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[Administrative, Planning Codes - Preferences in Affordable Housing Programs]

Ordinance amending the Administrative Code to clarify existing preferences in allocating City affordable housing units first to Certificate of Preference holders and second to tenants evicted under the Ellis Act, create a third preference for residents in the neighborhood where the affordable housing is located, create additional categories of eligible displaced tenants, and provide for preference to displaced tenants from the Neighborhood; to make conforming amendments to provisions of the Administrative and Planning Codes; to affirm the Planning Department's determination under the California Environmental Quality Act; and to make findings of consistency with the General Plan, and the eight priority policies of Planning Code, Section 101.1.

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Be it ordained by the People of the City and County of San Francisco:

Section 1. Findings.

NOTE:

(a) The Planning Department has determined that the actions contemplated in this ordinance comply with the California Environmental Quality Act (California Public Resources Code Sections 21000 et seq.). Said determination is on file with the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors in File No. 150622 and is incorporated herein by reference. The Board affirms this determination.

(b) On October 22, 2015, the Planning Commission, in Resolution No. 19498, adopted findings that the actions contemplated in this ordinance are consistent, on balance, with the City's General Plan and eight priority policies of Planning Code Section 101.1. The Board adopts these findings as its own. A copy of said Resolution is on file with the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors in File No. 150622, and is incorporated herein by reference.

Section 2. The Administrative Code is hereby amended by deleting Section 24.8, as follows:

SEC. 24.8. PREFERENCE IN ALL CITY AFFORDABLE HOUSING PROGRAMS FOR CERTIFICATE OF PREFERENCE HOLDERS AND DISPLACED TENANTS.

This Section shall apply to all programs related to the provision of affordable housing, unless specified otherwise. To the extent permitted by law, the Mayor's Office of Housing and Community Development ("MOHCD") or its successor shall give or require project sponsors or their successors in interest funded through MOHCD to give, preference in occupying units or receiving assistance under all City affordable housing programs, including all former San Francisco Redevelopment Agency affordable housing programs administered or funded by the City, first to Residential Certificate of Preference Holders under the San Francisco Redevelopment Agency's Property Owner and Occupant Preference Program, as reprinted September 11, 2008 and effective October 1, 2008 and on file with the Clerk of the Board in File No. 080521, who meet all of the qualifications for the unit or assistance; and second to any Displaced Tenant, as defined herein, who meets all of the qualifications for the unit or assistance, provided that the following limitations shall apply to the Displaced Tenant preference:

(i) a Displaced Tenant may apply the preference to existing, currently occupied developments only for three years from the date the landlord filed with the Residential Rent Stabilization and Arbitration Board ("Rent Board") a notice of intent to withdraw the tenant's unit tram the rental market pursuant to the Ellis Act, California Government Code Section 7060 et seq. and the corresponding provisions of the

San Francisco Rent Stabilization and Arbitration Ordinance ("Rent Ordinance"), Administrative Code
Sections 37.9(a)(13) and 37.9A; (ii) a Displaced Tenant may apply the preference to new developments
going through the initial occupancy process only for six years from the date the landlord filed with the
Rent Board a notice of intent to withdraw the tenant's unit from the rental market pursuant to the Ellis
Act, cited above, and the corresponding provisions of the Rent Ordinance; and (iii) for any new
residential development going through the initial occupancy process, the Displaced Tenant preference
shall apply only to twenty percent (20%) of the units in such development. The Displaced Tenant's
preference shall still apply even if such Displaced Tenant declines a unit offered through application of
the preference, but upon accepting and occupying a unit obtained using the preference, such Displaced
Tenant's preference terminates.

MOHCD shall implement the Certificate of Preference Holder requirements of this Section by developing procedures and amending its applicable regulations within 90 days of the effective date of Ordinance No. 232-08, and MOHCD shall implement the Displaced Tenant preference requirements of this Section by developing procedures and amending its applicable regulations within 90 days of the effective date of the ordinance creating the Displaced Tenant preference. Said procedures and regulations shall be subject to approval by Resolution of the Board of Supervisors. The requirements of this paragraph are directory rather than mandatory.

For purposes of this Section, "Displaced Tenant" shall mean any tenant residing in San Francisco who on or after January 1, 2012 has received a notice that his or her landlord plans to withdraw the tenant's unit from the rental market pursuant to the Ellis Act, cited above, and the corresponding provisions of the Rent Ordinance, cited above, and, who, as of the date of receipt of the notice of withdrawal from the rental market, has resided in his or her unit continuously for: (i) at least ten years; or (ii) at least five years, if the tenant can verify that he or she is suffering from a life threatening illness as certified by his or her primary care physician or that he or she is disabled, as defined in Administrative Code Section 37.9(i). MOHCD shall establish a process for a tenant to verify

his or her status as a "Displaced Tenant," which, at a minimum, shall require a tenant to show: (i) the landlord filed with the Rent Board a notice of intent to withdraw the tenant's unit from the rental market; (ii) the tenant meets the ten or five year residency requirement stated above; and (iii) the tenant either: (A) is listed on the notice of withdrawal; (B) is listed on the lease for the unit in question; or (C) has other evidence sufficient to establish, in MOHCD's reasonable discretion, that he or she has lived in the unit for the required five or ten year period as applicable. If the Rent Board grants a landlord's request to rescind the Notice of Intent to Withdraw Rental Units under the Ellis Act before a tenant moves out of his or her unit, such tenant shall no longer qualify as a "Displaced Tenant."

Additionally, if a person disputes a MOHCD determination that he or she does not qualify as a "Displaced Tenant" under this Section, such person shall have the right to a hearing conducted by a Rent Board Administrative Law Judge (as defined in Administrative Code Section 37.2(f)), with MOHCD as the responding party.

The Board of Supervisors shall hold a hearing on the status of this Section within 2 years of the effective date of Ordinance 232-08 to assess its impact, or at such time as the MOHCD certifies to the Board of Supervisors that, in any one fiscal year, the percent of Residential Certificate of Preference holders obtaining an affordable housing unit by taking advantage of the applicable preferences in this Section in all of the City's affordable housing programs combined exceeds 50% of the total number of units made available through the City's affordable housing programs in that year.

The Board of Supervisors shall hold an initial hearing to assess the impact of the Displaced

Tenant preference within one year of the effective date of the ordinance creating the Displaced Tenant

preference. The Board of Supervisors shall hold a subsequent hearing within three years of the effective

date, at which MOHCD and the Rent Board shall submit a report on the demographics and income

levels of beneficiaries of the Displaced Tenant preference system.

Section 3. The Administrative Code is hereby amended by adding Chapter 47, consisting of Sections 47.1, 47.2, 47.3, 47.4, and 47.5 to read as follows:

CHAPTER 47: PREFERENCE IN CITY AFFORDABLE HOUSING PROGRAMS SEC. 47.1 FINDINGS AND PURPOSE.

<u>Based on the information presented to the Board of Supervisors in Board of Supervisor's File</u>

<u>No. 150622, staff presentations, and public testimony, the Board of Supervisors makes the following findings:</u>

- (a) In 2008, the City enacted Ordinance 232-08, to establish a preference in occupying units or receiving assistance under all City affordable housing programs to Residential Certificate of Preference Holders under the San Francisco Redevelopment Agency's Property Owner and Occupant Preference Program. In 2013, the City enacted Ordinance 277-13, to establish a second preference in occupying units or receiving assistance under all City affordable housing programs to certain San Francisco residents displaced by an eviction under the Ellis Act, California Government Code Section 7060 et seq.
- (b) From 2010 to 2014, eviction notices filed with the Rent Board for all causes (not just evictions under the Ellis Act) increased 45% Citywide. Within specific neighborhoods, including the Mission, the Sunset/Parkside, the Outer Richmond, the Tenderloin, and the Castro, the percentage of eviction notices recorded was significantly higher than the Citywide average.
- (c) During that same period, average residential rents increased 54% Citywide. Moreover, rents in those neighborhoods with the highest number of eviction notices filed have risen by a greater percentage over the same time period, including the Castro (145%), the Outer Richmond (137%), the Sunset/Parkside (121%), and the Mission (by 108%).
- (d) While current market rate rents in San Francisco are unaffordable to more than 60% of all rental households in the City, current market rate rents are unaffordable to 100% of all low- and moderate-income San Francisco households earning less than 120% Area Median Income.

(e) San Francisco tenants are being displaced through evictions, and current market rate rent
are unaffordable to the majority of San Francisco renters. Thus, when displacement now occurs,
remaining in San Francisco and paying market rate rent is not a viable option for most San Francisco
residents, especially low and moderate income households.

- (f) Affordable housing in San Francisco is a scarce resource with limited availability. In addition, production of affordable housing in San Francisco has not kept pace with population growth, nor have the Regional Housing Needs Allocation goals for affordable housing been met.
- (g) A preference in qualifying for affordable housing for residents who have been, or are about to be, displaced is necessary to achieve the important public purpose of increasing opportunities for those residents to continue to live in San Francisco even as market rate rents rise.
- (h) 2010 data show that overcrowding is an issue faced by San Franciscans Citywide, and that there are specific neighborhoods, including the Mission, Chinatown, and the Tenderloin, in which the percentage of overcrowded households is close to double that of the Citywide average.
- (i) Compounding the problem of overcrowding, nearly half of all San Franciscans are currently rent burdened, paying more than 30% of household income toward rent. Approximately 22% of San Francisco renters are severely rent burdened, meaning they pay more than 50% of their household income toward rent.
- (j) The high cost of housing is a significant factor in causing low- and very-low income households to leave the City: 63% of people who moved out of San Francisco between 2011-2013 were members of low- or very-low income households.
- (k) It is a necessary and important public purpose to provide relief for these economic and social ills arising from the housing challenges facing most San Franciscans. But because of the trends in current San Francisco market rate rents, moving low- and very-low income households into market rate housing in San Francisco is not a viable option.

(1) A limited preference for existing neighborhood residents that can be applied to a portion of new affordable housing developments in San Francisco will provide an opportunity to current low- and very-low income residents that are living in overcrowded housing configurations to move into appropriately sized units without leaving the community. This preference will also help provide relief for rent burdened low- and very-low income households while allowing them to benefit from new affordable housing development within their communities.

(m) In addition, it is in the City's interest to assist residents in preserving their existing community-based safety nets, such as access to schools, after school programs, stores, community centers, places of worship, and health care providers. A neighborhood preference will help to preserve community webs that serve as efficient safety nets and enhance the quality of life for neighborhood residents.

(n) Developers, community advocates, and residents have a long history of collaboration on housing development in San Francisco. A neighborhood preference for current low income residents for a portion of new affordable housing opportunities acknowledges this collaboration and will help increase participation in this process, which will in turn help generate additional support for, and contribute to, the successful approval of more affordable housing development in San Francisco.

SEC. 47.2 DEFINITIONS.

"City Affordable Housing Programs" shall mean, unless specified otherwise, all programs related to the provision of affordable housing administered or funded by MOHCD, including but not limited to Tax Exempt Bond Developments. "City Affordable Housing Programs" does not include programs or affordable housing units exclusively supported by the Department of Housing and Urban Development, the San Francisco Human Services Agency, the San Francisco Department of Public Health, or the San Francisco Housing Authority.

