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1 [Administrative Code - Safe Sleeping Sites Program]

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3 **Ordinance amending the Administrative Code to require the Department of**  
4 **Homelessness and Supportive Housing to establish a Safe Sleeping Sites Program to**  
5 **provide unsheltered persons with a safe place to sleep overnight; and affirming the**  
6 **Planning Department's determination under the California Environmental Quality Act.**

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13 subsections or parts of tables.

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

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14 Section 1. Environmental Findings.

15 The Planning Department has determined that the actions contemplated in this  
16 ordinance comply with the California Environmental Quality Act (California Public Resources  
17 Code Sections 21000 et seq.). Said determination is on file with the Clerk of the Board of  
18 Supervisors in File No. 201187 and is incorporated herein by reference. The Board affirms  
19 this determination.

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21 Section 2. General Findings.

22 (a) San Francisco has struggled with homelessness for nearly four decades. Since  
23 the 1980's, successive mayoral administrations have implemented different and sometimes  
24 divergent strategies to address the City's most enduring crisis.

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1 (b) In 1982, Mayor Dianne Feinstein launched a network of church-based  
2 emergency winter shelters and soup kitchens. In the late 1980s and early 1990s, Mayor Art  
3 Agnos took a different approach, unveiling the “Beyond Shelter” plan to provide unhoused  
4 people access to supportive services and a pathway to long-term housing. In 1990, Mayor  
5 Agnos opened the City’s first two Multi-Service Centers, which were homeless shelters with  
6 onsite mental health and substance use disorder services.

7 (c) In 1993, Mayor Frank Jordan instituted the Matrix Program which tasked police  
8 officers accompanied by social workers or health aides with clearing unhoused people from  
9 City streets and connecting them to services. In the first six months of the program, police  
10 issued over 6,000 citations for quality-of-life misdemeanors, such as public inebriation or  
11 sleeping in doorways. In 1992, voters approved Mayor Jordan’s Proposition J, which banned  
12 aggressive panhandling. Voters also approved Mayor Jordan’s 1994 ballot measure, also  
13 named Proposition J, which banned loitering within 30 feet of an automated teller machine for  
14 more than one minute.

15 (d) After his election in 1996, Mayor Willie Brown declared homelessness  
16 unsolvable at a local level, and insisted any measurable improvement would require state and  
17 federal dollars to fund the housing and services needed to keep people off the streets. During  
18 his two terms in office, Mayor Brown’s administration nonetheless added thousands of units of  
19 affordable and subsidized housing, including leasing and renovating single room occupancy  
20 hotels for low-income and unhoused people.

21 (e) Prior to his election as Mayor in 2004, as a member of the Board of Supervisors,  
22 Gavin Newsom authored a 2002 ballot measure, entitled “Care Not Cash,” which reduced  
23 City-funded General Assistance cash payments to unhoused people, and redirected the  
24 savings to fund services and supportive housing. According to a 2008 City Controller’s audit,  
25 the Care Not Cash program housed 2,127 people between its implementation in 2003 and

1 December 2007. The Department of Homelessness and Supportive Housing (“HSH”)  
2 estimates that Care Not Cash led to the creation of 1,300 units of permanent supportive  
3 housing.

4 (f) In 2004, Mayor Newsom introduced his “Ten Year Plan to Abolish Chronic  
5 Homelessness,” which proposed to create 3,000 units of permanent supportive housing by  
6 2010, and to replace shelters with 24-hour crisis clinics and sobering centers. By 2014, the  
7 City was still 300 units shy of the 3,000 pledged units, and had reduced the number of  
8 shelters beds by a third, from 1,910 beds in 2004 to 1,145 beds in 2014.

9 (g) Mayor Newsom authored two additional voter-approved ballot measures aimed  
10 at responding to homelessness: Proposition M in 2003, which amended the City’s  
11 panhandling and loitering bans, and Proposition L in 2010, which made it illegal to sit or lie on  
12 sidewalks citywide from 7am to 11pm.

13 (h) Mayor Ed Lee oversaw the opening of the City’s first Navigation Center in 2015,  
14 and in 2016 created HSH, pledging to spend at least \$1 billion over the next four years to  
15 address homelessness. Mayor Lee directed implementation of the City’s Coordinated Entry  
16 system, seeking to improve the coordination of services by consolidating the dozens of City-  
17 funded homeless service groups into one system with a shared database. In the winter of  
18 2017, shortly before his death, Mayor Lee pledged to move 1,000 unhoused people off the  
19 streets, and open two more Navigation Centers.

20 (i) Today, nearly four decades after Mayor Feinstein first attempted to respond to  
21 rising homelessness in San Francisco, the issue continues to vex the City. According to the  
22 Homeless Point-in-Time Count conducted on January 24, 2019, more than 8,035 people were  
23 experiencing homelessness at that time, a 17% increase from 2017. Among those surveyed,  
24 5,180 were unsheltered, with 86% of unsheltered individuals sleeping outdoors in streets,  
25 parks or tents. According to a database of homeless individuals who use health care and



1 other services, the number of people experiencing homelessness over the course of a year is  
2 estimated to be much higher than the number of people who experience homelessness on a  
3 given night, with estimates that more than 17,500 people experience homelessness in San  
4 Francisco during a given year.

5 (j) During those same four decades, San Francisco has earned an international  
6 reputation for the severity of its homelessness crisis, with widespread reports of the City's  
7 street conditions appearing in media outlets around the world. In January 2017, Leilani Farha,  
8 a United Nations Special Rapporteur on adequate housing, issued a report finding that San  
9 Francisco's response to its unhoused population constitutes cruel and inhumane treatment,  
10 and is a violation of international human rights law including laws establishing the rights to life,  
11 housing, health and water and sanitation. Her report further stated "[T]he scope and severity  
12 of the living conditions in informal settlements make them one of the most pervasive violations  
13 of the human rights of dignity, security, health and life worldwide."

14 (k) San Francisco voters expressed their own dissatisfaction with the current state  
15 of homelessness in a Dignity Health CityBeat Poll conducted in January 2020. 71% of San  
16 Francisco voters identified homelessness and street conditions as the top issue facing the  
17 City, and 89% stated that homelessness and street behavior had gotten worse in the past few  
18 years.

19 (l) The COVID-19 pandemic and the City's Shelter in Place response exacerbated  
20 street conditions and contributed to an increase in the number of tent encampments citywide,  
21 with large numbers of unhoused people seeking shelter in neighborhoods throughout the City.  
22 This was at least partly due to a 75% reduction in available shelter beds, and a halt on new  
23 admissions to the shelter system in the early days of the pandemic, in compliance with  
24 guidance from the Centers for Disease Control requiring social distancing in the City's  
25 homeless shelters, thus necessitating a decrease in the shelter capacity. This reduction in

1 shelter capacity is estimated to have forced nearly 1,000 unhoused people to return to City  
2 streets. From January to May 2020, the number of tents citywide increased by 71%.

3 (m) Although encampments increased across the City during Shelter in Place, the  
4 increase and related impacts were felt more severely in neighborhoods where homelessness  
5 was most acute prior to COVID-19. In the Tenderloin, the number of tents increased 285%  
6 between January and May 2020.

7 (n) On May 4, 2020, UC Hastings Law School filed a lawsuit on behalf of a group of  
8 Tenderloin residents and business owners over conditions in the neighborhood. As part of a  
9 settlement, the City agreed to achieve a 70% reduction in the number of tents by July 20,  
10 2020. By July 3, 2020, the number of tents in the Tenderloin decreased by 65%. By July 10,  
11 2020, the City reduced the number of tents in the Tenderloin by over 73%. As of August 18,  
12 2020, the City had moved 87% of tents from the Tenderloin, and placed more than 600 people  
13 into Shelter in Place (SIP) hotels or other shelter. Since the Hastings lawsuit, three other  
14 lawsuits have been filed against the City. These lawsuits, except one filed by a plaintiff  
15 proceeding in propria persona, have been dismissed.

16 (o) Following the issuance of new guidance from the Department of Public Health  
17 (“DPH”) regarding street encampments, the City’s Healthy Streets Operations Center began  
18 resolving encampments in other neighborhoods as well, subject to the availability of  
19 alternative placements.

20 (p) Notwithstanding such efforts, conditions on our streets remain unacceptable.  
21 While some progress has been made in parts of the City, many thousands of people continue  
22 to sleep in unregulated, unsafe encampments without access to basic services such as water,  
23 food, sanitation, or bathrooms.

24 (q) As demonstrated by the summary of mayoral initiatives above, the reality that  
25 thousands of individuals remain without homes or shelter is not for lack of effort or investment

1 in solutions by the City. Since 2004, San Francisco has housed 26,000 homeless people.  
2 Today, the City has more than 8,000 units of permanent supportive housing which house  
3 approximately 10,000 formerly homeless individuals every night who would otherwise be  
4 homeless.

5 (r) Since 2015, the City's development of the Navigation Center model has  
6 represented a significant expansion of shorter-term shelter as well. Navigation Centers are  
7 unlike traditional emergency shelters because they are service-intensive and low-barrier, and  
8 provide case management, meals, showers, laundry, and 24-hour access, and allow guests to  
9 bring their partners, pets, and belongings.

10 (s) Since 2015, HSH has opened eight Navigation Centers, four of which are  
11 currently operating. According to HSH, from the launch of Navigation Centers in 2015 through  
12 the end of 2019, 48% of Navigation Center exits were either to permanent housing or  
13 reunifications with family or friends through the Homeward Bound program. Over 5,000 clients  
14 have been served at Navigation Centers from 2015 to December 2019.

15 (t) In October 2018, Mayor Breed announced a commitment to open at least 1,000  
16 additional shelter beds, including Navigation Center beds, by the end of 2020. Prior to the  
17 outbreak of the coronavirus pandemic, the City was close to meeting this goal, and anticipates  
18 opening 880 of the proposed 1,000 beds by March 2021.

19 (u) In November 2018, the voters approved Proposition C ("Prop. C"), creating a  
20 new gross receipts tax on high-grossing companies estimated to generate over \$300 million  
21 annually for homeless housing and services. In June 2020, a state appeals court upheld a  
22 lower court decision validating Prop. C, and on September 9, the California Supreme Court  
23 denied further legal review, freeing up nearly \$500 million in revenue that had been collected  
24 but remained unspent pending resolution of the litigation.

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1 (v) During Shelter in Place, the City has acquired over 2,441 SIP hotel rooms to  
2 provide shelter to homeless individuals determined to be medically vulnerable to COVID-19.  
3 The cost of providing a hotel room is approximately \$260 per person per night, although the  
4 City anticipates that 75% of costs may be reimbursed by the Federal Emergency  
5 Management Agency.

6 (w) On September 29, the Board of Supervisors enacted the Fiscal Year 2020-21  
7 budget, which includes funding for the acquisition or leasing of an additional 1,500 permanent  
8 supportive housing units over the next two years, largely funded through Prop. C revenue.  
9 These units, proposed in Mayor Breed's Homelessness Recovery Plan, represent the largest  
10 one-time expansion of permanent supportive housing in San Francisco in 20 years. The  
11 budget for HSH increased from \$367,690,818, in Fiscal Year 2019-20, to \$850,065,660, for  
12 Fiscal Year 2020-21, with the bulk of the increase paying for Shelter in Place hotel rooms and  
13 new permanent supportive housing units.

14 (x) San Franciscans are justifiably frustrated that after multiple decades and many  
15 billions of dollars of investment in additional shelter bed capacity, hotel placements, and  
16 permanent supportive housing units, thousands of unsheltered people continue to sleep on  
17 the streets night after night, and that the City relies on residential neighborhoods to serve as  
18 campsites of last resort for unhoused people, including individuals struggling with significant  
19 behavioral health conditions and substance use disorders.

20 (y) The Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals in a case entitled Martin v. City of Boise, 902  
21 F.3d 1031 (9th Cir. 2018), held that the Eighth Amendment's prohibition on cruel and unusual  
22 punishment bars a city from criminally prosecuting people for sleeping on public property  
23 when those persons have committed no offenses other than sleeping on public property, and  
24 the city has not offered alternative shelter.

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1 (z) Notwithstanding the many investments described above, San Francisco has  
2 never established a comprehensive citywide strategy for meeting the shelter needs of the  
3 unhoused. Safe sleeping sites offer a potential strategy for addressing the needs of  
4 thousands of people who continue to suffer outside every night.

