled are faced with even more challenges than the general homeless population as there are no beds set aside specifically for physically disabled individuals, mats are not appropriate, cots are too low, and basic accommodations are lacking.

We can do better. Disabled individuals need only a helping hand to get off the street and into services. Providing safe and adequate shelter to individuals with disabilities will bring them in from the streets, provide them access to benefits assistance counseling, and get them on their way to permanent housing.

Help reduce homelessness – Vote YES on Proposition J!

*August J. P. Longo, President, FDR Democratic Club*

*Russell Galena, Community Activist*

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### **Organized Labor supports Proposition J for SAFE CARE!**

Vote YES for safe and compassionate care for homeless seniors, families, youth, and disabled persons. Vote YES on Proposition J.

*Josie Mooney, President, San Francisco Labor Council*

*Robert Boileau, Vice President, San Francisco Labor Council*

*Walter L. Johnson, Secretary-Treasurer, San Francisco Labor Council*

*Dennis Kelly, President, United Educators of San Francisco*

*Mike Casey, President, HERE Local 2*

*Denis Mosgofian, Delegate, SFCLC, GCIU 4N*

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### **Proposition J does NOT increase costs – DON'T BELIEVE THE LIES!**

Proposition J, the Safe Care Initiative, will provide safe and separate facilities for homeless seniors, families, youth and disabled persons WITHOUT costing the City more in tax dollars. Existing funds and programs can be used to implement the separation. In fact, Prop J will SAVE the city money because these groups are eligible for other funding sources once they have been properly identified and tracked by our shelter system. No additional shelters are required by Prop J. – the people telling you this are motivated by politics, not common sense or decency.

The Coalition for San Francisco Neighborhoods, comprising 39 neighborhood organizations from every corner of our city, is well known for its fiscal conservatism.

Please join CSFN in voting YES on J – it won't cost anything and is the least we can do while the Board of Supervisors plays politics with homelessness.

*Barbara Meskunas, President, Coalition for San Francisco Neighborhoods*

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### District 6 Democrats urge a YES vote on Proposition J – THE SAFE CARE INITIATIVE!

To provide safe and compassionate care to our most vulnerable populations, we have endorsed and urge your support for Prop J.

The District 6 Democratic Club supported Care Not Cash and still does, but the Safe Care Initiative expands upon CNC's objectives and will help reduce homelessness.

To protect our seniors, families, youth and disabled persons, please join us in voting YES on Proposition J.

*Frederick Hobson*, President, District 6 Democratic Club

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### Vote YES on Proposition J to protect our seniors!

According to a study by Senior Action Network, 20% of San Francisco's homeless population is older than 65 yet there are fewer than 30 beds set aside nightly for seniors in city-funded shelters. This is unacceptable.

Seniors need only a helping hand to lift them up and provide benefits counseling so they can obtain the state and federal assistance they have earned. Once these seniors receive benefits, they can achieve economic stability and permanent housing. Once one senior receives their benefits and is able to afford permanent housing, we have made one small step in reducing homelessness.

Proposition J – The Safe Care Initiative – will protect our seniors. Homeless seniors will feel safer seeking out services and will have better access to benefits and health services.

We must recognize the need to protect our homeless seniors and provide them the helping hand they need to get off the street.

*Sue Bierman*, Former San Francisco Supervisor

*Jane Morrison*, Commissioner

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As a former harm reduction counselor at Central City Hospitality House, I worked directly with many of the 10,000 unduplicated homeless clients this agency sees every year. I experienced firsthand how our shelter system can fail those who are most at risk, and those who are most salvageable.

Homeless seniors refuse to enter some city run or contracted facilities in the existing system because of rampant victimization at the hands of shelter staff and residents.

Youth who become homeless when they "age out" of the foster care system, decide it's a safer strategy to engage in drug dealing or sex for survival rather than waiting for one of the few slots to become available at the Lark Inn.

Physically disabled homeless persons, terrified of losing money or medications to theft, do not feel safe in shelters. They believe they can do a better job meeting their needs by camping illegally.

I have worked with parents who utilize homeless shelters, who have been forced to let go of their children to keep them safe. Their grief and loss is sometimes insurmountable to those attempting to serve them.

Findings in the U.S. Conference of Mayors Annual Reports on Hunger and Homelessness prove that interventions with these populations – seniors, families, youth, and individuals with physical disabilities – are most effective and provide lasting benefits.

Vote YES on J to take a vital step to reduce the harm homelessness does to all of San Francisco.

*Elana Galante*, Project Manager, Committee to Protect San Francisco's Most Vulnerable

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# Facilities for the Homeless

## PAID ARGUMENTS IN FAVOR OF PROPOSITION J

### **Support Proposition J to Reduce Homelessness and Increase Public Safety.**

By providing safe care and getting seniors, families, youth, and disabled individuals off the street, Proposition J will help reduce homelessness. Reducing homelessness also helps reduce threats to public safety.

Please join us in supporting Proposition J – The Safe Care Initiative.

*Angelo Quaranta, Police Commissioner*

*Jon C. Gray, Deputy Sheriff*

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### **Vote YES on J for SAFE CARE!**

Our City must do a better job of caring for homeless seniors, families, youth, and disabled individuals. Proposition J – The Safe Care Initiative – will do just that.

There is an inherent public health benefit to reducing homelessness. By providing safe and sanitary care to some of our most at-risk homeless populations, we can reduce the amount of infection that is spread among the homeless population on a daily basis – thereby increasing public health in general.

By separating seniors, families, youth, and disabled individuals within facilities, we can also provide better on-site services that match up to the specific needs of these populations – reducing the need for emergency medical treatment in the streets.

Please vote YES for a compassionate and effective improvement in care for at-risk individuals and families.

Vote **YES** for **Safe Care** – Proposition J.

*Paul Quick, MD, Physician*

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# J

# Facilities for the Homeless

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## PAID ARGUMENTS AGAINST PROPOSITION J

Proposition J is a deceptive measure and should be rejected on Election Day.

Prop J:

- Duplicates existing services, according to the Controller's statement.
- Would cost millions of dollars, yet ignores the question of how to pay for itself, and
- Opens the door to expensive and ongoing litigation.

Vote No on Proposition J.

*San Francisco Planning and Urban Research Association (SPUR)*

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## LEGAL TEXT OF PROPOSITION J

It shall be the policy of the City and County of San Francisco to protect homeless seniors, families, youth and disabled people from homelessness and poverty.

San Francisco shall provide separate safe, decent, and sanitary facilities for homeless seniors, homeless families with children, and physically challenged homeless individuals in order to safely and efficiently address the special needs of these unique populations, which may greatly differ from the general homeless population.

Involuntary co-mingling of these populations by the City, or City service providers, shall be prohibited.



# **DO YOU KNOW WHERE TO GO TO VOTE?**

**YOUR POLLING PLACE MAY HAVE CHANGED.**

**Please vote at your assigned polling place  
or vote by mail**

**Your polling place is listed on the  
back cover of this pamphlet**

**or you can check online at:  
*[www.sfgov.org/election](http://www.sfgov.org/election)***

**or call 415-554-4375.**

**San Francisco Department of Elections**



# Sales Tax for Transportation



## PROPOSITION K

Shall the City implement a 30-year New Transportation Expenditure Plan directing transportation sales tax funds to improved maintenance of local streets, transportation for the elderly and disabled, the Central Subway, a citywide network of fast and reliable buses, the Caltrain Extension to a new Transbay Terminal, improvements to pedestrian and bicycle safety and other projects and continue the existing half-cent sales tax during implementation of the New Transportation Expenditure Plan and future Plan updates?

YES ←   
NO ←

## Digest

by the Ballot Simplification Committee

**THE WAY IT IS NOW:** The City charges a one-half cent sales tax to help pay for the transportation projects described in a spending plan approved by the voters in 1989. This tax will expire on April 1, 2010.

The Transportation Authority could modify the plan if voters approved. The sales tax would continue as long as the new or modified plan is in effect.

The San Francisco Transportation Authority directs use of the sales tax money. It can spend up to \$160 million (\$160,000,000) per year for the approved transportation projects, and can issue up to \$742 million (\$742,000,000) in bonds.

The Transportation Authority would continue to direct use of the sales tax. It could spend up to \$485.175 million (\$485,175,000) per year and issue up to \$1.88 billion (\$1,880,000,000) in bonds, to be repaid from the one-half cent sales tax.

**THE PROPOSAL:** Proposition K is an ordinance that would continue the one-half cent sales tax, and replace the current transportation spending plan with a new, 30-year plan. Under the new plan, the money would be used for:

A two-thirds majority vote is required to approve this measure.

- Maintenance of local streets;
- Transportation for the elderly and disabled;
- Construction of a Central Subway;
- Upgrades to the bus system, including new buses, stations and dedicated lanes;
- A Caltrain extension to a new Transbay Terminal;
- Projects to improve pedestrian and bicycle safety;
- Support for regional transportation systems (BART, Caltrain, and ferries); and
- Replacing the roadway to Golden Gate Bridge (Doyle Drive).

**A “YES” VOTE MEANS:** If you vote “Yes,” you want to continue the one-half cent sales tax to pay for transportation projects described in a new 30-year spending plan, or future plans, and increase the amount of money the Transportation Authority may spend and borrow to pay for these projects.

**A “NO” VOTE MEANS:** If you vote “No,” you do not want to make these changes.

## Controller’s Statement on “K”

City Controller Edward Harrington has issued the following statement on the fiscal impact of Proposition K:

Should the proposed ordinance be approved by the voters, the City would continue to collect an existing one-half cent sales tax dedicated to transportation projects. Revenue from this tax would also be used to match federal, state and regional transportation funding.

The current authorization for this tax expires March 31, 2010. The proposed ordinance would replace the current authorization with a new a 30-year authorization effective April 1, 2004 through March 31, 2034. The additional sales tax revenue which would be generated is approximately \$2.5 billion over the 30 year period.

## How “K” Got on the Ballot

On July 29, 2003 the Board of Supervisors voted 11 to 0 to place Proposition K on the ballot.

The Supervisors voted as follows:  
**Yes:** Supervisors Ammiano, Daly, Dufty, Gonzalez, Hall, Ma, Maxwell, McGoldrick, Newsom, Peskin, and Sandoval.

THIS MEASURE REQUIRES 66⅔% AFFIRMATIVE VOTES TO PASS.

ARGUMENTS FOR AND AGAINST THIS MEASURE IMMEDIATELY FOLLOW THIS PAGE. THE FULL TEXT BEGINS ON PAGE 151.  
SOME OF THE WORDS USED IN THE BALLOT DIGEST ARE EXPLAINED ON PAGE 28.







# Sales Tax for Transportation

## PROPONENT’S ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF PROPOSITION K

The Board of Supervisors authorized the submission of the following argument. As of the date of the publication of this Voter Information Pamphlet, the following Supervisors endorse the measure: Supervisors Ammiano, Daly, Dufty, Gonzalez, Hall, Ma, Maxwell, McGoldrick, Newsom, Peskin, and Sandoval.

### Keep San Francisco Moving! Yes on K!

**Vote Yes on Proposition K** to relieve traffic congestion, expand transit services and keep San Francisco moving – *all without a tax increase!*

**Vote Yes on Proposition K** for transportation improvements in every neighborhood to enhance the economic, environmental and social vitality of San Francisco.

Proposition K gives voters the power to adopt a specific 30-year New Transportation Expenditure Plan allocating transportation sales tax funds to:

- Local street maintenance and rehabilitation
- Improvements for elderly and disabled San Franciscans
- Neighborhood traffic calming, bicycle and pedestrian safety improvements
- Clean fuel vehicles for reliable, environmentally sound transportation
- Bus system upgrades—new buses, stations and dedicated lanes
- Extension of Caltrain to a new Transbay Terminal
- Construction of a Central Subway connecting Chinatown,

Union Square, PacBell Park, Bayview/Hunters Point and Visitacion Valley

- Replacement of the unsafe approach to the Golden Gate Bridge (Doyle Drive)

Proposition K will coordinate signals to advance traffic flow in congested corridors, reduce travel times and improve connections between Muni, BART, Caltrain and ferries.

Proposition K will ensure our transportation sales tax builds on the progress we’ve made over the past decade, projects like the Embarcadero historic streetcar line, the new Muni Metro extension and the replacement of Muni’s entire fleet of buses, trolley-buses and railcars.

Proposition K protects taxpayers. It prohibits diversion of your tax dollars to other uses and demands accountability and oversight on transportation projects. That’s why business, labor, environmentalists, and neighborhood groups endorse Proposition K.

Best of all, it will leverage nearly \$10 billion in state, federal and other funding to more than triple the impact of our local transportation dollars.

### Vote Yes on Proposition K to keep San Francisco moving.

*San Francisco Chamber of Commerce  
San Francisco League of Conservation Voters  
San Francisco Firefighters*

## REBUTTAL TO PROPONENT’S ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF PROPOSITION K

### PROPOSITION K AND THIRTY MORE YEARS OF TAXES:

While BART should be given a tax subsidy, a lot of the other items on Proposition K’s check list are far more questionable.

These “dedicated lanes” cause traffic jams and those ferry boats are big money losers because nobody uses them.

Those taxpayers, whose income sources are not dependent on tax subsidized non-profit corporations, nor government agency handouts, have been exploited enough.

Thirty years of an extra half cent sales tax is too much.

The voters deserve the permanent flexibility to determine when taxes go up and down.

The sales tax should be adjusted to meet citizens’ real economic needs—not the whims of government freeloaders and opportunists.

Those empty ferry boats are a danger to Bay navigation and the pocketbooks of our taxpayers.

Vote “**NO**” Proposition K.

*Terence Faulkner, J.D.*  
Former County Chairman  
San Francisco Republican Party

*Thomas C. Agee*

*Max Woods*  
County Central Committeeman

*Gail E. Neira*  
County Central Committeewoman

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# Sales Tax for Transportation



## OPPONENT'S ARGUMENT AGAINST PROPOSITION K

### DON'T EXTEND THIS EXTRA HALF CENT SALES TAX—IT'S BAD NEWS:

Proposition K is a measure to further extend San Francisco's wasteful and unnecessary extra half cent sales tax. Some of the so-called "transportation" programs this tax finances should have long ago been abolished.

### "DEDICATED" LANES AND TRAFFIC JAMS:

Proposition K's tax money will be used to extend the widely hated "dedicated" highway lanes. These largely empty traffic lanes cause many highway traffic jams and more than a few auto accidents. Keeping these wasteful highway lanes empty also leads to lots of \$200 and \$300 traffic tickets.

### DUMPING TAX MONEY IN THE BAY:

Thanks to plenty of lobbying, local ferry boat operators get a piece of the Proposition K sales tax.

The ferry boats lose money and are not used by much of the public: When did you last take a ride in one of these craft?

The ferry boats are, due to their excessive number, a danger to more needed navigation on the San Francisco Bay. They also do a fair amount of damage to the environment, eroding with their wave action various parts of the bayshore.

### AN UNNECESSARY EXTRA CALTRAIN EXPANSION TO THE NEW TRANSBAY TERMINAL:

Another planned waste of this Proposition K tax money is to build an unneeded extra Caltrain expansion to the Transbay Terminal. This doubtful building project will cost hundreds of millions of dollars, digging through Downtown San Francisco.

### SAVE TAX MONEY:

Vote against the unneeded sales tax.

Vote against Proposition K.

*Citizens Against Tax Waste*

*Dr. Terence Faulkner, J.D.*  
Chairman, Citizens Against Tax Waste

## REBUTTAL TO OPPONENT'S ARGUMENT AGAINST PROPOSITION K

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The opponent is throwing every bogey man he can think of against Proposition K, hoping something will stick, even if it has nothing to do with the measure.

What he doesn't offer are rational discussion, reasonable alternatives and a recognition that we must take sensible action to ensure San Francisco keeps moving after the current sales tax expires.

**A Yes Vote on Proposition K** provides the resources we need to deliver a balanced selection of transportation alternatives to San Francisco neighborhoods and residents -- **all without a tax increase**. This new 30-year expenditure plan brings much-needed street maintenance and rehabilitation, progress in every neighborhood and significant improvements in local transit options, to

assure that you will be able to get where you want when you want. By leveraging nearly \$10 billion in state, federal and other funding, Proposition K will make your tax dollars go farther -- three times farther. Prolonged projects like Doyle Drive will get a needed cash influx, the building of the Central Subway, and other major street repair and resurfacing projects and MUNI and BART transit system maintenance will keep San Francisco in the forefront of American cities.

Somebody can always come up with reasons why we shouldn't do something. But when we are presented with a reasonable answer to a serious issue—Proposition K—we shouldn't let them have their way.

**Vote Yes on Proposition K to keep San Francisco moving.**

*San Francisco Chamber of Commerce*  
*SF League of Conservation Voters*  
*SF Firefighters, Local 798*

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# Sales Tax for Transportation

## PAID ARGUMENTS IN FAVOR OF PROPOSITION K

**SAN FRANCISCO DEMOCRATIC PARTY** urges **YES on K** - Maintains current funding to improve Muni and traffic safety on city streets.

*Jane Morrison*, Chair, San Francisco Democratic Party

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Proposition K will allow San Francisco to

- Maximize our tax dollars by qualifying for matching state and federal funds
- Fund crucial mass transit projects and ongoing operations throughout the City
- Complete the Citywide bicycle network, allowing riders of all ages to traverse the City conveniently and safely
- Improve pedestrian safety with traffic calming and better sidewalks, crosswalks, and signals

Proposition K provides more transportation options for San Franciscans.

Yes on K!

*SF Bicycle Coalition* ([www.sfbike.org](http://www.sfbike.org))

*SF League of Conservation Voters*

*San Francisco Tomorrow*

*Walk San Francisco* ([www.walksf.org](http://www.walksf.org))

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Proposition K continues an *existing* sales tax which has, for the past 14 years, supported, maintained, and extended Muni service. Retaining this vital funding source will help keep San Francisco moving.

Proposition K money will go toward maintaining our existing transit system for another thirty years, replacing old buses and streetcars as they wear out. Money spent on maintenance pays off in more reliable service. The money will also help build new transit for San Francisco, including traffic-beating express buses, new streetcar lines, and an expanded Caltrain.

Thanks to matching grants from state and local government,

San Francisco can expect to receive over \$4 in transportation improvements for every \$1 generated locally. But without local revenue from Proposition K, those grants are unavailable.

Proposition K is *not a new tax*; it continues a successful program which provides paratransit transportation for elderly and disabled residents, makes our streets safer, and keeps Muni improving.

This isn't just about transit; Proposition K will improve San Francisco's streets for motorists, bicyclists, and pedestrians.

### **Rescue Muni supports Proposition K.**

*Rescue Muni*

[www.rescuemuni.org](http://www.rescuemuni.org)

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Without raising taxes, Proposition K will save most taxpayers money. For too long, our transportation system has forced us to rely on cars, spending thousands on their purchase, maintenance, and gas. This measure is a strong step toward giving us better choices, so that more of us can live in San Francisco without a car.

*Transportation for a Livable City*

[www.LivableCity.org](http://www.LivableCity.org)

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### **Vote Yes for Transportation Improvements.**

San Francisco's sales tax is the single most important funding source for transportation. It pays for everything from new rail lines to street repaving to bike lanes. It is what we use to match against state and federal dollars for every public works project relating to transportation. This year is the time to renew it for another 30 years. SPUR has reviewed the expenditure plan in detail. We believe this measure is balanced and responsible. SPUR recommends a yes vote.

### **Vote Yes for Transportation Improvements.**

*For more information, see [www.spur.org](http://www.spur.org).*

*San Francisco Planning and Urban Research Association (SPUR)*

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# Sales Tax for Transportation



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### Improve Transportation Without Increasing Taxes.

No one understands better than the Chamber how critically important a first-rate transportation system is to a city's ability to sustain a viable economy. With Prop K, San Francisco has an opportunity to invest in improvements to the city's multi-modal transportation system that will enhance the mobility of people and goods while reducing traffic and enhancing livability – *all without increasing the transportation sales tax.*

The passage of Proposition K is essential if we are to maintain the city's transportation infrastructure in good repair; improve the speed, reliability and ridership of public transit; facilitate the safe movement of people and goods; and coordinate transportation improvements with opportunities for new housing along transit corridors.

### The Chamber urges you vote "Yes" on Proposition K.

*San Francisco Chamber of Commerce*

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### VOTE YES ON PROPOSITION K -- Improved Police and Fire Response Means Peace of Mind

Public safety depends on fast, reliable response time to emergencies and accidents. Traffic congestion and decaying streets and roads makes it harder for the men and women of the police and fire departments to do their job effectively.

Proposition K reauthorizes a 1/2 cent sales tax for transportation to ease congestion and travel time for emergency vehicles.

The safety, health and welfare of San Franciscans is our top priority. Proposition K will help fund many transportation programs to make streets and infrastructure more safe.

Keep San Francisco safe and livable.

### VOTE YES ON PROPOSITION K!

*San Francisco Police Officer's Association*

*San Francisco Firefighters, AFL-CIO*

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### Vote Yes On Proposition K.

The city's transportation infrastructure is critical to San Franciscans. As members of the 21-person Expenditure Plan Advisory Committee that put together the New Expenditure Plan for the half-cent sales tax, we are proud to submit this plan to the voters. This Plan was unanimously approved by our broad-based coalition of pedestrian, transit, paratransit and other community advocates. The Plan provides much needed flexibility to address transportation needs as they change and will enhance transit, pedestrian safety, paratransit and streets in every neighborhood in San Francisco.

### Vote YES on Proposition K.

*Expenditure Plan Advisory Committee*

*Tom Radulovich, Chair, Bay Area Rapid Transit (BART)*

*Gwyneth Borden, Vice Chair, San Francisco Chamber of Commerce*

*Jim Bourgart, Business Advisory Group*

*Duane Papierniak, Joseph Schmidt Chocolates*

*Jackie Sachs*

*James Haas, Transbay Citizens Advisory Committee*

*Michael Smith, Walk San Francisco*

*Dave Snyder, Transportation for a Livable City*

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### VOTE YES ON PROPOSITION K FOR A LIVABLE CITY! Environmental groups and leaders support Proposition K

**Proposition K** would continue the 1/2 cent sales tax to fund transportation projects that allow for a network of transit options for riders. Proposition K will ensure a strengthened connection between land use and transportation and make vast improvements to the bicycle network.

A whopping 36% of MUNI capital expenditures will be committed to a rapid bus network, freeing up our clogged streets for better travel times. Proposition K funds will help MUNI finally purchase clean fuel vehicles and reliable buses.

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# Sales Tax for Transportation

## PAID ARGUMENTS IN FAVOR OF PROPOSITION K

Buses, rail, ferries, and the bicycle network will be improved, allowing better transit times for those who choose, or cannot drive a car. Proposition K will fund pedestrian and bicycle safety projects, introduce traffic calming projects, and maintain our streets and medians for a more beautiful city.

**VOTE YES ON PROPOSITION K – let’s plan for a sustainable, greener future with shorter travel times!**

*Michael Smith, Walk San Francisco*

*Tom Radulovich, BART Director*

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**VOTE YES ON PROPOSITION K!** We all agree — Proposition K keeps San Francisco moving!

In the rough and tumble of San Francisco politics, we often don’t agree.

Fortunately, Proposition K is a measure we can all stand behind. It’s simple — San Francisco must invest in our transportation and infrastructure.

Proposition K is an investment in the future of San Francisco to keep goods, services and commerce competitive, provide jobs, and enhance the beauty of our City — all without a tax increase!

We may not agree too often, but when we do, it’s for a sound, good reason.

**Vote YES ON PROPOSITION K.** Keep San Francisco moving.

*Assemblyman Leland Yee  
Supervisor Tom Ammiano  
Supervisor Chris Daly  
Supervisor Fiona Ma  
Supervisor Gavin Newsom  
Supervisor Aaron Peskin  
Supervisor Gerardo Sandoval*

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**LABOR SUPPORTS PROPOSITION K**  
Transportation Investments Mean Good Jobs

**VOTE YES ON PROPOSITION K** to reauthorize San Francisco’s sales and use tax and ratify the new expenditure plan with major transportation projects to keep San Francisco moving and San Franciscans working.

**Proposition K** will improve and expand transit service replace transit vehicles and maintain transit infrastructure and facilities.

**VOTE YES ON PROPOSITION K** so that streets and sidewalks will be repaired and maintained. Buses and transit will be improved and maintained for better time travel. Safer conditions for bicyclists, pedestrians, and drivers will result from updated signals and signs and street resurfacing — all helping working people like us get to their jobs.