"Displaced Tenant" shall mean any person who applies to MOHCD and who MOHCD determines qualifies for any one of the categories enumerated below. If a person disputes MOHCD's

determination that he or she does not qualify as a "Displaced Tenant" under this Section 47.2, such
person shall have the right to a hearing conducted by a Rent Board Administrative Law Judge (as
defined in Administrative Code Section 37.2(f)), with MOHCD as the responding party:
Category 1: A tenant residing in San Francisco who on or after January 1, 2010
receives a Notice of Intent to Withdraw Rental Units ("Notice of Intent to Withdraw") pursuant to the
Ellis Act, Government Code Section 7060 et seq., and corresponding provisions of the Rent Ordinance.
MOHCD shall establish a process for a tenant to verify his or her status as a "Displaced Tenant" under
Category 1 that, at a minimum, shall require a tenant to show: (a) the landlord filed with the Rent
Board a Notice of Intent to Withdraw; and (b) the tenant either: (1) is listed on the Notice of Intent to
Withdraw; (2) is listed on the lease for the unit in question; or (3) has other evidence sufficient to
establish, in MOHCD's reasonable discretion, that he or she resided in the unit at the time the Notice of
Intent to Withdraw was filed. If the Rent Board grants a landlord's request to rescind the Notice of
Intent to Withdraw before a tenant moves out of his or her unit, such tenant shall no longer qualify as a
"Displaced Tenant."
Category 2: A tenant residing in San Francisco who on or after January 1, 2010
receives a notice that his or her landlord plans to recover possession of the unit for any one of the "no
fault" eviction provisions under Sections 37.9(a)(8) through (16) of the Rent Ordinance. MOHCD shall
establish a process for a tenant to verify his or her status as a "Displaced Tenant" under Category 2
that, at a minimum, shall require a tenant to show: (a) the landlord filed with the Rent Board the notice
to vacate, as required under Rent Ordinance Section 37.9(c); and (b) the tenant either: (1) is listed on
the notice to vacate; (2) is listed on the lease for the unit in question; or (3) has other evidence
sufficient to establish, in MOHCD's reasonable discretion, that he or she resided in the unit at the time
the notice to vacate was filed.
Category 3: A tenant residing in San Francisco who on or after January 1, 2010 is
 ordered to vacate his or her unit by a public safety official due to fire or other disaster, and who can

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to an ownership unit; and (b) the tenant either: (1) is listed on the notice; (2) is listed on the lease for
the unit in question; or (3) has other evidence sufficient to establish, in MOHCD's reasonable
discretion, that he or she resided in the unit at the time the notice was provided to the tenant.
Category 6: A tenant residing in San Francisco on or after January 1, 2010 who can
document that he or she was, or will be, displaced due to the loss of a legal residential unit through a
residential demolition or residential merger (as both terms are defined in Planning Code Section 317)
authorized by any City permit, or the loss of an illegal unit resulting from a merger or demolition
authorized by any City permit. MOHCD shall establish a process for a tenant to verify his or her statu
as a "Displaced Tenant" under Category 6 that, at a minimum, shall require a tenant to show: (a) the
Planning Commission or Planning Department approved the residential demolition or residential
merger; and (b) the tenant either: (1) is listed on a Notice required by the Rent Board; (2) is listed on
the lease for the unit in question; or (3) has other evidence sufficient to establish, in MOHCD's
reasonable discretion, that he or she resided in the unit at the time the approval was granted.
"MOHCD" shall mean the Mayor's Office of Housing and Community Development or its

"Neighborhood" shall mean any one of the 11 Supervisorial Districts as defined and established in the San Francisco Charter, Appendix E plus a buffer such that for each unit or project that is part of a City Affordable Housing Program "Neighborhood" means the Supervisorial District in which the unit or project is located, plus a ½ mile buffer around the location of the unit or project.

"Neighborhood Resident" shall mean any person who has a primary residence in a certain

Neighborhood at the time he or she applies for a unit or assistance. MOHCD shall establish a process

for a person to verify status as a "Neighborhood Resident" for a particular Neighborhood, which, at a

minimum, shall require a person to show: (a) that he or she is listed on the lease for a unit in that

Neighborhood; or (b) other evidence sufficient to establish, in MOHCD's reasonable discretion, that

the person resides in a unit in that Neighborhood. If a person disputes a MOHCD determination that he

or she does not qualify as a "Neighborhood Resident" under this Section 47.2, such person shall have the right to a hearing conducted by a Rent Board Administrative Law Judge (as defined in Administrative Code Section 37.2(f)), with MOHCD as the responding party.

"Rent Board" shall mean the Residential Rent Stabilization and Arbitration Board.

"Rent Ordinance" shall mean the San Francisco Rent Stabilization and Arbitration Ordinance,

Administrative Code Chapter 37.

"Residential Certificate of Preference Holders" shall mean a person who holds a Residential

Certificate of Preference under the San Francisco Redevelopment Agency's Property Owner and

Occupant Preference Program, as reprinted September 11, 2008 and effective October 1, 2008 and on

file with the Clerk of the Board in File No. 080521.

"Tax Exempt Bond Development" shall mean any housing development financed through a taxexempt bond issuance that imposes rent and occupancy restrictions as a condition of the financing.

SEC. 47.3 APPLICATION OF PREFERENCE.

Except to the extent prohibited by an applicable State or Federal funding source, MOHCD shall give, or require project sponsors or their successors in interest funded through MOHCD to give, preference in occupying units or receiving assistance under all City Affordable Housing Programs.

Each preference enumerated below shall be applied as of the effective date of the legislation establishing each preference. The City established preference for holders of Certificates of Preference in Ordinance 232-08, Displaced Tenants, Category 1 in Ordinance 277-13, and Displaced Tenants,

Categories 2 through 6 and Neighborhood Residents in legislation adding this Chapter 47. The preference requirements are intended to have prospective effect only, and shall not be interpreted to impair the obligations of any pre-existing contract entered into by the City. Notwithstanding the prior sentence, the preference requirements shall apply to contracts entered into by the City on or after the effective date of the legislation establishing each preference, including contracts materially amended on or after the effective date. Preference shall be given:

are located at the time of their displacement; and units subject to subsection (2) shall be prioritized first for Displaced Tenants who were living in the Neighborhood in which the units are located at the time of their displacement until 10% of all the units that are part of a City Affordable Housing Program in a building are occupied by Displaced Tenants who were living in the Neighborhood.

The Displaced Tenant's preference shall still apply even if such Displaced Tenant declines a unit offered through application of the preference, but upon accepting and occupying a unit obtained using the preference, such Displaced Tenant's preference terminates.

- (c) Third, to a Neighborhood Resident, who meets all of the qualifications for the unit or assistance. Preference under this subsection (c) shall be given:
 - (1) for units located in the same Neighborhood as the person resides;
- (2) only for any new residential development in that Neighborhood going through the initial occupancy or sale process, and only to 25% of the units in such development.

SEC. 47.4. IMPLEMENTATION AND MONITORING.

- (a) Certificate of Preference. The Board of Supervisors shall hold a hearing on the status of the legislation creating the Certificate of Preference preference, Ordinance 232-08, within two years of its effective date to assess its impact, or at such time as the MOHCD certifies to the Board of Supervisors that, in any one fiscal year, the percent of Residential Certificate of Preference holders obtaining an affordable housing unit by taking advantage of the Certificate of Preference preference in all of the City's affordable housing programs combined exceeds 50% of the total number of units made available through the City's affordable housing programs in that year.
- (b) Displaced Tenant and Neighborhood Preferences. MOHCD shall implement the Displaced Tenant and Neighborhood preference requirements of this Chapter 47 by developing procedures and amending its applicable regulations within 90 days of the effective date of this Chapter 47. Said procedures and regulations shall be subject to approval by Resolution of the Board of Supervisors. The requirements of this paragraph are directory rather than mandatory.

The Board of Supervisors or a committee thereof shall hold an initial hearing to assess the impact of the Displaced Tenant and Neighborhood preferences within one year of the effective date of this Chapter 47. The Board of Supervisors or a committee thereof shall hold a subsequent hearing within three years of the effective date of this Chapter 47, at which MOHCD and the Rent Board shall submit a report on the demographics and income levels of beneficiaries of the Displaced Tenant and Neighborhood preference system.

SEC. 47.5. SEVERABILITY.

If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase, or word of this Chapter 47, or any application thereof to any person or circumstance, is held to be invalid or unconstitutional by a decision of a court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions or applications of the Chapter. The Board of Supervisors hereby declares that it would have passed the ordinances establishing this Chapter and each and every section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase, and word not declared invalid or unconstitutional without regard to whether any other portion of this Chapter or application thereof would be subsequently declared invalid or unconstitutional.

Section 4. The Administrative Code is hereby amended by revising Sections 37.6, 43.3.4, 10.100-110, and 10.100-370, to read as follows:

SEC. 37.6. POWERS AND DUTIES.

In addition to other powers and duties set forth in this Chapter, and in addition to powers under the Charter and under other City Codes, including powers and duties under Administrative Code Chapter 49 ("Interest Rates on Security Deposits"), the Board shall have the power to:

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(o) As provided by Administrative Code <u>Section Chapter 24.847</u>, utilize Administrative Law Judges to hear and decide petitions from persons who dispute the Mayor's Office of Housing and Community Development's determination that such person does not qualify as a "Displaced Tenant" <u>or a "Neighborhood Resident" (each</u> as defined in Administrative Code <u>Section Chapter 24.847</u>).

SEC. 43.3.4. PROPOSED USE OF BOND PROCEEDS.

Following payment of costs of issuance, 85 percent of the bond proceeds will be used for the development of affordable rental housing through the development account described in the regulations, and 15 percent of the bond proceeds will be used for downpayment assistance for low and moderate income first-time homebuyers through the downpayment assistance loan account described in the program regulations; including all legally permissible administrative costs related to the program. The Mayor's Office of Housing and Community Development ("MOHCD") shall develop procedures and amend its regulations such that, for all projects funded by this affordable housing and home ownership bond program, including multifamily rental projects and down payment assistance to individual households, it requires the project sponsor or its successor in interest to give preference in occupying units or receiving assistance as provided for in Administrative Code Chapter 47. first to Residential Certificate of Preference Holders under the San Francisco Redevelopment Agency's Property Owner and Occupant Preference Program, as reprinted September 11, 2008 and effective October 1, 2008 and on file with the Clerk of the Board in File No. 080521, who meet all of the qualifications for the unit or assistance; and second to any Displaced Tenant, as defined in Administrative Code Section 24.8, who meets all of the qualifications for the unit or assistance, provided that the following limitations shall apply to the Displaced Tenant preference: (i) a Displaced Tenant may apply the preference to existing, currently-occupied developments only for three years from the date the landlord filed with the

Residential Rent Stabilization and Arbitration Board ("Rent Board") a notice of intent to withdraw the tenant's unit from the rental market pursuant to the Ellis Act, California Government Code Section 7060 et seq. and the corresponding provisions of the San Francisco Rent Stabilization and Arbitration Ordinance ("Rent Ordinance"), Administrative Code Sections 37.9(a)(13) and 37.9A; (ii) a Displaced Tenant may apply the preference to new developments going through the initial occupancy process only for six years from the date the landlord filed with the Rent Board a notice of intent to withdraw the tenant's unit from the rental market pursuant to the Ellis Act, cited above, and the corresponding provisions of the Rent Ordinance; and (iii) for any new residential development going through the initial occupancy process, the Displaced Tenant preference shall apply only to twenty percent (20%) of the units in such development. The Displaced Tenant's preference shall still apply even if such Displaced Tenant declines a unit offered through application of the preference, but upon accepting and occupying a unit obtained using the preference, such Displaced Tenant's preference terminates.