5 (aa) Safe sleeping sites are designated and officially sanctioned outdoor spaces for  
6 unsheltered people, providing an organized area to stay with access to amenities and  
7 services that may include handwashing stations, bathrooms, daily meals, social services, and  
8 access to the City's Coordinated Entry System.

9 (bb) Safe sleeping sites offer a scalable and sustainable strategy for addressing the  
10 needs of those people who continue to shelter outside every night and for whom the City does  
11 not have an available housing unit or shelter available.

12 (cc) On May 8, 2020 the Board of Supervisors unanimously enacted Resolution 191-  
13 20, urging the City to establish safe sleeping sites for unsheltered people, to encourage social  
14 distancing, improve sanitation, and slow the spread of COVID-19.

15 (dd) Subsequent to introduction of Resolution 191-20, on May 5, 2020 Supervisors  
16 Sandra Lee Fewer and Gordon Mar introduced legislation authorizing the use of San  
17 Francisco park property for temporary shelter and other measures in response to the COVID-  
18 19 pandemic, and directed the Recreation and Park Department ("RPD") to provide to the  
19 Board of Supervisors with a list of potential locations for such uses. RPD and the Real Estate  
20 Division submitted a list of 42 potential sites. The sponsors tabled the legislation on May 18,  
21 2020.

22 (dd) On May 13, 2020, the City established its first sanctioned and supervised safe  
23 sleeping site on Fulton Street between the Asian Art Museum and the Main Library, which  
24 provides space for safely distanced tents, 24/7 access to bathrooms and handwashing  
25 stations, daily meals, and health care services. As of October 14, 2020, the City has opened

1 six Safe Sleeping Sites, five of which are active. In total, the active Safe Sleeping sites  
2 provide a place to sleep to approximately 213 unhoused individuals. Safe sleeping sites are a  
3 proven model providing safe places to sleep and access to services for unhoused individuals  
4 who were otherwise unable to access housing, shelter or services. However, the HSH Fiscal  
5 year 2020-21 Budget includes funding for only 150 safe sleeping site placements, with funding  
6 decreasing to just 50 placements in 2021-22.

7 (ff) Because the City's safe sleeping sites provide outdoor space with socially  
8 distanced areas for sleeping, access to sanitation and bathrooms, and 24/7 onsite security,  
9 guests are at lower risk of contracting and spreading COVID-19 than in congregate shelters  
10 where guests sleep in confined indoor spaces close to others, or unregulated encampments  
11 where there is little access to sanitation and no enforcement of social distancing.

12 (gg) Safe sleeping sites are a preferred option of unhoused people. According to a  
13 survey of 584 unhoused individuals conducted by the Coalition on Homelessness between  
14 June 3 and August 30, 2020, 58% of unhoused people surveyed prefer a "legal free campsite"  
15 to existing shelters.

16 (hh) Because the City lacks sufficient capacity in the shelter system or adequate  
17 housing alternatives to accommodate the thousands of people still living in tent encampments,  
18 far too many unhoused people continue to seek shelter on the streets. By establishing a  
19 network of safe sleeping sites so that every unsheltered person who is unable to access a  
20 shelter bed or housing unit can be offered a placement, San Francisco can ensure that all  
21 unhoused people have a safe place to spend the night, and no neighborhood's sidewalks  
22 need serve as shelter of last resort.

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24 Section 3. The Administrative Code is hereby amended by adding Chapter 118,  
25 consisting of Sections 118.1 to 118.8, to read as follows:

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2 **CHAPTER 118:**  
3 **SAFE SLEEPING SITES**  
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5 **SEC. 118.1. TITLE.**

6 *This ordinance shall be known as “A Place for All Ordinance.”*  
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8 **SEC. 118.2. SAFE SLEEPING SITE POLICY.**

9 *It shall be the policy of the City and County of San Francisco (“City”) to ensure that every*  
10 *person experiencing homelessness in San Francisco has a safe place to sleep overnight. First and*  
11 *foremost, the City is committed to expanding opportunities for safe, affordable, and permanent housing*  
12 *for all residents. To supplement permanent housing, the City is committed to expanding opportunities*  
13 *for people experiencing homelessness to have temporary shelter, including but not limited to,*  
14 *Navigation Centers, adult emergency shelters, crisis stabilization units, family shelters, and shelters for*  
15 *transitional aged youth (“TAY”). To the extent that there is insufficient permanent housing and*  
16 *temporary shelter for people experiencing homelessness in San Francisco, it shall be the policy of the*  
17 *City to expeditiously establish and operate a network of temporary Safe Sleeping Sites where*  
18 *individuals may safely take shelter for the night, and to provide transportation as reasonably needed to*  
19 *and from such locations.*  
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21 **SEC. 118.3. ESTABLISHMENT OF THE SAFE SLEEPING SITES PROGRAM.**

22 *(a) Subject to the budgetary aid fiscal provisions of the Charter, the Department of*  
23 *Homelessness and Supportive Housing (“HSH”) shall establish a Safe Sleeping Sites Program (the*  
24 *“Program”). By no later than 18 months after the Effective Date, the City shall have opened as many*  
25 *Safe Sleeping Sites as are necessary to accommodate all of the Unsheltered people in San Francisco*

1 who are willing to accept a referral to such sites, based on the most recent estimate prepared by HSH  
2 pursuant to Section 118.5, with such excess capacity as HSH reasonably determines may be necessary  
3 to ensure that a space at a Safe Sleeping Site will generally be available for anyone accepting such  
4 placement.

5 (b) HSH shall coordinate with the Division of Real Estate, the Recreation and Park  
6 Department, the Human Services Agency, the Port of San Francisco (“Port”), the Public Utilities  
7 Commission (“PUC”), the Municipal Transportation Agency (“MTA”), and such other City  
8 departments, offices, agencies, boards, and commissions as may be necessary or appropriate for  
9 successful implementation of the Program.

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11 **SEC. 118.4. DEFINITIONS.**

12 As used in this Chapter 118, the following words or phrases shall mean:

13 “City” means the City and County of San Francisco.

14 “Effective Date” means the effective date of the ordinance in Board File No. 201187, enacting  
15 this Chapter 118

16 “Safe Sleeping Site” means an outdoor lot or facility meeting the operational requirements set  
17 forth in Section 118.7, as may be applicable, where Unsheltered individuals may sleep overnight in  
18 their own tent or bedding and may access services.

19 “Unsheltered” means having a primary nighttime residence that is a public or private place not  
20 designed for or ordinarily used as a regular sleeping accommodation for human beings, including a  
21 car, park, abandoned building, bus or train station, airport, or camping ground.

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23 **SEC. 118.5. ANNUAL ESTIMATE OF THE NUMBER OF UNSHELTERED PEOPLE.**

24 Within 60 days of the Effective Date, and every year thereafter, HSH shall prepare an estimate  
25 of the number of Unsheltered people in San Francisco who are willing to accept a referral to a Safe



1 Sleeping Site, which estimate shall be used to determine the number of Safe Sleeping Sites that the City  
2 is required to operate, consistent with Section 118.3. HSH shall calculate the estimate in collaboration  
3 with the Controller, using the most accurate and current data sources available, including but not  
4 limited to the Point-in-Time Homeless Count, tent counts, and data collected and maintained by HSH  
5 and other City departments reflecting the rate of acceptance of referrals to Safe Sleeping Sites among  
6 people who are offered such placement.

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8 **SEC. 118.6. SURVEY OF REAL PROPERTY.**

9 (a) The Director of Real Estate shall conduct a survey of real property in the City to identify  
10 lots appropriate for use as Safe Sleeping Sites, and shall submit the findings of such survey to the  
11 Board of Supervisors no later than three months after the Effective Date. The survey shall include  
12 vacant or unused sites owned or controlled by the City; sites owned or controlled by the City that are  
13 being used for other purposes but could feasibly be converted to a Safe Sleeping Site; private property,  
14 including property owned by non-City agencies, that could be leased or acquired by the City; and such  
15 other information, if any, as the Director of Real Estate deems appropriate to aid in identifying lots as  
16 intended by this Section 118.6. As part of the survey, the Director of Real Estate, in consultation with  
17 the Planning Department, shall note whether the use of a particular lot as a Safe Sleeping Site would  
18 require a variance, conditional use permit, or amendment of the Planning Code.

19 (b) The Director of Real Estate shall annually update the survey of real property required  
20 by subsection (a) and shall submit such updated survey to the Board of Supervisors.

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22 **SEC. 118.7. OPERATIONAL REQUIREMENTS.**

23 (a) **Applicability of Requirements.** The location of a facility or lot on property under the  
24 jurisdiction of the MTA, PUC, or the Port requires the approval of the agency with jurisdiction over the  
25 property.

1 (b) **Operational Requirements for Safe Sleeping Sites.** Each Safe Sleeping Site shall:

2 (1) Accommodate up to 150 Unsheltered individuals;

3 (2) Prepare and implement a Safety Plan to ensure that the site is safe and secure;

4 (3) Prepare and implement an Intake Plan designed to support Unsheltered people  
5 and address street encampments;

6 (4) Prepare and implement an Exit Plan to assist clients who are exiting the site to  
7 relocate to places other than the street;

8 (5) Provide access to clean and regularly-serviced bathroom facilities, and may also  
9 provide access to showers;

10 (6) Be open and available for use during hours to be established by HSH, but at a  
11 minimum shall be open from 8:00 p.m. to 8:00 a.m.

12 (c) **Transportation.** HSH shall ensure that transportation is provided between Safe Sleeping  
13 Sites and designated HSH shelter reservation sites, access points, and other designated pick-up/drop-  
14 off locations to persons who have been assigned a reservation at a Safe Sleeping Site by HSH or its  
15 designee, and shall provide expanded pick-up/drop-off service during wet weather events and  
16 emergency conditions. For purposes of this subsection (c), “transportation” shall not include bus or  
17 light rail service operated for public transportation by the MTA.

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19 **SEC. 118.8. IMPLEMENTATION.**

20 (a) The Director of HSH may issue rules, regulations, and/or guidelines, applicable to the  
21 Program, consistent with the objectives and requirements of this Chapter 118.

22 (b) To the extent consistent with Charter requirements, the Director of HSH may enter into  
23 contracts or other agreements with other City departments, public agencies, and private entities to aid  
24 in the administration of this Chapter 118.

1           (c) All City officers and entities shall cooperate with the Director of HSH in the  
2 implementation and administration of this Chapter 118.

3           (d) Within 60 days of the Effective Date, HSH shall submit to the Mayor and the Board of  
4 Supervisors a plan to open enough Safe Sleeping Sites to serve 500 Unsheltered people within nine  
5 months of the Effective Date, and enough Safe Sleeping Sites to meet the requirements set forth in  
6 Section 118.3 within 18 months of the Effective Date (“Implementation Plan”). The Implementation  
7 Plan shall include, but not necessarily be limited to:

8                   (1) An estimate of the cost of implementing the Safe Sleeping Sites program during  
9 the 18-month implementation period, and the annual cost of operating the Program once it is fully  
10 operational. These estimates shall specify what portion of the costs, if any, can be paid for out of  
11 money that has already been appropriated to HSH’s budget, and what portion of the costs would  
12 require a new appropriation;

13                   (2) An analysis of the cost-effectiveness of different Safe Sleeping Site models;

14                   (3) A description of any services to be provided on the site of a Safe Sleeping Site,  
15 including but not limited to case management, treatment referrals, and/or coordinated entry referrals;

16                   (4) A description of any accommodations that may be provided at some or all of the  
17 Safe Sleeping Sites, such as but not limited to cots, tents, pods, tuff sheds, and/or tiny homes.

18                   (5) A description of the method by which HSH intends to select contractors or  
19 grantees to implement and/or operate the Safe Sleeping Sites Program.

20           (e) Within two years of the Effective Date and annually thereafter, the Controller shall  
21 submit to the Mayor and the Board of Supervisors, as well as HSH, a report evaluating the Program,  
22 including an assessment of the number of Unsheltered persons served, the number of safe sleeping  
23 spaces made available, the average nightly occupancy rate for each Safe Sleeping Site, and data  
24 showing the number and percentage of exits from Safe Sleeping Sites that are made to permanent  
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1 housing, shelter, the streets, or another location, and any programmatic recommendations, along with  
2 a resolution to accept the report.

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4 Section 4. Effective Date. This ordinance shall become effective 30 days after  
5 enactment. Enactment occurs when the Mayor signs the ordinance, the Mayor returns the  
6 ordinance unsigned or does not sign the ordinance within ten days of receiving it, or the Board  
7 of Supervisors overrides the Mayor's veto of the ordinance.