Major capital projects like the Central Subway and the Transbay Terminal will create jobs for the future and ensure we can continue to keep San Francisco a premiere city to live and work.

**Proposition K stands for three things – jobs, jobs, and more jobs!**

**VOTE YES ON PROPOSITION K – Keep San Francisco Moving**

*San Francisco Labor Council, AFL-CIO  
Walter Johnson  
Robert Boileau  
Josephine Mooney*

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**VOTE YES ON PROPOSITION K** – for a dedicated source of funding for transportation.

San Francisco’s infrastructure is in need of repair. Proposition K will continue the half cent sales tax dedicated to funding transportation and transportation infrastructure to keep San Francisco moving.

Our local economy must be sustained and protected by allowing the movement of people and commerce. Proposition K allows voters to approve a new expenditure plan for San Francisco’s needs such as:

- Maintenance and repair of our deteriorating streets
- Improve and enhance a citywide network of fast and reliable buses
- Build major capital projects such as the Transbay Terminal and the Central Subway to preserve and enhance San Francisco’s economic vitality as an international city of commerce and travel destination
- Focus commercial growth on transportation corridors so workers have reliable, fast transit options to get to work
- Projects to promote and ensure pedestrian and bicycle safety

**VOTE YES ON PROPOSITION K** so that San Francisco can fund locally its infrastructure needs while leveraging our hard earned dollars for state and federal transportation dollars.

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# Sales Tax for Transportation



## PAID ARGUMENTS IN FAVOR OF PROPOSITION K

### Keep San Francisco Moving – VOTE YES ON K

*Ken Cleaveland*, Director of Government and Public Affairs,  
BOMA San Francisco

*Lynette Sweet*, BART Director, District 7

*James Fang*, Vice-President, BART

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### VOTE YES ON PROPOSITION K!

Our neighborhoods benefit from transportation planning that understands the needs of real San Franciscans.

**PROPOSITION K** builds major capital projects and start plans and programs to ensure our transportation dollars are spent on the transit investments we care about such as:

- Support for senior citizens with improved door-to-door service
- Replace transit vehicles and maintain transit infrastructure and facilities
- Street resurfacing and repair
- Pedestrian and bicycle safety projects

**VOTE YES ON PROPOSITION K** for community and neighborhood planning and parking studies. Let's dedicate funds to increase land use and transportation coordination to make it easier to live in San Francisco.

Proposition K doesn't raise taxes and it invests in our future. Increased mobility and transit options give us all time to commit to the people, work and neighborhoods we love.

### VOTE YES ON PROPOSITION K!

*Noe Valley Democratic Club*

*District 11 Council*

*Excelsior Improvement Association*

*Tamar Cooper*, Richmond District MUNI Commuter

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# Sales Tax for Transportation

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PAID ARGUMENTS AGAINST PROPOSITION K

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# LEGAL TEXT OF PROPOSITION K

**Resolution approving a New Transportation Expenditure Plan and calling and providing for a special election to be held on November 4, 2003, to be consolidated with the General Municipal Election already scheduled for November 4, 2003, for the purpose of submitting to the voters an ordinance amending Sections 1401, 1402, 1403, 1404, 1405, 1406, 1408, 1413, 1414, and 1415 of, and adding Section 1419 to, Article 14 of the Business and Tax Regulations Code of the City and County of San Francisco so as to (1) authorize implementation of a New Transportation Expenditure Plan, directing the transactions and use tax ("sales and use tax") revenues to specific transportation improvements over the next 30 years and making provisions for the adoption of future expenditure plan updates; (2) continue collection of the sales and use tax at the existing level of one-half of one percent during implementation of the New Transportation Expenditure Plan and its updates; (3) continue in effect the San Francisco County Transportation Authority as the independent agency to administer the tax and oversee implementation of the projects; (4) authorize the San Francisco County Transportation Authority to issue limited tax bonds as needed, in a total outstanding aggregate amount not to exceed \$1,880,000,000 and which is payable from the revenue generated hereunder; (5) approve the California Constitution Article XIII B Appropriations Limit of \$485,175,000; (6) forbid the enjoining of collection of the tax; and (7) make recipient departments responsible for certifying that the tax revenues will not be substituted for property tax funds for existing programs.**

RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors hereby approves the New Transportation Expenditure Plan unanimously recommended by the Expenditure Plan Advisory Committee established by the San Francisco County Transportation Authority, which New Plan would direct the use of revenues obtained from an extension of the transactions and use tax ("sales and use tax"); and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors hereby calls and provides for a special election to be held in the City and County of San Francisco on Tuesday, November 4, 2003, and is hereby consolidated with the General Municipal Election of the City and County of San Francisco to be held Tuesday, November 4, 2003, for the purpose of submitting the following proposition:

Shall the City implement a 30-year New Transportation Expenditure Plan directing transportation sales tax funds to improved maintenance of local streets, transporta-

tion for the elderly and disabled, the Central Subway, a citywide network of fast and reliable buses, the Caltrain Extension to a new Transbay Terminal, improvements to pedestrian and bicycle safety and other projects and continue the existing half-cent sales tax during implementation of the New Transportation Expenditure Plan and future Plan updates?

(a) The special election hereby called and ordered shall be held and conducted, and the votes thereat received and canvassed, and the returns thereof made and the results thereof ascertained, determined and declared as herein provided and in all particulars not herein recited said election shall be held according to the laws of the State of California and the Charter of the City and County of San Francisco providing for and governing elections in the City and County of San Francisco, and the polls for such election shall be and remain open during the time required by said laws.

(b) The said special election hereby called shall be and hereby is consolidated with the General Municipal Election of the City and County of San Francisco to be held on Tuesday, November 4, 2003, and the voting precincts, polling places and officers of election for said Election shall be the same and are hereby adopted, established, designated and named, respectively, as the voting precincts, polling places and officers of election for such special election hereby called, and as specifically set forth, in the official publication, by the Director of Elections of precincts, polling places and election officers for the said General Municipal Election.

(c) The ballots to be used at said special election shall be the ballots to be used at said General Municipal Election and reference is hereby made to the notice of election setting forth the voting precincts, polling places and officers of election by the Director of Elections for the General Election to be published as required by State and local law.

(d) On the ballots to be used at such special election, in addition to any other matter required by law to be printed thereon, shall appear thereon the following, to be separately stated, and appear upon the ballot as a separate proposition:

Shall the City implement a 30-year New Transportation Expenditure Plan directing transportation sales tax funds to improved maintenance of local streets, transportation for the elderly and disabled, the Central Subway, a citywide network of fast and reliable buses, the Caltrain Extension to a new Transbay Terminal, improvements to pedestrian and bicycle safety and other projects and continue the existing half-cent sales tax during implementation of the New Transportation Expenditure Plan and future Plan updates?

(e) This resolution shall be published according to the laws of the State of California and the Charter of the City and County of San Francisco providing for and governing the pub-

lication of measures submitted to the voters. The New Transportation Expenditure Plan referenced below shall be published once in the official newspaper of the City and County within 30 days of the effective date of this resolution.

(f) The Director of Elections and the Director's employees, representatives and agents are hereby authorized and directed to do everything necessary or desirable to the calling and holding of said special election, and to otherwise carry out the provisions of this resolution.

(g) At the special election, an ordinance amending Article 14 of the San Francisco Business and Tax Regulations Code of the City and County of San Francisco, by amending Sections 1401, 1402, 1403, 1404, 1405, 1406, 1408, 1413, 1414, and 1415 thereof, and adding Section 1419, is hereby submitted to the electorate as follows:

Note: Additions are single-underline italics Times New Roman;  
Deletions are ~~striketrough italics Times New Roman~~.

Be it ordained by the People of the City and County of San Francisco:

Section 1. The San Francisco Business and Tax Regulations Code is hereby amended by amending Sections 1401, 1402, 1403, 1404, 1405, 1406, 1408, 1413, 1414, and 1415, to read as follows:

SEC. 1401. TITLE.

This ordinance shall be known as the "San Francisco County Transportation Authority Reauthorization Ordinance" which ~~establishes and implements a~~ continues in effect the existing local transactions and use tax (commonly referred to as the "sales and use tax") approved by the voters as Proposition B at the November 7, 1989 election and authorizes implementation of a New Transportation Expenditure Plan for the use of the additional revenues.

SEC. 1402. DEFINITIONS.

For the purposes of this ordinance the following words shall have the meanings ascribed to them by this section.

(a) "Authority." The existing San Francisco County Transportation Authority.

(b) "District." The City and County of San Francisco.

(c) "Effective date." The date of adoption of this ordinance which shall take effect at the close of the polls on the day of the election scheduled for November 4, 2003 at which the proposition is adopted by a two-thirds vote of the electors voting on the measure.

(d) "Operative date." The date that this ordinance becomes operative, which shall be

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the first day of the first calendar quarter commencing more than 120 days after adoption of this ordinance at the election scheduled for November 4, 2003, pursuant to Public Utilities Code Section 131105(a).

- (c) ~~“Effective date.” The date of adoption of this ordinance which shall take effect at the close of the polls on the day of election at which the proposition is adopted by majority vote of the electors voting on the measure, pursuant to Public Utilities Code Section 131102(c).~~
- (d) ~~“Operative date.” The first day of the first calendar quarter commencing more than 120 days after adoption of the ordinance, pursuant to Public Utilities Code Section 131105(a).~~
- (e) ~~“Plan.” The Transportation Expenditure Plan approved by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco which is considered part of this ordinance and hereby incorporated by reference as if fully set forth herein.~~

### SEC. 1403. PURPOSE.

Pursuant to Division 12.5 of the Public Utilities Code, ~~the San Francisco County Transportation Authority, upon the unanimous recommendation of the Expenditure Plan Advisory Committee established by the Authority, the San Francisco Transportation Committee~~ has recommended that the Board of Supervisors submit to the voters of the City and County of San Francisco for their approval an ordinance which would, if so approved, ~~create the San Francisco County Transportation Authority, authorize the Authority to impose a one-half of one percent transactions and use tax for a period of twenty years to finance the transportation improvements set forth in the Transportation Expenditure Plan approved by the Board of Supervisors and to continue in effect the existing local transactions and use tax of one-half of one percent approved by the voters as Proposition B at the November 7, 1989 election; authorize implementation of a New Transportation Expenditure Plan setting forth the projects to be funded over the next 30 years with revenues from the continuation of the tax; continue in effect the San Francisco County Transportation Authority; and authorize the San Francisco County Transportation Authority to issue limited tax bonds in a total outstanding aggregate amount not to exceed \$742,000,000, \$1,880,000,000.~~ Hence, this ordinance should be interpreted so as to achieve the purposes set forth herein:

- (a) To ~~establish a~~ continue in effect the San Francisco County Transportation Authority.
- (b) To ~~impose a transactions and use tax~~ continue in effect the existing one-half of one percent transactions and use tax in accordance with the provisions of Part 1.6 (commencing with Section 7251) of Division 2 of the California Revenue and Taxation Code and Sections 131100 et seq. of the California Public

Utilities Code, which directs the County Board of Supervisors to adopt the tax ordinance for voter approval, exercising the taxing power granted to the San Francisco County Transportation Authority in Public Utilities Code Section 131102 on behalf of said Authority.

(c) To implement a New Transportation Expenditure Plan which supersedes the existing Transportation Expenditure Plan adopted in 1989, sets forth the transportation projects, programs and other improvements to be funded over the next 30 years with the revenues resulting from the continuation of the tax, specifies eligibility and other conditions and criteria under which such revenues shall be made available, and makes provisions for the adoption of future expenditure plan updates.

(e) (d) To incorporate provisions identical to those of the Sales and Use Tax Law of the State of California insofar as those provisions are not inconsistent with the requirements and limitations contained in Part 1.6 of Division 2 of the Revenue and Taxation Code.

(d) (e) To impose a transactions and use tax and provide a measure therefor that can be administered and collected by the State Board of Equalization in a manner that adapts itself as fully as practicable to, and requires the least possible deviation from, the existing statutory and administrative procedures followed by the State Board of Equalization in administering and collecting the California State Sales and Use Tax.

(e) (f) To authorize administration of a transactions and use tax in a manner that will, to the highest degree possible consistent with the provisions of Part 1.6 of Division 2 of the Revenue and Taxation Code, minimize the cost of collecting the transactions and use taxes and at the same time minimize the burden of recordkeeping upon persons subject to taxation under the provisions of this ordinance.

(f) (g) To improve ~~or cause the improvement, construction, maintenance, operation, development of and/or planning for, construct, maintain, and operate certain~~ transportation projects, ~~and facilities~~ and/or programs contained in the New Transportation Expenditure Plan recommended by the Expenditure Plan Advisory Committee and adopted by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco, which plan is incorporated here by this reference as though fully set forth herein, and as that Plan may be amended from time to time pursuant to applicable law.

(g) (h) ~~To set a maximum term of twenty years during which time this tax shall be imposed pursuant to the authority granted by Section 131102(c) of the Public Utilities Code.~~ To continue this tax pursuant to the authority granted by Section 131102 of the Public Utilities Code, permanently and subject to approval of future updates of the New Expenditure Plan pursuant to Section 131056 of the Public Utilities Code.

(h) (i) To authorize the issuance from time

to time of limited tax bonds not to exceed a total outstanding aggregate amount of ~~\$742,000,000~~ \$1,880,000,000 to finance the projects specified in the Plan.

(i) (j) To establish an expenditure limit for the Authority pursuant to California Constitution Article XIII B.

### SEC. 1404. CONTINUATION ~~CREATION~~ OF AUTHORITY.

Upon voter approval of this ordinance, the Authority shall continue in effect as currently constituted ~~be created and shall be composed of the eleven members of the San Francisco Board of Supervisors as specified in the Transportation Expenditure Plan.~~ The Authority shall have all of the powers set forth in Division 12.5 (commencing with Section 131100) of the Public Utilities Code, all of the powers set forth in the New Transportation Expenditure Plan, and all powers incidental or necessary to imposing and collecting the tax and administering the tax proceeds and the Plan, and causing and overseeing the delivery of the transportation improvements therein contained. The Authority may allocate and reallocate the tax proceeds to meet project cash flow needs consistent with ~~all~~ the provisions of the Plan. In the event a project is infeasible, the Authority shall reallocate the tax proceeds for that project to other projects in accordance with the provisions of the Plan.

### SEC. 1405. CONTRACT WITH STATE.

Prior to the operative date, the Authority shall contract with the State Board of Equalization to perform all functions incident to the administration and operation of ~~this the~~ transactions and use tax authorized by this ordinance; provided that, if the Authority shall not have contracted with the State Board of Equalization prior to the operative date, it shall nevertheless so contract and in such a case the operative date shall be the first day of the first calendar quarter following the execution of such a contract.

### SEC. 1406. TRANSACTIONS TAX AND RATE OF ONE-HALF OF ONE PERCENT.

For the privilege of selling tangible personal property at retail, ~~the existing~~ tax is hereby continued to be imposed upon all retailers in this District at the rate of one-half of one percent of the gross receipts of any retailer from the sale of all tangible personal property sold at retail in this District on and after the operative date. This tax shall be imposed for a maximum period of twenty years.

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SEC. 1408. USE TAX AND RATE OF ONE-HALF OF ONE PERCENT.

~~The existing **A** excise tax is hereby *continued to be* imposed on the storage, use or other consumption in this District of tangible personal property purchases from any retailer on and after the operative date for storage, use or other consumption in this District at the rate of one-half of one percent of the sales price of the property. The sales price shall include delivery when such charges are subject to state sales or use tax regardless of the place to which delivery is made. *This tax shall be imposed for a maximum period of twenty years.*~~

SEC. 1413. AUTHORIZATION AND LIMITATION ON ISSUANCE OF BONDS.

The Authority is hereby authorized to issue from time to time limited tax bonds pursuant to the provisions of California Public Utilities Code Sections 131109 et seq. in a total outstanding aggregate amount not to exceed ~~\$742,000,000~~ **\$1,880,000,000**.

SEC. 1414. USE OF PROCEEDS.

The proceeds of the taxes imposed by this ordinance shall be used solely for the projects and purposes set forth in the ~~County~~ *New* Transportation Expenditure Plan *and its updates* and for the administration thereof. In accordance with the legislative intent expressed in California Public Utilities Code Section ~~13110~~ **131100** such proceeds shall not replace funds previously provided by property tax revenues for public transportation purposes. ~~Each year the tax is in effect and prior to the allocation of funds by the Authority, the Controller of the City and County of San Francisco~~ *As a condition for allocation of funds by the Authority, the recipient department or agency shall certify to the Authority that the funds will not be substituted for property tax funds which are currently utilized to fund existing local transportation programs.*

SEC. 1415. APPROPRIATIONS LIMIT.

For purposes of Article XIII B of the State Constitution, the appropriations limit for the Authority for fiscal year ~~2003-04~~ **1989-90** and each year thereafter shall be ~~\$160,000,000~~ **\$485,175,000** unless that amount should be amended pursuant to applicable law.

Section 2. The San Francisco Business and Tax Regulations Code is hereby amended by adding Section 1419, to read as follows:

### SEC. 1419. ENJOINING COLLECTION FORBIDDEN.

*No injunction or writ of mandate or other legal or equitable process shall issue in any suit, action or proceeding in any court against the State of California or the Authority, or against any officer of the State or the Authority, to prevent or enjoin the collection under this ordinance, or Part 1.6 of Division 2 of the Revenue and Taxation Code, of any tax or any amount of tax required to be collected.*

NEW TRANSPORTATION EXPENDITURE PLAN FOR SAN FRANCISCO

Recommended July 22, 2003

San Francisco County Transportation Authority

### 1. INTRODUCTION

#### A. SUMMARY

The New Expenditure Plan identifies transportation improvements to be funded from the extension of the existing half-cent transportation sales tax. The projects and programs included in the Expenditure Plan are designed to be implemented over the next 30 years. Provisions are also made for future updates to the New Expenditure Plan beyond the initial 30-year period. The New Expenditure Plan includes investments in four major categories: Transit, Streets and Roads (including street resurfacing, and bicycle and pedestrian improvements), Paratransit services for seniors and disabled people, and Transportation System Management/Strategic Initiatives, to fund neighborhood parking management, land use coordination, and beautification efforts.

The major capital projects to be funded by the New Expenditure Plan are:

- Development of the Bus Rapid Transit/MUNI Metro Network;
- Construction of the MUNI Central Subway (3<sup>rd</sup> St. LRT Phase 2);
- Construction of the Caltrain Downtown Extension to a Rebuilt Transbay Terminal;
- Replacement of the South Access to the Golden Gate Bridge (Doyle Drive).

#### B. CONTEXT

The New Expenditure Plan for the use of Prop K funds was developed by the Expenditure Plan Advisory Committee (EPAC), appointed by the San Francisco County Transportation Authority (Authority) Board, with technical assistance provided by the Authority and other transportation agencies. The roster of EPAC members is provided in Attachment 1. The Expenditure Plan was recommended by the Authority Board on July 22, 2003.

By providing the required local match, Prop K is intended to leverage about \$9.6 billion in federal, state, and other local funding for transportation projects in San Francisco.

The New Expenditure Plan is a list of transportation projects and programs that will be given priority for Prop K funding. As such the New Expenditure Plan shall be amended into the Capital Improvement Program of the Congestion Management Program of the Congestion Management Program, developed pursuant to section 65089 of the California Government Code. These projects and programs are intended to help implement the long-range vision for the development and improvement of San Francisco's transportation system, as articulated in the San Francisco Long Range Countywide Transportation Plan. The Countywide Transportation Plan is

the City's blueprint to guide the development of transportation funding priorities and policy. The major objectives of the Countywide Transportation Plan are to enhance mobility and accessibility throughout the city, improve safety for all transportation system users, support the city's economic development and the vitality of our neighborhoods, sustain environmental quality, and promote equity and efficiency in transportation investments. The Countywide Transportation Plan is a living document, updated on a regular basis to identify and address changing needs and regional trends, and align them with available funding.

#### C. GOALS

The purpose of the New Expenditure Plan is to implement the priorities of the Countywide Transportation Plan through investment in a set of projects and programs that include planning, maintenance and rehabilitation of, and improvements to the city's multi-modal transportation system. Goals of the plan include:

- Maintain the city's transportation infrastructure in a state of good repair.
- Support an efficient, accessible, and fully integrated public transportation system that connects San Francisco's neighborhoods and links San Francisco to the region.
- Improve the speed, reliability, and ridership of transit in San Francisco and the region.
- Maintain a safe, attractive, well designed street network that provides mobility and public open space for residents and visitors.
- Enhance mobility for all San Franciscans, including seniors and people with disabilities.
- Maintain and enhance the city's roadway network to facilitate the safe movement of people and goods, including transit.
- Improve safety and amenities for pedestrians and bicyclists.
- Coordinate transportation investments with existing and planned land uses, to enhance livability and mobility, reduce traffic, and increase housing opportunities.
- Promote economic vitality citywide.
- Protect and enhance the environment.
- Improve coordination between transportation agencies and departments.
- Develop clear, equitable, and cost-effective methods for prioritizing transportation investments.
- Wisely use local funding to secure state, federal, and regional matching funds for transportation projects.

#### D. STRUCTURE

The New Expenditure Plan is organized

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## LEGAL TEXT OF PROPOSITION K (CONTINUED)

into five sections. Section 1: Introduction provides background on the Plan's goals and development. Section 2: General Provisions provides further context on the Plan's policies and administration. Section 3: Plan Summary provides the Plan's investment detail by category. Section 4: Description of Projects and Programs contains detailed descriptions of the projects and programs (by category and subcategory), and the types of items that are eligible for funding under each of them. Section 5: Implementation Provisions describes the process for prioritizing and allocating funds following adoption of the Plan. Section 6: Allocation and Reallocation of Funds, deals with the procedures to be followed in allocating and reallocating funds to the different levels of priority. Section 7: Update Process, deals with the mechanisms for developing updates beyond the initial 30-year period.

The Authority recommends that the following elements be included in the New Transportation Expenditure Plan for San Francisco.

### 2. GENERAL PROVISIONS

#### A. SALES TAX REVENUES

The New Expenditure Plan shall supersede the Proposition B Expenditure Plan, adopted in 1989, as of the operative date of the New Expenditure Plan, pursuant to Section 131105 of the California Public Utilities Code. The existing one-half percent local sales tax dedicated to transportation improvements (approved in November 1989 as Proposition B) shall be continued for the duration of the New Expenditure Plan.

Revenues are estimated under three scenarios over the 30-year period of the New Expenditure Plan. The conservative projection puts the total revenue level at \$2.35 billion (2003 dollars). The medium growth projection forecasts \$2.62 billion; and the optimistic projection is \$2.82 billion. These scenarios reflect average growth rates that vary from 1.4% per year to 1.65% to 2.15%. All three rates are based on historical trends in sales tax receipts in San Francisco, and are consistent with the projections used by the City and County of San Francisco and by the Metropolitan Transportation Commission.

#### B. RESTRICTION OF FUNDS

Sales tax revenues shall be spent on capital projects rather than to fund operations and maintenance of existing transportation services, unless otherwise explicitly specified in the Plan Description. In accordance with enabling legislation and adopted principles, sales tax revenues generated pursuant to this plan shall be subject to the following restrictions:

##### NO SUBSTITUTION

a. Sales tax revenues shall be used to supplement and under no circumstance replace

existing local revenues used for transportation purposes.

b. Proceeds from the sale or liquidation of capital assets funded with sales tax revenues shall be returned to the Authority (in proportion to the contribution of sales tax revenues to the total original cost of the asset), for re-allocation to eligible expenses within the categories from which funds were expended for the original investment.

##### INCREMENTAL OPERATING AND MAINTENANCE COSTS

Funds for operations and maintenance shall be limited exclusively to incremental costs associated with the operation of new transportation services and/or facilities, as specified in this plan. Regional operators and other non-San Francisco sponsors shall not be eligible for incremental operations and maintenance funding. Incremental costs shall be defined as solely those operating and maintenance costs that would clearly not have otherwise been incurred absent the new service or facility. The intent shall under no circumstance be to provide an ongoing subsidy, but rather to allow for a limited level of transitional funding, to help the department responsible for the operation and maintenance of the new facility or service built or purchased with sales tax funds, to identify alternative funding sources for these purposes and gradually and fully absorb the facility's incremental operating and/or maintenance costs into its own operating budget. Incremental operating and maintenance costs shall be reimbursable from the sales tax according to the following schedule.

##### Linear Decrease

The funding eligibility level for incremental operating and maintenance costs shall decrease linearly from 100% on the first year of operation to 0% on year 10.