MOHCD shall implement the Certificate of Preference Holder requirements of this Section by developing procedures and amending its applicable regulations within 90 days of the effective date of Ordinance No. 232-08, and MOHCD shall implement the Displaced Tenant preference requirements of this Section by developing procedures and amending its applicable regulations within 90 days of the effective date of the ordinance creating the Displaced Tenant preference. Said procedures and regulations shall be subject to approval by Resolution of the Board of Supervisors. The requirements of this paragraph are directory rather than mandatory.

SEC. 10.100-110, MAYOR'S HOUSING AFFORDABILITY FUND.

(a) Establishment of Fund. The Mayor's Housing Affordability Fund is created as a category two fund to receive any prior legally binding obligations any grants, gifts, bequests from private sources for the purposes cited in subsection (b), any monies repaid to the City as a result of loans made by the City to developers to assist in the development of affordable housing, any repayments of monies to the City where the City is beneficiary under a

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promissory note which was acquired as a result of the City's housing affordability assistance, any repayments of loans made from this fund and any monies otherwise appropriated to the fund.

(b) Use of Fund. The fund shall be used exclusively for the purpose of providing financial assistance to for-profit and nonprofit housing developers, where the contribution of monies from the fund will allow units in a project to be affordable to persons and families of low and moderate income. City departments may recover any costs of administering any project receiving funds from the Mayor's Housing Affordability Fund. The Mayor's Office of Housing and Community Development ("MOHCD") shall develop procedures and amend its regulations such that, for all projects funded by this fund, it requires the project sponsor or its successor in interest to give preference in occupying units or receiving assistance as provided for in Administrative Code Chapter 47. first to Residential Certificate of Preference Holders under the San Francisco Redevelopment Agency's Property Owner and Occupant Preference Program, as reprinted September 11, 2008 and effective October 1, 2008 and on file with the Clerk of the Board in File No. 080521, who meet all of the qualifications for the unit or assistance; and second to any Displaced Tenant, as defined in Administrative Code Section 24.8, who meets all of the qualifications for the unit or assistance, provided that the following limitations shall apply to the Displaced Tenant preference: (i) a Displaced Tenant may apply the preference to existing, currently-occupied developments only for three years from the date the landlord tiled with the Residential Rent Stabilization and Arbitration Board ("Rent Board") a notice of intent to withdraw the tenant's unit from the rental market pursuant to the Ellis Act, California Government Code Section 7060 et seg. and the corresponding provisions of the San Francisco Rent Stabilization and Arbitration Ordinance ("Rent Ordinance"), Administrative Code Sections 37.9(a)(13) and 37.9A; (ii) a Displaced Tenant may apply the preference to new developments going through the initial occupancy process only for six years from the date the landlord filed with the Rent Board a notice of intent to withdraw the tenant's unit from the

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rental market pursuant to the Ellis Act, cited above, and the corresponding provisions of the Rent Ordinance; and (iii) for any new residential development going through the initial occupancy process, the Displaced Tenant preference shall apply only to twenty percent (20%) of the units in such development. The Displaced Tenant's preference shall still apply even if such Displaced Tenant declines a unit offered through application of the preference, but upon accepting and occupying a unit obtained using the preference, such Displaced Tenant's preference terminates.

- MOHCD shall implement the Certificate of Preference Holder requirements of this Section by developing procedures and amending its applicable regulations within 90 days of the effective date of Ordinance No. 232-08, and MOHCD shall implement the Displaced Tenant preference requirements of this Section by developing procedures and amending its applicable regulations within 90 days of the effective date of the ordinance creating the Displaced Tenant preference. Said procedures and regulations shall be subject to approval by Resolution of the Board of Supervisors. The requirements of this paragraph are directory rather than mandatory.

SEC. 10.100-370. SAN FRANCISCO HOPE SF FUND.

- (a) Establishment of Fund. The HOPE SF Fund is hereby established as a category four fund for the purpose of assisting in the replacement and/or rehabilitation of distressed public housing projects in the City and County of San Francisco.
- (d) Administration of Fund. The fund shall be administered by the Mayor's Office of Housing and Community Development ("MOHCD"). The Director of MOHCD shall promulgate such rules and regulations as he or she may deem appropriate to carry out the provisions of the fund. Such rules and regulations shall be developed in consultation with any appropriate agencies or organizations with which the Director, or his or her designee, may choose to consult. The rules and regulations shall be subject to a public hearing and approved by resolution of the Board of Supervisors. MOHCD shall develop procedures such

that, for all projects funded by the HOPE SF Fund, MOHCD requires the project sponsor or its successor in interest to give preference in occupying units as provided for in Administrative Code Chapter 47. first to any current occupants of a housing development receiving Funds, second to Residential Certificate of Preference Holders under the San Francisco Redevelopment Agency's Property Owner and Occupant Preference Program, as reprinted September 11, 2008 and effective October 1, 2008 and on file with the Clerk of the Board in File No. 080521, who meet all of the qualifications for the unit; and third to any Displaced Tenant, as defined in Administrative Code Section 24.8, who meets all of the qualifications for the unit or assistance, provided that the following limitations shall apply to the Displaced Tenant preference: (i) a Displaced Tenant may apply the preference to existing, currently-occupied developments only for three years from the date the landlord filed with the Residential Rent Stabilization and Arbitration Board ("Rent Board") a notice of intent-to withdraw the tenant's unit from the rental market pursuant to the Ellis Act, California Government Code Section 7060 et seq. and the corresponding provisions of the San Francisco Rent Stabilization and Arbitration Ordinance ("Rent Ordinance"), Administrative Code Sections 37.9(a)(13) and 37.9A; (ii) a Displaced Tenant may apply the preference to new developments going through the initial occupancy process only for six years from the date the landlord filed with the Rent Board a notice of intent to withdraw the tenant's unit from the rental market pursuant to the Ellis Act, cited above, and the corresponding provisions of the Rent Ordinance; and (iii) for any new residential development going through the initial occupancy process, the Displaced Tenant preference shall apply only to twenty percent (20%) of the units in such development. The Displaced Tenant's preference shall still apply even if such Displaced Tenant declines a unit offered through application of the preference, but upon accepting and occupying a unit obtained using the preference, such Displaced Tenant's preference terminates.

MOHCD shall implement the Certificate of Preference Holder requirements of this Section by developing procedures and amending its applicable regulations within 90 days of the effective date of

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Ordinance No. 232-08, and MOHCD shall implement the Displaced Tenant preference requirements of this Section by developing procedures and amending its applicable regulations within 90 days of the effective date of the ordinance creating the Displaced Tenant preference. Said procedures and regulations shall be subject to approval by Resolution of the Board of Supervisors. The requirements of this paragraph are directory rather than mandatory.

Section 5. The Planning Code is hereby amended by revising Sections 413.10, 415.5, 415.6 and 415.7, to read as follows:

SEC. 413.10. CITYWIDE AFFORDABLE HOUSING FUND.

All monies contributed pursuant to Sections 413.6 or 413.8 or assessed pursuant to Section 413.9 shall be deposited in the special fund maintained by the Controller called the Citywide Affordable Housing Fund ("Fund"). The receipts in the Fund are hereby appropriated in accordance with law to be used solely to increase the supply of housing affordable to qualifying households subject to the conditions of this Section. The Mayor's Office of Housing and Community Development ("MOHCD") shall develop procedures such that, for all projects funded by the Citywide Affordable Housing Fund, MOHCD requires the project sponsor or its successor in interest to give preference in occupying units as provided for in Administrative Code Chapter 47. first to Residential Certificate of Preference Holders under the San Francisco Redevelopment Agency's Property Owner and Occupant Preference Program, as reprinted September 11, 2008 and effective October 1, 2008 and on file with the Clerk of the Board in File No. 080521, who meet all of the qualifications for the unit; and second to any Displaced Tenant, as defined in Administrative Code Section 24.8, who meets all of the qualifications for the unit or assistance, provided that the following limitations shall apply to the Displaced Tenant preference: (i) a Displaced Tenant may apply the preference to existing, currently-occupied developments only for three years from the date the landlord filed with the Residential Rent Stabilization and Arbitration Board ("Rent Board")

a notice of intent to withdraw the tenant's unit from the rental market pursuant to the Ellis Act,
California Government Code Section 7060 et seq. and the corresponding provisions of the San
Francisco Rent Stabilization and Arbitration Ordinance ("Rent Ordinance"), Administrative Code
Sections 37.9(a)(13) and 37.9A; (ii) a Displaced Tenant may apply the preference to new developments
going through the initial occupancy process only for six years from the date the landlord filed with the
Rent Board a notice of intent to withdraw the tenant's unit from the rental market pursuant to the Ellis
Act, cited above, and the corresponding provisions of the Rent Ordinance; and (iii) for any new
residential development going through the initial occupancy process, the Displaced Tenant preference
shall apply only to twenty percent (20%) of the units in such development. The Displaced Tenant's
preference shall still—apply even if such Displaced Tenant declines a unit offered through application
of the preference, but upon accepting and occupying a unit obtained using the preference, such
Displaced Tenant's preference terminates.

MOHCD shall implement the Certificate of Preference Holder requirements of this Section by developing procedures and amending its applicable regulations within 90 days of the effective date of Ordinance No. 232-08, and MOHCD shall implement the Displaced Tenant preference requirements of this Section by developing procedures and amending its applicable regulations within 90 days of the effective date of the ordinance creating the Displaced Tenant preference. Said procedures and regulations shall be subject to approval by Resolution of the Board of Supervisors. The requirements of this paragraph are directory rather than mandatory.

The Fund shall be administered and expended by the Director of MOHCD, who shall have the authority to prescribe rules and regulations governing the Fund which are consistent with Section 413.1et seq. No portion of the Fund may be used, by way of loan or otherwise, to pay any administrative, general overhead, or similar expense of any entity.

SEC. 415.5. AFFORDABLE HOUSING FEE.