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9 Section 5. Undertaking for the General Welfare. In enacting and implementing this  
10 ordinance, the City is assuming an undertaking only to promote the general welfare. It is not  
11 assuming, nor is it imposing on its officers and employees, an obligation for breach of which it  
12 is liable in money damages to any person who claims that such breach proximately caused  
13 injury.

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15 APPROVED AS TO FORM:  
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19 Deputy City Attorney

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## LEGISLATIVE DIGEST

[Administrative Code - Safe Sleeping Sites Program]

**Ordinance amending the Administrative Code to require the Department of Homelessness and Supportive Housing to establish a Safe Sleeping Sites Program to provide unsheltered persons with a safe place to sleep overnight; and affirming the Planning Department’s determination under the California Environmental Quality Act.**

### Existing Law

Currently, there is no law requiring the City to operate outdoor sites where unsheltered people may sleep overnight and receive access to services.

### Amendments to Current Law

The proposed ordinance, known as the “A Place for All Ordinance,” would establish that it is the policy of the City and County of San Francisco (“City”) to expeditiously establish and operate a network of temporary Safe Sleeping Sites where individuals may safely take shelter for the night, and would require the Department of Homelessness and Supportive Housing (“HSH”) to establish a Safe Sleeping Sites Program.

Subject to the budgetary and fiscal provisions of the Charter, and within 18 months of the effective date of the ordinance, HSH would be required to open as many Safe Sleeping Sites as are necessary to accommodate all of the unsheltered people in San Francisco who are willing to accept a referral to such sites, with such excess capacity as may be necessary to ensure that a space at a Safe Sleeping Site shall generally be available for anyone accepting such placement. HSH would conduct an annual estimate of the number of unsheltered people willing to accept referral to a site to inform the number of Safe Sleeping Sites that must be opened.

Once opened, Safe Sleeping Sites would be required to accommodate up to 150 unsheltered individuals; prepare and implement a safety plan, intake plan, and exit plan; provide access to clean and regularly-serviced bathrooms; and be open and available for use from at least 8:00 p.m. to 8:00 a.m. In addition, HSH would be required to provide private transportation between Safe Sleeping Sites and designated HSH shelter reservation sites, access points, and other designated pick-up/drop-off locations to persons who have been assigned a reservation at a Safe Sleeping Site.

### Background Information

As of January 2019, more than 8,035 people in San Francisco were experiencing homelessness. 5,180 of these individuals were unsheltered, 86% of whom were sleeping outdoors in streets, parks or tents.

The COVID-19 pandemic and the City's Shelter in Place response exacerbated street conditions and contributed to an increase in the number of tent encampments citywide, with large numbers of unhoused people seeking shelter in neighborhoods throughout the City. This was at least partly due to a 76% reduction in available shelter beds, and a halt on new admissions to the shelter system in the early days of the pandemic, in compliance with guidance from the Centers for Disease Control requiring social distancing in the City's homeless shelters, thus necessitating a decrease in the shelter capacity. This reduction in shelter capacity is estimated to have forced nearly 1,000 unhoused people to return to City streets. From January to May 2020, the number of tents citywide increased by 71%.

On May 13, 2020, the City established its first sanctioned and supervised safe sleeping site on Fulton Street between the Asian Art Museum and the Main Library, which provides space for safely distanced tents, 24/7 access to bathrooms and handwashing stations, daily meals, and health care services. As of October 14, 2020, the City has opened six safe sleeping sites, five of which are active. In total, the active safe sleeping sites provide a place to sleep to approximately 213 unhoused individuals.

Safe sleeping sites are a preferred option of unhoused people. According to a survey of 584 unhoused individuals conducted by the Coalition on Homelessness between June 3 and August 30, 2020, 58% of unhoused people surveyed prefer a "legal free campsite" to existing shelters.

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<b>Item 11</b> <b>File 20-1187</b>	<b>Department:</b> Homelessness and Supportive Housing
<b>EXECUTIVE SUMMARY</b>	
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Legislative Objectives</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The proposed ordinance would establish the Safe Sleeping Sites Program, to be administered by the Department of Homelessness &amp; Supportive Housing (HSH), to provide a sufficient number of outdoor sites to offer outdoor accommodation to people experiencing homelessness desiring access to dedicated Safe Sleeping Sites.</li> </ul> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Key Points</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The COVID Command Center currently operates six Safe Sleeping Villages, which in addition to the above services, provide clients with meals and access to medical and social services. The average cost of operating a Safe Sleeping Village is \$193 per person per night.</li> <li>• Unlike Safe Sleeping Villages currently operated by the COVID Command Center, the proposed ordinance does not require provision of on-site clinical, medical, or social services. We estimate the average cost of operating a limited-service Safe Sleeping Site is \$93 per person per night.</li> <li>• HSH has stated the potential number of persons that could need accommodations at these sites could be as low as 500, and as high as 5,000 based on available data.</li> </ul> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Fiscal Impact</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The estimated annual cost of operating limited-service Safe Sleeping Sites for 500 people would be \$16.9 million. The estimated annual cost of operating a full-service Safe Sleeping Village for 500 people is \$34.7 million. One-time costs for site preparation of existing Safe Sleeping Villages were \$50,000 to \$299,124 per site.</li> <li>• The cost estimates do not include transportation to sites, which is required by the proposed legislation, or departmental staffing requirements.</li> </ul> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Policy Consideration</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• According to COVID-19 Command Center (CCC) staff, the Safe Sleep Village model is an effective model that meets program goals of providing safe places for occupants and neighborhoods. However, CCC staff expressed concerns regarding the limited-service model discussed above for Safe Sleeping Sites, noting that one limited-service site was closed, and another, on Jones Street, has been converted to a hybrid Safe Sleeping Village/Site service model due to neighborhood concern.</li> </ul> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Recommendations</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Request the Department of Homelessness and Supportive Housing and the COVID Command Center provide details to the Board of Supervisors within sixty days on Safe Sleeping Program costs and a process to control costs.</li> <li>• Approval of the proposed ordinance is a policy matter for the Board of Supervisors.</li> </ul>	

## MANDATE STATEMENT

City Charter Section 2.105 states that all legislative acts shall be by ordinance, approved by a majority of the members of the Board of Supervisors.

## BACKGROUND

According to the 2019 San Francisco Point-in-Time Count, the City had 8,035 persons experiencing homelessness in 2019, of which 5,180 were unsheltered. In response to the COVID-19 pandemic, the City has reduced shelter capacities and established the COVID-19 Alternative Shelter Program including the Shelter in Place (SIP) program (hotels and a trailer site), congregate shelter and Safe Sleep. There are currently six active Safe Sleep Programs operated by the COVID Command Center.

### Existing Safe Sleeping Program

In response to the need for social distancing to limit the spread of COVID-19, the Department of Emergency Management (DEM) (as part of the Emergency Operations Center) set up the Safe Sleeping Program, consisting of *Safe Sleep Sites* and *Safe Sleeping Villages*. *Safe Sleep Sites* were smaller sites that provided 24/7 security, a port-a-potty, a washing station, and garbage removal services. In contrast to *Safe Sleeping Villages*, *Safe Sleeping Sites* were not staffed by a services provider, and had no on-site food services, or access to clinical and social services. *Safe Sleep Sites* typically included less than 20 marked tent spaces separated by at least six feet, in accordance with CDC recommendations to reduce risk of COVID transmission. The COVID-19 Command Center has closed one *Safe Sleep Site* and has converted the Jones site into a hybrid Site/Village type model due to safety issues and opposition from neighborhood residents.

*Safe Sleeping Villages* provide 24/7 staffing by a service provider with experience working with people experiencing homelessness. Staff ensures a safe environment, monitor and record entrances and exits of all site residents, and conduct regular check-ins with site occupants. Residents are provided with behavioral health and harm reduction services, access to medical attention, food and water, as well on on-site bathrooms, showers, charging stations, and garbage service.

The COVID-19 Command Center has been able to sustain six *Safe Sleeping Village* locations noted below in Table 1.



**Table 1: Annualized Operating Cost of Existing Safe Sleeping Villages**

	Jones	Fulton	Stanyan	South Van Ness	Jennings	Gough	Total
CBOs	\$1,086,906	\$4,033,867	\$842,070	\$2,981,209	\$1,251,757	\$3,179,855	\$12,288,758
Meal	n/a	\$1,496,413	\$607,803	Incl. above	Incl. above	\$725,571	\$2,829,788
Shower/Toilet	n/a	\$305,781	\$256,211	\$139,512	\$30,421	\$396,300	\$1,128,225
Utilities/Other	\$16,140	\$355,188	\$202,877	\$176,352	\$33,372	\$58,332	\$842,261
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$1,103,046</b>	<b>\$6,191,249</b>	<b>\$1,908,961</b>	<b>\$3,297,073</b>	<b>\$1,315,550</b>	<b>\$4,360,058</b>	<b>\$18,175,937</b>
Tent Capacity	15	108	40	33	22	44	<b>262</b>
<b>Cost per tent per night</b>	<b>\$201</b>	<b>\$157</b>	<b>\$131</b>	<b>\$274</b>	<b>\$164</b>	<b>\$271</b>	<b>\$190</b>

Source: HSH

Note: Utilities/Other includes trash collection. CBO refers to non-profit social service providers. Meal costs are included at South Van Ness and Jennings site through the CBO provider. Total costs do not include one-time set-up or demobilization costs or CCC/HSH administrative costs.

As shown above, the annualized cost of the six Safe Sleeping Programs is approximately \$18.2 million, or \$190 per night per tent. According to Ms. Emily Cohen, HSH Interim Director of Strategy and External Affairs and Ms. Dylan Schneider, HSH Manager of Policy and Legislative Affairs, the existing Safe Sleep contracts were negotiated by the Emergency Operations Center, and then by the COVID Command Center. As of this writing, Safe Sleep Villages have been operating for more than nine months. According to HSH, start-up costs for each site ranged from \$50,000 to \$299,124 per site. These costs are for construction work usually done by Department of Public Works.

## DETAILS OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION

The proposed ordinance would amend the Administrative Code to make it City policy that all persons experiencing homelessness have a safe place to sleep. The proposed ordinance would establish the Safe Sleeping Sites Program, to be administered by the Department of Homelessness & Supportive Housing (HSH), to provide a sufficient number of outdoor sites to offer outdoor accommodation to people experiencing homelessness desiring access to dedicated Safe Sleeping Sites.

Transportation will be offered from the sleeping sites to HSH shelter reservation sites, Access Points, and “other pickup/drop off locations.”

### Projected Need

HSH will need to provide forward-looking estimates of the number of persons who are likely to become homeless in the coming year. The results of the bi-annual Point in Time Counts of homeless persons are typically available in June of the same year. This data would be used along with other data sources including the quarterly tent and vehicle count conducted by the Healthy Streets Operations Center (HSOC). Additional analysis would need to be conducted to develop a

metric to inform the rate of acceptance of these sites as required in the proposed legislation. However, the Department currently estimates the proposed program could require outdoor accommodation to be provided to as low as 500 and to upwards to 5,000 individuals based on the 2019 count of unsheltered count.

To determine the number of outdoor lots that must be procured, HSH and the Controller's Office are required to prepare, within 60 days following passage of the proposed ordinance and annually, an estimate of the number of people experiencing homelessness that would be willing to accept a referral to a Safe Sleeping Site.

### **Site Procurement**

The Department of Real Estate will oversee site identification and acquisition, which may be publicly or privately owned. To assist in meeting the capacity mandate, the Department of Real Estate is directed to conduct a survey of real property in the City, and report to the Board of Supervisors within three months the number of actual or potentially feasible sites, and estimates of site procurement costs. The survey of property would be updated annually. Utilization of any land or sites with improvements owned by Municipal Transportation Agency, San Francisco Public Utilities Commission, and the Port will require approval by the governing commissions for these entities.

No information is presently available as the availability of locations that could provide appropriate sites for setting up these Safe Sleeping Sites, or the cost of site procurement.

### **Operating Requirements**

Section 118.7 of the proposed ordinance requires all Safe Sleeping Sites accommodate up to 150 persons, provide access to bathrooms, ensure safety, as well as intake and exit planning, and to be open 8pm to 8am. The proposed ordinance also requires HSH to provide transportation between shelter reservation sites, access points, and other designated pick-up/drop-off locations.

Unlike Safe Sleeping Villages currently operated by the COVID Command Center, the proposed ordinance does not require provision of on-site clinical, medical, or social services.