##### Grandfathered Projects

Projects currently receiving Prop B reimbursement for incremental operating and maintenance costs shall be eligible for reimbursement under the sales tax according to the same schedule as detailed in section 2.B.ii.a., above, starting with the amount shown in the 2003 Strategic Plan Update for Prop B for fiscal year 2003/04.

##### NO EXPENDITURES OUTSIDE SAN FRANCISCO

No sales tax funds shall be spent outside the limits of the City and County of San Francisco, except for cases that satisfy all of the following conditions, and subject to a possible need for amendment of state legislation:

##### a. Quantifiable Benefit

The project, service, or programmatic category is included in the Expenditure Plan, and planning or other studies, developed in order to enable its implementation, demonstrate that there will be a quantifiable benefit to the City and County's

transportation program from the expenditure of funds beyond the City and County line. A quantifiable benefit is defined as a measurable increase in the cost effectiveness of a project or group of transportation projects and or services at least partially funded with sales tax funds, located along the corridor or in the immediate geographic area of the City and County where the project in question is proposed to occur.

##### Expenses Matched By Other Counties

The proposed expense is matched by funding from the county where the expenditure of sales tax funds is proposed to be made.

Should transportation projects or services contemplated in the plan require the participation of multiple counties for any phase of project planning or implementation, the Authority shall work cooperatively with the affected county or counties to ensure successful project implementation.

### IV. FUNDING CAPS FOR GRANDFATHERED PROJECTS

Projects grandfathered from the Prop B Expenditure Plan, shall be eligible to receive Prop K Priority 1 funds from the appropriate equivalent subcategories, not to exceed the unallocated amounts programmed in the 2003 Prop B Strategic Plan Update. This section does not apply to incremental operating and maintenance costs, which are addressed separately in section ii.b., above.

#### C. SUCCESSOR PROGRAM

Upon approval of the Ordinance by the voters, the New Expenditure Plan shall supersede and become the successor program to the Expenditure Plan enacted in 1989 by the passage of the Proposition B local sales tax for transportation. As such it will bear responsibility for any outstanding debt incurred by the Proposition B program, and all assets of the Proposition B program shall become Prop K program assets.

#### D. BONDING AUTHORITY

The Authority shall be authorized to issue, from time to time, limited tax bonds in a total outstanding aggregate amount not to exceed \$1.88 billion, payable from the sales tax revenues generated pursuant to this plan. The Authority's bonding capacity shall be separate and distinct from that of the City and County of San Francisco.

#### E. ADMINISTRATION BY THE SAN FRANCISCO COUNTY TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY

The San Francisco County Transportation Authority, which currently allocates, administers and oversees the expenditure of the existing Prop B sales tax for trans-

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portation, shall allocate, administer and oversee the expenditure of the Prop K sales tax funds.

## F. SUPPORT OF ADJACENT COUNTIES

It is deemed unnecessary to seek the support of adjacent counties by requesting them to develop their own Transportation Expenditure Plans because:

- San Mateo, Alameda and Contra Costa Counties have already adopted Transportation Expenditure Plans; and
- Marin County is currently evaluating Transportation Expenditure Plans

## G. ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW

Environmental reporting, review and approval procedures as provided for under the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), and/or the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), and other applicable laws shall be carried out as a prerequisite to the implementation of any project to be funded partially or entirely with sales tax funds.

## 3. PLAN SUMMARY

Table 1 summarizes the half-cent sales tax revenue allocations by project category and subcategory in constant 2003 dollars. The New Expenditure Plan is fiscally constrained to the total funding expected to be available for each category. The financial constraint is further detailed within each category through the specification of funding priority levels (Priorities 1, 2 and 3). There are four categories, identified with capital letters (A through D). The first subdivision level under each category is known as a subcategory. Subcategories are indicated with lower case Roman numerals. The level below a subcategory is known as a program or a project.

Adoption of an ordinance to continue the existing half-cent sales tax is necessary in order to fund the projects and programs listed in Table 1. The tax shall be continued for the period of implementation of the New Expenditure Plan and its updates.

**Table 1: San Francisco Expenditure Plan Summary**

2003 \$Millions	Total Expected Funding <sup>1</sup>	Total Prop K <sup>5</sup>	% of Prop K Funding <sup>2</sup>
<b>A. TRANSIT</b>	<b>9,944.3</b>	<b>1,781.1</b>	<b>65.5%</b>
I. Major Capital Projects	<b>3,748.7</b>	<b>689.6</b>	
a. MUNI	<b>1,402.0</b>	<b>361.0</b>	
Bus Rapid Transit/MUNI Metro Network	600.0	110.0	
3rd Street Light Rail (Phase 1)	100.0	70.0	
Central Subway (3rd St. LRT Phase 2)	647.0	126.0	
Geary LRT	55.0	55.0	
b. Caltrain	<b>2,141.0</b>	<b>313.1</b>	
Downtown Extension to a Rebuilt Transbay Terminal	1,885.0	270.0	
Electrification	182.5	20.5	
Capital Improvement Program	73.5	22.6	
c. BART Station Access, Safety and Capacity	<b>100.0</b>	<b>10.5</b>	
d. Ferry	<b>105.7</b>	<b>5.0</b>	
ii. Transit Enhancements	<b>200.7</b>	<b>52.5</b>	
iii. System Maintenance and Renovation	<b>5,994.9</b>	<b>1,039.0</b>	
a. Vehicles	3,486.0	575.0	
b. Facilities	945.7	115.7	
c. Guideways	1,563.2	348.3	
<b>B. PARATRANSIT<sup>3</sup></b>	<b>396.3</b>	<b>291.0</b>	<b>8.6%</b>
<b>C. STREETS AND TRAFFIC SAFETY</b>	<b>2,033.0</b>	<b>714.7</b>	<b>24.6%</b>
I Major Capital Projects	<b>539.7</b>	<b>117.5</b>	
a. Golden Gate Bridge South Access (Doyle Drive)	420.0	90.0	
b. New and Upgraded Streets	119.7	27.5	
ii. System Operations, Efficiency and Safety	<b>155.5</b>	<b>60.6</b>	
a. New Signals and Signs	55.5	41.0	
b. Advanced Technology and Information Systems (SFgo)	100.0	19.6	
iii. System Maintenance and Renovation	<b>887.5</b>	<b>281.6</b>	
a. Signals and Signs	170.5	99.8	
b. Street Resurfacing, Rehabilitation, and Maintenance	680.2	162.7	
c. Pedestrian and Bicycle Facility Maintenance	36.8	19.1	
iv. Bicycle and Pedestrian Improvements	<b>450.3</b>	<b>255.0</b>	
a. Traffic Calming	142.0	70.0	
b. Bicycle Circulation/Safety	77.6	56.0	
c. Pedestrian Circulation/Safety	69.7	52.0	
d. Curb Ramps	66.0	36.0	
e. Tree Planting and Maintenance	95.0	41.0	
<b>D. TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM MANAGEMENT/STRATEGIC INITIATIVES</b>	<b>62.5</b>	<b>33.2</b>	<b>1.3%</b>
I. Transportation Demand Management/ Parking Management	28.9	13.2	
ii. Transportation/Land Use Coordination	33.6	20.0	
<b>Total</b>	<b>12,436</b>	<b>2,820</b>	<b>100%</b>
	Total Prop K Priority 1 (conservative forecast)	2,350	
	Total Prop K Priority 1 + 2 (medium forecast; most likely to materialize)	2,626	
	Total Prop K Priority 1+2+3 (optimistic forecast) <sup>4</sup>	2,820	

**Notes:**

<sup>1</sup> Total Expected Funding represents project costs or implementable phases of multi-phase projects and programs based on a 30-year forecast of expected revenues from existing federal, state and local sources, plus \$2.82 B in reauthorized sales tax revenues, \$230 M from a BART General Obligation Bond, and approximately \$199 M from the proposed 3rd dollar toll on the Bay Area state-owned toll bridges. The amounts in this column are provided in fulfillment of Sections 131051 (a)(1), (b) and (c) of the Public Utilities Code.

<sup>2</sup> Percentages are based Prop K Priority 1 and 2 forecasts of \$2.626 billion.

<sup>3</sup> With very limited exceptions, the funds included in the 30-year forecast of expected revenues are for capital projects rather than operations. Of all the funding sources that make up the \$12.4 B in expected funding, paratransit operating support is only eligible for Prop K and and up to 10% of MUNI's annual share of Federal Section 5307 funds (currently about \$3.5 M annually). Therefore, total expected funding for Paratransit only reflects Prop K and Section 5307. The remaining paratransit operating costs for the next 30-years will be funded using other sources of operating funds, such as those currently included in MUNI's \$460M annual operating budget.

<sup>4</sup> Priority 3 projects will only be funded if the revenues materialize under the optimistic scenario for sales tax revenues. They are also included in case Priority 1 or 2 projects realize costs savings, identify other unanticipated sources of funding, experience delays or are canceled.

<sup>5</sup> The "Total Prop K" fulfills the requirements in Section 131051(d) of the Public Utilities Code.

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### 4. DESCRIPTION OF PROJECTS AND PROGRAMS

This section contains detailed descriptions of the projects, categories and subcategories in the New Expenditure Plan, and the types of items that are eligible for funding under each of them. The Total Funding figures correspond to the Total Expected Funding column in the Plan Summary provided in Section 3, above. Sales tax funding figures are for Priority 1 unless stated otherwise. The percentage allocation of Prop K funds to each of the major categories is as follows: Transit – 65.5%, Paratransit – 8.6%, Streets and Traffic Safety – 24.6% and Transportation System Management/Strategic Initiatives – 1.3%. This reflects Priorities 1 and 2 combined.

#### A. TRANSIT

##### I. MAJOR CAPITAL PROJECTS

The Authority shall give priority for funding to major capital projects that are supportive of adopted land use plans, with particular emphasis on improving transit supply to corridors designated for infill housing and other transit-supportive land uses. Transit supportive land uses are defined as those which help to increase the cost-effectiveness of transit service by improving transit ridership and reducing traffic along transit corridors.

##### a. MUNI

- Bus Rapid Transit Network/MUNI Metro Network including Real Time Transit Information:  
Implement Bus Rapid Transit and Transit Preferential Streets programs to create an integrated citywide network of fast, reliable bus and surface light rail transit services connecting to services provided by MUNI rail and historic streetcar lines, BART and Caltrain.  
Bus Rapid Transit (BRT): Creation of fast, frequent, and reliable bus rapid transit service, with exclusive transit lanes and dedicated stations, on Geary Boulevard (designed and built to rail-ready standards), Van Ness Avenue and Potrero Avenue.  
Transit Preferential Streets (TPS): Includes Improvements to key transit corridors including Mission and Folsom streets, 19<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Geneva Avenue, Bayshore Blvd, 16<sup>th</sup> Street, San Bruno Ave., Stockton, and the MUNI rail lines. Includes additional BRT and TPS improvements subject to availability of funds. TPS improvements are intended to improve speed and reliability at cost lower than BRT. TPS improvements include sidewalk bulb-outs at bus stops, transit-priority lanes, traffic signal modifications, and relocation of bus stops.  
BRT and TPS projects may include traffic signal modification to speed up

service, and real-time passenger information systems improve transit reliability and reinforce the sense of permanence of the improved service, as well as associated landscaping, lighting and signage improvements. It is the intent that buses that operate along BRT corridors should be able to also operate along TPS corridors. Funds in this section may be used to create dedicated stations and exclusive transit lanes for the MUNI light rail and historic streetcar lines. Includes planning, project development, capital and incremental operating and maintenance costs. Sponsoring Agencies: MUNI, DPT, DPW, Planning, SFCTA. The first \$99.2M is Priority 1 and the remainder is Priority 2. Total Funding: \$600M; Prop K: \$110.0M.

- 3<sup>rd</sup> Street Light Rail (Phase 1):  
This is a grandfathered project. Complete construction of trackway, related facilities, and the Metro East light rail maintenance facility and yard, and purchase of new light rail vehicles (LRVs), including additional LRVs for expanded Mission Bay service. (Priority 1). Includes capital and incremental operating and maintenance costs. Sponsoring Agency: MUNI. Total Funding: \$100M; Prop K: \$70M.
- New Central Subway (3<sup>rd</sup> St. LRT Phase 2):  
This is a grandfathered project. Design and construction of the second phase of the 3<sup>rd</sup> Street Light Rail line as a subway linking the Caltrain Depot at 4<sup>th</sup> and King Streets and Pac Bell Park to Moscone Center, the BART/MUNI Metro stations on Market Street, Union Square and Chinatown. Includes preliminary and detailed engineering and construction costs. (Priority 1). Includes project development, capital and incremental operating and maintenance costs. Sponsoring Agency: MUNI. Total Funding: \$647M; Prop K: \$126M.
- Geary Light Rail:  
This funding is for environmental studies, preliminary and detailed engineering for implementing light rail transit on Geary Blvd (Priority 3). Sponsoring Agency: MUNI. Total Funding: \$55M; Prop K: \$55M.
- b. Caltrain
  - Downtown Extension to a Rebuilt Transbay Terminal:  
Construction of a grade-separated extension of Caltrain to a rebuilt Transbay Terminal at the current site (Mission and 1<sup>st</sup> Streets) near BART and MUNI Metro. The extension and terminal are to be built as a single, integrated project. If the Caltrain Downtown Extension portion of the

project is cancelled, this project shall not be eligible for any funds from the sales tax program. (Priority 1). Includes project development and capital costs. Sponsoring Agency: TJPA. The first \$237.7M is Priority 1 and the remainder is Priority 2. Total Funding: \$1,885M; Prop K: \$270M.

- Electrification:  
Convert Caltrain service, line, and locomotives from diesel-powered to electric-powered. The project includes all stationary systems, substations, and signal system modifications, along with new rolling stock and supporting infrastructure and facilities. Costs reflect San Francisco share only. (Priority 1). Includes project development and capital costs. Sponsoring Agency: PCJPB. Total Funding: \$182.5M; Prop K: \$20.5M.
- Capital Improvement Program:  
Provides San Francisco's local match contribution for Caltrain's Capital Improvement Program (CIP) projects, including continued implementation of express tracks between San Francisco and San Jose to improve travel time and reliability. This work may include passing sidings, to allow express trains to bypass local service where additional tracks are not appropriate and/or right of way is limited. Maintenance and rehabilitation projects designed to improve service levels. Costs reflect San Francisco share only. Includes project development and capital costs. Sponsoring Agency: PCJPB. The first \$19.9M is Priority 1 and the remainder is Priority 2. Total Funding: \$73.5M; Prop K: \$22.6M.
- c. BART Station Access, Safety and Capacity  
Improvements to stations and other facilities owned or operated by BART within San Francisco to enhance passenger safety, accessibility and capacity, (e.g. additional staircases), improved signage and security, real-time traveler information, intermodal access improvements (including improved access for passengers transferring from other transit services or bicycles), and street level plaza improvements. Improvements to station or system capacity, including additional staircases, elevators, and escalators, shall be eligible for funding in this category if the Authority finds that the costs of the station and system capacity improvements are shared equitably among the counties BART serves. Includes project development and capital costs. Sponsoring Agency: BART, MUNI, DPT, DPW. The first \$9.2M is Priority 1 and the remainder is Priority 2.

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Total Funding: \$100M; Prop K: \$10.5M.  
d. Ferry

Improvements to downtown ferry terminals to accommodate increases in ferry ridership. Included are additional intermodal connections, new ferry berths, improved emergency response systems, and landside improvements to serve increased passenger flows. Also included is rehabilitation of passenger-serving facilities. Includes project development and capital costs. Sponsoring Agencies: Port of San Francisco, GGBHTD. The first \$4.4M is Priority 1 and the remainder is Priority 2. Total Funding: \$105.7M; Prop K: \$5M.

### TRANSIT ENHANCEMENTS

Programmatic improvements that promote system connectivity and accessibility, close service gaps, and improve and expand transit service levels. For Transit Enhancements, the first \$43.0M is Priority 1, the second \$4.5M is Priority 2 and the remaining \$5.0M is Priority 3. Projects include:

- Extension of existing trolleybus lines and electrification of motor coach routes. Includes purchase of additional trolley buses for new service. Includes project development and capital costs. Sponsoring Agency: MUNI. Total Funding: \$47.7M; Prop K: \$9.5M.
- Extension of historic streetcar service from Fisherman's Wharf to Fort Mason. Total Funding reflects Prop K funds only; the remaining project costs will be covered by the National Park Service/Presidio Trust using Park funds. Includes project development and capital costs. Sponsoring Agency: MUNI. Total Funding: \$5 M; Prop K: \$5 M.
- Purchase and rehabilitation of historic light rail vehicles for new or expanded service. Includes project development, capital, and incremental operating and maintenance costs. Sponsoring Agency: MUNI. Total Funding: \$7.2 M; Prop K: \$1.4 M.
- Balboa Park BART/MUNI station access improvements to enhance BART, bus and MUNI light rail transit connections. Includes project development and capital costs. Sponsoring Agencies: MUNI, BART, DPT, DPW. Total Funding: \$34.5M; Prop K: \$9.72M.
- Relocation of the Caltrain Paul Avenue station to Oakdale Avenue. Includes project development and capital costs. Sponsoring Agencies: PCJPB, DPT, DPW. Total Funding: \$26.43M; Prop K: \$7.93M.
- Purchase of additional light rail vehicles to expand service and reduce overcrowding on existing MUNI Light Rail lines. Includes project development, capital, and incremental operating and maintenance costs. Sponsoring Agency:

MUNI. Total Funding: \$28.9M; Prop K: \$5.8M.

- Other transit enhancements to be prioritized by the Authority. Includes planning, project development and capital costs. Sponsoring Agencies: MUNI, BART, PCJPB. Total Funding: \$50.96 M; Prop K: \$14.0 M.

### SYSTEM MAINTENANCE AND RENOVATION

#### Vehicles

Programmatic improvements for upgrade, rehabilitation and replacement of transit vehicles, spare parts and on-board equipment. Includes limited incremental operating funds for F-line historic streetcar operations. The first \$506.3M is Priority 1 and the remainder is Priority 2. Projects include:

- Rail car, trolley coach and motor coach renovation and replacement; retrofit of diesel coaches to reduce emissions. Includes project development and capital costs. Sponsoring Agencies: MUNI, BART, PCJPB. Funding for BART rail car renovation and replacement shall be eligible for funding under this subcategory if the Authority finds that the costs of rail car renovation and replacement are shared equitably among the counties BART serves. The first \$486 M in Prop K is Priority 1, and the remainder is Priority 2. Total Funding: \$3,476.7 M; Prop K: \$566 M. Of the \$565.7 M in Prop K funds, the following minimum amounts will be available for MUNI (\$450.75M), BART (\$11.5M), and PCJPB (\$23M).
- Trolleybus wheelchair-lift incremental operations and maintenance. This is a grandfathered project. Provides for incremental operating and maintenance costs according to the schedule described in 2.b.ii.B. The first \$2.62M is Priority 1 and the remainder is Priority 2. Sponsoring Agency: MUNI. Total Funding: \$3.05M, Prop K: \$3.05M.
- F-Line Historic Streetcar Incremental Operations and Maintenance: This is a grandfathered project. Provides for incremental operating and maintenance costs according to the schedule described in Section 2.b.ii.B of this Expenditure Plan. The first \$5.3 M in Prop K is Priority 1 and the remainder is Priority 2. Sponsoring Agency: MUNI. Total Funding: \$6.2M; Prop K: \$6.2M

#### Facilities

Programmatic improvements for upgrade, rehabilitation and replacement of transit facilities and facilities-related equipment. Includes limited incremental operating funds for MUNI Metro Extension/MUNI Metro Turnback operations. The first \$101.9M is Priority 1 and the remainder is Priority 2. Projects include:

- Rehabilitation, upgrades and/or replacement of existing facilities for maintenance and operations, including equipment (Priority 1). Rehabilitation, upgrades and renovation for rail stations including platform edge tiles, elevators, escalators, and faregates (Priority 1). Rehabilitation and/or replacement of facilities for administration (Priority 2). The first \$84.7 M in Prop K is Priority 1 and the remainder is Priority 2. Includes project development and capital costs. Sponsoring Agencies: MUNI, BART, PCJPB. Total Funding: \$925.7M; Prop K: \$95.7M. Of the \$115.7M in Prop K funds, the following minimum amounts will be available for MUNI (\$92.6M), BART (\$2.3M), and PCJPB (\$9.3M).
- MUNI Metro Extension (MMX) incremental operations and maintenance. This is a grandfathered project. Provides for incremental operating and maintenance costs according to the schedule described in 2.b.ii.B. The first \$17.2 M is Priority 1 and the remainder is Priority 2. Sponsoring Agency: MUNI. Total Funding: \$20 M, Prop K: \$20 M.

#### Guideways

Rehabilitation, upgrades and/or replacement of rail, overhead trolley wires, signals, and automatic train control systems. The intent is to implement TPS standards whenever rehabilitation, upgrade or replacement projects of light rail lines are undertaken. Seismic retrofit and improvements to emergency lighting and ventilation. (PRIORITY 1). The first \$306.7M is Priority 1 and the remainder is Priority 2. Total Funding: \$1,563.2M; Prop K: \$348.3M. Includes project development and capital costs. Sponsoring Agencies: MUNI, BART, PCJPB. The following minimum amounts will be available for MUNI (\$278.6M), BART (\$7M), and PCJPB (\$27.9M).

#### PARATRANSIT

Continued support for paratransit door-to-door van and taxi services for seniors and people with disabilities who are unable to use fixed route transit service. Includes operations support, phased replacement of accessible vans, and replacement and upgrades of supporting equipment such as debit card systems. Sponsoring Agency: MUNI. The first \$201.9M is Priority 1. The next \$24.1M is Priority 2, and the remainder is Priority 3. Total Funding: \$396.3M; Prop K: \$291M.

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### STREETS AND TRAFFIC SAFETY

#### MAJOR CAPITAL PROJECTS

Golden Gate Bridge South Access (Doyle Drive)

Construction of a replacement project for the existing facility to improve earthquake and traffic safety. Project includes direct vehicular and transit access into the Presidio National Park, improved bicycle and pedestrian connections, a transit transfer center and bus rapid transit treatments, and connections to Marina Boulevard and Richardson Avenue. (Priority 1). Includes project development and capital costs and may include associated environmental restoration. Sponsoring Agencies: SFCTA, Caltrans. The first \$79.2 M is Priority 1 and the remainder is Priority 2. Total Funding: \$420M; Prop K: \$90M.

#### New and Upgraded Streets

Upgrading and extension of streets and other vehicular facilities to bring them up to current standards; addition of Transit Preferential Streets (TPS) treatments to transit corridors and construction of major bicycle and pedestrian facilities. The first \$24.2 M is Priority 1; and the remainder is Priority 2. Total Funding: \$119.7 M; Prop K: \$27.5 M

- Bernal Heights Street System Upgrading (Priority 1). This is a grandfathered project. Construction of streets in Bernal Heights where existing streets are unimproved or below city standards to ensure adequate emergency vehicle response times. Includes project development and capital costs. Sponsoring Agency: DPW. Total Funding: \$1.415M; Prop K: \$1.415M.
- Great Highway Erosion Repair, including bicycle path development. (Priority 1) Includes project development and capital costs. Sponsoring Agency: DPW. Total Funding: \$15.0M; Prop K: \$2.03M.
- Visitacion Valley Watershed: San Francisco share of San Francisco/San Mateo Bi-County Study projects such as the extension of Geneva Avenue across US 101 to improve multi-modal access, including a possible light rail extension to Candlestick Point, or other transportation improvements as identified or refined through a community planning process. (Priority 1). Includes planning, project development and capital costs. Sponsoring Agencies: DPW, MUNI, SFCTA, PCJPB, Caltrans. Total Funding: \$46.3M; Prop K: \$15M.
- A new Illinois Street Bridge including multimodal (vehicle, rail, bicycle, and pedestrian) access across Islais Creek (Priority 1). Includes project development and capital costs. Sponsoring Agency: Port of San Francisco. Total Funding: \$15.0M; Prop K: \$2.0M.

- A study to identify ways to reduce the traffic impacts of State Route 1 on Golden Gate Park (Priority 1). Includes planning and project development costs. Sponsoring Agency: DPT, Caltrans. Total Funding: \$2M; Prop K: \$0.2M
- Other upgrades to major arterials such as 19th Avenue, to complement traffic calming on adjacent neighborhood streets, including pedestrian and bicycle safety improvements, intersection reconfiguration, transit preferential improvements and landscaping. Includes planning, project development and capital costs. Sponsoring agencies: DPW, DPT, MUNI, Caltrans, SFCTA. Total Funding: \$40M; Prop K: \$6.9M.