- (f) Use of Fees. All monies contributed pursuant to this Section shall be deposited in the special fund maintained by the Controller called the Citywide Affordable Housing Fund. The Mayor's Office of Housing and Community Development ("MOHCD") shall use the funds in the following manner:
- (1) Except as provided in subsection (2) below, the receipts in the Fund are hereby appropriated in accordance with law to be used to:
- (A) increase the supply of housing affordable to qualifying households subject to the conditions of this Section; and
 - (B) provide assistance to low and moderate income homebuyers; and
- (C) pay the expenses of MOHCD in connection with monitoring and administering compliance with the requirements of the Program. MOHCD is authorized to use funds in an amount not to exceed \$200,000 every 5 years to conduct follow-up studies under Section 415.9(e) and to update the affordable housing fee amounts as described above in Section 415.5(b). All other monitoring and administrative expenses shall be appropriated through the annual budget process or supplemental appropriation for MOHCD. The fund shall be administered and expended by MOHCD, which shall have the authority to prescribe rules and regulations governing the Fund which are consistent with this Section.
 - (2) "Small Sites Funds."
- (A) Designation of Funds. MOHCD shall designate and separately account for 10% percent of all fees that it receives under Section 415.1et seq., excluding fees that are geographically targeted such as those in Sections 415.6(a)(1) and 827(b)(C), to support acquisition and rehabilitation of Small Sites ("Small Sites Funds"). MOHCD shall continue to divert 10 percent of all fees for this purpose until the Small Sites Funds reach a total of \$15 million at which point, MOHCD will stop designating funds for this purpose. At such time as designated Small Sites Funds are expended and dip below \$15 million, MOHCD

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shall start designating funds again for this purpose, such that at no time the Small Sites Funds shall exceed \$15 million. When the total amount of fees paid to the City under Section 415.1et seg. totals less than \$10 million over the preceding 12 month period, MOHCD is authorized to temporarily divert funds from the Small Sites Fund for other purposes. MOHCD must keep track of the diverted funds, however, such that when the amount of fees paid to the City under Section 415.1et seq. meets or exceeds \$10 million over the preceding 12 month period, MOHCD shall commit all of the previously diverted funds and 10 percent of any new funds, subject to the cap above, to the Small Sites Fund.

- (B) Use of Small Sites Funds. The funds shall be used exclusively to acquire or rehabilitate "Small Sites" defined as properties consisting of less than 25 units. Units supported by monies from the fund shall be designated as housing affordable to qualifying households as defined in Section 415.1 for no less than 55 years. Properties supported by the Small Sites Funds must be either:
 - (i) rental properties that will be maintained as rental properties;
- (ii) vacant properties that were formerly rental properties as long as those properties have been vacant for a minimum of two years prior to the effective date of this legislation,
 - (iii) properties that have been the subject of foreclosure; or
- (iv) a Limited Equity Housing Cooperative as defined in Subdivision Code Sections 1399.1et seq. or a property owned or leased by a non-profit entity modeled as a Community Land Trust.
- (C) Initial Funds. If, within 18 months from <u>April 23, 2009 the date of</u> adoption of this ordinance, MOHCD dedicates an initial one-time contribution of other eligible funds to be used initially as Small Sites Funds, MOHCD may use the equivalent amount of

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Small Sites Funds received from fees for other purposes permitted by the Citywide Affordable Housing Fund until the amount of the initial one-time contribution is reached.

- (D) Annual Report. At the end of each fiscal year, MOHCD shall issue a report to the Board of Supervisors regarding the amount of Small Sites Funds received from fees under this legislation, and a report of how those funds were used.
- (E) Intent. In adopting this ordinance regarding Small Sites Funds, the Board of Supervisors does not intend to preclude MOHCD from expending other eligible sources of funding on Small Sites as described in this Section, or from allocating or expending more than \$15 million of other eligible funds on Small Sites.
- (3) For all projects funded by the Citywide Affordable Housing Fund, MOHCD requires the project sponsor or its successor in interest to give preference as provided for in Administrative Code Chapter 47. in occupying units first to Residential Certificate of Preference Holders under the San Francisco Redevelopment Agency's Property Owner and Occupant Preference Program, as reprinted September 11, 2008 and effective October 1, 2008 and on file with the Clerk of the Board in File No. 080521, who otherwise meet all of the requirements for a unit; and second to any Displaced Tenant, as defined in Administrative Code Section 24.8, who meets all of the qualifications for the unit or assistance, provided that the following limitations shall apply to the Displaced Tenant preference: (i) a Displaced Tenant may apply the preference to existing, currently-occupied developments only for three years from the date the landlord filed with the Residential Rent Stabilization and Arbitration Board ("Rent Board") a notice of intent to withdraw the tenant's unit from the rental market pursuant to the Ellis Act, California Government Code Section 7060 et seq. and the corresponding provisions of the San Francisco Rent Stabilization and Arbitration Ordinance ("Rent Ordinance"), Administrative Code Sections 37.9(a)(13) and 37.9A; (ii) a Displaced Tenant may apply the preference to new developments going through the initial occupancy process only for six years from the date the landlord filed with the Rent Board a notice of intent to withdraw the tenant's unit from the

rental market pursuant to the Ellis Act, cited above, and the corresponding provisions of the Rent Ordinance; and (iii) for any new residential development going through the initial occupancy process, the Displaced Tenant preference shall apply only to twenty percent (20%) of the units in such development. The Displaced Tenant's preference shall still apply even if such Displaced Tenant declines a unit offered through application of the preference, but upon accepting and occupying a unit obtained using the preference, such Displaced Tenant's preference terminates. Otherwise, it is the policy of the City to treat all households equally in allocating affordable units under this Program.

SEC. 415.6. ON-SITE AFFORDABLE HOUSING ALTERNATIVE.

(d) Marketing the Units. The Mayor's Office of Housing and Community Development ("MOHCD") shall be responsible for overseeing and monitoring the marketing of affordable units under this Section. In general, the marketing requirements and procedures shall be contained in the Procedures Manual as amended from time to time and shall apply to the affordable units in the project. MOHCD may develop occupancy standards for units of different bedroom sizes in the Procedures Manual in order to promote an efficient allocation of affordable units. MOHCD may require in the Procedures Manual that prospective purchasers complete homebuyer education training or fulfill other requirements. MOHCD shall develop a list of minimum qualifications for marketing firms that market affordable units under Section 415.5 et seq., referred to the Procedures Manual as Below Market Rate (BMR units). No developer marketing units under the Program shall be able to market affordable units except through a firm meeting all of the minimum qualifications. The Notice of Special Restrictions or

conditions of approval shall specify that the marketing requirements and procedures

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contained in the Procedures Manual as amended from time to time, shall apply to the affordable units in the project.

- (1) Lottery. At the initial offering of affordable units in a housing project and when ownership units become available for re-sale in any housing project subject to this Program after the initial offering, MOHCD must require the use of a public lottery approved by MOHCD to select purchasers or tenants.
- (2) Preferences. MOHCD shall create a lottery system that gives preference according to the provisions of Administrative Code Chapter 47. the following preferences (A) first to Residential Certificate of Preference Holders under the San Francisco Redevelopment Agency's Property Owner and Occupant Preference Program, as reprinted September 11, 2008 and effective October 1, 2008 and on file with the Clerk of the Board in File No. 080521, who meet the qualifications of the Program; (B) second to any Displaced Tenant, as defined in Administrative Code Section 24.8. who meets all of the qualifications for the unit or assistance, provided that the following-limitations shall apply to the Displaced Tenant preference: (i) a Displaced Tenant may apply the preference to existing, currently-occupied developments only for three years from the date the landlord filed with the Residential Rent Stabilization and Arbitration Board ("Rent Board") a notice of intent to withdraw the tenant's unit from the rental market pursuant to the Ellis Act, California Government Code Section 7060 et seg, and the corresponding provisions of the San Francisco Rent Stabilization and Arbitration Ordinance ("Rent Ordinance"), Administrative Code Sections 37.9(a)(13) and 37.9A; (ii) a Displaced Tenant may apply the preference to new developments going through the initial occupancy process only for six years from the date the landlord filed with the Rent Board a notice of intent to withdraw the tenant's unit from the rental market pursuant to the Ellis Act, cited above, and the corresponding provisions of the Rent Ordinance; and (iii) for any new residential development going through the initial occupancy process, the Displaced Tenant preference shall apply only to twenty percent (20%) of the units in such development; and (C) third to people who live or work in San Francisco who meet the

*Displaced Tenant declines a unit offered through application of the preference, but upon accepting and occupying a unit obtained using the preference, such Displaced Tenant's preference terminates.*MOHCD shall propose policies and procedures for implementing these preferences to the Planning Commission for inclusion in the Procedures Manual. Otherwise, it is the policy of the City to treat all households equally in allocating affordable units under this Program.

SEC. 415.7. OFF-SITE AFFORDABLE HOUSING ALTERNATIVE.

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- (e) Marketing the Units. MOHCD shall be responsible for overseeing and monitoring the marketing of affordable units under this Section. In general, the marketing requirements and procedures shall be contained in the Procedures Manual as amended from time to time and shall apply to the affordable units in the project. MOHCD may develop occupancy standards for units of different bedroom sizes in the Procedures Manual in order to promote an efficient allocation of affordable units. MOHCD may require in the Procedures Manual that prospective purchasers complete homebuyer education training or fulfill other requirements. MOHCD shall develop a list of minimum qualifications for marketing firms that market affordable units under Section 415.1et seq., referred to the Procedures Manual as Below Market Rate (BMR units). No project sponsor marketing units under the Program shall be able to market BMR units except through a firm meeting all of the minimum qualifications. The Notice of Special Restrictions or conditions of approval shall specify that the marketing requirements and procedures contained in the Procedures Manual as amended from time to time, shall apply to the affordable units in the project.
- (1) Lottery. At the initial offering of affordable units in a housing project and when ownership units become available for resale in any housing project subject to this

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Program after the initial offering, MOHCD must require the use of a public lottery approved by MOHCD to select purchasers or tenants.

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Planning Commission for inclusion in the Procedures Manual. Otherwise, it is the policy of the City to treat all households equally in allocating affordable units under this Program.

Section 6. Effective Date. This ordinance shall become effective 30 days after enactment. Enactment occurs when the Mayor signs the ordinance, the Mayor returns the ordinance unsigned or does not sign the ordinance within ten days of receiving it, or the Board of Supervisors overrides the Mayor's veto of the ordinance.

Section 7. Scope of Ordinance. In enacting this ordinance, the Board of Supervisors intends to amend only those words, phrases, paragraphs, subsections, sections, articles, numbers, punctuation marks, charts, diagrams, or any other constituent parts of the Municipal Code that are explicitly shown in this ordinance as additions, deletions, Board amendment additions, and Board amendment deletions in accordance with the "Note" that appears under the official title of the ordinance.

APPROVED AS TO FORM: DENNIS J. HERRERA, City Attorney

By:

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LEGISLATIVE DIGEST (Substituted 9/22/2015)

[Administrative, Planning Codes - Preferences in Affordable Housing Programs]

Ordinance amending the Administrative Code to clarify existing preferences in allocating City affordable housing units first to Certificate of Preference holders and second to tenants evicted under the Ellis Act, create a third preference for residents in the neighborhood where the affordable housing is located, create additional categories of eligible displaced tenants, and provide for preference to displaced tenants from the Neighborhood; to make conforming amendments to provisions of the Administrative and Planning Codes; to affirm the Planning Department's determination under the California Environmental Quality Act; and to make findings of consistency with the General Plan, and the eight priority policies of Planning Code, Section 101.1.