### **Implementation**

Within sixty days, HSH shall submit a plan to the Mayor and to the Board of Supervisors for opening Safe Sleeping Sites to accommodate 500 people within nine months and a plan to open sufficient sites to be able to accept all persons that HSH estimates would desire to relocate into Safe Sleeping Sites with an appropriate tent space within two years. The legislation requires the plan to include cost estimates.

### **Reporting**

The proposed ordinance would require HSH to report on the effectiveness of the program within two years and then annually thereafter.

## Pending Amendments

We have reviewed amendments to the legislation that may be proposed at the April 21, 2021 Budget & Finance Committee. The primary modifications introduced into the operating requirements include the provision of a disability access plan, access to harm reduction services, and provision of on-site personal protective equipment and disinfection of common surfaces. In addition, the sites would have to provide access electricity, garbage services, and showers.

The amendments also lengthen the time by which HSH must prepare and submit the implementation plan from 60 to 120 days subsequent to the passage of the proposed ordinance. HSH will be mandated to conduct an analysis to determine which models appear most effective, clarify and standardized CBO contracting procedures, develop a geographical plan for site location and community outreach strategies.

## FISCAL IMPACT

As noted in Table 1 above, the average cost of a Safe Sleeping Village is \$190 per tent per night, excluding one-time capital costs. Table 2 presents an estimate the more scaled down Safe Sleeping Site model required by the proposed ordinance. To create the estimate, we have removed CBO expense, and included a separate line estimate for private security services.

Estimates in Table 2 below do not include transportation costs or harm reduction and other possible on-site support required by the amendments to the legislation, noted above, and which would increase total costs. Based on these assumptions, the estimated cost of the more stripped-down implementation would be \$93 per tent per night (or \$2,778 per person per month).

**Table 2: Estimates Safe Sleeping Site model**

	Jones	Fulton	Stanyan	South Van Ness	Jennings	Gough	Total
Security*	\$394,200	\$2,838,240	\$1,051,200	\$867,240	\$578,160	\$1,156,320	\$6,885,360
Harm Reduction**	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Shower/Toilet	n/a	\$305,781	\$256,211	\$139,512	\$30,421	\$396,300	\$1,128,225
Utilities/Other	16,140	\$355,188	\$202,877	\$176,352	\$33,372	\$58,332	\$842,261
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$410,340</b>	<b>\$3,499,209</b>	<b>\$1,510,288</b>	<b>\$1,183,104</b>	<b>\$641,953</b>	<b>\$1,610,952</b>	<b>\$8,855,845</b>
Tent Capacity	15	108	40	33	22	44	262
<b>Cost per tent per night</b>	<b>\$75</b>	<b>\$89</b>	<b>\$103</b>	<b>\$98</b>	<b>\$80</b>	<b>\$100</b>	<b>\$93</b>

Source: BLA based on HSH input.

Notes: Security assumes one guard per 15 tents, at a billing rate of \$45 per hour, based on an existing HSH security guard contract. Estimates above do not include harm-reduction, required by a pending amendment to the legislation, or transportation.

The total annual cost of operating Safe Sleeping Sites according to the minimal requirement of the proposed ordinance (not including transportation, harm reduction and other on-site support) would range from approximately \$16.9 million and \$169 million annually, depending on the

number of persons served, as shown in Table 3. This is approximately one-half of the cost of the current operational models at Safe Sleeping Villages, although the actual numbers could be higher if we were to include transportation, harm reduction, and other limited support services. As noted above, one-time costs for site preparation of existing Safe Sleeping Villages were \$50,000 to \$299,124 per site.

**Table 3: Estimate of Annual Operating Costs**

<b>Capacity</b>	<b>Safe Sleeping Village (HSH Model)</b>	<b>Safe Sleeping Site (File 20-1187)</b>
500 persons	\$34,686,903	\$16,900,468
5,000 persons	\$346,869,029	\$169,004,680

Source: BLA

Note: Safe Sleeping Villages assumes \$190 per person per night, based on existing sites and the Safe Sleeping Site, with fewer services, is based on \$93 per person per night, as discussed above

### **Departmental Staffing Requirements**

HSH estimates that implementing and operating Safe Sleeping Sites for 5,000 individuals and complying with the ordinance's reporting requirements could require hiring nine additional staff. Based on the FY 2020-21 salary schedules, the total annual cost of these positions is \$1,395,245. In addition, the actual staffing needs including additional staff at other City Departments such as Real Estate and others are not yet known. The creation of nine new positions that was estimated by HSH in the HSH's budget to support the Safe Sleeping Sites program would be subject to Board of Supervisors future appropriation approval.

### **Funding Source**

According to HSH, under current federal policy, Safe Sleep Program Sites are classified as congregate shelter, and as such are not eligible for Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) reimbursements. In addition, FEMA funding is likely to be eliminated, or significantly reduced, in FY 2021-22, assuming the U.S. has emerged from the COVID-19 pandemic. Hence the HSH budget will need to absorb the full cost of setting up and operating these Safe Sleeping Sites. Additionally, FEMA funds are only available to safely shelter COVID-vulnerable individuals and not an ongoing source of revenue.

The Board of Supervisors has previously authorized the release of \$49.3 million in Proposition C funds from Budget and Finance Committee reserve to HSH, of which \$25.9 million was designated to fund congregate shelter, Safe Sleep Sites, and shelter provider compensation (File 20-1378). \$232.4 million of Proposition C monies remain on Budget & Finance Committee reserve in FY 2020-21.

## POLICY CONSIDERATION

### Limited-Service Model

According to COVID-19 Command Center (CCC) staff, the Safe Sleep Village model is an effective model that meets program goals of providing safe places for occupants and neighborhoods. However, CCC staff expressed concerns regarding the limited-service model discussed above for Safe Sleeping Sites, noting that one limited-service site was closed, and another, on Jones Street, has been converted to a hybrid Safe Sleeping Village/Site service model due to neighborhood concerns. For this reason, the Board may wish to consider implementing a hybrid, reduced service model as an alternative. However, to date, HSH and CCC have not developed a specific hybrid model proposal.

### Variance in Operating Costs

As shown in Table 1, operating costs for Safe Sleeping Villages vary from \$131 to \$271 per person per night. In an effort to standardize costs, HSH stated it has started to collect and analyze budget and spending information in the interests of finding means to reduce total spending without compromising the provision of on-site services.

### New Program

Because this is a new program for which a funding source has not yet been identified but would likely include General Fund sources, we consider approval of the proposed ordinance to be a policy matter for the Board of Supervisors.

## RECOMMENDATIONS

1. Request the Department of Homelessness and Supportive Housing and the COVID Command Center provide details to the Board of Supervisors within sixty days on Safe Sleeping Program costs and a process to control costs.
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## MEMORANDUM

TO: Abigail Stewart-Kahn, Interim Director, Department of Homelessness and Supportive Housing  
Ben Rosenfield, City Controller

FROM: John Carroll, Assistant Clerk,  
Public Safety and Neighborhood Services Committee,  
Board of Supervisors

DATE: October 28, 2020

SUBJECT: LEGISLATION INTRODUCED

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**Ordinance amending the Administrative Code to require the Department of Homelessness and Supportive Housing to establish a Safe Sleeping Sites Program to provide unsheltered persons with a safe place to sleep overnight; and affirming the Planning Department's determination under the California Environmental Quality Act.**

If you have any 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.

c: Office of Chair Mandelman  
Dylan Schneider, Department of Homelessness and Supportive Housing  
Emily Cohen, Department of Homelessness and Supportive Housing  
Todd Rydstrom, Office of the Controller

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Environmental Review Officer  
Planning Department  
1650 Mission Street, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor  
San Francisco, CA 94103

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This legislation is being transmitted to you for environmental review.

Angela Calvillo, Clerk of the Board

By: John Carroll, Assistant Clerk  
Public Safety and Neighborhood Services Committee

Attachment

c: Devyani Jain, Deputy Environmental Review Officer  
Joy Navarrete, Environmental Planner  
Don Lewis, Environmental Planner

Not defined as a project under CEQA Guidelines Sections 15378 and 15060(c)(2) because it would not result in a direct or indirect physical change in the environment. Any physical projects would require further environmental review.

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*Joy Navarrete*

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TO: Kiely Hosmon, Director, Youth Commission

FROM: John Carroll, Assistant Clerk,  
Public Safety and Neighborhood Services Committee

DATE: October 30, 2020

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RESPONSE FROM YOUTH COMMISSION      Date: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ No Comment  
\_\_\_\_\_ Recommendation Attached

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Chairperson, Youth Commission



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RESPONSE FROM YOUTH COMMISSION      Date: \_\_\_November 2, 2020\_\_\_

\_\_\_ No Comment  
\_X\_ Recommendation Attached

  
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Chairperson, Youth Commission

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## YOUTH COMMISSION MEMORANDUM

**TO:** John Carroll, Clerk, Public Safety and Neighborhood Services Committee  
**FROM:** Youth Commission  
**DATE:** Tuesday, November 2, 2020  
**RE:** Referral response to BOS File No. 201187 - [Administrative Code - Safe Sleeping Sites Program]

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At our **Monday, November 2, 2020, meeting**, the Youth Commission voted to take no position on the following motion:

**No position on BOS File No. 201187 - [Administrative Code - Safe Sleeping Sites Program]**

The Youth Commissioners voted to include the following questions, comments, and recommendations:

### Questions:

- What is the long-term goal of this legislation to bridge the needs of houseless folks? Similarly, are these encampments just because of the pandemic or a longer term strategy?
- How is this related, or does it include, other places homeless people sleep (for example, homeless people using their vehicles)?
- How does this incorporate taking care of not only physical safety but also mental and emotional safety?
- What other/alternative plans do they have to provide resources at the sites?
- How is the need of housing included in this legislation?
- What percentage of people in Safe Sleeping Sites are Transitional Aged Youth (TAY) and how does this compare to the general TAY population experiencing homelessness?
- Since many Safe Sleeping Sites have been opened in the last 6 months why is there a slowing of urgency when the COVID-19 pandemic is still happening?
- Why is public transportation not available for those using Safe Sleeping Sites?

### Recommendations:

- Using data, specific targets should be set based on the number of TAY in Safe Sleeping Sites so TAY needs aren't excluded
- There should be clear links to coordinated entry and be explicit on how this is connected to the coordinated entry as well as
- Be explicit and intentional with connecting TAY in Safe Sleeping Sites to TAY specific services since their needs are different than adults

**Comments:**

- The Youth Commission advises the legislative sponsors to expand their idea of what this legislation could be. As there was no legislative expert from a sponsoring office to speak on this legislation, the Youth Commission posed concerns of the long-term sustainability.
- The broad sentiment from the Youth Commission is that this seems “bare minimum” and there was overall concern that there was nothing mentioned on TAY specific population and their needs.
- In general, more intentional focus is needed not only on TAY specific resources and support but also more emphasis on resources and support as a response to a global pandemic (PPE/masks, etc.) to keep this particular population safe and healthy.

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Youth Commissioners thank the Board of Supervisors for their attention to this issue. If you have any questions, please contact our office at (415) 554-6446, or your Youth Commissioner.



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Nora Hylton, Chair  
Adopted on November 2, 2020  
2020-2021 San Francisco Youth Commission

President, District 7  
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**Norman Yee**

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**PRESIDENTIAL ACTION**

Date:

To: Angela Calvillo, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

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Madam Clerk,

Pursuant to Board Rules, I am hereby:

Waiving 30-Day Rule (Board Rule No. 3.23)

File No.

(Primary Sponsor)

Title.

Transferring (Board Rule No 3.3)

File No.

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Title.

From:

Committee

To:

Committee

Assigning Temporary Committee Appointment (Board Rule No. 3.1)

Supervisor:

Replacing Supervisor:

For:

Meeting

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End Time:

Temporary Assignment: Partial

Full Meeting

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Norman Yee, President  
Board of Supervisors

**From:** [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#)  
**To:** [BOS-Supervisors](#)  
**Cc:** [Calvillo, Angela \(BOS\)](#); [Somera, Alisa \(BOS\)](#); [Ng, Wilson \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)  
**Subject:** FW: Support for "A Place for All" Legislation  
**Date:** Wednesday, April 14, 2021 4:48:10 PM

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**Cc:** info@rescuesf.org

**Subject:** Support for "A Place for All" Legislation

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Dear Supervisors:

"**A Place for All**", sponsored by Supervisor Raphael Mandelman, provides a platform for ending street sleeping. It proposes a City policy to shelter all who will accept it. It also requires the City to develop enough safe and healthy off-street interim shelter placements (Safe Sleeping Sites) for those willing to come in from the streets.