#### SYSTEM OPERATIONS, EFFICIENCY AND SAFETY

##### a. New Signals and Signs

Programmatic improvements including new traffic signs and signals (including pedestrian and bicycle signals) implementation of transit priority systems on select corridors; and new pavement markings such as raised flashing pavement reflectors and transit lane markings (Priority 1). Installation of red light photo enforcement equipment; electronic parking meters including meters that accept credit or pre-paid debit cards; and relocation of traffic maintenance shop to a new location (Priority 2). Includes project development and capital costs. Sponsoring Agency: DPT; MUNI. The first \$36.1M is Priority 1 and the remainder is Priority 2. Total Funding: \$55.5M; Prop K: \$41.0M.

##### b. Advanced Technology and Information Systems (SFgo)

Programmatic improvements using advanced technology and information systems to better manage roadway operations for transit, traffic, cyclists, and pedestrians. Includes interconnect and traffic signal controller technology and related communications systems to enable transit and emergency vehicle priority; dissemination of real time information to transit passengers; and management of vehicular flows and signalization to enhance bicycle and pedestrian safety (Priority 1). Closed circuit TV and communications systems (e.g. Variable Message Signs) for incident and special event traffic management as well as responsive/adaptive signal control and traveler information (Priority 2). Includes project development and capital costs. Sponsoring Agency: DPT, MUNI. The first \$17.3M is Priority 1 and the remainder is Priority 2. Total Funding: \$100.0M; Prop K: \$19.6M.

#### SYSTEM MAINTENANCE AND RENOVATION

##### a. Signals and Signs

Programmatic improvements including

maintenance and upgrade of traffic signs and signals. Signal maintenance includes new mast arms, LED signals, conduits, wiring, pedestrian signals, left turn signals. Includes transit pre-empts and bicycle route signs and signals. Maintenance and upgrades of traffic striping and channelization to improve safety. Includes maintenance and replacement of red light enforcement cameras. Includes project development and capital costs. Sponsoring Agency: DPT. The first \$87.9M is Priority 1 and the remainder is Priority 2. Total Funding: \$170.5M; Prop K: \$99.8M.

##### b. Street Resurfacing, Rehabilitation, and Maintenance

- Street Resurfacing and Reconstruction: Repaving and reconstruction of city streets to prevent deterioration of the roadway system, based on an industry-standard pavement management system designed to inform cost effective roadway maintenance. Includes project development and capital costs. May include sidewalk rehabilitation, curb ramps and landscaping, subject to approved prioritization plan. Sponsoring Agency: DPW. The first \$118.3M in Prop K is Priority 1 and the remainder is Priority 2. Total Funding: \$641.3M; Prop K: \$134.3M.
- Street Repair and Cleaning Equipment Replacement of street repair and cleaning equipment according to industry-standards, such as but not limited to, asphalt pavers, dump trucks, sweepers, and front-end loaders. Includes capital costs only. Sponsoring Agency: DPW. The first \$22.8M in Prop K is Priority 1 and the remainder is Priority 2. Total Funding: \$36.4M; Prop K: \$25.9M.
- Embarcadero Roadway Incremental Operations and Maintenance This is a grandfathered project. Provides for incremental operating and maintenance costs according to the schedule described in 2.b.ii.B. Funding shall only be made available after reimbursement of \$2.5M from the City and County of San Francisco to the Authority for repayment of a capital loan authorized by Authority resolution No. 97-44. Sponsoring Agency: DPW. The first \$2.2M is Priority 1 and the remainder is Priority 2. Total Funding: \$2.5M; Prop K: \$2.5M.

##### c. Pedestrian and Bicycle Facility Maintenance

Public sidewalk repair and reconstruction citywide. Additional pedestrian facility improvements including stairways, retaining walls, guardrails and rockfall barriers. Upgrades of substandard bicycle lanes;

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rehabilitation of bicycle paths, and reconstruction of MUNI passenger boarding islands. Includes project development and capital costs. Sponsoring Agencies: DPT, DPW, MUNI. The first \$17.4M is Priority 1 and the remainder is Priority 2. Total Funding: \$36.8M; Prop K: \$19.1M.

### BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN IMPROVEMENTS

#### a. Traffic Calming

Programmatic improvements to neighborhood streets to make them more livable and safe to use for all users – pedestrians, cyclists, transit, and autos. Includes strategies to reduce auto traffic speeds and improve pedestrian and bicyclist safety and circulation such as: improvements to bicycle and walking routes (e.g. sidewalk widening, streetscape upgrades including landscaping), speed humps, corner bulb-outs, chicanes and channelization (Priority 1). New or improved pedestrian safety measures such as ladder crosswalks and pedestrian signals (Priority 1). Development of neighborhood and school area safety plans citywide, including above-mentioned strategies and complementary outreach and education programs (Priority 1). New traffic circles, signals and signage including flashing beacons and vehicle speed radar signs (Priority 2). The first \$60.8M is Priority 1. The next \$7.2M is Priority 2 and the remainder is Priority 3. Includes planning, project development and capital costs. Sponsoring Agencies: DPT, DPW. Total Funding: \$142.0M; Prop K: \$70.0M.

#### b. Bicycle Circulation/Safety

Programmatic improvements to the transportation system to enhance its usability and safety for bicycles. Infrastructure improvements on the citywide bicycle network, such as new bike lanes and paths. Bicycle parking facilities such as bike racks and lockers. Support for bicycle outreach and education programs. Improvements must be consistent with the city's bicycle plan. The first \$27.6M is Priority 1. The next \$2.4M is Priority 2 and the remainder is Priority 3. Includes project development and capital costs. Sponsoring Agencies: DPT, DPW, BART, PCJPB. Total Funding: \$77.6; Prop K: \$56.0M.

#### c. Pedestrian Circulation/Safety

Programmatic improvements to the safety and usability of city streets for pedestrians, prioritized as identified in the Pedestrian Master Plan. Includes flashing pavement reflectors on crosswalks, pedestrian islands in the medians of major thoroughfares, sidewalk bulb-outs, sidewalk widenings, and improved pedestrian circulation around BART and Caltrain stations. Includes project development and capital costs. Sponsoring Agencies: DPT, MUNI, DPW, BART, PCJPB. The first

\$23.8M is Priority 1. The next \$1.2M is Priority 2 and the remainder is Priority 3. Total Funding: \$69.7M; Prop K: \$52.0M.

#### d. Curb Ramps

Construction of new wheelchair curb ramps and related roadway work to permit ease of movement for the mobility impaired. Reconstruction of existing ramps. Includes project development and capital costs. Sponsoring Agency: DPW, MUNI. The first \$23.6M is Priority 1. The next \$2.4M is Priority 2 and the remainder is Priority 3. Total Funding: \$66.0M; Prop K: \$36.0M.

#### e. Tree Planting and Maintenance

Planting of new street trees and maintenance of new and existing trees in public rights-of-way throughout the city. Sponsoring Agency: DPW. The first \$32.8M is Priority 1. The next \$4.2M is Priority 2 and the remainder is Priority 3. Total Funding: \$95.0M; Prop K: \$41.0M.

### TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM MANAGEMENT/STRATEGIC INITIATIVES TRANSPORTATION DEMAND MANAGEMENT/PARKING MANAGEMENT

Develop and support continued Transportation Demand Management (TDM) and parking requirements for downtown buildings, special event sites, and schools and universities. Includes neighborhood parking management studies. Support related projects that can lead to reduction of single-occupant vehicle dependence and encourage alternative modes such as bicycling and walking, including Pedestrian Master Plan development and updates (Priority 1), citywide Bicycle Plan updates, and traffic circulation plans. Conduct transit service planning such as route restructuring studies to optimize connectivity with rapid bus network and major transit facilities (e.g. Transbay Terminal and Balboa Park BART station). Funds for studies and projects to improve access of disadvantaged populations to jobs and key services. Includes planning, project development and capital costs. Sponsoring Agencies: MUNI, DPT, Planning, SFCTA, DOE, DAS. The first \$11.6M is Priority 1 and the remainder is Priority 2. Total Funding: \$28.9M; Prop K: \$13.2M.

### TRANSPORTATION/LAND USE COORDINATION

Transportation studies and planning to support transit oriented development and neighborhood transportation planning. Local match for San Francisco and regional Transportation for Livable Communities (TLC)/Housing Incentive Program (HIP) grant programs that support transit oriented development and fund related improvements for transit, bicyclists, and pedestrians including streetscape beautification improvements such as landscaping, lighting and street

furniture. Includes planning, project development and capital costs. Sponsoring Agencies: DPT, DPW, MUNI, Planning, SFCTA, BART, PCJPB. The first \$17.6M is Priority 1 and the remainder is Priority 2. Total Funding: \$33.6M; Prop K: \$20.0M.

## 5. IMPLEMENTATION PROVISIONS

### A. PROGRAMMATIC CATEGORIES - DEFINITION

This Expenditure Plan identifies eligible expenditures for specific transportation projects as well as for programmatic categories. Programmatic categories are set up to address allocation of funds to multi-year programs for a given purpose, such as the maintenance of traffic signals, for which not all specific project locations can be anticipated or identified at the time of adoption of the Expenditure Plan.

### B. PRIORITIZATION PROCESS

For programmatic categories and for projects involving multiple agencies, subsequent to approval of the Expenditure Plan, the Authority Board shall designate a lead agency responsible for prioritizing the program of projects for the category, and for implementing the project(s).

Prior to allocation of any sales tax funds, the lead agency shall prepare, in close consultation with all other affected planning and implementation agencies and the Authority, a 5-year prioritized program of projects (for programmatic categories) including budget, scope and schedule; or a 5-year project delivery timetable, budget and scope (for individual projects) consistent with the Strategic Plan for use of the Prop K funds, for review and adoption by the Authority Board. Program goals shall be consistent with the Countywide Transportation Plan and with the City's General Plan.

The program of projects shall at a minimum address, the following factors:

- i. Project readiness, including schedule for completion of environmental and design phases; well-documented preliminary cost estimates, and documented community support as appropriate;
- ii. Compatibility with existing and planned land uses, and with adopted standards for urban design and for the provision of pedestrian amenities; and supportiveness of planned growth in transit-friendly housing, employment and services.
- iii. A prioritization mechanism to rank projects within the program, addressing, for each proposed project:
  - a. Relative level of need or urgency
  - b. Cost Effectiveness
- c. A fair geographic distribution that

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**LEGAL TEXT OF PROPOSITION K (CONTINUED)**

takes into account the various needs of San Francisco’s neighborhoods.  
iv. Funding plan, including sources other than Prop K

The lead agency shall conduct appropriate public outreach to ensure an inclusive planning process for the development of the program of projects, as well as general plan referral or referral to any City Department or Commission as required.

The lead agency shall also identify appropriate performance measures, such as increased system connectivity, increased transit ridership (net new riders), reductions in travel time for existing riders, and increased use of alternatives to the single-occupant automobile; as well as milestone targets and a timeline for achieving them, to ensure that progress is made in meeting the goals and objectives of the program.

These performance measures shall be developed in collaboration with the Authority, shall be consistent with Congestion Management Program requirements and guidelines issued by the Authority, and shall be submitted for review and approval by the Authority.

The lead agency shall be eligible for planning funds from this category for the purpose of completing the development of the program of projects. Lead agencies will also be encouraged to explore alternative and non-traditional methods for project and service delivery where they offer opportunities for increased cost-effectiveness and/or shortened project delivery timelines.

As part of the Strategic Plan development process, the Authority shall adopt, issue and update detailed guidelines for the development of programs of projects, including further detail on the definition and application of the concept of land use/housing-supportive transportation projects as referenced in 4.A.i. Transit-Major Capital Projects, as well as for the development of project scopes, schedules and budgets.

**6. ALLOCATION AND RE-ALLOCATION OF FUNDS**

Each New Expenditure Plan program or project (see definition in Section 3 above) shall be funded using sales tax revenue up to the total amount for that program or project in Priority 1. If, after funding all Priority 1 projects in a subcategory, the latest Prop K Strategic Plan Update cash flow analysis forecasts available revenues in excess of Priority 1 levels, the Authority Board may allow programming of Priority 2 revenues within the subcategory, subject to the category percentage caps and program or project dollar amount caps for Priority 2 established in the New Expenditure Plan. After funding at least 80% of Priority 2 project dollar amounts, the Authority Board may program Priority

3 requests, if the latest Prop K Strategic Plan forecasts revenues beyond the total Priority 2 level.

In the case of Major Capital Projects, the lead agency shall submit to the Authority Board for approval a schedule of project delivery milestones required to ensure that Prop K funds allocated to the project are obligated in a timely manner. The project delivery milestones shall include the completion of environmental clearances, securing of necessary project funding, and the start of construction or implementation. The Authority staff shall prepare a report at least annually, to the Authority Board, to communicate the status of these projects. If a project has not achieved any given project milestone within a period of 5 years, the funds earmarked for the project shall be subject to re-programming by the Transportation Authority Board, by a 2/3 vote.

**7. UPDATE PROCESS**

Pursuant to the provisions of Division 12.5 of the California Public Utilities Code, the Authority Board may adopt an updated Expenditure Plan anytime after twenty years from the effective date of adoption of the New Expenditure Plan, but no later than the last general election in which the New Expenditure Plan is in effect. In order to develop and adopt an updated Expenditure Plan, the Authority Board shall appoint an Expenditure Plan Update Advisory Committee, to develop the updated Expenditure Plan. A recommendation for adoption of the updated Expenditure Plan shall require a 2/3 vote of the Authority Board.

The following abbreviations are used for Sponsoring Agencies:

BART	Bay Area Rapid Transit District
Caltrans	California Department of Transportation
DAS	Department of Administrative Services
DOE	Department of the Environment
DPT	Department of Parking and Traffic
DPW	Department of Public Works
GGBHTD	Golden Gate Bridge, Highway and Transit District
MUNI	San Francisco Municipal Railway
PCJPB	Peninsula Corridor Joint Powers Board (Caltrain)
Planning	Planning Department
SFCTA	San Francisco County Transportation Authority
TJPA	Transbay Joint Powers Authority

**Attachment 1: Expenditure Plan Advisory Committee Roster**

Tom Radulovich,	Chair
	At-Large Member
Gwyneth Borden,	Vice Chair
	Business Advisory Group
Jim Bourgart	Business Advisory Group
Gabriel Metcalf	Business Advisory Group
Duane Papierniak	Business Advisory Group
Patricia Tolar	Business Advisory Group
Val Menotti	CAC Member
Jackie Sachs	CAC Member
Roger Peters	CAC Member
Wil Din	CAC Member
Art Michel	CAC Member
James Haas	At-Large Member
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Fran Martin	At-Large Member
Bruce M. Oka	At-Large Member
Luis Pardo	At-Large Member
Pi Ra	At-Large Member
Norman Rolfe	At-Large Member
Michael Smith	At-Large Member
Dave Snyder	At-Large Member
Andrew Sullivan	At-Large Member
Elizabeth Dunlap	CAC Alternate
Terry Micheau	CAC Alternate
Ben Tom	CAC Alternate
Michael Kiesling	At-Large Alternate
Dennis J. Oliver	At-Large Alternate
David Pilpel	At-Large Alternate
Brett Orlanski	At-Large Alternate



# Minimum Wage



## PROPOSITION L

Shall the City require employers to pay a minimum wage of \$8.50 per hour (as adjusted for increases in the regional consumer price index) for work performed in San Francisco?

YES ←   
NO ←

## Digest

by the Ballot Simplification Committee

**THE WAY IT IS NOW:** California requires most employers to pay a minimum wage of \$6.75 per hour. San Francisco requires most employers who receive City contracts to pay employees a minimum wage of either \$9.00 per hour (nonprofit organizations) or \$10.25 per hour (for-profit businesses).

**THE PROPOSAL:** Proposition L is an ordinance that would require most employers (whether or not the employer receives City contracts) to pay a minimum wage of \$8.50 per hour for work performed within San Francisco. Each year the City would adjust the amount of the minimum wage based on increases in the regional consumer price index. The minimum wage requirement would apply to employees who work two or more hours per week.

The requirement would apply to most employers. The requirement would not apply to small businesses with fewer than ten employees (including temporary and part-time employees) or nonprofits until January 1, 2005. Starting on that date, those small businesses and nonprofits would pay a minimum wage of \$7.75 per hour. Then, starting January 1, 2006, all small businesses and nonprofits would pay the minimum wage of \$8.50 (as adjusted based on increases in the regional consumer price index).

Under this ordinance, employees who assert their right to receive the City's minimum wage would be protected from retaliation. San Francisco could investigate possible violations and enforce the minimum wage requirements by ordering reinstatement of employees and payment of back wages and penalties.

Both San Francisco and members of the public could sue to enforce the minimum wage requirements. A court could then order reinstatement of employees, payment of back wages and penalties, and payment of reasonable attorneys' fees and costs.

**A "YES" VOTE MEANS:** If you vote "Yes," you want to require employers to pay a minimum wage of \$8.50 per hour (as adjusted based on increases in the regional consumer price index) for work performed within San Francisco.

**A "NO" VOTE MEANS:** If you vote "No," you do not want to require employers to pay a minimum wage of \$8.50 per hour (as adjusted based on increases in the regional consumer price index) for work performed within San Francisco.

## Controller's Statement on "L"

City Controller Edward Harrington has issued the following statement on the fiscal impact of Proposition L:

Should the proposed ordinance be approved by the voters, in my opinion, there would be an increase in the cost of government of approximately \$400,000 to provide educational materials, respond to complaints, audit some employers, administer appeal procedures, and possibly participate in court proceedings. These costs could increase or decrease depending on how the City chooses to implement the ordinance, and the City would be able to collect fines from employers that could offset a portion of the expense.

The city currently pays welfare clients who perform work for City agencies, some at less than \$8.50 per hour. Under this minimum wage, the City would need to pay approximately \$200,000 more per year to maintain the required level of work for some clients. If a portion of cash assistance to homeless clients is replaced by in-kind services, the City would need to pay approximately \$500,000 per year to maintain the current level of work, or decrease street and bus cleaning and other public services.

This estimate does not address the potential impacts of a minimum wage increase on the local economy or on related public services.

Note that an ordinance cannot bind future Mayors and Boards of Supervisors to provide funding for this or any other purpose. The ultimate cost of this proposal depends on decisions made in the City's annual budget process.

## How "L" Got on the Ballot

On July 28, 2003 the Department of Elections certified that the initiative petition, calling for Proposition L to be placed on the ballot, had qualified for the ballot.

9,735 signatures were required to place an initiative ordinance on the ballot.

This number is equal to 5% of the total number of people who voted for Mayor in 1999. A random check of the signatures submitted on July 7, 2003 by the proponent of the initiative petition showed that more than the required number of signatures was valid.

**THIS MEASURE REQUIRES 50%+1 AFFIRMATIVE VOTES TO PASS.**

ARGUMENTS FOR AND AGAINST THIS MEASURE IMMEDIATELY FOLLOW THIS PAGE. THE FULL TEXT BEGINS ON PAGE 169.

SOME OF THE WORDS USED IN THE BALLOT DIGEST ARE EXPLAINED ON PAGE 28.



# L

# Minimum Wage

## PROPONENT'S ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF PROPOSITION L

**YES ON PROPOSITION L - Increase the minimum wage to \$8.50 an hour to help low-wage San Francisco workers pay for food and housing to support their families. An increased minimum wage will bring much needed economic benefits to San Francisco's workers, businesses, and economy.**

San Francisco has California's highest cost of living. The state minimum wage is only \$6.75 per hour, which means a full time worker makes only \$14,000 per year. This is **simply too low** to live here. If the Federal minimum wage had been adjusted for inflation since 1968, it would now be \$8.50 an hour. Too many workers work long hours at multiple jobs trying to make ends meet, instead of pursuing further education and participating in our City's civic and cultural life. An increased minimum wage makes workers less reliant on city provided services and more able to support themselves and their families.

Under Proposition L, all employers will pay their San Francisco workers a minimum wage of \$8.50 an hour. Each year the City will adjust the minimum wage based on increases in the cost of living.

San Francisco workers of color are disproportionately represented in low wage jobs and will greatly benefit from a higher minimum wage. African-Americans, Asian-Americans, and Latinos make up 70% of the workers who will receive a raise.

Proposition L will put much needed money into the pockets of our lowest paid workers, which will put more money into the local

economy—the increased purchasing power of more than 54,000 low wage earners will benefit local small businesses throughout the city. Proposition L is a “win-win” for both San Francisco's workers and business community.

**Vote to strengthen San Francisco workers, families, and businesses...Vote Yes on Proposition L!**

*San Francisco Minimum Wage Coalition*

## REBUTTAL TO PROPONENT'S ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF PROPOSITION L

### PROP L IS DECEIVING!

Prop L is a “lose-lose” for everyone - San Francisco residents and workers. San Francisco is still facing the fallout from the dot com demise, 9/11, and the threat of terrorism. Office space is vacant. Unemployment is high. This is not the time to force businesses to raise prices by laying-off employees in order to stay in business.

What good is raising the minimum wage if prices go up? What good is raising the minimum wage if there are no jobs available?

Businesses will be forced to raise prices in order to absorb a 26% pay increase. Restaurants will be especially hard hit. In the past two years over two thousand San Francisco restaurant workers have lost their jobs.

It is ironic that Prop L will give a minimum wage increase to some of the most highly compensated employees in the restaurant industry - the waiters and bussers who receive tips and earn an average of \$27/hour.

It is ironic that Prop L will hurt the people it intends to help - the dishwashers and kitchen employees who make more than minimum wage, but do not receive the extra tip income.

It is ironic that San Franciscans who need entry-level jobs - students and first-time job seekers - will be pushed aside to make room for commuters with more marketable skills.

Vote No on L to save San Francisco jobs and businesses! Vote No on L to save San Francisco!

*Golden Gate Restaurant Association*





# Minimum Wage

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## OPPONENT'S ARGUMENT AGAINST PROPOSITION L

Vote No on Prop L and Save Jobs! Prop L will cause job losses.

Make tips count toward a minimum wage. Vote No Now!

Prop L ignores the fact that tipped employees earn a combined wage of over \$27 an hour when tips and “wages” are added together.

Be Fair! Save Jobs!

*Golden Gate Restaurant Association*

Prop L ignores the fact that “minimum wage” employees in the restaurant industry receive tips, pay taxes on tips, and count those tips toward workers’ compensation, disability, and unemployment benefits.

Prop L ignores the fact that the IRS counts tips as wages and taxes both the employee and the employer on those tips.

Prop L ignores the fact that kitchen employees do not receive tips, but that most kitchen employees earn more than minimum wage.

Prop L ignores the fact that restaurants provide jobs for many first time job seekers, including students. These jobs will be the first to go.

If tipped employees get a \$3,000 annual raise, their fellow employees will get nothing! In fact, restaurants will have to lay off employees, reduce employment hours, and raise their prices - in order to pay more money to those who earn above the minimum wage. Do not give a 26% increase to employees earning over \$56,000 a year and rob their fellow employees. This mandated increase is not fair!

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## REBUTTAL TO OPPONENT'S ARGUMENT AGAINST PROPOSITION L

Increasing the minimum wage will directly improve the lives of thousands of low-wage workers. \$6.75 per hour simply isn’t enough for anyone to survive in San Francisco. Misleading stories about the restaurant industry should not deny over 50,000 workers a raise.

The restaurant industry expects voters to believe that all tipped employees in San Francisco average \$27 per hour. Nonsense.

Tipped staff at San Francisco’s finer restaurants may do well – as do their employers. But they are just a small fraction of minimum-wage restaurant workers. **For the vast majority – tipped and untipped alike – every penny counts.**

Proposition L opponents want to count tips as part of wages – they’re not. Tips are not guaranteed. They are gifts by customers for good service, not wages for work. Moreover, tips aren’t stable income in a seasonal industry.

**California’s tipped workers are covered by the same minimum wage as everyone else – and our restaurant industry leads the nation.**

Predictions of vast restaurant closures are scare tactics. UC economists showed that most restaurants would see minor cost increases that can be easily passed on. There’s also strong evidence that restaurants paying decent wages see large cost reductions from reduced turnover, improved productivity, lower food costs, and less absenteeism.