Existing Law

Currently, two tenant selection preferences apply to all affordable housing programs that the Mayor's Office of Housing and Community Development ("MOHCD") administers or funds ("City Affordable Housing Programs"). Current law provides preference to holders of Certificates of Preference (COPs) issued under a former Redevelopment Agency program to tenants displaced from certain redevelopment areas. The COP preference applies to 100% of all available affordable housing, both at initial sale or lease and upon re-sale or re-lease.

Second, current law provides preference in all City Affordable Housing Programs to certain "Displaced Tenants," defined as tenants evicted under the State Ellis Act, California Government Code 7060 and following, who have lived in their unit continuously for at least ten years, or five years if they have a life-threatening illness or are disabled. The preference applies to 20% of all new affordable housing units during initial sale or lease up, and 100% of all existing affordable housing units upon re-sale or re-lease. A person can use the preference on an existing unit for up to three years after displacement, and on a new unit for up to six years after displacement.

A holder of any preference applying for a unit must still meet all eligibility requirements applicable for that unit under the applicable affordable housing program.

Amendments to Current Law

The proposed ordinance: (1) expands eligibility for the "Displaced Tenant" preference; and (2) adds a new, third "Neighborhood Preference" for current residents. The proposed ordinance makes no changes to the COP preference.

First, the proposed ordinance would add five new eligibility categories for the Displaced Tenants preference:

- 1. Tenants evicted under any of the "no-fault" evictions as defined in Sections 37.9(a)(8) through 37.9(a)(16) of the San Francisco Rent Ordinance.
- Tenants ordered by a public safety official to vacate their units due to fire or other disaster who can sufficiently demonstrate that they cannot return to the unit within a reasonable period of time;
- 3. Tenants who have lost their unit through a residential demolition or residential merger approved through a City permit;
- 4. Tenants residing in units that are subject to rent restrictions imposed by the development's financing, where the rent restrictions are set to expire within the year or have already expired; and
- 5. Tenants in Below Market Rate rental units that are converting to ownership and being offered for sale where the tenant cannot afford to purchase the unit.

For all categories of "Displaced Tenant", a person must have been displaced on or after January 1, 2010 and will no longer be required to show continuous occupancy for any length of time. A person displaced prior to the effective date of the Proposed Legislation will be able to use the preference for up to six years from the effective date of the ordinance and a person displaced after the effective date of the Proposed Legislation will be able to use the preference for up to six years date of displacement, regardless of whether the affordable unit at issue is existing or new. Within the Displaced Tenant category, a preference for half of the units will be given to Displaced Tenants who were displaced from the Neighborhood where the affordable unit is located.

Second, the proposed ordinance adds a third "Neighborhood Preference." "Neighborhood" is defined as any one of San Francisco's 11 supervisorial districts. "Neighborhood Resident" means a person who has a primary residence in a certain Neighborhood at the time they apply for an affordable housing unit. The preference applies only to 25% of the units in newly constructed affordable housing during initial sale or lease, and only after the COP and Displaced Tenant preferences.

In all cases, a holder of any preference applying for a unit must still meet all eligibility requirements applicable for that unit under the applicable affordable housing program. The proposed ordinance also makes conforming changes to other parts of the Planning and Administrative Codes.

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September 29, 2015

File No. 150622

Sarah Jones Environmental Review Officer Planning Department 1650 Mission Street, 4th Floor San Francisco, CA 94103

Dear Ms. Jones:

On September 22, 2015, Mayor Lee introduced the following substitute legislation:

File No. 150622

Ordinance amending the Administrative Code to clarify existing preferences in allocating City affordable housing units first to Certificate of Preference holders and second to tenants evicted under the Ellis Act, create a third preference for residents in the neighborhood where the affordable housing is located, create additional categories of eligible displaced tenants, and provide for preference to displaced tenants from the Neighborhood; to make conforming amendments to provisions of the Administrative and Planning Codes; to affirm the Planning Department's determination under the California Environmental Quality Act; and to make findings of consistency with the General Plan, and the eight priority policies of Planning Code, Section 101.1.

This substitute legislation is being transmitted to you for environmental review.

Angela Calvillo, Clerk of the Board

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By: Andrea Ausberry, Assistant Clerk

Land Use and Transportation Committee

Attachment

c: Joy Navarrete, Environmental Planning Jeanie Poling, Environmental Planning Not defined as a project under CEQA Sections 1537 and 15060(c)(2) because it does not result in a physical change in the environment.

October 21, 2015

Ms. Angela Calvillo, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors Honorable Mayor Lee Board of Supervisors City and County of San Francisco City Hall, Room 244 1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place San Francisco, CA 94102 1650 Mission St. Suite 400 San Francisco, CA 94103-2479

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Re:

Transmittal of Planning Department Case Number 2015-008208PCA Clarifying/Creating Preferences for Affordable Housing Units Board File No. 150622

Planning Commission Recommendation: Approval with Modification

Dear Ms. Calvillo and Mayor Lee:

On September 24, 2015 and October 22, 2015 the Planning Commission conducted duly noticed public hearings at regularly scheduled meetings to consider the proposed Ordinance that would amend Planning Code Sections 413.10, 415.5, 415.6, and 415.7, introduced by Mayor Lee and Supervisor Chirstensen, Cohen, Breed and Wiener. At the hearing the Planning Commission recommended approval with modifications.

The Commission's proposed modifications were as follows:

- Remove the proposed amendments that would expand the existing Displaced Tenant preference beyond the existing preference for tenants evicted under the provisions of the Ellis Act. A separate piece of legislation should address the Displaced Tenant preference and should be sent to the Planning Commission for review.
- Approve the Neighborhood Preference at the Supervisorial District plus a half mile buffer from a selected project. The half mile buffer would include any parcel touched by the half mile radius. The Commission also asked the Board to consider geographic boundaries smaller than the Supervisor District.
- Recognize that there continue to be no changes to the Certificate of Preference (COP)
 program, but that the new structure from the Proposed Legislation related to housing
 preference for Affordable Housing Units be retained. The new structure places the
 primary Preference requirements in the Administrative Code with references as
 appropriate in the Planning Code.

The proposed amendments are not defined as a project under CEQA Guidelines Section 15060(c) (2) and 15378 because they do not result in a physical change in the environment.

Mayor Lee please advise the City Attorney at your earliest convenience if you wish to incorporate the changes recommended by the Commission.

Transmital Materials

CASE No. 2015-008208PCA Clarifying/Creating Preferences for Affordable Housing Units

Please find attached documents relating to the actions of the Commission. If you have any questions or require further information please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Aaron D. Starr

Manage of Legislative Affairs

CC:

Susan Cleveland Knowles, Deputy City Attorney
Kanishka Burns, Aide to Supervisor Christensen
Andrea Bruss, Aide to Supervisor Cohen
Conor Johnston, Aide to Supervisor Breed
Andres Power, Aide to Supervisor Wiener
Nicole Elliott, Office of Mayors Edwin M. Lee
Sophie Hayward, Mayor's Office of Housing and Community Development
Alisa Somera, Office of the Clerk of the Board

Attachments:

Planning Commission Resolution
Planning Department Executive Summary

Planning Commission Resolution No. 19498

HEARING DATE OCTOBER 22, 2015

Continued from the September 24, 2015 Hearing

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Initiated by:

Mayor Ed Lee, Supervisors Christensen, Cohen, Breed, and Wiener

Introduced June 30, 2015

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Recommendation:

Recommend Approval with Modifications

RECOMMENDING THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ADOPT WITH MODIFICATIONS A PROPOSED ORDINANCE THAT WOULD AMEND THE ADMINISTRATIVE AND PLANNING CODES; SECTIONS 24.8, 47.1, 47.2, 47.3, 47.4, AND 47.5, 10.100-110, 10.100-370, OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE CODE AND PLANNING CODE SECTIONS 413.10, 415.5, 415.6, 415.7, 413.10, 415.5, 415.6, AND 415.7 TO DEFINE AND ESTABLISH A PREFERENCE IN ALL AFFORDABLE HOUSING PROGRAMS ADMINISTERED OR FUNDED BY THE CITY; ADOPT FINDINGS, INCLUDING ENVIRONMENTAL FINDINGS, PLANNING CODE SECTION 302 FINDINGS, AND FINDINGS OF CONSISTENCY WITH THE GENERAL PLAN AND PLANNING CODE SECTION 101.1.

WHEREAS, on June 30, 2015, Mayor Lee and Supervisors Christensen, Cohen, Breed, and Wiener introduced a proposed Ordinance under Board of Supervisors (hereinafter "Board") File Number 15-0622, which would amend Sections 24.8, 47.1, 47.2, 47 .3, 47.4, and 47.5, 10.100-110, 10.100-370, of the administrative code and planning code sections 413.10, 415.5, 415.6, 415.7, 413.10, 415.5, 415.6, to add a new category of preference for neighborhoods;

WHEREAS, neighborhood is defined as Supervisor District plus a ½ mile buffer around a project;

WHEREAS, The Planning Commission (hereinafter "Commission") conducted a duly noticed public hearing at a regularly scheduled meeting to consider the proposed Ordinance on September 24, 2015; and,

WHEREAS, the proposed Ordinance has been determined to be categorically exempt from environmental review under the California Environmental Quality Act Section 15060(c); and

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission has heard and considered the testimony presented to it at the public hearing and has further considered written materials and oral testimony presented on behalf of Department staff and other interested parties; and

WHEREAS, all pertinent documents may be found in the files of the Department, as the custodian of records, at 1650 Mission Street, Suite 400, San Francisco; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission has reviewed the proposed Ordinance; and

MOVED, that the Planning Commission hereby recommends that the Board of Supervisors **approve with recommendations** the proposed ordinance. Specifically, the Commission recommends the following modifications:

- 1. Remove the proposed amendments that would expand the existing Displaced Tenant preference beyond the existing preference for tenants evicted under the provisions of the Ellis Act. A separate piece of legislation should address the Displaced Tenant preference and should be sent to the Planning Commission for review.
- 2. Approve the Neighborhood Preference at the Supervisorial District plus a half mile buffer from a selected project. The half mile buffer would include any parcel touched by the half mile radius. The Commission also asked the Board to consider geographic boundaries smaller than the Supervisor District.
- 3. Recognize that there continue to be no changes to the Certificate of Preference (COP) program, but that the new structure from the Proposed Legislation related to housing preference for Affordable Housing Units be retained. The new structure places the primary Preference requirements in the Administrative Code with references as appropriate in the Planning Code.

FINDINGS

Having reviewed the materials identified in the preamble above, and having heard all testimony and arguments, this Commission finds, concludes, and determines as follows:

1. 2010 data show that overcrowding is an issue faced by San Franciscans Citywide, and that there are specific neighborhoods, including the Mission, Chinatown, and the Tenderloin, in which the percentage of overcrowded households is close to double that of the Citywide average. A preference for existing neighborhood residents that can be applied to a portion of new affordable housing developments in San Francisco will provide an opportunity to current low- and very-low income residents that are living in overcrowded housing configurations to move into appropriately sized units without leaving the community.

General Plan Compliance. The proposed Ordinance and the Commission's recommended modifications are, *on balance*, consistent with the Objectives and Policies of the General Plan (Staff discussion is added in *italic font* below):

HOUSING ELEMENT

OBJECTIVE 5

Ensure that all residents have equal access to available units.