Over 70% of San Francisco voters identified homelessness and street conditions as the City's top issue. "**A Place for All**" closes the gap in shelter needed to end street sleeping by offering a safe, managed site for shelter. We urgently need this alternative as a first step out of homelessness.

While I live in District 8, I have worked and volunteered City-wide for many issues that help poor people and marginalized communities. "**A Place for All**" for All" alone will not *solve* our homeless problems but this and other creative ideas are necessary to tackle this issue.

I urge you to support "A Place for All" (File #201187).

Thank you,

*Pattie Tamura*

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District 8

**From:** [Susan Cholette](#)  
**To:** [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Melgar, Myrna \(BOS\)](#); [MelgarStaff \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#); [info@rescuesf.org](mailto:info@rescuesf.org)  
**Subject:** letter of support for "A Place for All" (File #201187)  
**Date:** Friday, April 9, 2021 11:37:44 AM

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Dear Mr. Peskin and all other Supervisors,

I urge you to support "A Place for All" (File #201187). "A Place for All", sponsored by Supervisor Rafael Mandelman, provides a platform for ending street sleeping. It proposes a City policy to shelter all who will accept it. It also requires the City to develop enough safe and healthy off-street interim shelter placements for those who will accept them. In my neighborhood- North Beach- we are seeing more tents in this past year, along with piles of poop.

I stand with the 70% of San Francisco voters who identified homelessness and street conditions as our City's top issue. "A Place for All" closes a gap in shelter needed to end street sleeping by offering a safe, managed site for shelter. We need this alternative as a first step out of homelessness.

I urge you to support "A Place for All" (File #201187.) Thank you.

Susan Cholette  
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**From:** [David Swanson](#)  
**To:** [Chan, Connie \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Melgar, Myrna \(BOS\)](#); [MelgarStaff \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#)  
**Cc:** [info@rescuesf.org](mailto:info@rescuesf.org)  
**Subject:** Subject: Please support "A Place For All" legislation (File #201187)  
**Date:** Saturday, April 10, 2021 2:48:36 PM

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Thank you,

David Swanson  
3841 20th Street  
San Francisco, CA 94114

**From:** [zrants](#)  
**To:** [Breed, Mayor London \(MYR\)](#)  
**Cc:** [info@rescuesf.org](#); [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [MandelmanStaff, \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Melgar, Myrna \(BOS\)](#); [ChanStaff \(BOS\)](#)  
**Subject:** Please support "A Place for All" legislation  
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April 10,2021

Supervisors,

Re: Support "A Place for All" legislation

We understand that Supervisor Rafael Mandelman's legislation, "A Place for All" proposes a City policy to shelter all who will accept it, and requires the City to develop enough safe and healthy off-street interim shelter sites ("Safe Sleeping Sites, SSS) for those who will accept them. We also understand that there is a requirement for completion and adoption of the plan.

We urge you to support this bill when it comes before the committees and when it comes to the full board. We support this action that requires urgency in producing a plan by setting a deadline date. We need to make this a priority to the departments involved to act on.

Sincerely,

Mari Eliza, with CSFN, EMIA and RescueSF, but speaking as an individual



**From:** [Jim Anaya](#)  
**To:** [Chan, Connie \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Melgar, Myrna \(BOS\)](#); [MelgarStaff \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#)  
**Cc:** [info@rescuesf.org](mailto:info@rescuesf.org)  
**Subject:** Please support "A Place For All" legislation (File #201187)  
**Date:** Sunday, April 11, 2021 5:52:04 PM

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I urge you to support “A Place for All” (File #201187).

Thank you,

James Anaya  
1 Dolores Terrace  
San Francisco, CA 94110

**From:** [H](#)  
**To:** [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#)  
**Subject:** Please support "A Place For All" legislation (File #201187)  
**Date:** Sunday, April 11, 2021 6:19:40 PM

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Thank you,

Deborah Anaya  
1 Dolores Terrace  
San Francisco, CA 94115

**From:** [H](#)  
**To:** [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Melgar, Myrna \(BOS\)](#); [MelgarStaff \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#)  
**Subject:** Please support " A Place for All"  
**Date:** Sunday, April 11, 2021 6:24:01 PM

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1 Dolores Terrace  
San Francisco, CA 94115

**From:** [Frances Gorman](#)  
**To:** [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Melgar, Myrna \(BOS\)](#); [MelgarStaff \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#); [Lori Brooke](#)  
**Subject:** Please support "A Place for All" (File #201187)  
**Date:** Monday, April 12, 2021 11:37:48 AM

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I live on Franklin Street, between Union and Filbert, in Supervisor Stephani's District 2. Thank you, Supervisor Stephani, for all you are doing in our area, however, our City has not been able properly to address this issue. I still have people openly sleeping on our sidewalk, and sometimes in our building doorway. Most have mental issues, and deserve compassion and care.

Surveys have shown that over 70% of San Francisco voters identified homelessness and street conditions as the City's top issue. I certainly consider it my top issue. A Place for All is a practical and feasible solution to ending street sleeping in a compassionate way by offering a safe, managed site for shelter.

I urge you to support "A Place for All" (File #201187.) this important first step in solving our homelessness crisis.

Respectfully,

Frances Gorman  
Cow Hollow (District 2) resident since 1974  
415-519-0148  
[francesgorman@gmail.com](mailto:francesgorman@gmail.com)

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**From:** [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#)  
**To:** [BOS-Supervisors](#); [BOS-Legislative Aides](#); [BOS-Administrative Aides](#)  
**Cc:** [Calvillo, Angela \(BOS\)](#); [Somera, Alisa \(BOS\)](#); [Ng, Wilson \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)  
**Subject:** FW: I urge you to support "A Place for All" (File #201187)  
**Date:** Tuesday, April 13, 2021 10:29:00 AM

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**From:** Gary Pegueros <garypegueros@sbcglobal.net>

**Sent:** Monday, April 12, 2021 11:18 PM

**To:** Stefani, Catherine (BOS) <catherine.stefani@sfgov.org>; Peskin, Aaron (BOS) <aaron.peskin@sfgov.org>; Mar, Gordon (BOS) <gordon.mar@sfgov.org>; Preston, Dean (BOS) <dean.preston@sfgov.org>; Haney, Matt (BOS) <matt.haney@sfgov.org>; Melgar, Myrna (BOS) <myrna.melgar@sfgov.org>; MelgarStaff (BOS) <melgarstaff@sfgov.org>; Mandelman, Rafael (BOS) <rafael.mandelman@sfgov.org>; Ronen, Hillary <hillary.ronen@sfgov.org>; Walton, Shamann (BOS) <shamann.walton@sfgov.org>; Safai, Ahsha (BOS) <ahsha.safai@sfgov.org>; Chan, Connie (BOS) <connie.chan@sfgov.org>; Board of Supervisors, (BOS) <board.of.supervisors@sfgov.org>; Rescuesf Info <info@rescuesf.org>

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I urge you to support "A Place for All" (File #201187.)

Thank you.

Gary Pegueros  
1 Federal Street #21  
San Francisco CA 94107

(Supervisor District 6)

**From:** [Arlene Singer](#)  
**To:** [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#); [MelgarStaff \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Chan, Connie \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary](#); [info@rescuesf.org](mailto:info@rescuesf.org); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Melgar, Myrna \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#)  
**Subject:** I urge you to support "A Place for All" (File #201187)  
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I urge you to support "A Place for All" (File #201187.)

Thank you.

[Redacted Signature]

Arlene K Singer  
435 China Basin St, Unit 539  
San Francisco, Ca

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Warm Regards,

Arlene

**From:** [Frish Brandt](#)  
**To:** [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [asha.safai@sfgov.org](mailto:asha.safai@sfgov.org)  
**Cc:** [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#); [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#); [info@rescuesf.org](mailto:info@rescuesf.org)  
**Subject:** Please support "A Place for All" (File #201187)  
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My name is Frish Brandt; I live in the Mission Dolores District 9 for the past 30 years and in San Francisco since November 1974 when I caught a ride from Colorado to San Francisco.

I am a successful business owner based in Union Square for the past 41 years.

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I support A Place for All. For months I shared my front steps with several homeless people. I would knock on my door when I was going to work so that I didn't open the door and step on someone. And then I would clean up their mess.

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It's not too late, but it will be.  
Please support "A Place for All" (File #201187)  
Thank you!



**From:** [Frish Brandt](#)  
**To:** [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#)  
**Cc:** [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#); [info@rescuesf.org](mailto:info@rescuesf.org)  
**Subject:** Please support "A Place for All" (File #201187)  
**Date:** Wednesday, April 14, 2021 9:47:20 AM

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*Frisb Brandt*

*Mission Dolores District*

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**From:** [Barry Alexander](#)  
**To:** [Chan, Connie \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Melgar, Myrna \(BOS\)](#); [MelgarStaff \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#); [info@rescuesf.org](mailto:info@rescuesf.org)  
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Many areas and neighborhoods that used to be safe and vibrant have become off limits to our family and our visitors due to the unsafe and unsanitary conditions created by too many unhoused individuals on our streets.

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I urge you to support “A Place for All” (File #201187.) Thank you.

Barry Alexander  
Noe Valley, District 8

**From:** [Frish Brandt](#)  
**To:** [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#)  
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*Mission Dolores District*

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**From:** Gary Pegueros <garypegueros@sbcglobal.net>

**Sent:** Monday, April 12, 2021 11:18 PM

**To:** Stefani, Catherine (BOS) <catherine.stefani@sfgov.org>; Peskin, Aaron (BOS) <aaron.peskin@sfgov.org>; Mar, Gordon (BOS) <gordon.mar@sfgov.org>; Preston, Dean (BOS) <dean.preston@sfgov.org>; Haney, Matt (BOS) <matt.haney@sfgov.org>; Melgar, Myrna (BOS) <myrna.melgar@sfgov.org>; MelgarStaff (BOS) <melgarstaff@sfgov.org>; Mandelman, Rafael (BOS) <rafael.mandelman@sfgov.org>; Ronen, Hillary <hillary.ronen@sfgov.org>; Walton, Shamann (BOS) <shamann.walton@sfgov.org>; Safai, Ahsha (BOS) <ahsha.safai@sfgov.org>; Chan, Connie (BOS) <connie.chan@sfgov.org>; Board of Supervisors, (BOS) <board.of.supervisors@sfgov.org>; Rescuesf Info <info@rescuesf.org>

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1 Federal Street #21  
San Francisco CA 94107

(Supervisor District 6)



**From:** [Sigrid Schafmann](#)  
**To:** [Chan, Connie \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Melgar, Myrna \(BOS\)](#); [MelgarStaff \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#)  
**Cc:** [info@rescuesf.org](mailto:info@rescuesf.org)  
**Subject:** Please support "A Place For All" legislation (File #201187)  
**Date:** Thursday, April 8, 2021 11:50:32 AM

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I urge you to support "A Place for All" (File #201187) if the **following conditions are met:**

- **Existing funds are used** ( the city has hundreds of millions of dollars earmarked for the homeless but there is no accountability, and new NPO pop up to get a share of the funds. The spending increases, but the problem remains. San Francisco's generous policies actually attract homeless people from other jurisdictions.

- They are **not in residential neighborhoods** resulting in the homeless wandering the nearby streets where families live.

the city is filthy enough and plagued by petty crime that goes unchecked if less than \$1,000 per occurrence, without the homeless creating more blight). You would not put these places in the middle of Pacific Heights, Russian Hill, Sea Cliff, or the Marina. Please don't dump the sites on other neighborhoods either. The Haight certainly does not need more homeless people.

- There is 24-hr supervision and cleaning around the sites.

- **Are mandatory**

The homeless with the most serious mental health/ drug problems often are unwilling to accept help because they are too far gone and can no longer make healthy decisions for themselves. The NGO advocating the the severely mentally ill to have the right to do whatever they want, and further spiral into irreversible mental illness (e.g. Coalition for the Homeless), including refusal of treatment, are at the root of the never ending homelessness problem. People with

mental illness/ drug addiction deteriorate over time to the point where brain structures are altered permanently due to a lack of treatment. This is not a question of free will or civil rights, but failure to act as a society to help people who can't help themselves. This is what tourist around the world see when they come to San Francisco: a society that believes withholding care to helpless people under the pretense of free will

If these provisions are not part of the current bill, I urge you to have them added or File #201187 will just be another bill without the ability to address underlying causes.