Prop L ensures that people who work hard and play by the rules get a wage that meets their basic needs. \$8.50 an hour isn’t much, but it’s fair. San Francisco deserves a raise. **VOTE YES ON L.**

*San Francisco Minimum Wage Coalition*

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## PAID ARGUMENTS IN FAVOR OF PROPOSITION L

**SAN FRANCISCO DEMOCRATIC PARTY** urges **YES on L** -- Guarantees \$8.50 hourly minimum wage to help workers support their families without tax-funded aid.

*Jane Morrison, Chair, San Francisco Democratic Party*

The true source of funds used for the printing fee of this argument is the San Francisco Democratic Party.

The three largest contributors to the true source recipient committee are: 1. John Burton 2. Nancy Pelosi 3. SEIU Local 250.

San Francisco workers need a **higher minimum wage** to feed and shelter themselves and their families!

### Democrats for Yes on L

- Tom Ammiano*
- Sue Bierman*
- Ronald Colthirst*
- Robert Haaland*
- Agar Jaicks*
- Jane Morrison*
- Richard Ow*
- William Sisk*

The true sources of funds used for the printing fee of this argument are Agar Jaicks, Jane Morrison, and Robert Haaland.

Muni fares are increasing; cheap housing is non-existent; and educational opportunities are less available and more expensive. Raising the minimum wage will help more people keep a roof over their heads and food on the table.

Yes on L!

*San Francisco Tomorrow*

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### Fair Wages Are Family Supports

As an advocate and responsible employer, we believe youth and their families deserve jobs that make work pay. A fair minimum wage will help families stay in San Francisco, our economy thrive, and youth contribute to civic life. Vote YES on L.

*Coleman Advocates for Children and Youth*

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Tenants need a minimum wage to live in SF. Yes on L.

- San Francisco Tenants Union*
- Eviction Defense Collaborative*
- Housing Rights Committee*
- Tenderloin Housing Clinic*
- St. Peter's Housing Committee*

The true source of funds used for the printing fee of this argument is the San Francisco Tenants Union.

The San Francisco Labor Council wholeheartedly endorses Proposition L – a measure to help the working people of San Francisco realize a better standard of living.

*San Francisco Labor Council*

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Young workers deserve a raise! Living paycheck to paycheck sucks!

Proposition L would benefit 17,000 young workers, most of whom are in school. Workers under 25 have lower wages and higher poverty rates than any other age group.

Tuition keeps rising yet wages don't keep pace. Tuition has gone up 25% at UC, 30% at Cal State, and over 60% for community college students. Prop L would offset the tuition hikes so that we can stay in school. Higher wages means more time for classes, study, and personal advancement.

Even working high school students often find that low-wage work disrupts their education through stress, fatigue, and overwork.

Yes on Prop L!

- Young Workers United*
- Carey Dall, Treasurer, San Francisco Bike Messengers Association*

The true source of funds used for the printing fee of this argument is the Center for Labor Research & Training.

Anyone who works full-time should be able to survive on what they earn and support their families. Raising the minimum wage



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## PAID ARGUMENTS IN FAVOR OF PROPOSITION L

is a matter of survival. The cost of living is uniquely high in San Francisco. Low-income people did not do as well as the rest of the economy in the last economic boom. Latinos, African Americans and Asian Americans are more likely to benefit from an increase in the minimum wage as they are more likely to be employed at lower pay-rates.

*Day Laborers Program  
Labor Council for Latin American Advancement  
La Raza Centro Legal  
Living Wage Coalition  
Mission Agenda  
Mission Anti-Displacement Coalition*

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Taxi drivers overwhelmingly support the concept of a LIVE-ABLE minimum wage. Vote YES on Proposition L.

*Fairness for Senior and Disabled Taxi Drivers*

The true source of funds used for the printing fee of this argument is Fairness for Senior and Disabled Taxi Drivers.

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The increasing disparity between rich and poor is a major cause of social discontent. We all benefit when none among us is forced to live in poverty on full time wages. Please vote Yes.

*Terence Hallinan*

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The three largest contributors to the true source recipient committee are: 1. Grace Ko 2. Michael Levy 3. James O'Connor.

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The **Asian and Chinese American community supports Proposition L** because it will strengthen the local economy, create jobs and provide economic stability to over 50,000 low-income and working families, 40% of whom are Asian American.

*Assemblyman Leland Yee  
Assessor Mabel Teng  
College Board Vice President Lawrence Wong  
School Board Vice President Eric Mar  
Chinese Progressive Association*

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In the South of Market, raising the minimum wage will benefit workers, seniors, small businesses, and the community as a whole. We are a multi-ethnic, multi-generational community that has always worked hard for San Francisco.

SOMA Deserves a Raise!  
San Francisco Deserves a Raise!  
VOTE YES ON L!

*6<sup>th</sup> Street Agenda  
People Organized to Win Employment Rights (POWER)*

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### The Board of Supervisors say "Yes on Prop. L"

San Francisco's low wage workers earn an annual full-time income of \$14,000. It **simply is not enough** to feed and house families in San Francisco...one of the **costliest** cities in California.

Increasing the minimum wage would not only benefit low wage workers and their families, but also the additional spending power will support neighborhood businesses...**stimulating our local economy !!**

**San Francisco deserves a raise...Vote Yes on Prop. L !!!**

*Supervisor Tom Ammiano  
Supervisor Matt Gonzalez  
Supervisor Jake McGoldrick  
Supervisor Sophie Maxwell  
Supervisor Aaron Peskin*

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## PAID ARGUMENTS IN FAVOR OF PROPOSITION L

### Your Neighbors Support A Living Wage For All Workers:

San Francisco has the highest cost of living in the nation! Our neighbors need a living wage of \$8.50 an hour to pay for just the bare necessities. Join us, support "Yes on PROP L".

*Mike Casey*, President of Hotel & Restaurant Employees Local 2  
*Pat Lakey*, Carpenters Union Local 22  
*Jim Wachob*, Irish American Democratic Club of SF  
*Denis Mosgofian*, Delegate for SFLC GCIU4N

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### The African-American community says "Vote Yes on Prop. L... Raise the Minimum Wage !"

The economy is down, unemployment is up, and *in San Francisco the cost of living is too high* and the *minimum wage is too low!*

Being active in both our community and organized labor, we know these are serious and challenging times for too many of our community's family members who are working several jobs at low wages to cover food and housing costs.

### San Francisco deserves...and needs a raise ! Votes Yes on L!

*Peggy Gash*, United Educators of San Francisco  
*Ron Jackson*, California Federation of Teachers  
*Leroy King*, International Longshore and Warehouse Union  
*Larry Martin*, Transport Workers Union

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The Environmental Community knows that a meaningful quality of life requires a reasonable minimum wage. **Prop. L** is a vital step in that direction. Join us in voting **YES**.

### Environmentalists for a Better Minimum Wage

*Dan Kalb*  
*Susan King*  
*Milton Marks*

*Jane Morrison*  
*John Rizzo*  
*Mark Stout*

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## PAID ARGUMENTS AGAINST PROPOSITION L

Wage laws like L don't help our poor. They hurt our working poor especially hard.

Nobel-prize winning economists repeatedly demonstrate minimum wage laws make less-skilled workers unemployable. It removes the bottom rung in the economic ladder for those who don't have skills needed to offer the value the law requires they are paid. The result is they are denied jobs and the chance to get new opportunities so they can learn and grow.

Our first minimum wage law was intended to help women in low paying jobs. The immediate result in 1913 was the loss of 10% of their jobs. Given that San Francisco lost 94,000 jobs last year, can we afford to lose more? Look at the large number of unemployed, low skilled workers we have. Our wage laws and taxes have driven these jobs out and nothing has replaced them. San Francisco needs more low wage jobs, not less. Laws like L make things worse for San Franciscans, not better.

Only a free, vibrant and diverse economy with broad division of labor can create wealth for masses of people. Economics is a science with well-established principals, just like physics. Those laws can't be dismissed by legislation any more than the law of gravity can. To understand the logic, imagine the number of jobless if we increased the minimum wage to \$100 per hour.

When politicians ignore laws of economics, citizens suffer, especially the poor. The proposed legislation targets our poorest and least-skilled workers and will increase homelessness even more. It's the complete opposite of what we need.

The best thing government can do for the poor is to stop making their employment illegal.

VOTE NO ON L.

*Michael F. Denny*, Candidate for Mayor

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The three largest contributors to the true source recipient committee are: 1. John Bostock 2. Jerry Cullen 3. Michael Cesario.

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### No on Proposition L! - Ask Your Favorite Restaurant

Ask your favorite restaurant what a city-wide minimum wage increase will do to them.

- Will they raise their prices?
- Will they put an automatic service charge on every check?

- When will they lay-off employees?
- When will they go out of business?

Profit margins for restaurants are at an all-time low. Workers' Compensation costs have increased 50%; Health benefits have increased 20%; and Liability costs are soaring. San Francisco restaurants have laid-off over 2,000 employees since 2001. Proposition L will force restaurants to lay off more employees.

A minimum wage increase will bankrupt many restaurants. Will it be your favorite one?

VOTE NO ON L

*Golden Gate Restaurant Association*  
*Barbara Meskunas*, Neighborhood Leader  
*Ralph J. Maher*, Neighborhood Restaurant Owner

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The three largest contributors to the true source recipient committee are: 1. Paymentech 2. Southern Wine & Spirits of Northern California 3. Mill Valley Insurance.

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### Beware of Unintended Consequences!

Tourism in San Francisco has declined precipitously during the last few years, threatening the economic viability of the city's hospitality industry, which includes hotels, restaurants, and retail establishments. The hospitality industry is a huge part of the local economy and employs most of the city's low-skilled workers. With tourists absent, the hospitality industry is struggling to survive.

If Proposition L is passed by the voters, many San Franciscans employed by the hospitality industry are likely to receive pink slips and join the ranks of the unemployed. Beware of unintended consequences!

VOTE NO ON L

*San Francisco Association of REALTORS®*

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## PAID ARGUMENTS AGAINST PROPOSITION L

### Keep Jobs in San Francisco.

San Francisco has lost 50,000-60,000 jobs since 2000 and we are still in the midst of a recession. In a study commissioned by the Board of Supervisors, 36 percent of employers said they would reduce hours, layoff workers or close-down if a local minimum wage ordinance is passed. Help keep jobs in San Francisco and vote "No" on a local minimum wage.

### Vote No On Proposition L.

*San Francisco Chamber of Commerce*

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### NO on PROPOSITION L

San Francisco needs more jobs, not less.

### The City is suffering: DON'T SHOOT THE WOUNDED!

Since 9/11, Airport passengers are down 17%, hotel occupancies have decreased 18%, and Hotel Tax revenues to the General Fund have declined 28%.

The open hostility of misguided radical leftists on the Board of Supervisors has already contributed to the loss of over 50,000 jobs.

**If Proposition L passes, it will send a loud message to businesses that are struggling to survive: "CLOSE UP or LEAVE TOWN"... and many will.**

### SAVE JOBS! VOTE NO ON PROPOSITION L.

#### SAN FRANCISCO REPUBLICAN PARTY

*Mike DeNunzio, Chairman*

#### BALLOT ADVISORY COMMITTEE:

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# LEGAL TEXT OF PROPOSITION L

AMENDING THE SAN FRANCISCO ADMINISTRATIVE CODE BY ADDING CHAPTER 12R, ENCOMPASSING SECTIONS 12R.1 TO 12R.11 TO PROVIDE THAT A PRESCRIBED MINIMUM WAGE BE PAID TO ALL EMPLOYEES WORKING IN SAN FRANCISCO.

**Note: All sections are new.**

Be it ordained by the People of the City and County of San Francisco:

Section 1. Findings. In order to safeguard the public welfare, health, safety and prosperity of the City and County of San Francisco (the "City"), it is essential that all persons working in our community earn wages that ensure a decent and healthy life for them and their families. An estimated 50,000 working people in San Francisco earn little more than California's current state minimum wage of \$6.75 per hour—not nearly enough for them to meet their families' basic needs, particularly given the costs of living and housing in the Bay Area, which rank among the highest in California and the United States. As a consequence, they must work long hours and multiple jobs, causing hardship for their families, preventing them from pursuing further education, and limiting their participation in the civic and cultural life of our community.

Since its adoption in 2000, San Francisco's Minimum Compensation Ordinance has helped ensure decent pay for tens of thousands of workers at businesses that receive service contracts from the City or that benefit from the use of certain City-owned property. We now build on that success by adopting a broader Minimum Wage Ordinance that will ensure that all businesses in the City pay a decent minimum wage of at least \$8.50 per hour. By enabling more workers to support and care for their families through their own efforts and with less need for financial assistance from the government, the City can safeguard the general welfare, health, safety and prosperity of all San Franciscans.

When businesses do not pay a livable wage, the surrounding community and the taxpayers bear many of the associated costs in the form of increased demand for taxpayer-funded services including homeless shelters, soup kitchens, and healthcare for the uninsured. Jobs paying a decent wage will ensure a more stable workforce for our City, increase consumer income, decrease poverty and invigorate neighborhood business. It is therefore in the interest of all San Franciscans to ensure that employers benefiting from the opportunity to do business in our City pay their employees a more adequate minimum wage. Public and private efforts to implement this policy accordingly serve the public interest and constitute a significant public benefit.

Section 2. Amendment to Chapter 12 of the Administrative Code. The San Francisco

Administrative Code is hereby amended by adding Chapter 12R, encompassing Sections 12R.1 to 12R.11, to read as follows:

## CHAPTER 12R MINIMUM WAGE

Sec. 12R.1.	Title
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Sec. 12R.3.	Definitions
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Sec. 12R.8.	Waiver Through Collective Bargaining
Sec. 12R.9.	Relationship to Other Requirements
Sec. 12R.10.	Application of Minimum Wage to Welfare-to-Work Programs
Sec. 12R.11.	Effective Date
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Sec. 12R.13.	Amendment by the Board of Supervisors

### SEC. 12R.1. TITLE.

This Chapter shall be known as the "Minimum Wage Ordinance."

### SEC. 12R.2. AUTHORITY.

This Chapter is adopted pursuant to the powers vested in the City and County of San Francisco ("the City") under the laws and Constitution of the State of California and the City Charter including, but not limited to, the police powers vested in the City pursuant to Article XI, Section 7 of the California Constitution and Section 1205(b) of the California Labor Law.

### SEC. 12R.3. DEFINITIONS.

As used in this Chapter, the following capitalized terms shall have the following meanings:

"Agency" shall mean the Living Wage/Living Health Division of the Office of Contract Administration or such other City department or agency as the City shall by resolution designate.

"City" shall mean the City and County of San Francisco.

"Employee" shall mean any person who:

- In a particular week performs at least two (2) hours of work for an Employer within the geographic boundaries of the City; and
- Qualifies as an employee entitled to payment of a minimum wage from any employer under the California minimum wage law, as provided under Section 1197 of the California Labor Code and wage orders published by the California Industrial Welfare Commission, or is a participant in a Welfare-to-Work Program.

"Employer" shall mean any person, as defined in Section 18 of the California Labor Code, including corporate officers or executives, who directly or indirectly or through an agent any other person, including through the services of a temporary services or staffing agency or similar entity, employs or exercises control over the wages, hours or working conditions of any Employee.

"Minimum Wage" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 4 of this Chapter.

"Small Business" shall mean an Employer for which fewer than ten (10) persons perform work for compensation during a given week. In determining the number of persons performing work for an Employer during a given week, all persons performing work for compensation on a full-time, part-time, or temporary basis shall be counted, including persons made available to work through the services of a temporary services or staffing agency or similar entity.

"Nonprofit Corporation" shall mean a nonprofit corporation, duly organized, validly existing and in good standing under the laws of the jurisdiction of its incorporation and (if a foreign corporation) in good standing under the laws of the State of California, which corporation has established and maintains valid nonprofit status under Section 501(c)(3) of the United States Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, and all rules and regulations promulgated under such Section.

"Welfare-to-Work Program" shall mean the City's CalWORKS Program, County Adult Assistance Program (CAAP) which includes the Personal Assisted Employment Services (PAES) Program, and General Assistance Program, and any successor programs that are substantially similar to them.

### SEC. 12R.4. MINIMUM WAGE.

(a) Employers shall pay Employees no less than the Minimum Wage for each hour worked within the geographic boundaries of the City.

(b) Beginning on the effective date of this Chapter, the Minimum Wage shall be an hourly rate of \$8.50. To prevent inflation from eroding its value, beginning on January 1, 2005, and each year thereafter, the Minimum Wage shall increase by an amount corresponding to the prior year's increase, if any, in the Consumer Price Index for urban wage earners and clerical workers for the San Francisco-Oakland-San Jose, CA metropolitan statistical area.

(c) The Minimum Wage for Employers that are Small Businesses or Nonprofit Corporations shall phase in over a two year period in order to afford such Employers time to adjust. For such Employers, the effective date of this Chapter shall be January 1, 2005. For a transition period beginning January 1, 2005 and ending December 31, 2005, the Minimum Wage for Employees of such Employers shall be an

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hourly rate of \$7.75. Beginning January 1, 2006, the Minimum Wage for Employees of such Employers shall be the regular Minimum Wage established pursuant to Section 4(b) of this Chapter.

### SEC. 12R.5. NOTICE, POSTING AND PAYROLL RECORDS.

(a) By December 1 of each year, the Agency shall publish and make available to Employers a bulletin announcing the adjusted Minimum Wage rate for the upcoming year, which shall take effect on January 1. In conjunction with this bulletin, the Agency shall by December 1 of each year publish and make available to Employers, in all languages spoken by more than five percent of the San Francisco work force, a notice suitable for posting by Employers in the workplace informing Employees of the current Minimum Wage rate and of their rights under this Chapter.

(b) Every Employer shall post in a conspicuous place at any workplace or job site where any Employee works the notice published each year by the Agency informing Employees of the current Minimum Wage rate and of their rights under this Chapter. Every Employer shall post such notices in English, Spanish, Chinese and any other language spoken by at least five percent of the Employees at the workplace or job site. Every Employer shall also provide each Employee at the time of hire the Employer's name, address and telephone number in writing.

(c) Employers shall retain payroll records pertaining to Employees for a period of four years, and shall allow the Agency access to such records, with appropriate notice and at a mutually agreeable time, to monitor compliance with the requirements of this Chapter. Where an Employer does not maintain or retain adequate records documenting wages paid or does not allow the Agency reasonable access to such records, it shall be presumed that the Employer paid no more than the applicable federal or state minimum wage, absent clear and convincing evidence otherwise.

### SEC. 12R.6. RETALIATION PROHIBITED.

It shall be unlawful for an Employer or any other party to discriminate in any manner or take adverse action against any person in retaliation for exercising rights protected under this Chapter. Rights protected under this Chapter include, but are not limited to: the right to file a complaint or inform any person about any party's alleged noncompliance with this Chapter; and the right to inform any person of his or her potential rights under this Chapter and to assist him or her in asserting such rights. Protections of this Chapter shall apply to any person who mistakenly, but in good faith, alleges noncompliance with this Chapter. Taking adverse action against a person within ninety (90) days of the person's exercise of rights protected under this Chapter shall raise a

rebuttable presumption of having done so in retaliation for the exercise of such rights.

### SEC. 12R.7. IMPLEMENTATION AND ENFORCEMENT.

(a) *Implementation.* The Agency shall be authorized to coordinate implementation and enforcement of this Chapter and may promulgate appropriate guidelines or rules for such purposes. Any guidelines or rules promulgated by the Agency shall have the force and effect of law and may be relied on by Employers, Employees and other parties to determine their rights and responsibilities under this Chapter. Any guidelines or rules may establish procedures for ensuring fair, efficient and cost-effective implementation of this Chapter, including supplementary procedures for helping to inform Employees of their rights under this Chapter, for monitoring Employer compliance with this Chapter, and for providing administrative hearings to determine whether an Employer or other person has violated the requirements of this Chapter.

(b) *Administrative Enforcement.* The Agency is authorized to take appropriate steps to enforce this Chapter. The Agency may investigate any possible violations of this Chapter by an Employer or other person. Where the Agency has reason to believe that a violation has occurred, it may order any appropriate temporary or interim relief to mitigate the violation or maintain the status quo pending completion of a full investigation or hearing. Where the Agency, after a hearing that affords a suspected violator due process, determines that a violation has occurred, it may order any appropriate relief including, but not limited to, reinstatement, the payment of any back wages unlawfully withheld, and the payment of an additional sum as an administrative penalty in the amount of \$50 to each Employee or person whose rights under this Chapter were violated for each day or portion thereof that the violation occurred or continued. Where prompt compliance is not forthcoming, the Agency may take any appropriate enforcement action to secure compliance, including initiating a civil action pursuant to Section 7(c) of this Chapter and/or, except where prohibited by state or federal law, requesting that City agencies or departments revoke or suspend any registration certificates, permits or licenses held or requested by the Employer or person until such time as the violation is remedied. In order to compensate the City for the costs of investigating and remedying the violation, the Agency may also order the violating Employer or person to pay to the City a sum of not more than \$50 for each day or portion thereof and for each Employee or person as to whom the violation occurred or continued. Such funds shall be allocated to the Agency and shall be used to offset the costs of implementing and enforcing this Chapter. The amounts of all sums and payments authorized or required under this Chapter shall be updated annually for inflation, beginning January 1,

2005, using the inflation rate and procedures set forth in Section 4(b) of this Chapter. An Employee or other person may report to the Agency in writing any suspected violation of this Chapter. The Agency shall encourage reporting pursuant to this subsection by keeping confidential, to the maximum extent permitted by applicable laws, the name and other identifying information of the Employee or person reporting the violation. Provided, however, that with the authorization of such person, the Agency may disclose his or her name and identifying information as necessary to enforce this Chapter or for other appropriate purposes.

(c) *Civil Enforcement.* The Agency, the City Attorney, any person aggrieved by a violation of this Chapter, any entity a member of which is aggrieved by a violation of this Chapter, or any other person or entity acting on behalf of the public as provided for under applicable state law, may bring a civil action in a court of competent jurisdiction against the Employer or other person violating this Chapter and, upon prevailing, shall be entitled to such legal or equitable relief as may be appropriate to remedy the violation including, without limitation, the payment of any back wages unlawfully withheld, the payment of an additional sum as liquidated damages in the amount of \$50 to each Employee or person whose rights under this Chapter were violated for each day or portion thereof that the violation occurred or continued, reinstatement in employment and/or injunctive relief, and shall be awarded reasonable attorneys' fees and costs. Provided, however, that any person or entity enforcing this Chapter on behalf of the public as provided for under applicable state law shall, upon prevailing, be entitled only to equitable, injunctive or restitutionary relief, and reasonable attorneys' fees and costs.

### SEC. 12R.8. WAIVER THROUGH COLLECTIVE BARGAINING.

All or any portion of the applicable requirements of this Chapter shall not apply to Employees covered by a bona fide collective bargaining agreement to the extent that such requirements are expressly waived in the collective bargaining agreement in clear and unambiguous terms.

### SEC. 12R.9. RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER REQUIREMENTS.

This Chapter provides for payment of a minimum wage and shall not be construed to preempt or otherwise limit or affect the applicability of any other law, regulation, requirement, policy or standard that provides for payment of higher or supplemental wages or benefits, or that extends other protections including, but

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not limited to, the San Francisco Minimum Compensation Ordinance.

### **SEC. 12R.10. APPLICATION OF MINIMUM WAGE TO WELFARE-TO-WORK PROGRAMS.**

The Minimum Wage established pursuant to Section 4(b) of this Chapter shall apply to the City's Welfare-to-Work programs under which persons must perform work in exchange for receipt of benefits. Participants in Welfare-to-Work Programs shall not, during a given benefits period, be required to work more than a number of hours equal to the value of all cash benefits received during that period, divided by the Minimum Wage. Where state or federal law would preclude the City from reducing the number of work hours required under a given Welfare-to-Work Program, the City may comply with this Section by increasing the cash benefits awarded so that their value is no less than the product of the Minimum Wage multiplied by the number of work hours required.

### **SEC. 12R.11. EFFECTIVE DATE.**

This Chapter shall become effective ninety (90) days after it is adopted. This Chapter is intended to have prospective effect only.

### **SEC. 12R.12. SEVERABILITY.**

If any part or provision of this Chapter, or the application of this Chapter to any person or circumstance, is held invalid, the remainder of this Chapter, including the application of such part or provisions to other persons or circumstances, shall not be affected by such a holding and shall continue in full force and effect. To this end, the provisions of this Chapter are severable.