POLICY 5.2

Increase access to housing, particularly for households who might not be aware of their housing choices.

Residents who might face overcrowding in certain neighborhoods will be provided a new preference for the City's Affordable Housing Units allowing them increased access to housing choices with the ability to remain in the neighborhood.

- **8. Planning Code Section 101 Findings.** The proposed amendments to the Planning Code are consistent with the eight Priority Policies set forth in Section 101.1(b) of the Planning Code in that:
 - 1. That existing neighborhood-serving retail uses be preserved and enhanced and future opportunities for resident employment in and ownership of such businesses enhanced;
 - The proposed amendments will not have a negative effect on neighborhood serving retail uses and will not affect opportunities for resident employment in and ownership of neighborhood-serving retail.
 - 2. That existing housing and neighborhood character be conserved and protected in order to preserve the cultural and economic diversity of our neighborhoods;
 - The amendments will not affect existing housing and neighborhood character.
 - 3. That the City's supply of affordable housing be preserved and enhanced;
 - The proposed amendments will not affect the supply of affordable housing.
 - 4. That commuter traffic not impede MUNI transit service or overburden our streets or neighborhood parking;
 - The proposed amendments will not result in commuter traffic impeding MUNI transit service or overburdening the streets or neighborhood parking.
 - 5. That a diverse economic base be maintained by protecting our industrial and service sectors from displacement due to commercial office development, and that future opportunities for resident employment and ownership in these sectors be enhanced;
 - The proposed amendments would not cause displacement of the industrial or service sectors due to office development, and future opportunities for resident employment or ownership in these sectors would not be impaired.
 - 6. That the City achieve the greatest possible preparedness to protect against injury and loss of life in an earthquake;

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The proposed ordinance would not negatively affect preparedness in the case of an earthquake.

7. That the landmarks and historic buildings be preserved;

Landmarks and historic buildings would not be negatively affected by the proposed amendments.

8. That our parks and open space and their access to sunlight and vistas be protected from development;

The City's parks and open space and their access to sunlight and vistas would be unaffected by the proposed amendments.

Planning Code Section 302 Findings. The Planning Commission finds from the facts presented that the public necessity, convenience and general welfare require the proposed amendments to the Planning Code as set forth in Section 302.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Commission hereby recommends that the Board ADOPT the proposed Ordinance with the modification as described in this Resolution.

I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was adopted by the Commission at its meeting on October 22, 2015.

Jonas P. Ionin Commission Secretary

AYES: Fong, Wu, Antonini, Johnson, Hillis, Richards

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Executive Summary Planning Code Text Change

HEARING DATE: SEPTEMBER 24, 2015

Project Name:

Clarifying/Creating Preferences for Affordable Housing Units

Case Number:

2015-008208PCA [Board File No. 150622]

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Recommendation:

Recommend Approval with Modifications

PLANNING CODE AMENDMENT

The proposed Ordinance would amend the Administrative Code to clarify existing preference in allocating City affordable housing units to Certificate of Preference holders and second to tenants evicted under the Ellis Act, create a third preference for residents in the neighborhood where the affordable housing is located, create additional categories of eligible displaced tenants, and make conforming amendments to provisions of the Administrative and Planning Codes; Sections 24.8, 47.1, 47.2, 47.3, 47.4, and 47.5, 10.100-110, 10.100-370, of the Administrative Code and Planning Code Sections 413.10 (Citywide Affordable Housing Fund), 415.5 (Affordable Housing Fee), 415.6 (On-Site Affordable Housing Alternative), and 415.7 (Off-Site Affordable Housing Alternative).

The Way It Is Now:

- 1. Preference for occupying affordable units or receiving assistance as part of San Francisco's Affordable Housing programs is defined in both the Administrative Code and the Planning Code.
- 2. In both the Administrative Code and the Planning Code, preference is given to Residential Certificate of Preference (COP) holders¹ who meet all of the qualifications for the unit, or for the assistance. Second preference is given to Displaced Tenants (as defined in the Administrative Code) in occupying units or in receiving assistance from any of the funds, fees, or alternatives associated with affordable housing. In the case of HOPE SF funded projects, first preference is given to occupants of existing housing, and second preference to COP holders. Displaced Tenant is defined as residents who were displaced due to an Ellis Act eviction.

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¹A Certificate of Preference is a document originally issued by the San Francisco Redevelopment Agency to residents displaced by the Agency in the 1960s as a result of federally funded urban renewal programs. With the 2012 dissolution of the Redevelopment Agency, the Mayor's Office of Housing has taken over the administration and management of the COP program. Information is available online at:

http://www.sfredevelopment.org/ftp/uploadedfiles/Programs/COP_FAQs-Revised_March_2009.pdf (November 4, 2013)

The Way It Would Be:

- 1. Preference for San Francisco's Affordable housing program would be removed from the Planning Code and replaced with a reference to the Administrative Code. A new chapter will be created in the Administrative Code where preferences for the City's affordable housing program would be defined.
- 2. The Administrative Code would be amended to add additional categories of Displaced Tenants to include all no-fault evictions, tenants who are displaced due to fire and natural disasters, as well as to tenants who are living in units where the affordability restriction is ending. Additionally, a third preference will be created for residents in the neighborhood where the affordable housing is added, where neighborhood is defined as Supervisorial District.

ISSUES AND CONSIDERATIONS

The draft Ordinance makes two significant amendments to the existing two-tiered preferences that apply to affordable housing lotteries: it expands the existing Ellis Act Displacement Preference to include tenants displaced through any form of no-fault eviction, and it creates a third preference category for existing residents in neighborhoods in which affordable housing is constructed.

The units covered under this ordinance are defined under "City Affordable Housing Programs" which are all programs related to the provision of affordable housing administered or funded by MOHCD, including but not limited to the Inclusionary Housing program, multi-family, 100% affordable rental units, and Tax Exempt Bond Developments. These units are subject to income requirements, which apply to all preference categories.

Expanding the Displaced Tenant Definition

The draft Ordinance expands the definition of Displaced Tenant to include all no-fault evictions, tenants who are displaced due to fire and natural disasters, as well as to tenants who are living in units where the affordability restriction is ending. Expanding the Displaced Tenant category to include all no fault evictions would cover tenants who have been displaced due to owner moveins, demolition, and condominium conversion as described in the Rent Ordinance Section 37.9C. "Just Cause" evictions such as tenant defaults, including breach of rental agreement, non-payment or habitual late payment of rent, and committing a nuisance are not covered under this ordinance.

The draft Ordinance expands the definition of Displaced Tenant to recognize the sharp 45% increase from 2010-2014 in the number of eviction notices filed with the Rent Board for all causes. The Annual Statistical Report 2013-2014 from the Rent Board states, "Total eviction notices filed with the Board increased by 7% from 1,934 to 2,064 while the number of tenant reports of alleged wrongful eviction decreased by 5% from 497 to 471. The number of units withdrawn from the rental market under the Ellis Act increased from 121 to 192 units."²

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² San Francisco Residential Rent Stabilization and Arbitration Board Annual Statistical Report 2013-2014. Available online at http://www.sfrb.org/modules/showdocument.aspx?documentid=2756 (September 17, 2014).

This Table highlights statistics from the Rent Board Fiscal Year 2013-20143:

Eviction Type	Units Impacted
Ellis Act .	304
Development Agreements	0
Owner Move-Ins	307
Nuisance	359
Breach of Lease	646
Other Eviction Types	448
Total Eviction Notices	2064

From 2010-2014, evictions for all causes have increased by 45% Citywide, with specific neighborhoods including the Mission (108%), the Sunset (121%), the Outer Richmond (137%), the Tenderloin and the Castro (145%) with significantly higher rates of evictions. During the same period residential rates increased 54% Citywide. Current market rate rents in San Francisco are unaffordable to more than 60% of all rental households in the City, and unaffordable to 100% of all low and moderate income households those earning less than 120% AMI-for a family of four (\$122,300). The affordability gap also extends to families who earn 150% of the AMI as the majority of households need to earn well above 175% AMI (\$160,475 for a household of 3) to afford the average purchase price of a home in San Francisco

Existing Affordable Housing Preferences: COP and Ellis Preferences

MOHCD's procedures require that tenants who were displaced in the 1960s by the San Francisco Redevelopment Agency ("Agency") when it implemented its federally funded urban renewal program receive first preference to apply for affordable housing units. This existing preference, called the Certificate of Preference (COP) Program, is tied to displacement by the Redevelopment Agency in the Western Addition and in Hunters Point, and applies to the head of households displaced by the Agency, eligible family members residing in the household at the time of displacement, and to households displaced by the Agency after 2008.⁴

The Ellis Act Housing Preference is a second preference category that was added through Ordinance 277-13, (BF130968), passed by the Board of Supervisors and signed by the Mayor on December 18, 2013. The Ellis Act Housing Preference was enacted in 2014 due to the increased percentage of Ellis Act evictions that occurred in 2013 (145.5% increase from February 2013 to September 2013).

From 2012 (when MOHCD took over the COP Program from the former Redevelopment Agency) to the present, 242 COPs have been issued and 50 COP holders have been housed: three in Below Market Rate Inclusionary ("BMR") BMR ownership units, 13 in BMR rental units, and 34 in multifamily affordable developments. Since the Ellis Act Housing Preference program's start in

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³ Ibid.

⁴ http://www.sf-moh.org/index.aspx?page=268 (November 13, 2013).

2014, 141 Ellis Act Housing Preference Certificates have been issued and 36 Ellis Act Housing certificate holders have received housing: 7 in BMR ownership units, 13 in BMR rental units, and 16 in multifamily affordable rental units.

Neighborhood Preference

This ordinance creates a third preference category- Neighborhood Preference -to provide residents who live in the neighborhood-defined as Supervisorial District-an opportunity to stay in the neighborhood where they reside. Data from 2010 indicates that overcrowding is an issue faced by all San Franciscans, however in certain neighborhoods including the Mission, Chinatown, and the Tenderloin the percentage of overcrowding is almost double that of the Citywide average. Given the impact of overcrowding in these neighborhoods creating a neighborhood preference can provide relief from overcrowding while providing the benefit of allowing residents to stay in their communities.

The new preference would apply to 25% of available units, after any COP holders have exercised their preference, and after any Displaced Tenants have exercised their preference.

Given that neighborhoods can sometimes be over- or under-represented by certain populations MOHCD analyzed whether the preference would result in any disparate impacts to protected groups. Analysis of a hypothetical lottery and occupant selection process demonstrates that a neighborhood preference would not likely result in a discriminatory outcome if the preference is limited to 25% of available housing units in a given lottery. In order to assess whether the proposed neighborhood preference could be discriminatory, two commonly used tests were applied to the original proposal... The application of the two tests demonstrates that a disparate impact is unlikely if the preference is limited to 25% of available housing.

Two key components to the Neighborhood Preference are discussed in greater detail below: an assessment of the proposal's potential to exclude certain ethnicities and races from access to housing, and determining the geography and boundaries of the neighborhood.