**We need to see clear results that correspond to the monies spent!**

Thank you,

Sigrid Schafmann  
District 5

**From:** [Catherine Madison](#)  
**To:** [Chan, Connie \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Melgar, Myrna \(BOS\)](#); [MelgarStaff \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#); [info@rescuesf.org](mailto:info@rescuesf.org)  
**Subject:** I urge you to support "A Place for All" (File @201187)  
**Date:** Thursday, April 8, 2021 7:46:41 AM

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I urge you to support "A Place for All" (File #201187.)

Thank you,  
Catherine Madison

**From:** [david@xtremefoodies.com](mailto:david@xtremefoodies.com)  
**To:** [Chan, Connie \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Melgar, Myrna \(BOS\)](#); [MelgarStaff \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#); [info@rescuesf.org](mailto:info@rescuesf.org)  
**Cc:** ["Masood Samereie"](#); ["Brian Springfield"](#)  
**Subject:** Heroic Italian and the Bullitt family urge you to support "A Place for All" (File #201187).  
**Date:** Wednesday, April 7, 2021 10:55:51 AM

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I have lived in District 8 for almost 15 years (20 in SF) and I opened Heroic Italian in the Castro this past Dec at the peak of the pandemic. Over the past 20 years I have watched our city degrade due to ineffective policies. Some highlights:

1. Arriving early to see a show with my wife downtown and taking a stroll down Market street looking for a place to grab a drink. A gentleman starts to urinate in the middle of the sidewalk...not a tree or wall...middle of the sidewalk...we turned around and waited inside for the show to start: We no longer arrive early for a show. This is lost sales to local business
2. My business has been open for 4 months- I have cleaned up needles twice, human feces 4 times, vomit once and now keep the door locked until we open at 11:30 so that I don't have to worry about people walking in- yes we have a team to clean the streets but that's a band aid not the solution. I am not excited about opening for breakfast even though it seems to be a possible business opportunity
3. Not sure of his name yet but the gentleman who wears army gear and stands at the corner of Castro and 18<sup>th</sup> screaming at everyone is not a nice experience. If it wasn't for the fact that I have a Black Belt and know self-defense I would be concerned walking by the guy.
4. Parklets are an amazing addition to the city but many of them become evening homes. Several on 18<sup>th</sup> street are regular heroin huts now. I don't want to sit to eat in a parklet that might not have been properly cleaned up after one of these nights.

A Place for All might not be a perfect solution but it at least is a positive 1<sup>st</sup> step and worth trying out. The simple fact that you can't move someone without offering them a home is ludicrous but this is an elegant solution to getting people off the street and into some sort of health place to stay. You can't flat out say NO to this proposal unless you have another solution that is better. I am all ears in hearing solutions, but have not heard of a better one yet.

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We urge you to support "A Place for All" (File #201187.)

Thank you.

**David Bullitt**

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**From:** [Matt Marquess](#)  
**To:** [Chan, Connie \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Melgar, Myrna \(BOS\)](#); [MelgarStaff \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#); [info@rescuesf.org](mailto:info@rescuesf.org)  
**Subject:** I urge you to support "A Place for All" (File #201187).  
**Date:** Wednesday, April 7, 2021 10:51:02 AM

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Some of the things that have happened to me personally in the last 6 months:

Be threatened with actual weapons twice (this had never to be before in the Castro, although I know it sometimes happens). I'm struggling sleeping now because of it.

- Start a block safety program with SFPD because I witnessed or heard of two separate incidents where elderly neighbors were chased into our building. One with a 2x4. He is also on video throwing a 2x4 at someone's car shattering the rear window. What if that were my neighbor's head?
- Deal with ongoing harassment from people in my driveway 24/7
- Call 911 so many times, I can't even count. There was only one other time in my life where I had to call 911
- Start carrying pepper spray with me wherever I go
- Be potentially exposed to COVID-19 because none of these folks who we cannot avoid do not ever wears masks or take any precautions to keep us all safe
- Witness a domestic violence assault and a very intense physical assault- both less than 50 feet from my window
- Watch a wall get lit in fire also less than 50 feet from my window. The call to 911 sent a truck but they didn't even stop to check out the tent abs reported "no merit"?! You can still see the burn marks on the wall.
- Clean poop off the street on a daily basis because the city doesn't have resources to respond
- Spend endless amount of personal time, money, city resources, on these problems

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I urge you to support "A Place for All" (File #201187.) Thank you.

Matt Marquess

**From:** [Chris Fitzsimons](#)  
**To:** [Chan, Connie \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Melgar, Myrna \(BOS\)](#); [MelgarStaff \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#)  
**Subject:** A place for all, #201187  
**Date:** Wednesday, April 7, 2021 8:41:55 AM

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Dear Supervisors,

I have lived in SF my 65 years and am saddened by the state of our homeless situation. I reside one block off Golden Gate Park and experience first hand homeless individuals in varied states of distress regularly. With a city as expensive as ours, with high tax rates and multiple resources that we vote for nearly every election, it is incomprehensible that we still cannot remedy this situation.

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I urge you to support "A Place for All" (File #201187).

Thank you,

Chris Fitzsimons

**From:** [David Lehr](#)  
**To:** [David Lehr](#)  
**Cc:** [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Melgar, Myrna \(BOS\)](#); [MelgarStaff \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#); [info@rescuesf.org](mailto:info@rescuesf.org)  
**Subject:** A Place for All" (File #201187)  
**Date:** Tuesday, April 6, 2021 5:41:31 PM

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I urge you to support “A Place for All” (File #201187.) Thank you.

David Lehr, District 2 San Francisco



**From:** [Peter DiGiammarino](#)  
**To:** [Chan, Connie \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Melgar, Myrna \(BOS\)](#); [MelgarStaff \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#); [info@rescuesf.org](mailto:info@rescuesf.org)  
**Subject:** I urge you to support "A Place for All" (File #201187)  
**Date:** Tuesday, April 6, 2021 5:16:29 PM

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I urge you to support "A Place for All" (File #201187.)

Thank you.

PeterD

[Peter DiGiammarino](#)

District 1  
768 Funston Ave  
San Francisco, CA 94118

**From:** [Linda Carlson](#)  
**To:** [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#)  
**Cc:** [info@rescuesf.org](mailto:info@rescuesf.org)  
**Subject:** Please support "A Place for All" Legislation (File # 201187)  
**Date:** Monday, April 5, 2021 6:16:40 PM

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May I add that I personally, on behalf of my church, Dolores Park Church, regularly bring donated items to the site at 1515 South Van Ness. I can attest to how safe, well-managed it is, the professionalism of the on-site staff there, and the appreciation expressed by the residents at the site.

I urge you all to **please** support "A Place for All" (File #201187).

Thank you,

Regards,

*Linda Carlson*  
Resident, 8th Supervisorial District  
San Francisco  
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**From:** [David Troup](#)  
**To:** [Chan, Connie \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Melgar, Myrna \(BOS\)](#); [MelgarStaff \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#)  
**Cc:** [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#)  
**Subject:** Please support "A Place For All" legislation (File #201187)  
**Date:** Monday, April 5, 2021 4:02:19 PM

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I urge you to support "A Place for All" (File #201187).

Thank you,

David Troup

2224 15th St  
San Francisco, CA 94114  
415-861-0920

**From:** [Roland Jadryev](#)  
**To:** [Chan, Connie \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Melgar, Myrna \(BOS\)](#); [MelgarStaff \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#)  
**Subject:** A Place for All  
**Date:** Monday, April 5, 2021 3:54:55 PM  
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I urge you to support “A Place for All” (File #201187).

Thank you,

Roland Jadryev  
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**From:** [GoTlink](#)  
**To:** [Chan, Connie \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Melgar, Myrna \(BOS\)](#); [MelgarStaff \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#)  
**Subject:** YES for "A Place for All"  
**Date:** Monday, April 5, 2021 3:39:16 PM

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Dear Supervisor:

Thank you for supporting "A Place for All". This is a starting point that needs to be taken now, because who knows how long before we have permanent housing built. Thank you George Linke

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I/We urge you to support "A Place for All" (File #201187).

**From:** [Herve Duprez](#)  
**To:** [Chan, Connie \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Melgar, Myrna \(BOS\)](#); [MelgarStaff \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#)  
**Cc:** [info@rescuesf.org](mailto:info@rescuesf.org)  
**Subject:** Please support "A Place For All" legislation (File #201187)  
**Date:** Monday, April 5, 2021 2:47:53 PM

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I/We urge you to support “A Place for All” (File #201187).

Thank you,

Herve' Duprez  
448 Douglass Street  
San Francisco CA 94114

**From:** [Gideon Kramer](#)  
**To:** [Chan, Connie \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Melgar, Myrna \(BOS\)](#); [MelgarStaff \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#)  
**Cc:** [info@rescuesf.org](mailto:info@rescuesf.org)  
**Subject:** Your support for A PLACE FOR ALL (File #201187) is crucial  
**Date:** Monday, April 5, 2021 2:33:52 PM

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**We do not have the luxury of waiting years for more permanent housing for the homeless to be built. A Place For All addresses the problem NOW.**

I and our members urge you to support “A Place for All” (File #201187).

Thank you,

Gideon Kramer  
President, Dorland & Dolores Terrace Neighborhood Association  
District 8

**From:** [Barbara Kelly](#)  
**To:** [Chan, Connie \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Melgar, Myrna \(BOS\)](#); [MelgarStaff \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#)  
**Cc:** [info@rescuesf.org](mailto:info@rescuesf.org)  
**Subject:** Subject: Please support "A Place For All" legislation (File #201187)  
**Date:** Monday, April 5, 2021 1:39:53 PM

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I/We urge you to support "A Place for All" (File #201187).

Thank you,

Barbara Kelly  
Supervisorial District 2



**From:** [Marston & Sandra Nauman](#)  
**To:** [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Melgar, Myrna \(BOS\)](#); [MelgarStaff \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#); "om"  
**Subject:** PLEASE SUPPORT - A PLACE FOR ALL -LEGISLATION (FILE#201187)  
**Date:** Monday, April 5, 2021 12:05:33 PM

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**We urgently need this alternative as a first step out of homelessness. We urge you to support “A PLACE FOR ALL” (File#201187)**

**Thank you.**

**Gerald M. Nauman and Sandra A. Nauman  
1050 Chestnut Street, San Francisco, CA 94109  
Supervisor: Catherine Stefani**

**From:** [Andy Esparza](#)  
**To:** [Chan, Connie \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Melgar, Myrna \(BOS\)](#); [MelgarStaff \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#)  
**Cc:** [info@rescuesf.org](mailto:info@rescuesf.org)  
**Subject:** Please support "A Place For All" legislation (File #201187)  
**Date:** Monday, April 5, 2021 11:16:36 AM

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I urge you to support "A Place for All" (File #201187).

Thank you,

Andres Esparza  
65 Buena Vista Terrace  
San Francisco, CA 94117

Member, Small Property Owners of San Francisco

**From:** [John R Manning](#)  
**To:** [Chan, Connie \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Melgar, Myrna \(BOS\)](#); [MelgarStaff \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#)  
**Cc:** [info@rescuesf.org](mailto:info@rescuesf.org)  
**Subject:** Please support "A Place For All" legislation (File #201187)  
**Date:** Monday, April 5, 2021 10:51:44 AM

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Dear Supervisor:

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Over 70% of San Francisco voters identified homelessness and street conditions as the City's top issue. **A Place for All** closes a gap in shelter needed to end street sleeping by offering a safe, managed site for shelter. We urgently need this alternative as a first step out of homelessness.

I urge you to support "A Place for All" (File #201187).

Thank you,

John R. Manning  
339 Frederick Street  
San Francisco, CA 94117

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**From:** [Carolyn Kenady](#)  
**To:** [Chan, Connie \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Melgar, Myrna \(BOS\)](#); [MelgarStaff \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#); [RescueSF](#)  
**Subject:** I urge you to support "A Place for All" (File #201187).  
**Date:** Friday, April 2, 2021 2:09:57 PM

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To San Francisco Supervisors -

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In my neighborhood, unsanctioned encampments produce blocked sidewalks, litter, open drug use, and crime. We are seeing more deaths and serious health vulnerabilities among those sleeping on our streets without shelter.

Over 70% of San Francisco voters identified homelessness and street conditions as the City's top issue. A Place for All closes a gap in shelter needed to end street sleeping by offering a safe, managed site for shelter. We need safe sleeping sites - the bare minimum when other shelter or housing is not available - to provide a first step out of homelessness.