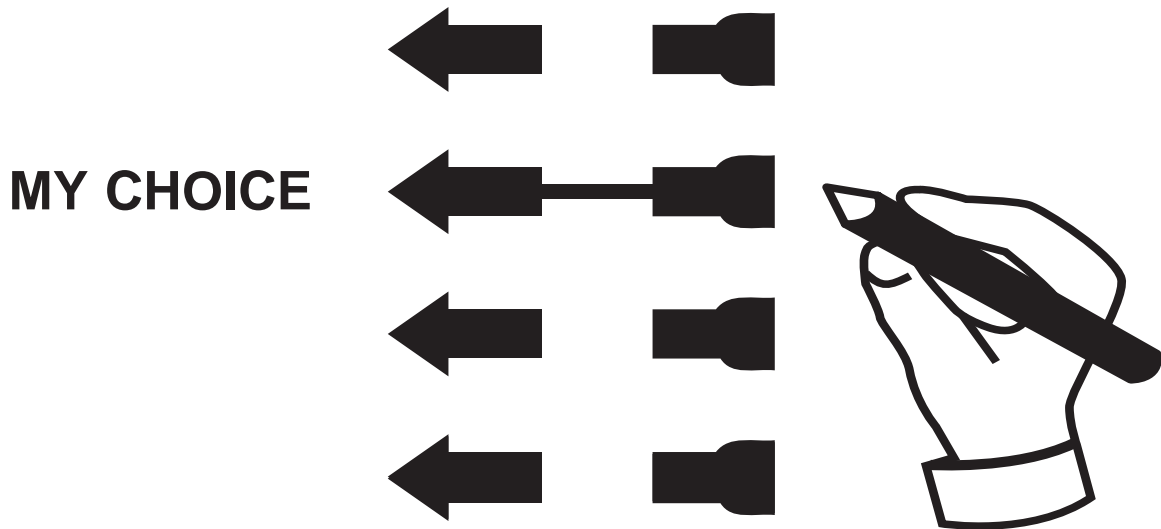
### **SEC. 12R.13. AMENDMENT BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS.**

This Chapter may be amended by the Board of Supervisors as regards the implementation or enforcement thereof, but not as regards the substantive requirements of the Chapter or its scope of coverage.



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# Aggressive Solicitation Ban

# M

## PROPOSITION M

Shall the City replace its anti-begging and aggressive solicitation laws with a new, more specific law that bans solicitation in certain public places and aggressive solicitation in all public places?

YES  
NO



## Digest

by the Ballot Simplification Committee

**THE WAY IT IS NOW:** City law bans begging and aggressive soliciting in public places. These laws prohibit asking a person for money or anything of value and following closely behind the person after the person has refused. City law also bans loitering at or near an ATM (cash) machine. Anyone who violates these laws may be imprisoned, fined or required to perform community service. Court decisions have raised questions about the City's ability to enforce these laws.

**THE PROPOSAL:** Proposition M is an ordinance that would replace existing laws with a new law banning:

- Aggressive solicitation in public places;
- Any solicitation within 20 feet of a check-cashing business or an ATM machine;
- Any solicitation of persons in vehicles on a street or highway on-ramp or off-ramp; and
- Any solicitation on public transportation or in a parking lot.

Under this law, "solicitation" means asking a person for money or anything of value. "Aggressive solicitation" means:

- Approaching, speaking to or following the person in a way intended or likely to cause fear or intimidation;
- Continuing to solicit after the person has refused;
- Touching the person without that person's consent;
- Intentionally blocking a person or vehicle;
- Using violent or threatening gestures; or
- Following a person while soliciting.

Police would be required to warn a person about this law before citing or arresting the person. Violators could be required to pay a fine and/or be screened for possible drug and alcohol treatment and mental health services. Those who violate the law three or more times in a 12-month period could also be required to perform community service or be imprisoned for up to three months.

**A "YES" VOTE MEANS:** If you vote "Yes," you want to replace the City's anti-begging and aggressive solicitation laws with a new, more specific law that bans solicitation in specific public places and aggressive solicitation in all public places.

**A "NO" VOTE MEANS:** If you vote "No," you do not want to change the City's anti-begging and aggressive solicitation laws.

## Controller's Statement on "M"

City Controller Edward Harrington has issued the following statement on the fiscal impact of Proposition M:

Should the proposed ordinance be approved by the voters, in my opinion, there could be an increase in the cost of government depending on how the code is enforced.

The screening and public health diversion programs proposed under this ordinance are estimated by the Department of Public Health to cost approximately \$3,700 per person. If the City enforced these code sections at about the same rate as similar violations such as obstructing the sidewalk and illegal camping, an estimated 20 persons per month could be expected to be charged or referred to public health diversion programs. If all of these individuals were referred to substance abuse or mental health treatment, it would cost the City approximately \$900,000 annually. However, as a result of these diversion programs there could be savings in other related City services.

Note that an ordinance cannot bind future Mayors and Boards of Supervisors to provide funding for this or any other purpose. Only Charter amendments can require the City to fund programs into the future. The ultimate cost of this proposal depends on decisions made in the City's annual budget process.

## How "M" Got on the Ballot

On July 29, 2003 the Department of Elections certified that the initiative petition, calling for Proposition M to be placed on the ballot, had qualified for the ballot.

9,735 signatures were required to place an initiative ordinance on the ballot.

This number is equal to 5% of the total number of people who voted for Mayor in 1999. A random check of the signatures submitted on July 7, 2003 by the proponent of the initiative petition showed that more than the required number of signatures was valid.

**THIS MEASURE REQUIRES 50%+1 AFFIRMATIVE VOTES TO PASS.**

ARGUMENTS FOR AND AGAINST THIS MEASURE IMMEDIATELY FOLLOW THIS PAGE. THE FULL TEXT BEGINS ON PAGE 186. SOME OF THE WORDS USED IN THE BALLOT DIGEST ARE EXPLAINED ON PAGE 28.





# M

# Aggressive Solicitation Ban

## PROPONENT'S ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF PROPOSITION M

**San Francisco's aggressive panhandling and homeless policies have failed.**

In the last year alone, 169 people died on the streets of San Francisco, most from drug and alcohol abuse.

We need to change the way San Francisco deals with aggressive panhandling and give real help to those who suffer from addiction or mental illness.

That's why I wrote Proposition M and that's why nearly 19,000 San Franciscans signed petitions to place it on the ballot.

Prop M does three things:

- It establishes a new law prohibiting aggressive panhandling and solicitation, replacing the City's existing tangle of unenforceable and unconstitutional solicitation laws.
- It restricts panhandling and solicitation in five locations: Near ATM machines, in parking lots, on public transit, on median strips and off-ramps.
- It gives San Francisco Police, the District Attorney and the courts the option to divert aggressive panhandlers to a substance abuse and mental health screening program set up by the Department of Public Health. Right now, their only options are to fine panhandlers or send them to community service or jail.

Prop M doesn't stop people from asking for money for basic needs. Prop M seeks to divert people who aggressively panhandle because of addiction or illness away from the jail system and into the public health system.

Our current system has failed. Chronic alcohol and drug abusers now account for more than 20% of all emergency medical calls. A large proportion of aggressive panhandlers in San Francisco suffer from drug and alcohol addiction or mental health problems. But San Francisco has no enforceable laws that help these at-risk San Franciscans move off the streets and into treatment.

Please join me, Vote Yes on M and make change.

*Supervisor Gavin Newsom*

## REBUTTAL TO PROPONENT'S ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF PROPOSITION M

The other day at the corner of 4<sup>th</sup> and Mission a rather shabbily dressed man with his hat in his hand held out a sign that said, "My wife has been kidnapped and I'm 98 cents short of meeting the ransom demand." Under this proposition, he could have been either cited or arrested by the police.

I believe that San Francisco's police department has more serious crimes on their mind than dealing with an individual with a sign asking for money. It was my choice to give or not give; and, I was so taken by the sign that, notwithstanding the urging of the downtown business community, I gave the person \$5 not only to meet his financial needs but for the originality of the sign.

In these days of city budget problems we do not need to occupy the time or the resources of our police department or the county jail by making criminals out of poor people. I would hope all San Franciscans would reflect on the fact that the patron saint of our city, Saint Francis of Assisi, was a beggar on the streets of Assisi, that Jesus gave money to the poor of Bethlehem; and it really should not be a crime to be poor, especially in San Francisco.

I hope you will join me in voting "NO" on this mean-spirited proposition that will not in any way be a solution to the problem of homelessness in San Francisco.

*State Senator John Burton*



# Aggressive Solicitation Ban



## OPPONENT'S ARGUMENT AGAINST PROPOSITION M

**PROP M WILL WASTE PUBLIC DOLLARS AND PUNISH POOR AND HOMELESS PEOPLE!**

Prop M would make it illegal for ANY KIND of solicitation in a large number of public places. A person quietly asking for monetary help could be charged criminally, limiting free speech.

Prop M would inappropriately broaden the definition of "aggressive solicitation." Currently, San Francisco police code already makes it illegal to "harass or hound" people to give money. Prop M makes one's mere presence illegal if that person is deemed to be intimidating, creating a potential for racial profiling and harassment.

Prop M proposes an expensive and bogus "diversion" program. The only diversion in Prop M will be the diversion of current treatment dollars to a jail-based assessment program. Outreach workers already screen and assess hundreds of homeless people each day. With over 1,000 people on the waiting list for treatment in San Francisco, homeless people are turned away due to lack of space.

In spite of massive funding deficits, Prop M has tremendous hidden costs that will divert money away from necessary social services. While the initiative includes no funding, the Controllers Office estimates a \$900,000 cost, not including exorbitant police and court costs. These funds would be better used to fill treatment beds left empty as a result of state budget cuts.

San Francisco has already tried politically motivated, police-based homeless programs, and they have all failed. Funds are spent toward police overtime and court costs, rather than on producing the results that San Francisco deserves.

As a coalition of homeless people and over 100 service providers, we urge you to vote No on Proposition M.

Please urge others to do the same.

*Coalition on Homelessness, San Francisco*

## REBUTTAL TO OPPONENT'S ARGUMENT AGAINST PROPOSITION M

As medical professionals, we regularly see patients who panhandle to support drug and alcohol addictions. Some also suffer from mental illness and solicit in ways that put them and others at risk.

San Francisco's existing panhandling and solicitation laws don't work. They provide just three charging options for law enforcement — fines, community service or jail time — none of which is appropriate for people who suffer from addiction or mental illness.

Prop M clearly defines and prohibits aggressive panhandling citywide and limits solicitation in four places: near ATM machines, in parking lots, in median strips and on public transit vehicles. Prop M also the District Attorney and the courts to refer violators to substance abuse and mental health screening and treatment instead of jail.

There will be some cost associated with this measure, but the savings could be tremendous. Consider that 20 percent of San Francisco's emergency medical calls are the result of street pick-

ups of chronic alcohol and drug abusers and each such call can cost as much as \$1,000. These resources would be much better spent getting people into treatment.

Please help San Francisco develop a more effective and compassionate solution.

Vote Yes on Prop M.

*Scott J. Campbell, MD, MPH, Chairman – San Francisco Ambulance Diversion Task Force*

*Patrick Noone, M.D., Physician*

*Albert P. Lee, M.D., Cardiologist*

*Ronald Smialowicz, M.D., Physician*

*Pablo Stewart, M.D., Psychiatrist*

*James Shieh, M.D., Emergency Room Doctor*

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# M

# Aggressive Solicitation Ban

## PAID ARGUMENTS IN FAVOR OF PROPOSITION M

San Francisco homeless and aggressive panhandling policies are a failure. Last year, the City spent \$104 million dollars, yet 169 people died on the streets of San Francisco -- most from drugs and alcohol.

Prop M changes the way San Francisco approaches aggressive panhandling. Right now, the District Attorney and the courts have three options for dealing with aggressive panhandlers: community service, fines or jail.

Prop M replaces the police-based approach to panhandling with a public health-based approach. It allows the D.A. and the courts to divert people who aggressively solicit to drug, alcohol, and mental health services.

While Prop M will cost some money, the savings will exceed the cost. Right now, 20 percent of all emergency medical calls in San Francisco are street pick-ups of chronic alcohol and drug abusers. Each ambulance trip costs \$1,000 and each one-day stay in San Francisco General costs \$2,000.

Prop M replaces San Francisco's police-based approach to panhandling with a public-health based diversion model. It is based on laws in place in progressive cities, like Santa Monica and Santa Cruz.

Prop M is desperately needed change. Please vote YES on M.

*Gavin Newsom*

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### Proposition M is good legislation

Many of San Francisco's existing aggressive panhandling laws have been thrown out by the courts or found to be unenforceable. Prop M replaces these laws with enforceable laws that ban aggressive panhandling. Prop M also bans panhandling in specific locations, such as: ATM's, medians, on/off-ramps, parking lots, BART and MUNI. Proposition M will provide law enforcement officials with aggressive panhandling laws that work!

*Rolando Bonilla*, Juvenile Probation Commissioner  
*Chris Cunnie*, President, San Francisco Police Officers Association

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### Proposition M provides an alternative to Aggressive Panhandling

As a community we must be unified in finding ways to help our fellow citizens, rather than recycling them through the criminal justice system. Proposition M will direct aggressive panhandlers to the services they need, rather than just sending them to jail!

*Cedric Jackson*, President, Black Leadership Forum  
*Sabrina Saunders*, Civil Service Commissioner  
*Timothy Toye Moses*, Community Leader

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### Neighborhoods say Yes to Proposition M

We choose to live in San Francisco because of its diversity, immense opportunities and beautiful neighborhoods. Yet over time, we have watched our neighborhoods become riddled with people who turn to aggressive panhandling in order to support a drug habit, which in turn, makes our streets unsafe. Proposition M is an important step towards ending aggressive panhandling by helping those who desperately need it. Protect San Francisco's neighborhoods – Vote Yes on M.

*Mike Sullivan*, Chair, Plan C San Francisco\*  
*Steve Currier*, Outer Mission Residents Association\*  
*Linda Richardson*, Commissioner, Civil Service Commission\*  
*Kathleen Harrington*, Owner, Harrington's Bar and Grill  
*Michael Sweet*

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## PAID ARGUMENTS IN FAVOR OF PROPOSITION M

### Medical Community supports treatment diversion – not jail!

As doctors and health care professionals in San Francisco, we know first-hand that current policies do not work. There are more aggressive panhandlers in San Francisco than ever before; most of them have drug or alcohol addictions and many suffer from mental illnesses. We witness too many repeat visits to our emergency rooms, putting a tremendous strain on our systems and adding long wait times in our hospitals. Current law treats these individuals as criminals by sending them to prison, instead of offering them the treatment they need. By giving law enforcement officers the option to divert aggressive panhandlers to substance abuse and mental health screening programs set up by the Department of Health, we are offering a compassionate alternative. Please join us in voting Yes on Proposition M.

*R. Bruce Redoff*, Attending Physician  
*Peter Webber*, Physician

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### The LGBT Community Supports Proposition M

The LGBT community supports Proposition M because San Francisco is a place where everyone has the opportunity to reach their full potential. Many aggressive panhandlers suffer from mental illness and/or drug and alcohol addiction. Proposition M will help these people by diverting them to service oriented programs, rather than recycling them through the criminal justice system. It is time to protect our neighborhoods and help those in need.

Vote Yes on M!

*Gustavo Serina*, President, Eureka Valley Promotion Association\*  
*Angelique Mahav*  
*Michael J. Pitash*  
*Paul Lubin*  
*Tomas Quiroz*  
*Jeffrey Griffin*  
*Robert A. Ortega*  
*Tom Berry*  
*Paula Ryan*  
*Sherman Lum*  
*James J. Cassiol*  
*Jason Hinson*  
*John McCutchen*, Attorney-at-Law  
*Don Spradlin*  
*Michael Acabado*, Businessman

*David Grabstald*  
*David Stevenson*  
*J. Michael McKechnie*  
*Antonio Kruger*, HIV Prevention Outreach Worker  
*Joe Caruso*  
*Judith Berkowitz*  
*Alvis Hendley*  
*James (Robbie) Robinson*  
*Richard Morehead*

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### Mayor Willie L. Brown, Jr. Supports Proposition M

Quite simply, the old laws don't work. We need new laws and a new approach to the issue of aggressive panhandling.

Proposition M repeals unenforceable antiquated aggressive panhandling laws and replaces them with laws that can be enforced. Many cities throughout America have aggressive panhandling laws that are working; the people of San Francisco deserve nothing less.

In addition, Proposition M directs the Department of Public Health to create a diversion program for those cited, to screen and assess them for drug and alcohol dependency as well as mental health treatment programs.

Support clear and enforceable aggressive panhandling laws, vote Yes on M.

*Mayor Willie L. Brown, Jr.*

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The three largest contributors to the true source recipient committee are: 1. Committee on Jobs Government Reform Fund 2. Douglas Goldman 3. George Marcus.

### The Faith Community Supports Proposition M

Helping our fellow brothers & sisters in need is the righteous thing to do. Although St. Francis of Assisi found enlightenment in prison, he did not want to see others follow the same path. In turn,

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he called upon his disciples to offer hope and guidance. Proposition M breaks the cycle of imprisonment for aggressive panhandlers by directing them toward the services they need. Vote YES on M.

*Amos C. Brown, Pastor*  
*Theo Frazier, Pastor*

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San Francisco's panhandling laws have failed.

It's time to recognize that the small number of people who aggressively panhandle do so mostly because of alcohol, drug, and mental health issues. Yet our current system misses the root causes, prescribing jail time and fines, instead of treatment, as a solution.

Prop M will ban aggressive panhandling and divert violators into screening and assessment for drug, alcohol, and mental health treatment.

We support change. We urge you to vote YES on Prop M.

*Jose A. Najar*  
*Peter J. Marroquin*  
*Elizabeth Murphy*  
*Ardis Jerome, Alcohol Rehabilitation Executive Director*  
*Ann Hsu*  
*Richard P. Murphy*  
*John Bitterman*  
*Nicholas J. Rocchio*  
*Brent Pogue*  
*Rebecca Hultberg*  
*June Rimer*  
*Larisa Neymark*  
*Janice K. Eng*  
*Carolyn Devine*  
*Matthew Squeri*  
*Brian T. Clark*  
*Ayres Gipson*  
*Warren Mathews*  
*Dennis Woods*  
*Aida Rodriguez*  
*Franco Fleming*  
*Victor Macias*  
*Ruby Rippey-Tourk*

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It is time that we get serious about addressing homelessness and cleaning up our streets. The situation has reached crisis proportions. **Aggressive panhandling is out of control.** As your former Chief of Police I can tell you that many panhandlers are spending a great deal of their money on alcohol, cigarettes or drugs. I urge you to give to bona fide charities that really help the poor. Let's make San Francisco beautiful again.

**Vote Yes on Proposition M.**

*Tony Ribera, University Administrator*

The true source of funds used for the printing fee of this argument is the Committee to Elect Tony Ribera Mayor.

The three largest contributors to the true source recipient committee are: 1. Abdul Suleman 2. Peter Naughton 3. Anthony Rodriguez.

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**Neighborhood Businesses Urge You to Vote Yes on Proposition M**

As small business owners we are frustrated with the aggressive and inappropriate panhandling that occurs every day in front of our businesses. Aggressive panhandlers drive away shoppers whose spending helps our City's economy. In a depressed economy neighborhood businesses are struggling to get by, and aggressive panhandlers only drive customers away. Proposition M is a step in the right direction to ensuring the safety of our customers and viability of our businesses.

*Myrna Lim, Former Planning Commissioner*  
*Sonia E. Melara, Business Owner*  
*Stephen Cornell, Small Business Owner*  
*David Heller, Geary Blvd. Merchants Association*  
*Nathan Dwiri, President, Yellow Cab Co-Op Inc.*  
*Betty Louie, China Bazaar*  
*Eva A. Lee, Chinatown Merchants Association*  
*Committee on Jobs*

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Dianne Feinstein urges you to vote YES on Prop M.

I support Prop M because San Francisco's existing laws regulating aggressive panhandling have failed.

Prop M would:

Establish a new law prohibiting aggressive panhandling and solicitation, replacing the City's existing unenforceable and unconstitutional laws.

Restrict panhandling and solicitation in five locations: near ATM machines; in parking garages; in median strips and on free-way on-ramps; and on public transit vehicles.

Allow police, the District Attorney and the courts to divert violators to substance abuse and mental health screening and treatment. Currently, their only options are to fine panhandlers or send them to community service or jail.

Prop M doesn't stop people from asking for money for basic needs. It seeks to divert people who aggressively panhandle into services they need.

Please vote yes on Prop M.

*Senator Dianne Feinstein*

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The San Francisco Planning and Urban Research Association (SPUR), San Francisco's oldest and most respected public policy analysis group, voted to endorse Prop M.

SPUR voted to endorse Prop M because, while not perfect, the measure provides a diversion option to refer people who aggressively panhandle to substance abuse and mental health treatment. Existing laws only allow the D.A. and the courts to sentence panhandlers to fines and jail time, which does not address root causes.

Prop M also replaces San Francisco's tangle of unenforceable begging laws with a modern, court-tested solicitation law modeled after successful laws in Santa Monica, Santa Cruz and other California cities.

Vote yes on Prop M.

*Committee to Stop Aggressive Panhandling*

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### **GOLDEN GATE RESTAURANT ASSOCIATION SUPPORTS PROPOSITION M — STOP AGGRESSIVE PANHANDLING**

The Golden Gate Restaurant Association strongly supports Proposition M. The current policies toward aggressive panhandlers have failed, leaving people without treatment and recycling them through the criminal justice system. Proposition M creates a new law that diverts aggressive panhandlers to treatment programs instead of prison. This is the first step towards making San Francisco's streets cleaner and safer.

As restaurateurs, we've witnessed how aggressive panhandlers drive potential customers away and decrease our business. Every other major city in the United States and California has adopted regulations aimed at curbing aggressive panhandling and solicitations. It's time San Francisco adopts these measures too!

Vote yes on Proposition M—to stop aggressive panhandling and improve the safety, privacy, and quality-of-life for our residents and visitors.

*Golden Gate Restaurant Association*

The true source of funds used for the printing fee of this argument is the Golden Gate Restaurant Association PAC.

The three largest contributors to the true source recipient committee are: 1. Paymentech 2. Southern Wine & Spirits of Northern California 3. Mill Valley Insurance.

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### **VOTE YES ON PROPOSITION M !**

The city needs to maintain a safe environment for all residents, visitors, tourists, and workers. This measure will restrict the locations that can be used by panhandlers to solicit cash, and will ban aggressive solicitation anywhere in the City.

Panhandling is a safety concern that has gotten a lot worse in the past few years, and poses a significant danger to the persons soliciting, as well as creates a huge liability for city taxpayers if anyone gets hurt while panhandling in the city's streets and intersections. This measure will prohibit panhandling on median strips, freeway on/off ramps, near ATMs, on city buses and trolleys, and in parking lots. It will allow offenders to have the charges dropped if they will agree to be counseled for whatever long term physical or mental needs they may have.

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The members of the Building Owners and Managers Association urge voters to pass this measure to stop this dangerous activity. It is the responsible and compassionate thing to do.

*Ken Cleaveland*, Director of Government and Public Affairs, BOMA San Francisco

The true source of funds used for the printing fee of this argument is the Building Owners & Managers Association Ballot Measure PAC.

The three largest contributors to the true source recipient committee are: 1. Shorestein Realty LLP 2. Calfox, Inc. 3. Equity Office Properties.

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### Protect Chinatown—Vote Yes on Proposition M

Thousands of people visit Chinatown every day because it is considered one of San Francisco's greatest treasures. Aggressive panhandling drives away tourists and other visitors, reducing the spending that feeds our City's economy. We must keep San Francisco vibrant and a welcoming place for tourists. Vote YES on M to stop aggressive panhandling in our neighborhoods.

*Richard Ow*, A Better Chinatown, Member\*  
*Tane O. Chan*, The Wok Shop, Owner  
*Calvin Louie*, CPA  
*Gary Truong*, Chinatown Resident

\* For Identification Purposes Only

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Do you feel intimidated when you are stuck in traffic at Mission and South Van Ness trying to get onto or off of the freeway and a panhandler taps on your car window asking for money?

Do you feel insecure when you go into a gas station and a stranger approaches you to ask if he can pump your gas or clean your windows?

Have you ever felt uneasy when parking your car at night in a poorly lit and unpatrolled neighborhood parking lot?

Do you feel compelled to give money when people get in your face when you are entering or leaving a restaurant, using an ATM, or waiting for a bus?

Do you feel safe when you are walking on the sidewalk and a panhandler approaches you asking for a handout and you say "No", and then he doesn't take "No" for an answer and continues to follow you down the street?

Fed up with aggressive panhandling? Most people are, except those profiting from the homeless and their friends on the Board of Supervisors and in the District Attorney's office.

