

LEGISLATIVE DIGEST

[Planning Code - Clerical Modifications and Repeal of Obsolete Sections]

Ordinance amending the San Francisco Planning Code by: 1) repealing obsolete Sections 187, 249.15, 263.2, and 263.3; and 2) amending Sections 102.5, 121.3, 201, 204.2, 209.9, 249.49, 309.1, 799, and 899 to make various clerical modifications; and adopting environmental findings, Section 302 findings, and findings of consistency with the General Plan and the Priority Policies of Planning Code Section 101.1.

Existing Law

The Planning Code currently contains a number of sections that are obsolete, contain errors, or require clarification. Clerical modifications include, but are not limited to: correcting spelling errors, correcting incorrect references, removing redundant language, revising Department names, adding titles or headings to sections, correcting tenses, updating references or sections that were missed in previous Code changes, updating outdated language, and similar changes. Minor modifications are changes that make more extensive text changes but do not substantially change the Planning Code or entitlements. These include consolidating all awning and canopy controls into one section, consolidating Vintage Sign controls and Historic Marquee controls into one section, consolidating auto uses in Articles 2 and 8, simplifying definitions, and changing outdated references.

Amendments to Current Law

Staff of the Planning Department estimates that there are about 120 clerical and minor modifications in the proposed ordinance which seek to fix errors in the Code, delete obsolete references, and provide clarification to certain Code sections. These changes are minor and help to make the Code a more usable and effective document.