Disparate Impact Analysis

Two court informed statistical tests⁵, the Four-Fifths test and a standard deviation analysis known as the Z-score, were used by MOHCD to predict whether the 25% neighborhood preference would result in a Disparate Impact on certain populations. Both tests are used to determine adverse or disparate impact on a particular racial or ethnic group by comparing outcomes to the expected or most selected racial group.

The Four-Fifths test

The four-fifths test is used by the Equal Opportunity Employment Commission to determine if there is adverse impact, or substantially different rate of selection in hiring, which results in a disadvantage for a particular race, sex, or ethnic group. The EEOC has developed the four-fifths

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⁵ The application of two tests that have been used by the courts in similar contexts to evaluate adverse impact and bias were applied to the proposed neighborhood preference to measure possible discriminatory effects. The tests are known as the "Four-fifths Test," which is a practical evaluation, and the "Z-score," which is a standard deviation statistical analysis.

test, or 80 percent of the selection rate, as best practice for ensuring that specific populations are not adversely impacted.

Standard Deviation Analysis or Z-Score:

The Standard Deviation test is a statistical test that converts the probability of a difference in different selection rates into a standard metric of deviations. The test assesses the probability of discriminatory outcome by statistically evaluating the difference between observed and expected values. For the standard deviation test, results that have greater than two or three deviations could indicate a probable adverse impact.

Determining the Geography for Neighborhood Preference

In analyzing the proposed neighborhood preference, MOHCD examined the existing patterns of diversity and segregation within San Francisco; specifically, the evaluation compares the demographics of the city as a whole to the demographics at the smaller neighborhood level. Notable points associated with MOHCD's evaluation include:

- San Francisco is very diverse, but is also moderately to highly segregated; segregation is the most important factor in predicting whether a neighborhood preference may result in a discriminatory outcome;
- A 25% neighborhood preference allows MOHCD to implement a neighborhood preference while limiting the risk of an adverse impact or discriminatory outcome.
- It is important to have sufficiently high numbers of neighborhood residents participate in lotteries in order to ensure the accuracy of the predictive analyses. Without sufficiently high neighborhood level participation, ethnic and racial groups within certain neighborhoods could be adversely impacted.

Results of MOHCD's analysis demonstrated that a 25% neighborhood preference where neighborhood is defined as Supervisorial District limits the risk of an adverse impact or discriminatory outcome.

REQUIRED COMMISSION ACTION

The proposed Ordinance is before the Commission so that it may recommend adoption, rejection, or adoption with modifications to the Board of Supervisors.

RECOMMENDATION

The Department recommends that the Commission recommend *approval with modifications* of the proposed Ordinance and adopt the attached Draft Resolution to that effect. The recommendations below are reflected in substitute legislation that will be introduced at the Board of Supervisors on Tuesday, September 22, 2015 a copy of which is included in this report as Exhibit D. The Department recommends the following specific modifications to the proposed Ordinance (Exhibit C):

1. Change Neighborhood preference to Supervisorial District plus a half mile buffer from a selected project. The half mile buffer would include any parcel touched by the half mile radius.

- 2. Overlay a priority for half of the Displaced Tenants' units for tenants displaced from the Neighborhood (as defined above). In practice, in a 100 unit building, 20% (20 units) would be available for Displaced Tenants, of which 10 units would be available for Displaced Tenants from the Neighborhood. Neighborhood would use the new neighborhood definition above.
- 3. Extend the "expiration date" of the displaced tenants from six years from the date of displacement to provide all persons who are displaced a minimum of six years to qualify from the effective date of the ordinance and once the ordinance is effective, the six year expiration date will be triggered from the date of displacement.

BASIS FOR RECOMMENDATION

The Department is supportive of efforts to assist tenants who have faced residential evictions, which have increased across all categories in the last year. The proposed ordinance expands the definition of a Displaced Tenant to six different categories to include those not just impacted by Ellis Act recognizing that from 2010-2014, eviction notices filed with the Rent Board for all causes have increased 45% Citywide. A neighborhood preference also supports communities that face overcrowding and while providing the benefit of allowing residents to stay in their communities. The Department also supports the removal of these provisions from the Planning Code because this program is administered entirely by MOHCD, and not by the planning Department.

Basis for Recommendation #1: Expanding the Neighborhood to include the Supervisor District plus a half mile buffer around a project site

The Department supports using Supervisorial Districts because smaller geographic boundaries such as MOHCD Neighborhoods, Planning Districts, and Planning Neighborhoods can result in neighborhoods that have less than 100 households. Additionally, some of the small neighborhood geographies studied have no race or ethnic group households for the AMI levels analyzed.

The general expected geography of a walkable neighborhood is defined as a quarter mile to a half mile from home. Expanding the geography to a half mile buffer area will also include residents who live near the project site, but happen to be living in the adjacent Supervisorial District. Additionally, expanding the geography generally strengthens results of the disparate impact analysis, in that expanding the geography generally does not result in an adverse impact.

Basis for Recommendation #2: Overlay a priority for half of the Displaced Tenants' units for tenants displaced from the Neighborhood (as defined above)

Creating a new category for displaced neighborhood residents offers the most preference for displaced tenants who live in the neighborhood where new affordable units are built. In practice, the overlay of a neighborhood preference within the Displaced Tenant category could result in the following: in a 100 unit building, 20% (20 units) are available for Displaced Tenants, of which 10 units would be available for Displaced Tenants from the Neighborhood. Including neighborhood preference for Displaced Tenant recognizes the importance of housing displaced tenants in the neighborhoods from which they were displaced. Additionally, if a resident was displaced but has found housing in the Neighborhood, the resident could still qualify under the Neighborhood preference category.

Basis for Recommendation #3: Extend the "expiration date" of the Displaced Tenants from six years from the date of displacement to provide Displacees a minimum of six years to qualify from the effective date of the Ordinance.

The current legislation provides six years from the January 1, 2010 for all categories under Displaced Tenant. If this legislation passes, it will most likely become effective at the end of 2015 or in the beginning of 2016, it would not provide a substantial window of time for Displaced Tenants to qualify under the proposed categories. If a resident was displaced on January 1, 2010, he or she would only have until January 1, 2016 to qualify under all of the categories as currently defined in the legislation. The proposed change would allow all displaced tenants six years from the date of the displacement to qualify under the category of Displaced Tenant- once the Ordinance is effective, the six year expiration date will be triggered from the date of displacement.

ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW

The proposal is not defined as a project under CEQA Sections 15378 and 15060 (c) (2) because it does not result in a physical change in the environment, as determined on July 13, 2015.

PUBLIC COMMENT

As of the date of this report, the Planning Department has received one letter from Supervisor Cohen (attached). Supervisor Cohen recommends increasing the percentage of units allocated to the Neighborhood Preference (See Exhibit B). The Planning Department has received no additional public comment in support or opposition on this item. The Mayor's Office of Housing and Community Development has worked with several Supervisors and community organizations to develop the proposed legislation. The amendments included in the substitute legislation were developed in response to concerns presented to MOHCD; specifically, reserving half of all Displaced Tenants units for neighborhood residents (see Exhibit C), and expanding the geography to include a half mile buffer surrounding the project sites to include residents who live close to the affordable units, but outside of the Supervisorial district (see Exhibit C).

RECOMMENDATION:

Recommendation of Approval with Modifications

Attachments:

Exhibit A: Draft Planning Commission Resolution

Exhibit B: Public Comment

Exhibit C: Proposed Changes in Substitute Legislation

Exhibit D: Proposed Substitute Legislation

Exhibit E: Board of Supervisor File No. 150622

Memo to the Planning Commission

HEARING DATE: OCTOBER 22, 2015
Continued from the September 24, 2015 Hearing

Project Name:

Clarifying/Creating Preferences for Affordable Housing Units

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Recommendation:

Approval with Modifications

BACKGROUND

The Planning Commission [Commission] held an adoption hearing for the ordinance Clarifying and Creating Preferences for Affordable Housing Units on September 24, 2015. In general, the proposed legislation contained two sets of proposals for preference for Citywide Affordable Housing: (1) a new Neighborhood Preference for applicants from the geographic area near a proposed project or unit; and (2) an expanded definition of Displaced Tenants to receive priority. At the adoption hearing, the Commission voted to continue the adoption of the proposed Ordinance for four weeks so that the Staff could analyze additional options for neighborhood boundaries for the Neighborhood Preference as well as continue outreach and discussion related to the proposed expansion of the Displaced Tenant preference; staff from the Mayor's Office of Housing and Community Development (MOHD) has met with stakeholders, including members from the Anti-Displacement Coalition to discuss the Displaced Tenant preference.

CURRENT PROPOSAL

The current, revised proposal, made by the Planning Department [Department] and MOHCD, on behalf of the Mayor as a legislative sponsor would split the ordinance into two separate pieces of legislation-one piece would focus on the Displaced Tenant category while the other would focus on the Neighborhood Preference. The proposal includes the following:

- 1. That the Commission recommend that the Displaced Tenant component of the legislation be stricken from the current version of the legislation to allow further discussion and outreach. MOHCD and stakeholders will continue to assess appropriate amendments to the existing Displaced Tenant preference, and will introduce those as a separate Ordinance, which will be referred to the Planning Commission for its review and;
- 2. That the Board of Supervisors approve the geographic preference component and;
- 3. That there continue to be no changes to the Certificate of Preference (COP) program, but that the new structure from the Proposed Legislation related to housing preference for Affordable Housing Units be retained. The new structure places the primary Preference requirements in the Administrative Code with references as appropriate in the Planning Code.

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REQUIRED COMMISSION ACTION

The proposed Resolution is before the Commission so that it may recommend approval or disapproval to the Board of Supervisors.

PROPOSED RECOMMENDATION

The Department recommends that the Commission recommend approval with modifications of the proposed Ordinance to the Board of Supervisors. The proposed recommendations are as follows:

- 1. Remove the proposed amendments that would expand the existing Displaced Preference beyond the existing preference for tenants evicted under the provisions of the Ellis Act.
- 2. Approve the Neighborhood Preference at the Supervisorial District plus a half mile buffer from a selected project. The half mile buffer would include any parcel touched by the half mile radius.
- 3. Recognize that there continue to be no changes to the Certificate of Preference (COP) program, but that the new structure from the Proposed Legislation related to housing preference for Affordable Housing Units be retained. The new structure places the primary Preference requirements in the Administrative Code with references as appropriate in the Planning Code.

BASIS FOR RECOMMENDATION

At the September 24th planning commission hearing, discussion of the proposed geographic preference focused on two key components: 1) the size and boundaries of the area in which a resident would be eligible for the preference, and 2) the percentage of new units eligible for the preference. Based on the analysis summarized below, the department and the mayor's office of housing and community development continue to recommend that the geographic preference be applicable at the supervisorial district level plus a ½ mile buffer around a project, and that up to 25% of a project's units be allocated to the new preference.

The following analysis of various defined geographies and percentages was conducted by the Mayor's Office of Housing and Community Development. Please note that the proposed ordinance only applies to the Neighborhood Preference Category while the Displaced Tenant category will be addressed with a separate ordinance.