Proposition M is necessary because the Board of Supervisors repeatedly has refused to take action on this chronic problem which has become a blight on our otherwise magnificent city. San Francisco residents, commuters, and tourists shouldn't be subjected to the daily onslaught of aggressive panhandlers, many of whom are nonresidents.

VOTE YES ON M

*San Francisco Association of REALTORS®*

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I support Proposition M as a proactive attempt to ban aggressive panhandling in key locations in San Francisco. In every neighborhood, residents bitterly complain that aggressive panhandling threatens their safety and well-being.

I strongly support the new diversion and treatment options. Lost lives on the street, and lost quality of life in neighborhoods demand action now.

*Bill Fazio*

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### San Francisco Businesses Urge You to Vote Yes on Proposition M

Business owners are frustrated with the aggressive and inappropriate panhandling that occurs every day in front of our businesses. Aggressive panhandlers drive away shoppers whose spending helps our City's economy. In a depressed economy businesses are struggling to get by, and aggressive panhandlers only drive customers away. Proposition M is a step in the right direction to ensure the safety of our customers and viability of our businesses.

*San Francisco Chamber of Commerce*

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### YES ON PROPOSITION M!!!

The same radicals who opposed "Care-Not-Cash" oppose Prop M. The homeless industry, which has a vested interest in chronic homelessness, now wants the City to ignore aggressive panhandling.

The City's present policies have failed miserably!

### **AGGRESSIVE PANHANDLING THREATENS THE SAFETY, PRIVACY, AND "QUALITY-OF-LIFE" OF SAN FRANCISCO'S TAXPAYING RESIDENTS AND VISITORS.**

No one, especially seniors and women, should be harassed. While some panhandlers suffer from substance abuse or mental illness, others are crass opportunists. Many commute daily just to extort money from the most vulnerable.

**ENOUGH IS ENOUGH!** Proposition M bans aggressive panhandling. It directs the Department of Public Health to provide diversion programs for those who need help, and it punishes those who break the law.

### **VOTE YES ON M**

SAN FRANCISCO REPUBLICAN PARTY  
*Mike DeNunzio, Chairman*

BALLOT ADVISORY COMMITTEE:  
*Joshua Kriesel, Ph.D., Vice Chair, Political Affairs*  
*Christopher L. Bowman*  
*Howard Epstein*

CENTRAL COMMITTEE MEMBERS:  
*Michael Antonini*  
*Ryan Chamberlain*  
*Albert C. Chang*  
*Thomas J. D'Amato*  
*James Fuller*  
*Sheila Hewitt*  
*Harold M. Hoogasian*  
*Darcy Linn*  
*Gail E. Neira*  
*Jim Soderborg*  
*Max Woods*  
*Sue C. Woods*

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**SAN FRANCISCO DEMOCRATIC PARTY** urges **No on M** – The City already has a voter-approved anti-panhandling law. This new measure would spend many thousands of tax dollars on arrests and jail but provide no money for problem-solving services.

*Jane Morrison*, Chair, San Francisco Democratic Party

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The three largest contributors to the true source recipient committee are: 1. John Burton 2. Nancy Pelosi 3. SEIU Local 250.

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**There's already a voter-approved law against aggressive panhandling** (San Francisco Municipal Code, Part II, Chapter 8, Police Code - Section 120-1). Proposition M is an unneeded, politically motivated charter amendment.

*Former Supervisor Sue Bierman*

*Commissioner Ina Dearman*

*Agar Jaicks*, Former Chair, San Francisco Democratic Party

*Dan Kalb*, San Francisco Democratic Party Community Service Chair

*Jane Morrison*, Chair, San Francisco Democratic Party

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The three largest contributors to the true source recipient committee are: 1. Jane Morrison 2. Daniel Kalb 3. Agar Jaicks.

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**We RELIGIOUS LEADERS respectfully, but vigorously, oppose Proposition M.**

The negative stereotype promoted by those who initiated Prop M is that all homeless people who beg for alms are lazy, deceitful, substance abusers and will spend donations on drugs and alcohol. But having worked for years with poor and homeless persons, knowing their struggle to survive and the causes of their homelessness, we reject Prop M.

**Further, punitive approaches in San Francisco and across the nation have proven futile in solving homelessness.** For example, over the past ten years San Francisco has spent tens of millions of dollars on another official punitive approach, namely, to cite/arrest/jail over 132,000 homeless people for "quality of life" infractions. Still, homelessness in our community has doubled during this same period.

**Prop M is:**

- **CRUEL:** San Francisco voters have already recently approved legislation to reduce general assistance for homeless persons to \$59 a month. **Prop M would make it illegal**

for these *same individuals* to even beg for alms. We are appalled that some would further criminalize *poor people's very efforts to survive*.

- **UNNECESSARY:** San Francisco **ALREADY** has an effective law against aggressive panhandling.
- **EXPENSIVE:** The S.F. Controller's Office asserts that the screening and public health diversion programs proposed under Prop M are estimated to cost approximately \$3,700 per person and could rise to \$7,290 per person.

We refuse to believe that the citizens of the City of St. Francis are as hard-hearted and uncaring as some of our more cynical politicians would have us believe. We reject such insulting assessments of San Franciscans' values and intelligence. And we urge our fellow citizens to likewise reject this unworthy proposition.

**Vote NO on Prop M.**

*Steering Committee of Religious Witness with Homeless People:*

*Sister Bernie Galvin, cdp, Director*

*John Fitzgerald*

*Rev. Norman Fong*

*Rabbi Alan Lew*

*Rev. Karen Oliveto*

*Rev. Schuyler Rhodes*

*Father Louis Vitale, ofm*

The true source of funds used for the printing fee of this argument is Religious Witness with Homeless People.

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Proposition M is a cynical ploy to exploit the less fortunate for political gain.

It restates a law that already exists but it has little enforcement value.

Vote No on M!

*San Francisco League of Conservation Voters*

*San Francisco Tomorrow*

The true sources of funds used for the printing fee of this argument are San Francisco Tomorrow and the San Francisco League of Conservation Voters.

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Like many people, we at St. Anthony Foundation are deeply troubled by the dramatic increase in homelessness in San Francisco. Yet there *is* an effective solution to homelessness: permanent, affordable housing, with onsite counseling and other services.



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St. Anthony's currently provides this supportive housing for 200 people, including homeless, mentally disabled women and people newly in recovery. These are people who might otherwise be forced to panhandle to survive. Many other organizations provide similar housing, keeping people off the street and providing a base for them to lead stable, productive lives.

Proposition M is not a solution to homelessness. St. Anthony's does not condone aggressive panhandling, and indeed we believe that each person—whether rich or poor, resident or visitor—should be treated with dignity and respect. Aggressive or violent behavior is unacceptable, and there are already laws on the books to address this.

Proposition M unfairly targets our most vulnerable sisters and brothers. Many people on fixed incomes cannot afford housing, or may have only a few dollars left after paying rent. Not all who ask for money have an addictive or mental illness.

Proposition M would be expensive to implement. And because there is such a shortage of mental health and drug rehabilitation services, it would refer people to services that are already at capacity. We believe a better solution would be to invest in housing and health care for all residents of San Francisco.

We already have laws in place to address aggressive panhandling. Instead of a fragmented approach to the symptoms of poverty, let's work together to create long-term solutions to homelessness.

*ST. ANTHONY FOUNDATION*

The true source of funds used for the printing fee of this argument is the St. Anthony Foundation.

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**Take it from a civil rights attorney, Proposition M is yet another legal disaster and a waste of your money.**

Last year, Newsom's badly written Proposition N was thrown out by the courts.

**Prop M is also badly written and very likely a violation of the first amendment.** Prop M might make you feel good but it will NOT prevent panhandling.

**Prop M would "prohibit asking a person for money or anything of value"** – that would affect Girl Scout cookie sales, AIDS funding, Salvation Army and yes, even Santa Claus at Christmas.

**San Francisco is fed up with aggressive panhandling**, but Prop M will not provide a solution. It will waste police resources, overburden our jails, and after years of legal battles, will most likely be found illegal. Sound familiar? That's right, it's just another political move and Newsom knows it.

Prop M is Make-Believe. It will divert "offenders" into programs that don't exist, and will cost millions of dollars to create.

**We must get homeless people off the streets.** That's why I wrote San Francisco Cares, a comprehensive management plan that doesn't just move the homeless from my neighborhood to yours.

**I wrote Proposition J** to protect seniors, families, youth and disabled individuals who are in our shelters. This will begin the process. *Real* solutions begin with Proposition J.

**San Franciscans want real solutions that end panhandling and homelessness, not more expensive lawsuits.**

**Vote Yes on J.  
Vote No on M.**

*Angela Alioto, Civil Rights Attorney*

The true source of funds used for the printing fee of this argument is the Law Offices of Angela Alioto.

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The Local Homeless Coordinating Board is charged with making policy and program recommendations to address homelessness in San Francisco. This initiative did not go through our community process, and is yet another example of policy makers playing with the ballot box. As members, we oppose Proposition M because it calls for duplicative services and is punitive towards poor and homeless people.

*Barry Hermanson*

*Roma Guy*

*Jennifer Friedenbach*

*Steven Chester*

*John Wilson*

The true sources of funds used for the printing fee of this argument are Barry Hermanson, Jennifer Friedenbach, and the Coalition on Homelessness.

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Selling Street Sheets has resulted in \$5,000,000 going directly into the hands of homeless people. As Street Sheet vendors, we depend on donations to survive while we struggle to get jobs and housing. Proposition M would make it illegal for Street Sheet Vendors to distribute this important alternative media, written by homeless people. Vote No on M.

*Aaron Martin*

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The true source of funds used for the printing fee of this argument is the Coalition on Homelessness.

Expensive rents and low wages cause homelessness. Many San Francisco renters live at great risk of homelessness. We need affordable housing, strong rent control, and a higher minimum wage (Yes on Proposition L!), not more mean-spirited measures. VOTE NO.

*San Francisco Tenants Union  
Tenderloin Housing Clinic  
Housing Rights Committee  
Eviction Defense Collaborative  
St. Peter's Housing Committee*

The true source of funds used for the printing fee of this argument is the San Francisco Tenants Union.

**As homeless service and mental health providers, we oppose Proposition M.**

Our clients are trying to get services and are turned away due to lack of space. Proposition M would not expand services and would take funding away from solving homelessness.

*Michael Blecker, Veteran*

*Caduceus Outreach Services*

*Diane Jones, RN DPH*

*Bruce Reamy*

The true sources of funds used for the printing fee of this argument are Diane Jones, the Coalition on Homelessness, and Caduceus Outreach Services.

**The San Francisco Labor Council community urges you to vote NO on M.**

Reject fiscally wasteful, mean spirited scapegoat politics in San Francisco.

*San Francisco Labor Council*

The true source of funds used for the printing fee of this argument is the San Francisco Labor Council.

As members of the Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender community we urge you to vote **No on M.**

Prop M would violate civil liberties and suppress freedom of speech.

*Harvey Milk Democratic Club*

The true source of funds used for the printing fee of this argument is the Harvey Milk LGBT Democratic Club.

We need to change the way San Francisco provides assistance to those who suffer from homelessness, addiction or mental illness.

We already have more than enough laws; what we don't have are enough treatment services and housing programs.

**Please join us in opposition to this unnecessary initiative.**

Board of Supervisor Members:

*Tom Ammiano  
Matt Gonzalez  
Jake McGoldrick  
Aaron Peskin*

The true sources of funds used for the printing fee of this argument are Tom Ammiano, Matt Gonzalez, and Aaron Peskin.

Don't be fooled by another flawed initiative! This legislation bans ANY KIND of solicitation in a large number of public places.

Under this law, a person quietly holding a sign asking for spare change will be subject to criminal charges. So will street musicians, Salvation Army bell-ringers, and Girl Scouts selling cookies in a grocery parking lot.

Free speech is a cherished right. We should all be worried when government tries to make speech a crime.

Protect our right to free speech and vote No on M.

*American Civil Liberties Union of Northern California*

*Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights*

The true sources of funds used for the printing fee of this argument are the ACLU, Monet Zulpo-Dane, and the Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights.

Jails poor people for engaging in an act of survival.

*Living Wage Coalition and People Organized to Win Employment*

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### *Rights*

The true sources of funds used for the printing fee of this argument are the Living Wage Coalition and People Organized to Win Employment Rights.

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This measure further clogs an already overloaded court system, at tremendous cost to taxpayers, while doing nothing to reduce the core problem: poverty and homelessness. Let's find better solutions. Please vote No.

### *Terence Hallinan*

The true source of funds used for the printing fee of this argument is the Committee to Re-elect Terence Hallinan DA 2003.

The three largest contributors to the true source recipient committee are: 1. Grace Ko 2. Michael Levy 3. James O'Connor.



# LEGAL TEXT OF PROPOSITION M

Ordinance repealing sections 120, 120-1 and 121 of the San Francisco Police Code regulating begging, aggressive solicitation and loitering near ATM machines and adding section 120-2 regulating aggressive solicitation, solicitation in certain areas and establishing a substance abuse and mental health diversion program for eligible violators.

Note: Additions are underlined.  
Deletions are ~~strikethrough~~.

Be it ordained by the People of the City and County of San Francisco:

## ~~SEC. 120. BEGGING IN PUBLIC STREETS, ETC., PROHIBITED.~~

It shall be unlawful for any person to beg or practice begging in or on any public street or in any public place. (Added by Ord. 1.075, App. 10/11/38)

## ~~SEC. 120.1. AGGRESSIVE SOLICITING PROHIBITED.~~

(a) ~~Findings.~~ The people of the City and County of San Francisco find that aggressive solicitation for money directed at residents, visitors, and tourists in areas of the City open to the public imperils their safety and welfare. This conduct in turn jeopardizes the City's economy by discouraging visitors and prospective customers from coming to San Francisco for business, recreation, and shopping. This conduct also threatens to drive City residents out of the City for their recreational and shopping activities. Further, the people find that aggressive solicitation undermines the public's basic right to be in and enjoy public places without fear that they will be pursued by others seeking handouts. The people further find that no state laws address or protect the public from these problems.

(b) ~~Prohibition.~~ In the City and County of San Francisco, it shall be unlawful for any person on the streets, sidewalks, or other places open to the public, whether publicly or privately owned, including parks, to harass or hound another person for the purpose of inducing that person to give money or other thing of value.

(c) ~~Definitions.~~ For the purpose of this ordinance, an individual (solicitor) harasses or hounds another (solicitee) when the solicitor closely follows the solicitee and requests money or other thing of value, after the solicitee has expressly or impliedly made it known to the solicitor that the solicitee does not want to give money or other thing of value to the solicitor.

(d) ~~Penalties.~~

(1) Any person violating any provision of this section shall be guilty of a misdemeanor or an infraction. The complaint charging such violation shall specify whether the violation is a misdemeanor or infraction, which decision shall be that of the District Attorney. If charged as an infraction, upon conviction, the violator

shall be punished by a fine of not less than \$50 or more than \$100, and/or community service, for each provision violated. If charged as a misdemeanor, upon conviction, the violator shall be punished by a fine of not less than \$200 or more than \$500, and/or community service, for each provision violated, or by imprisonment in the County Jail for a period of not more than six months, or by both such fine and imprisonment. In any accusatory pleading charging a violation of this section, if the defendant has been previously convicted of a violation of this section, each such previous violation and conviction shall be charged in the accusatory pleading. Any person violating any provision of this section a second time within a thirty day period shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and shall be punished by a fine of not less than \$300 and not more than \$500, and/or community service, for each provision violated, or by imprisonment in the County Jail for a period of not more than six months, or by both such fine and imprisonment. Any person violating any provision of this section a third time, and each subsequent time, within a thirty day period shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and shall be punished by a fine of not less than \$400 and not more than \$500, and/or community service, for each provision violated, or by imprisonment in the County Jail for a period of not more than six months, or by both such fine and imprisonment.

(e) ~~Severability.~~ If any subsection, sentence, clause, phrase, or word of this Section be for any reason declared unconstitutional or invalid or ineffective by any court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the validity or the effectiveness of the remaining portions of this Section or any part thereof. The voters hereby declare that they would have adopted this Section notwithstanding the unconstitutionality, invalidity, or ineffectiveness of any one or more of its subsections, sentences, clauses, phrases, or words. (Added by Proposition J, 11/3/92)

## ~~SEC. 121. LOITERING AT OR NEAR CASH DISPENSING MACHINES PROHIBITED.~~

(a) ~~Findings.~~ The People of the City and County of San Francisco find that persons who loiter or linger at or near cash dispensing machines imperil the public's safety and welfare. Cash dispensing machines have become the site of robberies and assaults. Prohibiting loitering or lingering at or near such machines may decrease the incidence of these crimes by providing law enforcement officers with an additional crime fighting tool that does not infringe on any person's basic rights.

In addition, the People find that persons making legitimate use of cash dispensing machines have become intimidated and fearful for their safety because of the presence of persons loitering at or near the machines. No state law addresses this type of behavior or protects the public from these problems.

(b) ~~Prohibition.~~ In the City and County of

San Francisco, it shall be unlawful for any person to loiter or linger at or near any cash dispensing machine located on the exterior of any building.

(c) ~~Definitions.~~

(1) For the purpose of this ordinance, a person loiters or lingers at or near a cash dispensing machine when the person remains within 30 feet of such a machine for a period of over one minute, while another person is conducting lawful business by using the cash dispensing machine.

(2) For the purpose of this ordinance, a cash dispensing machine is any machine at which a person may obtain cash by inserting a coded card. Cash dispensing machines include what are commonly referred to as automatic teller machines.

(d) ~~Application.~~ This ordinance is not intended to prohibit any person from engaging in any lawful business that must be conducted within 30 feet of a cash dispensing machine, such as (1) conducting a transaction at a cash dispensing machine; (2) waiting in line to conduct a transaction at a cash dispensing machine; (3) accompanying or assisting another person, with that person's permission, in conducting a transaction at a cash dispensing machine; or (4) activities such as waiting for a bus at a bus stop or waiting in line to enter a theater or other business where the bus stop or line is within 30 feet of a cash dispensing machine. Lawful business does not include any activity that can be conducted more than 30 feet from a cash dispensing machine.

Before any law enforcement officer may cite or arrest a person under this ordinance, the officer must warn the person that his or her conduct is in violation of this ordinance and must give the person an opportunity to comply with the provisions of this ordinance.

(e) ~~Penalties.~~

(1) ~~First Conviction.~~ Any person violating any provision of this Section shall be guilty of a misdemeanor or an infraction. The complaint charging such violation shall specify whether the violation is a misdemeanor or infraction, which decision shall be that of the District Attorney. If charged as an infraction, upon conviction, the violator shall be punished by a fine of not less than \$50 or more than \$100, and/or community service, for each provision violated. If charged as a misdemeanor, upon conviction, the violator shall be punished by a fine of not less than \$200 or more than \$500, and/or community service, for each provision violated, or by imprisonment in the County Jail for a period of not more than six months, or by both such fine and imprisonment.

(2) ~~Subsequent Convictions.~~ In any accusatory pleading charging a violation of this Section, if the defendant has been previously convicted of a violation of this Section, each

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~~such previous violation and conviction shall be charged in the accusatory pleading. Any person violating any provision of this Section a second time within a 30-day period shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and shall be punished by a fine of not less than \$300 or more than \$500, and/or community service, for each provision violated, or by imprisonment in the County Jail for a period of not more than six months, or by both such fine and imprisonment. Any person violating any provision of this Section a third time, and each subsequent time, within a 30-day period shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and shall be punished by a fine of not less than \$400 and not more than \$500, and/or community service, for each provision violated, or by imprisonment in the County Jail for a period of not more than six months, or by both such fine and imprisonment.~~

~~(f) **Severability.** If any subsection, sentence, clause, phrase, or word of this Section be for any reason declared unconstitutional or invalid or ineffective by any court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the validity or the effectiveness of the remaining portions of this Section or any part thereof. The People hereby declare that they would have adopted this Section notwithstanding the unconstitutionality, invalidity or ineffectiveness of any one or more of its subsections, sentences, clauses, phrases, or words.~~

~~After July 1, 1995, the Board of Supervisors shall have the power to amend or repeal this Ordinance if the Board finds that such amendment or repeal is in the best interest of the People of the City and County of San Francisco. (Added by Proposition J, 6/7/94)~~

### **SEC. 120-2 Aggressive Solicitation Ban/Substance Abuse and Mental Health Diversion Program**

#### **(a) Findings**

The people of San Francisco find that the problems of aggressive and improper solicitation are among the most difficult and vexing faced by the City and that prior approaches mostly have failed.

The people of San Francisco find that aggressive solicitation for money in public and private places threatens residents' and visitors' safety, privacy and quality of life. San Franciscans seek policies that preserve citizens' right to enjoy public spaces free from fear and harassment while protecting the free speech rights of individuals and groups, permitting appropriate and safe commercial activities of street artisans, performers and merchants and providing for the basic needs of indigent and vulnerable populations. Where appropriate, San Franciscans also seek to establish policies and programs that limit the ability of indigent and homeless substance abusers to use cash contributions for the purchase of alcohol and illegal drugs.

The people of San Francisco find that the City's existing laws regulating panhandling and

solicitation are outdated and unenforceable as a result of numerous court decisions and criminalize violators instead of diverting them to screening and assessment for eligibility in drug and alcohol dependency and mental health treatment programs.

The people of San Francisco find that people who aggressively or improperly solicit because of drug or alcohol dependency or mental illness should be diverted from the criminal court system to a program of screening, assessment and referral operated by the San Francisco Department of Public Health.

#### **(b) Goals**

This section: (1) replaces prior bans on panhandling, restrictions on aggressive solicitation, and solicitation near automatic teller machines (ATMs) rendered unenforceable by court rulings with a new aggressive solicitation prohibition; (2) establishes new specific prohibitions on solicitation near ATM machines, near residential property, in parking lots, on median strips and near freeway off-ramps and on the Municipal Railway and the BART system; (3) establishes a requirement that, as appropriate, violators of this ordinance be diverted from the criminal justice system to a screening and assessment program to identify candidates for alcohol and drug dependency treatment and mental health services administered by the Department of Public Health in order to clear their citations.

#### **(c) Definitions**

For purposes of this section:

1. "Aggressive manner" shall mean:

A. Approaching or speaking to a person, or following a person before, during or after soliciting if that conduct is intended or is likely to cause a reasonable person to fear bodily harm to oneself or to another, or damage to or loss of property or otherwise be intimidated into giving money or other thing of value;

B. Continuing to solicit from a person after the person has given a negative response to such soliciting;

C. Intentionally touching or causing physical contact with another person without that person's consent in the course of soliciting;

D. Intentionally blocking or interfering with the safe or free passage of a pedestrian or vehicle by any means, including unreasonably causing a pedestrian or vehicle operator to take evasive action to avoid physical contact;

E. Using violent or threatening gestures toward a person solicited; or,

F. Following the person being solicited, with the intent of asking that person for money or other things of value.

2. "Soliciting" shall mean asking for money or objects of value, with the intention that the money or object be transferred at that time, and at that place. Soliciting shall include using the spoken, written, or printed word, bodily gestures, signs, or other means with the purpose of obtaining an immediate donation of money or other thing of value or soliciting the sale of goods or services.

3. "Public place" shall mean a place where a governmental entity has title, to which the public or a substantial group of persons has access, including but not limited to any street, highway, parking lot, plaza, transportation facility, school, place of amusement, park, or playground.

4. "Check cashing business" shall mean any person duly licensed by the Attorney General to engage in the business of cashing checks, drafts or money orders for consideration pursuant to Section 1789.31 of the California Civil Code.

5. "Automated teller machine" shall mean a device, linked to a financial institution's account records, which is able to carry out transactions, including, but not limited to: account transfers, deposits, cash withdrawals, balance inquiries, and mortgage and loan payments.

6. "Automated teller machine facility" shall mean the area comprised of one or more automatic teller machines, and any adjacent space that is made available to banking customers after regular banking hours.

#### **(d) Prohibited acts**

1. No person shall solicit in an aggressive manner in any public place.

2. No person shall solicit within twenty feet of any entrance or exit of any check cashing business or within twenty feet of any automated teller machine without the consent of the owner of the property or another person legally in possession of such facilities. Provided, however, that when an automated teller machine is located within an automated teller machine facility, such distance shall be measured from the entrance or exit of the facility.