I urge you to support "A Place for All" (File #201187.) Thank you.

Carolyn Kenady  
Resident, District 8

**From:** [Daniel Bergerac](#)  
**To:** [Chan, Connie \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Melgar, Myrna \(BOS\)](#); [MelgarStaff \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#); [info@rescuesf.org](mailto:info@rescuesf.org)  
**Subject:** Support for "A Place for All"  
**Date:** Friday, April 2, 2021 5:33:12 AM

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**I** urge you to support "A Place for All" (File #201187.) Thank you.

Daniel Bergerac  
Co-Owner Mudpuppy's Tub & Scrub  
Castro CBD Board Member  
Past President Castro Merchants  
Believer in "Doing something different"

**From:** [Major, Erica \(BOS\)](#)  
**To:** [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)  
**Subject:** FW: Please support "A Place For All" legislation (File #201187)  
**Date:** Thursday, April 8, 2021 4:32:54 PM

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Hi Linda,

This was inadvertently submitted to me, sending along for the file.

## ERICA MAJOR

### Assistant Clerk

Board of Supervisors

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**From:** Bill and Katherine <Katt87@pacbell.net>

**Sent:** Monday, April 5, 2021 10:26 AM

**To:** Chan, Connie (BOS) <connie.chan@sfgov.org>; Stefani, Catherine (BOS) <catherine.stefani@sfgov.org>; Peskin, Aaron (BOS) <aaron.peskin@sfgov.org>; Mar, Gordon (BOS) <gordon.mar@sfgov.org>; Preston, Dean (BOS) <dean.preston@sfgov.org>; Haney, Matt (BOS) <matt.haney@sfgov.org>; Melgar, Myrna (BOS) <myrna.melgar@sfgov.org>; MelgarStaff (BOS) <melgarstaff@sfgov.org>; Mandelman, Rafael (BOS) <rafael.mandelman@sfgov.org>; Ronen, Hillary <hillary.ronen@sfgov.org>; Walton, Shamann (BOS) <shamann.walton@sfgov.org>; Safai, Ahsha (BOS) <ahsha.safai@sfgov.org>; Board of Supervisors, (BOS) <board.of.supervisors@sfgov.org>

**Cc:** info@rescuesf.org

**Subject:** Please support "A Place For All" legislation (File #201187)

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I urge you to support "A Place for All" (File #201187).

Thank you,

William Riedstra

Supervisorial District #5

**From:** [Marlayne Morgan](#)  
**To:** [DPH - duncan.ley](#); [cc: Terry McGuire](#); [kcourtney@rhcasf.com](#); [Carol Ann Rogers](#); [james warshell](#); [Robert E. David](#); [matthew mansfield](#); [Eric Lopez](#); [Gail Baugh](#); [Ben Bleiman](#); [Drew McDaniel](#); [lynne newhouse segal](#); [Greg Scott](#); [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#); [Jennifer Laska](#); [Jim Anderson \(jra54449@gmail.com\)](#); [Phil Faroudja](#); [Teresa Schnabel](#); [Colleen Mullins](#); [Mary Gassert](#)  
**Subject:** Fwd: Re. A Place for All (File #201187), Safe Sleeping Sites for Homeless Residents of San Francisco  
**Date:** Friday, April 9, 2021 11:44:15 AM

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Hi All-

For any of you who are interested in sending a personal email or giving testimony on this legislation, here's an opportunity to prepare for the hearing on April 21 from **RescueSF**:

Join us to hear from **Lena Miller of Urban Alchemy** on **Tuesday, April 13** from 12pm - 1pm. [Register Here.](#)

Lena Miller, CEO of Urban Alchemy, has opened and run many shelters - including the pilot Fulton Street Safe Sleeping Village and the Balboa Park Vehicle Triage Center. She'll give first-hand experience about how Safe Sleeping Sites operate and their track record in getting individuals on a path out of homelessness. You're welcome to invite other members of your organization to attend.

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April 9, 2021

Supervisor Matt Haney, Chair  
SF Board of Supervisors  
Budget and Finance Committee

Dear Supervisor Haney:

**Cathedral Hill Neighborhood Association** supports the efforts of **RescueSF**, a city wide organization of residents working on interim and permanent housing solutions for unhoused residents. While we understand that the long term solution for homelessness is permanent housing, we also support safe interim housing for the thousands of homeless individuals that



may remain on city streets for the next several years.

**Cathedral Hill** as well as other Van Ness Corridor neighborhoods has been significantly impacted by Covid related homeless shelter closings and the redistribution of Tenderloin homeless encampments due to the UC Hastings lawsuit in 2020. This redistribution has impacted Van Ness Avenue, Franklin, Gough, Laguna and Webster Streets, Geary Boulevard, Jefferson Park and the Hamilton Recreation Complex. Street sleeping has impacted residences, businesses, pedestrians, bicyclists, parking, access to transit and parks and open spaces.

We support **A Place for All**, Supervisor Mandelman's legislation to expand Safe Sleeping Sites for tents, modular homes and Vehicle Triage Centers. They currently host approximately 300 people who now have safety, stability, and support services for a ladder out of homelessness.

Sanctioned sites benefit both our unhoused and housed residents. Those unhoused have better protection from violence, crime, and health vulnerabilities. Those housed have relief from unsanctioned encampments that block sidewalks, residences and businesses.

While the solution for homelessness is housing, the waiting line cannot be on our streets while unhoused residents slide further into chronic homelessness.

We urge the Budget and Finance Committee to support **A Place for All** on April 21.

Best regards,

/s/

Marlayne Morgan, President  
Cathedral Hill Neighborhood Association

**From:** [Carolyn Kenady](#)  
**To:** [Chan, Connie \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [mryna.melgar@sfgov.org](mailto:mryna.melgar@sfgov.org); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#)  
**Cc:** [RivamonteMesa, Abigail \(BOS\)](#); [lauren.chung@sfgov.org](mailto:lauren.chung@sfgov.org); [Daisy Quan](#); [Mundy, Erin \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#); [<board@doloresheights.org>](mailto:board@doloresheights.org)  
**Subject:** Dolores Heights Improvement Club (DHIC) urges your support for "A Place for All" (File #201187)  
**Date:** Wednesday, March 24, 2021 3:54:14 PM

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To the Supervisors of the San Francisco Board of Supervisors:

The Dolores Heights Improvement Club urges you to support legislation, "A Place for All," (File #201187).

"A Place for All", sponsored by Supervisor Rafael Mandelman, provides a platform for ending street sleeping. It proposes a City policy to shelter all who will accept it. It also requires the City to develop enough safe and healthy off-street interim shelter placements for those who will accept them.

Safe sleeping sites operating for nearly one year are a proven model; they now host approximately 300 people. Their guests have safety, stability, and support services. Moving into a safe sleeping site is a key step on the path out of homelessness. The sites can be cost-effective when they shelter 100+ guests as A Place for All proposes.

Sanctioned sites benefit both our unhoused and housed residents. Those unhoused have better protection from violence, crime, and health vulnerabilities. Those housed have relief from unsanctioned encampments that produce blocked sidewalks, litter, open drug use, and crime. In a January 2020 poll, 71% of San Francisco voters identified homelessness and street conditions as the City's top issue.

While the solution for homelessness is housing, the waiting line cannot be on our streets. SIP hotel occupants have priority for housing. Meanwhile, those on our streets slide further into chronic homelessness.

We urge you to support "A Place for All" (File #201187.) Thank you.

Carolyn Kenady  
Chair, Dolores Heights Improvement Club  
[www.doloresheights.org](http://www.doloresheights.org)

**From:** [Marlayne Morgan](#)  
**To:** [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Chan, Connie \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Melgar, Myrna \(BOS\)](#); [MandelmanStaff, \[BOS\]](#); [hilary.ronen@sfgov.org](mailto:hilary.ronen@sfgov.org); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [DPH - duncan.ley](#); [cc: Terry McGuire](mailto:cc:TerryMcGuire); [kcourtney@rhcasf.com](mailto:kcourtney@rhcasf.com); [Carol Ann Rogers](#); [james warshell](#); [Robert E. David](#); [matthew mansfield](#); [Eric Lopez](#); [Gail Baugh](#); [Ben Bleiman](#); [Drew McDaniel](#); [lynne newhouse segal](#); [Greg Scott](#); [Carolyn Kenady](#); [Lori Brooke](#); [Mark Nagel](#); [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#); [Jennifer Laska](#); [Jim Anderson \(jra54449@gmail.com\)](mailto:JimAnderson(jra54449@gmail.com))  
**Subject:** Fwd: A Place for All" (File #201187).  
**Date:** Friday, April 2, 2021 8:11:26 AM  
**Attachments:** [vncnc APA3.pdf](#)

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Dear Chair Haney;

Please see attached letter from the **Van Ness Corridor Neighborhoods Council**, requesting the Committee's support for **A Place for All" (File #201187)**, at the April 21, 2021 meeting of the Budget and Finance Committee.

Best regards,

Marlayne Morgan and Jim Warshell  
Co-Chairs



VAN NESS CORRIDOR NEIGHBORHOODS COUNCIL

*Cathedral Hill Neighbors Association\* Discover Polk CBD\* Golden Gate Valley Neighborhood Association \* Hayes Valley Neighborhood Association \* Lower Polk Neighbors\* Pacific Heights Residents Association \* Russian Hill Community Association\* Russian Hill Neighbors\* Western SoMa Voice*

April 2 , 2021

Supervisor Matt Haney, Chair  
SF Board of Supervisors  
Budget and Finance Committee

Dear Supervisor Haney:

**The Van Ness Corridor** neighborhoods are actively involved in supporting un-housed San Franciscans. Our neighborhoods span Districts 2, 3, 5 and 6 and host Health Service Providers, Navigation Centers, Safe Sleeping Sites, Temporary Shelters, Permanent Supportive Housing and Shelter in Place hotels.

While we believe the long term solution for homelessness is permanent housing, we know that San Francisco cannot move quickly enough to avoid hundreds if not thousands of people still lacking permanent housing over the next several years.

**A Place for All (APA)**, sponsored by Supervisor Rafael Mandelman, provides a platform for bridging this gap by expanding interim shelter, including safe sleeping sites for tents, modular construction and safe vehicle sites.

**APA** also requires the City to develop enough safe and healthy off-street interim shelter placements for those who will accept them.

Safe sleeping sites operating for nearly one year are a proven model; they now host approximately 300 people. Their guests have safety, stability, and support

services - a key step on their path out of homelessness. The sites can be cost-effective when they shelter 100+ guests as ***A Place for All*** proposes.

Sanctioned sites benefit both our unhoused and housed residents. Those unhoused have better protection from violence, crime, and health vulnerabilities. Those housed have relief from unsanctioned encampments that block sidewalks, residences and businesses.

While the solution for homelessness is housing, the waiting line cannot be on our streets while unhoused residents slide further into chronic homelessness.

We urge you to support "***A Place for All***" (***File #201187***).

Best regards,

/s/

Marlayne Morgan and Jim Warshell  
Co-Chairs, Van Ness Neighborhoods Council\*

\*Russian Hill Neighbors, abstaining

c. Mayor London Breed  
SF Board of Supervisors  
RescueSF

**From:** [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#)  
**To:** [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)  
**Subject:** FW: Please support "A Place For All" legislation (File #201187)  
**Date:** Thursday, April 1, 2021 11:32:05 AM

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**From:** Sam Mogannam <Sam@biritemarket.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, April 1, 2021 5:01 AM  
**To:** Chan, Connie (BOS) <connie.chan@sfgov.org>; Stefani, Catherine (BOS) <catherine.stefani@sfgov.org>; Peskin, Aaron (BOS) <aaron.peskin@sfgov.org>; Mar, Gordon (BOS) <gordon.mar@sfgov.org>; Preston, Dean (BOS) <dean.preston@sfgov.org>; Haney, Matt (BOS) <matt.haney@sfgov.org>; Melgar, Myrna (BOS) <myrna.melgar@sfgov.org>; MelgarStaff (BOS) <melgarstaff@sfgov.org>; Mandelman, Rafael (BOS) <rafael.mandelman@sfgov.org>; Ronen, Hillary <hillary.ronen@sfgov.org>; Walton, Shamann (BOS) <shamann.walton@sfgov.org>; Safai, Ahsha (BOS) <ahsha.safai@sfgov.org>; Board of Supervisors, (BOS) <board.of.supervisors@sfgov.org>  
**Cc:** info@rescuesf.org  
**Subject:** Please support "A Place For All" legislation (File #201187)

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I urge you to support "A Place for All" (File #201187).