Based on the criterion detailed below, Supervisorial Districts remain the best geography for implementing a neighborhood preference in a way that creates neighborhood opportunity without excluding other San Franciscans from the development that is occurring in the eastern part of the City. Limiting the units subject to the preference to 25% of new units, the neighborhood preference at the Supervisorial District level is also less likely to result in an adverse impact on neighborhood minority groups. Below is a brief description of the Neighborhoods:

Supervisorial Districts: Supervisorial Districts are drawn by Department of Elections Task Force soon after each decennial census to ensure equal distribution of district population. Please see Sec. 13.110 (d) to 13.110 (f) of the City Charter for details on the process of changing the boundaries. The latest boundaries were established in 2012.

Planning Neighborhoods: The Planning Neighborhoods consist of 37 neighborhoods and came from the 1990s real estate definition of neighborhoods. The Planning Neighborhoods are used for the neighborhood notification system. Since the 1990s the neighborhoods have been divvied up to match the common real estate boundaries and other neighborhood boundaries have also changed. These do not match census tract boundaries and, these boundaries are not codified in the Planning Code.

Planning Districts: There are 15 Planning Districts, not including Treasure Island, in the City. These Districts do include Golden Gate Park and the Presidio though no data is reported for those Districts in the Housing Element because there are no housing units produced in these Districts. These Districts were established in the late 1960s and the names of the districts are rather general and are not neighborhoods and function more like areas of the City. In general, these boundaries follow census tracts with a few exceptions. These boundaries are not codified in the Planning Code.

City Analysis Neighborhoods: The Department of Public Health and the Mayor's Office of Housing and Community Development with support from the Planning Department created these 41 neighborhoods using common real estate and residents' definitions and census tract boundaries for the purpose of providing consistency in the analysis and reporting of socio-economic data, demographic data, and data on City-funded programs and services. They are not codified in Planning Code.

Table 1: Evaluation Criteria for Neighborhood Preference Geography

Geography	Number of Geographic Subdivisions	Evenness of Household Population	Variation of Race/Ethnicity	Size of Smallest Neighborhood	Households Excluded from Preference
Supervisorial Districts	11	.3775	.6307	10,495	0
Planning Neighborhoods	37	.8963	1.2790	157	65,842
Planning Districts*	17	.6744	.9278	6,791	67,376
City Analysis Neighborhoods**	41	.8580	1.2373	20	22,976

Evenness of Household Population: Measures the variation in the number of households between geographic subdivisions: the lower the number, the more even the subdivisions.

Variation of Race/Ethnicity: Measures the variation in the number of households by race/ethnicity between geographic subdivisions: the lower the number, the more even the subdivisions.

Size of the Smallest Neighborhood: Identifies the number of households in the smallest geographic subdivision. The smaller the number of households the less likely neighborhood participation rate will meet 20%.

Households Excluded from Preference: Enumerates the estimated number of households that would not be eligible for a neighborhood preference for 100% affordable and inclusionary housing that is projected to be completed by 2020.

Table 2: Evaluation Matrix of Neighborhood Preference Percentage

	25% Preference		50% Preference		
Geography	Four-Fifths Analysis		Four-Fifths Analysis	Standard Deviation	
		Analysis		Analysis	

^{*}There are 16 Planning Districts. An additional subdivision was added to include Treasure Island.

^{**} Golden Gate Park is an identified neighborhood, but was excluded because there is no household population.

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Supervisorial Districts	0% (0)	2% (1)	52% (23)	13% (7)
Planning Neighborhoods	0% (0)	3% (5)	58% (83)	23% (41)
Planning Districts	0% (0)	4% (3)	56% (38)	21% (18)
City Analysis Neighborhoods	0% (0)	3% (5)	53% (84)	22% (43)

Four-Fifth Analysis: Assesses whether a selection rate for a minority race/ethnic group is less than four-fifths (80%) of the rate for the largest race/ethnic group. A selection rate that is less than four-fifths will generally be regarded as evidence of adverse impact. The tests evaluate, for each geographic sub division, potential access to housing for five race/ethnic categories against the largest race/ethnic group. The matrix enumerates the percentage and the number of tested rates that fall below 80%.

Standard Deviation Analysis: Measures the mathematical probability that a nonbiased selection system would produce any fluctuation observed between the actual results and the predicted result for each geographic sub division for five race/ethnic categories. Results greater than two to three standard deviations indicate a possible discriminatory outcome. Matrix enumerates the percentage and the number of geographic subdivisions greater than 3 standard deviations.

The Mayor's Office of Housing and Community Development evaluated a neighborhood preference against four criteria (evenness of household population, variation of race/ethnicity, size of smallest neighborhood, and the number of households that would be excluded from the preference) and two preference percentages (25% and 50%) using four geographic boundaries: Supervisorial Districts, Planning Neighborhoods, Planning Districts, and City Analysis Neighborhoods. Of the four evaluated geographies, Supervisorial Districts performed better for all four evaluated criteria and for each preference percentage tested. Supervisorial Districts have a more even number of households between geographic subdivisions, the least variation in race/ethnicity, and population sizes that best support active neighborhood participation. Furthermore, a preference applied to Supervisorial districts will not exclude households from benefitting from a neighborhood preference, as would be the case in all of the other geographic areas tested. With a 25% preference percentage, Supervisorial Districts result in no race/ethnic group being selected at rate of less than four-fifths (80%) of the rate for the largest race/ethnic group and is the preference definition least likely to result in a biased selection system. Additionally, unlike the other geographies analyzed, Supervisorial Districts are codified in the City Charter through a community process that considers equal population; voting rights act compliance; contiguity; preservation of recognized neighborhoods; preservation of communities of interest; and compactness.

RECOMMENDATION:

Approve with Recommendations

Attachments:

Exhibit A: Draft Resolution Exhibit B: BOS File No. 150622

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September 29, 2015

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Dear Commissioners:

On September 29, 2015, Mayor Lee introduced the following substitute legislation:

File No. 150622

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The proposed ordinance is being transmitted pursuant to Planning Code Section 302(b) for public hearing and recommendation. The ordinance is pending before the Land Use and Transportation Committee and will be scheduled for hearing upon receipt of your response.

Angela Calvillo, Clerk of the Board

By: Andrea Ausberry, Assistant Clerk Land Use and Transportation Committee

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REFERRAL PC (150622 Version 2) - Administrative, Planning Codes - Preferences in

Affordable Housing Programs

Attachments:

150622-2 PC.pdf

Good Afternoon,

Attached is a referral for BOS File No. 150622, which is being referred to the Planning Commission for public hearing and recommendation. Please forward the Commission's response as soon as it is available.

Thank You.

Sent on behalf of Andrea. Ausberry@sfgov.org, Assistant Clerk, Land Use and Transportation Committee.

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Major, Erica (BOS)

From:

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Sent:

Tuesday, September 29, 2015 2:27 PM

To:

Jones, Sarah (CPC)

Cc:

Ausberry, Andrea; Navarrete, Joy (CPC); Poling, Jeanie (CPC)

Subject:

REFERRAL ER (150622 Version 2) - Administrative, Planning Codes - Preferences in

Affordable Housing Programs

Attachments:

150622-2 ER.pdf

Greetings:

Attached is a referral for the Planning Department's environmental review. Please forward your determination to <u>Andrea.Ausberry@sfgov.org</u> as soon as possible.

Thank you in advance.

(Sent on behalf of Andrea Ausberry, Assistant Clerk, Land Use and Transportation Committee)

Erica Major Assistant Committee Clerk

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MEMORANDUM

TO:

Delene Wolf, Executive Director, Rent Board

Olson Lee, Director, Mayor's Office of Housing and Community Development Bevan Dufty, Director, Housing Opportunity, Partnerships and Engagement

Theo Miller, Director, HOPE SF

FROM:

Andrea Ausberry, Assistant Clerk, Land Use and Transportation Committee,

Board of Supervisors

DATE:

September 29, 2015

SUBJECT:

SUBSTITUTE LEGISLATION INTRODUCED

The Board of Supervisors' Land Use and Transportation Committee has received the following substitute legislation, introduced by Mayor Lee on September 22, 2015:

File No. 150622

Ordinance amending the Administrative Code to clarify existing preferences in allocating City affordable housing units first to Certificate of Preference holders and second to tenants evicted under the Ellis Act, create a third preference for residents in the neighborhood where the affordable housing is located, create additional categories of eligible displaced tenants, and provide for preference to displaced tenants from the Neighborhood; to make conforming amendments to provisions of the Administrative and Planning Codes; to affirm the Planning Department's determination under the California Environmental Quality Act; and to make findings of consistency with the General Plan, and the eight priority policies of Planning Code, Section 101.1.

If you have any additional comments or reports to be included with the file, please forward them to me at the Board of Supervisors, City Hall, Room 244, 1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place, San Francisco, CA 94102.

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Eugene Flannery, Mayor's Office of Housing and Community Development Sophie Hayward, Mayor's Office of Housing and Community Development Dee Schexnayder, Housing Opportunity, Partnerships and Engagement Christine Keener, Housing Opportunity, Partnerships and Engagement Barbara Amaro, HOPE SF

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From:

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Tuesday, September 29, 2015 2:26 PM

To:

Wolf, Delene (RNT); Lee, Olson (MYR); Dufty, Bevan (DSS); Miller, Theodore (MYR); Miller,

Theodore (MYR)

Cc:

Flannery, Eugene (MYR); Hayward, Sophie (MYR); Schexnayder, Dee (MYR); Keener,

Christine (MYR); 'barbara.amaro@sfgov.org'; Ausberry, Andrea

Subject:

REFERRAL FYI (150622 Version 2) - Administrative, Planning Codes - Preferences in

Affordable Housing Programs

Attachments:

150622-2 - FYI.pdf

Greetings:

This matter is being forwarded to your department for informational purposes. If you have any comments or reports to be included with the file, please forward them to Andrea.Ausberry@sfgov.org at the Board of Supervisors, City Hall, Room 244, 1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place, San Francisco, CA 94012.

Thank You.

Sent on behalf of Andrea Ausberry, Assistant Clerk, Land Use and Transportation Committee.

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Office of the Mayor San Francisco



EDWIN M. LEE Mayor

TO:

Angela Calvillo, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

FROM:

Mayor Edwin M. Lee NE

RE:

Substitute Ordinance - File No. 150622 - Administrative, Planning Codes -

Preferences in Affordable Housing Programs

DATE:

September 22, 2015

Attached for introduction to the Board of Supervisors is a substitute ordinance amending the Administrative Code to clarify existing preferences in allocating City affordable housing units first to Certificate of Preference holders and second to tenants evicted under the Ellis Act, create a third preference for residents in the neighborhood where the affordable housing is located, create additional categories of eligible displaced tenants and provide for preference to displaced tenants from the Neighborhood, and make conforming amendments to provisions of the Administrative and Planning Codes; to affirm the Planning Department's determination under the California Environmental Quality Act; and to make findings of consistency with the General Plan and the eight priority policies of Planning Code Section 101.1.

Please note that this item is co-sponsored by Supervisors Christensen, Cohen, Breed and Wiener.

I respectfully request that this item be calendared in Land Use Committee on October 26th, 2015.

Should you have any questions, please contact Nicole Elliott (415) 554-7940.

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