3. No person shall solicit an operator or other occupant of a motor vehicle while such vehicle is located on any street or highway on-ramp or off-ramp, for the purpose of performing or offering to perform a service in connection with such vehicle or otherwise soliciting donations or the sale of goods or services. Provided, however, that this paragraph shall not apply to services rendered in connection with emergency repairs requested by the operator or passenger of such vehicle.

4. No person shall solicit in any public transportation vehicle, or in any public or private parking lot or structure.

5. Before any law enforcement officer may cite or arrest a person under this ordinance, the officer must warn the person that his or her conduct is in violation of this ordinance and must give the person an opportunity to comply with the provisions of this ordinance.

#### **(e) Penalties**

Any person violating any provision of this section shall be guilty of a misdemeanor or an infraction. The complaint charging such violation shall specify whether the violation is a misdemeanor or infraction, which decision shall be that of the District Attorney. If charged

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as an infraction, upon conviction, the violator shall be punished by a fine not to exceed \$50, or by attending a screening, assessment and diversion program designed and administered by the Department of Public Health and approved by the San Francisco Public Health Commission to identify candidates for drug and alcohol dependency counseling and treatment and mental health services. If charged as a misdemeanor, upon conviction, the violator shall be punished by a fine of not less than \$50 or more than \$100, and/or by attending a screening, assessment and diversion program designed and administered by the Department of Public Health and approved by the San Francisco Public Health Commission to identify candidates for drug and alcohol dependency counseling and treatment and mental health services. Any person guilty of violating this ordinance three or more times in a twelve month period shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and shall be fined not less than \$300 or more than \$500, and/or referred to a screening, assessment and diversion program designed and administered by the Department of Public Health and approved by the San Francisco Public Health Commission to identify candidates for drug and alcohol dependency counseling and treatment and mental health services, and/or referred to a community service assignment, or imprisoned in the county jail for a period no longer than three months.

### **(f) Diversion Program**

The Director of Public Health shall establish, administer and/or certify the assessment and screening programs set forth in subsection (e) of this section and shall establish guidelines for determining whether and under what circumstances violators may be eligible to participate in diversion programs. In addition, the Department of Public Health shall establish, administer and/or certify diversion programs appropriate for treatment of violators, and shall establish guidelines for determining whether the conditions of diversion have been satisfied. All rules and guidelines governing the diversion program shall be established by the Director of Public Health subject to the approval of the San Francisco Health Commission not later than six months after the Board of Supervisors has declared the results of the election at which this measure is passed. Individuals who are referred for treatment but fail to participate in such treatment shall be subject to the other penalties set forth in subsection (e) of this section.

### **(g) Effective Date**

This law shall become effective six months after the Board of Supervisors has declared the results of the election at which this measure is passed.

### **(h) Severability**

If any section, sentence, clause, or phrase of this law is held invalid or unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, it shall in no way affect the validity of any remaining portions of this law.





# Taxi Permit Holder Disability



## PROPOSITION N

Shall the City be prohibited from taking away a taxi permit if the permit holder is unable, because of a disability, to drive the taxi the required minimum number of hours or shifts per year?

YES ←   
NO ←

## Digest

by the Ballot Simplification Committee

**THE WAY IT IS NOW:** The City issues a limited number of taxi permits. In general, City law requires that anyone who has a permit for a taxi must drive the taxi at least a minimum amount of time each year. When a permit holder is not driving the taxi, the permit holder may allow other drivers to operate the taxi. Most taxi drivers do not have their own taxi permit. If a permit holder does not comply with the minimum driving requirement, the City may take away the permit.

**THE PROPOSAL:** Proposition N is an ordinance that would provide that when a permit holder is unable to meet the minimum driving requirement because of a disability, the City may not take away the permit for that reason.

**A “YES” VOTE MEANS:** If you vote "Yes," you want to prevent the City from taking away a taxi permit if the permit holder is unable to meet the minimum driving requirement because of a disability.

**A “NO” VOTE MEANS:** If you vote "No," you do not want to prevent the City from taking away a taxi permit if the permit holder is unable to meet the minimum driving requirement because of a disability.

## Controller’s Statement on “N”

City Controller Edward Harrington has issued the following statement on the fiscal impact of Proposition N:

Should the proposed charter amendment be approved by the voters, in my opinion, there would be a minimal increase in the cost of government.

## How “N” Got on the Ballot

On August 6, 2003 the Department of Elections received a proposed ordinance signed by Supervisors Daly, Ma, McGoldrick, and Sandoval.

The City Elections Code allows four or more Supervisors to place an ordinance on the ballot in this manner.

THIS MEASURE REQUIRES 50%+1 AFFIRMATIVE VOTES TO PASS.

ARGUMENTS FOR AND AGAINST THIS MEASURE IMMEDIATELY FOLLOW THIS PAGE. THE FULL TEXT BEGINS ON PAGE 196.

SOME OF THE WORDS USED IN THE BALLOT DIGEST ARE EXPLAINED ON PAGE 28.



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## PROPONENT'S ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF PROPOSITION N

A taxi driver waits as long as 15 years on the waiting list for his own taxicab permit (business license or medallion). The taxicab permit authorizes the holder to convert a vehicle into a taxicab. The permit system is San Francisco's seniority system, where only individuals but not companies are eligible for a permit. It's a progressive system that awards the San Francisco taxicab driver a rare opportunity not found elsewhere - to hold a permit and lease it to a taxicab company and to share the profits of the business.

Permit holders are required to fulfill an annual driving standard, but drivers without permits are not. According to current policy and without exception, if one becomes disabled for longer than three months the permit must be revoked, even if the disability is caused by an on-the-job injury. The policy is indifferent to modern attitudes toward disability, an injustice that Proposition N would correct.

Threatened with losing their businesses and entire income, many senior and disabled permit holders will continue to drive when they shouldn't. The policy coerces senior and disabled permit holders to drive and invites predictable accidents, which would needlessly

expose the taxpayer to liability and negligence lawsuits. Proposition N will not raise taxes but may protect our treasury.

While the Taxi Commission spends time and resources pursuing disabled taxi permit holders, taxi operations and basic public service issues are neglected. Taxi permit holders have asked the City to change the policy but were told that only the voters may do that, which is why Proposition N is on the ballot.

Proposition N would protect senior and disabled permit holders, prevent unnecessary accidents, and relieve the City from exposure to lawsuits.

Please vote Yes on "N".

*Supervisor Gerardo Sandoval*

*Supervisor Jake McGoldrick*

## REBUTTAL TO PROPONENT'S ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF PROPOSITION N

### PROPOSITION N IS A MEASURE OPPOSED BY ALMOST EVERYBODY:

Commented the past BART President on August 21, 2003:

"I am...writing this letter to certify that the SF Democratic County Central Committee has voted to take an official position of "NO" on Proposition N (the taxi measure).

Thanks,

Arlo H. Smith

Member, San Francisco Democratic County Central Committee"

Meanwhile, at the San Francisco Republican County Central Committee (on August 20<sup>th</sup>) some 13 votes were cast against Proposition N, one person abstaining. Nobody voted for Proposition N.

Since an *absolute majority* (14 out of 27 possible votes) was required to officially endorse against Proposition N at the lightly attended summer meeting, the San Francisco Republican Party has not (as of August 25, 2003) taken conclusive action opposing Proposition N.

Proposition N is an extremely unpopular proposed ordinance that seeks to overthrow Supervisor Quentin Kopp's 1978 Proposition K taxi medallion (license) reforms and again create lifetime personal property rights in public cab permits.

### FALSE TALK ABOUT "SENIORITY"

The current taxi medallion system has nothing to do with "seniority" as Supervisors Sandoval and McGoldrick falsely claim. Neither is it a welfare program. Under Proposition K, taxi drivers were given limited rights to use City permits. They were expected to drive their cabs at least 156 four hour shifts per year to break the "dead hand" taxi monopolies of the past.

*Terence Faulkner, J.D.*

Member of California

Certified Farmers

Market Advisory Committee

*Thomas C. Agee*

*Max Woods*

County Central Committeeman

*Gail E. Neira*

County Central Committeewoman



# Taxi Permit Holder Disability

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## OPPONENT'S ARGUMENT AGAINST PROPOSITION N

### TAXI PERMIT HISTORY—CAN A PUBLIC LICENSE BECOME “PRIVATE PROPERTY”???:

For many years, Yellow Cab and a small group of other cab companies dominated San Francisco's taxi business.

Thanks to plenty of campaign donations to public officials, cab operators started treating their taxi permits as “*private property*”.

Banks loaned money on cab permits. The publicly issued permits were freely sold, rented, and even left to heirs at death.

### 1978 PUBLIC REVOLT:

In 1978, then-Supervisor Quentin Kopp led a successful Proposition K voter revolt against the so-called “*ownership*” of taxi permits.

Future cab licenses were to be treated as a public trust. In theory, taxi drivers should be their vehicles' licensees. Waiting lists were set up to allow drivers to acquire abandoned permits and newly created licenses.

The political “fixers” around Yellow Cab and related firms hated the new rule that license holders were required to drive their own taxis “at least four hours during any 24 hour period on at least

75 percent of the business days during the calendar year.” [Appendix 6 to Administrative Code, Section 2(b).]

Drivers were, in effect, required to operate their own cabs at least 624 hours per year. Their taxis could be rented out the rest of the time.

### THE “DISABILITY” SCAM:

There was always a bit of fraud by taxi license “owners” who did not want to drive their own cabs.

Now, Proposition N would allow taxi permit holders to totally abandon driving if they can find a medical doctor that will certify that they are somehow slightly “disabled” mentally and/or physically. These “disabled” permit holders can then rent out their taxis 24 hours per day.

Vote “**NO**” on the Proposition N taxi scam.

*Citizens Against Tax Waste*

*Dr. Terence Faulkner, J.D.*  
Chairman, Citizens Against Tax Waste

## REBUTTAL TO OPPONENT'S ARGUMENT AGAINST PROPOSITION N

### THE NO ARGUMENT IS GROSSLY MISINFORMED!

- **Disability is not a scam!** This accusation is an affront to all senior and disabled people. Disability is painfully real and must be addressed.
- **Disability is verifiable!** Verifiability is how disability programs work. The City's Director of Public Health will thoroughly screen all Permit Holders claiming disability.
- **Permit Holders want all drivers to have disability protection!** Permit Holders have already agreed to contribute to a driver disability fund, which doesn't need a ballot measure. But disability protection for Permit Holders does require a ballot measure and needs no funding.
- **“N” eliminates an antiquated law** that revokes the business permits of ALL disabled Permit Holders who are medically unable to drive. No exceptions!
- **Most Permit Holders have driven over 20 years!** Proposition N simply allows disabled senior drivers to keep their business income.

- **No one loses!** Drivers without permits would experience no change in their income. Also no cost to taxpayers.
- **Drivers without permits benefit!** The permit they get will protect them at the end of their careers.
- **“Drive-Till-You-Drop” is dangerous policy!** To require senior and disabled Permit Holders to drive full time invites tragic accidents.
- **Only the voters can change “Drive-Till-You-Drop” and stop the revocations!**

PLEASE VOTE YES ON "N"

*Jim Nakamura, President, San Francisco Taxi Permitholders and Drivers Association*

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# Taxi Permit Holder Disability

## PAID ARGUMENTS IN FAVOR OF PROPOSITION N

AS FORMER PRESIDENT of the **Ramped Taxi** (wheelchair accessible) **Permit-holders Association** (RTA) and a full-time driver for over two decades, I am asking for your support of proposition N.

Permit-holders (taxicab owners), earn two types of income, ONE from driving, THE OTHER from their taxi business (renting out their cabs when they're not driving). Permit-holders have ALWAYS been able to count on the income from their taxi business in the event they lose their driving income to catastrophic illness or injury.

In 2001, the City changed the rules and began revoking the taxicab business licenses of permanently disabled permit-holders who could no longer drive. HOWEVER, there has never been a taxicab permit revocation upheld at the appellate level because of disability. NEVERTHELESS, the City continues to violate disability laws and WASTE TAXPAYER MONEY by prosecuting these cases. STOP WASTING TAXPAYER'S MONEY!

PROPOSITION N IS CONSISTENT WITH CURRENT DISABILITY LAW, is supported by recent court decisions and maintains historical precedent set by previous regulators.

STOP HARASSMENT OF PERMANENTLY DISABLED DRIVERS! VOTE YES ON N!

Thank you for your support,  
*Dennis Korkos, Former RTA president*

The true source of funds used for the printing fee of this argument is Dennis Korkos.

This measure affects career taxi drivers who have their own taxicab business permits. The law in place since 1978 requires a certain amount of active driving by the holder of the taxi permit, and provides for revocation of the permit upon failure to meet that driving requirement.

A taxi driver may wait as long as 15 years to get his own permit. But if he's unable to work for 3 months, even if the cause is an accident on the job, he loses his taxi permit; when he returns to work, he's back at entry-level earnings for another 15 years! This law is so harsh and unworkable, it has never been enforced since it was instituted 25 years ago, as a minor part of a reform outlawing the buying and selling of permits and preventing their possession as corporate assets. Yet now, despite the new climate of accommodation for the disabled, the city has chosen to embark on a program of enforcement of this strange law. The purpose of Proposition N is to assure relief for the disabled driver by putting a long-standing practice into law.

*Cliff Lundberg, San Francisco Taxi Driver since 1968*

The true source of funds used for the printing fee of this argument is Sandra Innes.

### **"N" PROTECTS DISABLED TAXI PERMIT DRIVERS**

According to the City, a rigid and unfair 1978 law requires taxi drivers with business permits to

### **DRIVE FULL TIME EVEN WHEN THEY BECOME SICK OR DISABLED.**

This legislation preceded the Americans with Disabilities Act.

### **"DRIVE-TILL-YOU-DROP" IS CURRENT POLICY.**

The way it is now, the City MUST revoke taxi drivers' business permits if they become permanently disabled. Most taxi permit drivers have NO other way to earn a living, so they must keep driving out of fear that the City will take away their business permits and career livelihoods.

### **THIS IS A DANGEROUS POLICY.**

### **YES ON "N" ELIMINATES THIS DISCRIMINATORY AND UNFAIR LAW!**

There are examples of taxi permit drivers having CATASTROPHIC ACCIDENTS on San Francisco streets because they are forced to choose between the risk of driving when they are disabled or losing their business licenses if the City learns of their disability.

"N" is an opportunity to fix the current legislation, making it possible for taxi permit drivers to continue operating their taxicab as a small business without being forced to drive full time if they become disabled.

There will be **NO COST TO TAXPAYERS** and no reduction in taxicab service to the public. Taxis will remain in service full time 24/7 while disabled taxi permit drivers continue to provide the administrative and management support needed to operate their taxicab businesses.

### **PLEASE VOTE YES ON "N"**

*Michael J. Spain, San Francisco Cab Driver since 1971*

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# Taxi Permit Holder Disability

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## PAID ARGUMENTS IN FAVOR OF PROPOSITION N

### **Opposition Arguments to “N” are Misinformed and Deceptive! They say...**

#### *It’s a retirement scam! Anything could be called a disability*

But disability is a fact of life! And it’s not retirement because it’s reserved only for the verifiably disabled. The Executive Director of the Taxi Commission and the Director of Public Health are prepared to work together to use an existing City program to verify and screen permit holders who claim a disability.

#### *This is a restrictive measure only for the already privileged few*

But drivers without permits are not required to drive and have no permits to lose. This isn’t about class conflict it’s about disability. The City says that only the voters can stop revocations from disabled permit holders, which is why “N” is necessary. Also, permit holders support a disability plan for drivers, and are willing to contribute to it.

#### *If disabled Permit holders keep their permits, drivers without permits will pay*

But driver income is not affected when the disabled stop driving.

#### *Some Permit holders are not career drivers*

But most are career drivers who have driven a SF taxicab for 20 years. They also waited on a list for 15 years to be eligible for a permit. Now the City wants to revoke their business licenses at the end of their careers. It’s wrong!

#### *Drivers waiting on the list would never get a permit*

But 900 permit holders are required to drive and only 48 are disabled. Revoking their permits is not the most efficient way to expedite permits to drivers on the waiting list. Implementing a seniority system would eliminate most of those on the waiting list who are not drivers. There is no opposition to our initiative from drivers on the waiting list.

#### **Vote Yes on “N”**

#### *San Francisco Taxi Permitholders and Drivers Association*

The true source of funds used for the printing fee of this argument is the San Francisco Taxi Permitholders and Drivers Association.

The opposition says Proposition N benefits only 900 cab drivers. But these are the 900 most senior cab drivers (out of 5,000 cab drivers total) with the MOST years behind the wheel of a taxicab. The average permit holder has been a cabbie for 20 years while the average nonpermit-holding cab driver has been a driver

for only 5 years. Social Security benefits 46 million out 292 million Americans (15%); Proposition N benefits 900 senior cabbies out of 5,000 cabbies total (18%).

The average City worker makes \$76k/yr. and has a disability plan of \$45k/yr. We’re only asking that permit holders who become disabled get to keep their \$20k/yr. business lease income.

The opposition says that:

1. Proposition N deprives nonpermit-holding cab drivers of disability benefits,
2. these entry level drivers have been in this industry for as many years as permit holders, and
3. they are being forced to provide disability benefits to a privileged minority of drivers.

HOWEVER, they don't mention that:

1. only permit holders have a compulsory driving requirement and are audited yearly by the City to prove that they are driving full time,
2. only permit holders can demonstrate seniority (due to the auditing process),
3. only permit holders are being forced to drive full time while disabled and made to comply with additional taxi business regulations.

**The anti-business arguments of the radical opposition do not serve the City well during this severe recession.**

Permit holders SUPPORT disability protections for nonpermit-holding drivers and are willing to help pay for that benefit out of their own pockets (even though such a benefit would require substantial public financing as well). **But Proposition N won't cost the public one penny.**

*Carl Macmurdo, Taxi Driver since 1976*

The true source of funds used for the printing fee of this argument is the SF Taxi Permitholders & Drivers Association.







# Taxi Permit Holder Disability

## PAID ARGUMENTS AGAINST PROPOSITION N

**SAN FRANCISCO DEMOCRATIC PARTY** urges **NO** on N -- Provides **NO DISABILITY PROTECTION** for more than 80 percent of taxi drivers.

*Jane Morrison*, Chair, San Francisco Democratic Party

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The three largest contributors to the true source recipient committee are: 1. John Burton 2. SEIU Local 250 3. Nancy Pelosi.

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### VOTE NO ON PROPOSITION N!

#### IT'S NOT THE ANSWER – IT'S BAD GOVERNMENT!

In 1978, voters on their own initiative enacted a reform (Proposition K), which stopped taxicab permit abuse by non-cab driving insiders. Voters insisted that permits no longer be sold like a share of stock, but be issued only by our City to applicants actually driving a cab. Over 900 persons have since obtained these governmental permits. Now, some of these 900 seek to manipulate voters under the guise of allowing undefined disabled permit holders to keep permits while not driving. They got their permits under proposition K; but now they want to deprive 3,000 aspiring drivers who wait for permits to be abandoned by death or other unlikely circumstances.

Proposition N is fundamentally unfair. Don't let it happen.

### VOTE NO ON PROPOSITION N!

*Mara S. Kopp*  
Good Government Alliance

The true source of funds used for the printing fee of this argument is Kopp's Good Government Committee.

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Proposition N was designed by and for a minority of cab drivers who have their own taxi permits. **It makes no provision for drivers without permits.** Your **NO** vote will help achieve disability protections for **all** taxi drivers.

*Supervisor Tom Ammiano*  
*Former Supervisor Sue Bierman*

The true source of funds used for the printing fee of this argument is Fair Play For All Senior and Disabled Cab Drivers.

The three largest contributors to the true source recipient committee are: 1. United Taxicab Workers/CWA 2. Mark Gruberg 3. Beverly Jean Graffis.

Why would anyone oppose this seemingly compassionate measure? Here's why:

- **It's one-sided and exclusionary.** Less than 20% of San Francisco's 5,000-6,000 cab drivers hold lucrative **City-owned** taxi permits. **Proposition N does NOTHING for drivers without permits.** A **FAIR** measure would provide disability protections for **ALL DRIVERS.**
- **It's really a retirement scheme.** Although couched in terms of disability, Proposition N allows a permit holder to keep the permit and its attendant income (currently about \$1,800 a month) **for life** once he or she can no longer drive a cab.
- **It applies to ANY permit holder.** Even one who's driven a cab for less than a year. (Permit issuance is **not** based on seniority.) Or works only three four-hour shifts a week. Or has another job **with** disability and retirement benefits. But a 25-year veteran without a permit gets **NOTHING.**
- **It will be paid for by the excluded group.** Permit income comes from "gate" fees taxi drivers pay cab companies. Typically, \$30 a shift (about one-third the "gate") goes to the permit holder.
- **The wait for a permit will be endless.** There are over **3,000 names** on the applicants list. Under N, the current **12-year** wait will increase significantly. Many long-term drivers will never get a permit.
- **The potential for fraud is enormous.** Cheating on the driving requirement has been rampant. Cheaters will now rejoice: N contains **no standards or guidelines** for disability determinations.
- **Absentee permit holding makes for bad public policy.** Under Proposition K of 1978, upheld by voters seven times, taxi permits are meant for working drivers. That translates into better cabs, better service.

**ALL taxi drivers need disability protections -- NOT just the privileged ones.** Our cab drivers association urges you to **Vote NO!**

*United Taxicab Workers/CWA*  
*Beverly Jean (Ruach) Graffis*, Chair

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# Taxi Permit Holder Disability

# N

## PAID ARGUMENTS AGAINST PROPOSITION N

As seniors and disabled persons we are most concerned about the discriminatory effects of a measure that applies only to an advantaged group of cab drivers and leaves the great majority with no protections. We urge you to vote **NO on N** so the City can move ahead with an equitable disability plan for **all** taxi drivers. In the meantime, the City is not revoking **any** permits on account of disability.

*August J.P. Longo*

President, Franklin D. Roosevelt Democratic Club (serving the senior and disabled communities)

*Karen Young-Simmons*

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The San Francisco Labor Council **OPPOSES** Proposition N. This measure doesn't solve the real problem which is the lack of disability insurance for ALL taxi cab drivers.

Vote NO on Proposition N.

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## LEGAL TEXT OF PROPOSITION N

Initiative ordinance exempting disabled taxi permit holders from driving requirements.

Be it ordained by the People of the City and County of San Francisco:

Any taxicab permit holder who is unable to comply with a driving requirement due to disability shall not be subject to permit revocation or suspension for failure to comply with the driving requirement.



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Watch for our correction notices **October 27, 28 & 29** in the Public Notices section of the *San Francisco Chronicle*, *San Francisco Examiner* and *San Francisco Independent*.

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# Telephoning the Department of Elections

The Department of Elections has special telephone lines for specific purposes:

- To register to vote, call 554-4375;
- To request an Absentee Ballot application, call 554-4375;
- For information about becoming a Poll Worker, call 554-4395;
- For election results on Election Night, call 554-4375;
- For election information, including Election Night results, visit the Department of Elections web site at: <http://www.sfgov.org/election>
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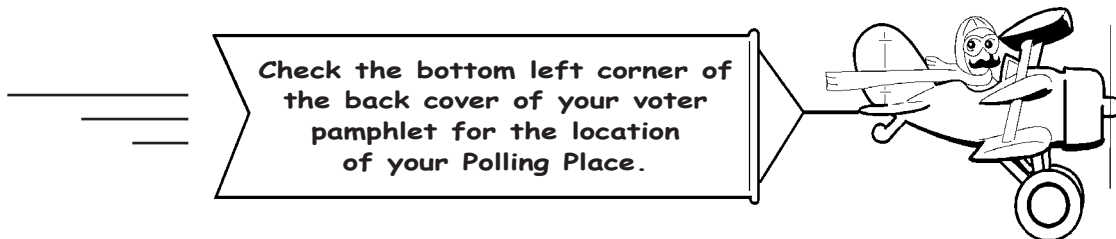
For your convenience and because of the huge number of calls during the weeks leading up to the election, the Department of Elections uses automated information lines in addition to regular operators. If all operators are busy, callers may hear recorded messages which will direct them to leave their name, address and telephone number. Callers with touch tone phones may be asked to press numbers to direct their calls to the right desk. Callers with rotary phones may wait on the line for an operator or to leave a message.



## Avoid Long Lines — Vote by Mail

1. Complete the application on the back cover of this pamphlet.
2. Put sufficient postage where indicated.
3. Drop your completed application into a mailbox.

**Applications must be received by the Department of Elections no later than 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, October 28, 2003**



## Your Polling Place May Have Changed

We urge you to double-check the location of your polling place printed on the back cover of this pamphlet.



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