Thank you,

Sam Mogannam

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**From:** [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#)  
**To:** [BOS-Supervisors](#)  
**Cc:** [Calvillo, Angela \(BOS\)](#); [Somera, Alisa \(BOS\)](#); [Ng, Wilson \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)  
**Subject:** FW: HOME, HOMELESS, NOW  
**Date:** Wednesday, March 31, 2021 5:00:34 PM

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**From:** Frish Brandt <frishbrandt@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 31, 2021 4:55 PM  
**To:** Board of Supervisors, (BOS) <board.of.supervisors@sfgov.org>  
**Cc:** info@rescuesf.org  
**Subject:** HOME, HOMELESS, NOW

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DEAR BOARD OF SUPERVISORS,

**This city needs YOUR help, YOUR vision.**

We cannot continue to look like the poorest community when we are in fact, one might think, the wealthiest, the most inventive, the most entrepreneurial, the most visionary.

NO ONE should be sleeping on the street, and NO ONE should be stumbling across people sleeping in the street. **Supervisor Rafael Mandelman's A PLACE FOR ALL** provides the platform to end street sleeping; proposing a City policy to shelter all who will accept it. It also requires the City to develop enough safe and healthy off-street interim shelter placements (Safe Sleeping Sites) for those who will accept them.

More than 70% of our fellow San Francisco voters have identified homelessness and street conditions as the City's top issue. **A Place for All** closes a gap in shelter needed to end street sleeping by offering a safe, managed site for shelter. We urgently need this alternative as a first step out of homelessness.

**Please support "A Place for All" (File #201187).**

Thank you,

Frish Brandt  
**San Francisco Citizen since 1974**  
DISTRICT 9 / Mission and more  
DORLAND NEIGHBORHOOD COMMUNITY



**From:** [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#)  
**To:** [BOS-Supervisors](#)  
**Cc:** [Calvillo, Angela \(BOS\)](#); [Somera, Alisa \(BOS\)](#); [Ng, Wilson \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)  
**Subject:** FW: Please support "A Place For All" legislation (File #201187)  
**Date:** Wednesday, March 31, 2021 5:00:05 PM

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**From:** Jenny Kramer <jennyk\_kramer@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 31, 2021 4:16 PM  
**To:** Board of Supervisors, (BOS) <board.of.supervisors@sfgov.org>  
**Subject:** Please support "A Place For All" legislation (File #201187)

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Thank you,

Jenny Kramer  
District 8

**From:** [Chuck Benz](#)  
**To:** [Chan, Connie \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Melgar, Myrna \(BOS\)](#); [MelgarStaff \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#); [info@rescuesf.org](mailto:info@rescuesf.org)  
**Subject:** I urge you to support "A Place for All" (File #201187)  
**Date:** Wednesday, March 31, 2021 8:51:48 AM

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I urge you to support “A Place for All” (File #201187.) Thank you.

Chas. Benz

District 8 resident

**From:** [wjaeck@gmail.com](mailto:wjaeck@gmail.com)  
**To:** [Chan, Connie \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Melgar, Myrna \(BOS\)](#); [MelgarStaff \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#); [info@rescuesf.org](mailto:info@rescuesf.org)  
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**Date:** Wednesday, March 31, 2021 8:46:45 AM

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I urge you to support “A Place for All” (File #201187.) Thank you.

William Jaeck  
District 8 resident

**From:** [Gee, Natalie \(BOS\)](#)  
**To:** [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)  
**Cc:** [BOS Legislation, \(BOS\)](#)  
**Subject:** FW: A Safe Place for All: Oppose  
**Date:** Friday, March 5, 2021 10:23:41 AM  
**Attachments:** [a safe place leg ltr.pdf](#)

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Good morning Linda,

Please add this to File No. 201187.

Thank you,  
Natalie

**Natalie Gee** 朱凱勤, Chief of Staff  
**Supervisor Shamann Walton, District 10**  
**President, Board of Supervisors**  
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*I am working from home due to the **COVID-19 Stay Safer At Home order** and will be most responsive by email.*

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**From:** Jennifer Friedenbach <jfriedenbach@cohsf.org>  
**Date:** Thursday, March 4, 2021 at 1:08 PM  
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**Subject:** A Safe Place for All: Oppose

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Dear Supervisors,

Please see enclosed our letter outlining our position on Supervisor Mandleman's proposed "A Place for All". In summary, this legislation makes it the policy of San Francisco to ensure that every unhoused person on the streets in San Francisco has a tent, which would cost \$288,000,000, given the current expenditures on Safe Sleeping Villages of an average of \$72k per person per year. We believe this is poorly timed, given we could put people in hotels that already have the infrastructure in place and the federal government would pay for it in full. We also believe this is an incredibly low bar, to shoot for everyone having a tent instead of housing, when providing flex pool housing subsidies for people is less than half the cost and we have landlords willing to rent.

Thank you for your consideration.

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March 2, 2020

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Re: [Supervisor Mandleman's Legislation to establish Safe Sleeping Sites program- "A Place for All"](#)

Position: Oppose

Dear President Walton,

This letter is to express our strong opposition to Supervisor Mandleman's legislation entitled "A Place for All".

In summary, this legislation makes it the policy of San Francisco to ensure that every unhoused person on the streets in San Francisco has a tent, which would cost \$288,000,000, given the current expenditures on Safe Sleeping Villages of an average of \$72k per person per year. We believe this is poorly timed, given we could put people in hotels that already have the infrastructure in place and the federal government would pay for it in full. We also believe this is an incredibly low bar, to shoot for everyone having a tent instead of housing, when providing flex pool housing subsidies for people is less than half the cost.

We have worked with Supervisor Mandleman to adjust this legislation, and while he was open to some changes, fundamentally he has been unwilling to move away from the "tents for all" concept.

#### Existing Experience with Safe Sleeping Villages

There are two types of sanctioned encampments in San Francisco, one is referred to as a safe sleeping site and the other safe sleeping village. The site has little infrastructure, staffing and is much more informal, while the Safe Sleeping Villages ensure fundamental human rights such as sanitation, shower, water, garbage service, food and bathrooms are provided. Currently

there is one safe sleeping site and three Safe Sleeping Villages. The city started with two safe sleeping sites in the tenderloin - one they had to close for safety reasons and the other has had to be reorganized, emptied, and changed staffing several times. Serious shortfalls such as lack of sanitation, garbage buildup, lack of safety, have meant these sites have been unable to meet the basic needs of residents there. The Safe Sleeping Villages have provided a solid experience overall for camp residents, however because the lack of existing infrastructure has been very expensive with an *average* per person cost of almost \$72,000 annually. This cost has been lower in the larger sites, however the larger sites have been much more challenging for the residents staying there. For some unhoused people, with no indoor options, safe sleeping sites can be a successful option, however this should be considered only an interim intervention. It is not humane to keep people in tents for long periods of time. All of the sites are temporary, as development is going to occur on each of these sites and are only available temporarily.

#### Coalition on Homelessness Position on Organized Encampments

COH has supported Safe Sleeping Programs as an alternative form of *shelter*, and our research shows unhoused people prefer this to traditional *shelter*. However, this is not to be confused with an alternative to housing -- unhoused people prefer housing. We firmly view Safe Sleeping Programs as *temporary* respites from criminalization and harsh street conditions and not *permanent* solutions to homelessness. We prefer them to be placed on unused temporary property such as pre-development sites. As we note later, the shelter system needs to be “right sized” to ensure successful movement through the system.

We support these as a way to diversify the shelter system, and have supported the opening of these in SF. We want these spaces to have democratic rule, and to have basic minimum standards including bathrooms, showers, hand washing and drinking water, and garbage service. These sites must also have 24 hour access, as unhoused constituents have felt night-time only access to be too much of a burden, too destabilizing to be helpful. We also have insisted that there be community access to these sites to move away from complaint driven placements.

#### Shooting for Very Expensive Dirt instead of a Reachable Moon

Safe Sleeping Villages are typically developed on empty lots, and therefore rarely have existing infrastructure, water hook ups, bathrooms, showers or other fundamental sanitation requirements necessary for hygienic and safe conditions. This means the infrastructure needs to be built or brought in. This has driven up the costs dramatically. The average cost of the Safe Sleeping Villages has been just under \$72,000 per person per year, according to HSH, whereas the cost of a permanent housing subsidy for someone to rent an apartment in the private market is priced at about \$40,000 per person per household, including intensive services. This form of housing, called flex pool housing, has been incredibly successful in Los Angeles. In San Francisco, pre-pandemic we were limited with a lack of apartments inside San Francisco, a very tight housing market, and unwillingness of landlords to accept subsidies. That is no longer the case. The legislation calls for tents for all unsheltered people. This is a very low bar when you can have housing for all for less money.

#### Poor Timing

Due to the pandemic, we have a plethora of permanent and short term housing opportunities for homeless people if we invest homeless dollars in a smart way. The SIP hotels are now 100% reimbursable by FEMA up to October 1st and accessible to all

unhoused people as the restrictions on who can access these rooms has broadened dramatically. These are buildings that already have doors, rooms, infrastructure, staffing, showers, bathrooms, and food service. It is simply a matter of moving people into the empty hotel rooms that are already staffed. We will have about 500 of these rooms ready to move in soon, and 250 more per month while the program lasts. City energy should be focused on filling those rooms. The city also has over 700 vacancies in permanent supportive housing. City energy should be put towards filling those vacancies as well. As previously noted, we also have landlords willing to rent, and housing subsidies sitting on the table, unutilized. We also have the opportunity to purchase tourist and student hotels. The homeless department is currently overwhelmed with a combination of vacant positions, is stretched across multiple pre-existing efforts to address a supportive housing vacancy crisis and to expand the emergency shelter system, and responding to the pandemic. The timing of this legislation could not be worse. It calls for the department to embark on yet another very time intensive effort of opening up hundreds of safe sleeping slots in a short period of time while having a plan to open thousands more. The real estate department is also struggling to keep up and should be focused on assessing acquisitions for permanent housing.

#### Failed Experience in other Municipalities such as New York City

The legislation states that within 60 days of passage, HSH should submit a plan to serve 500 unsheltered people within 9 months. By another 9 months, the legislation states that HSH should be able to serve all who are “willing”. Within 60 days of passage, HSH must prepare an estimate of unsheltered people willing to accept referral.

Our long standing position is that we do not support a “shelter for all” policy because in other areas such as New York City this has meant a massive resource dump into temporary accommodation at the expense of housing. In NYC people spend their entire lives in large congregate shelters, moving from site to site, and it has turned into de facto housing for impoverished people at a considerable expense given the lack of dignity such facilities are able to provide. Our position is clear and matches national best practices – we support a small shelter system with a diversity of shelter such as safe sleeping campsites, navigation centers and traditional shelters, but the size of that system should be kept relatively small. In comparing the cost of shelter to the cost of housing, it appears the amount spent to shelter could be used to make rents affordable. For example, family shelter costs about \$35k per family per year for shelter, for an individual at a Navigation Center it is about \$36K per year per person, and safe sleeping sites as mentioned are costing \$80k per person per year. *We believe the overwhelming majority of homeless dollars expended should go to permanent housing. This proposal would use all dollars and more for shelter.*

#### Right Sizing the Shelter System

As of four years ago, our position is to increase the shelter system by 1,000 shelter beds to eliminate the shelter wait list. This position was adopted by Mayoral Administration, DHS, and we sized Prop C to meet that need. Shelter has been expanded significantly since then and we are close reaching the 1,000 bed expansion. We have had several shelter population priorities, to be served in that 1,000 including full service emergency family shelter, full service shelter in the Bayview, shelter serving the trans community and an additional youth navigation center, and vehicular housed parking. All of these are in process or have been achieved.



Our vision for the system has been to invest heavily in prevention to decrease numbers experiencing homelessness, invest heavily in behavioral health and to invest heavily in housing so stays in shelters are brief and rare. This means the right size shelter system as has been the lesson in municipalities across the country. Those with the most success, such as Houston, Texas have moved the dial on homelessness by ensuring the “right sized” investments in each portion of the system, avoiding the NYC trap of investing too much in emergency shelter only to see those shelters fill up and unhoused people being stuck.

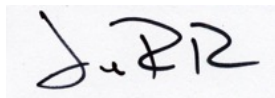
Work Around Constitutional Protections for Unhoused People

Unsheltered people enjoy constitutional protections against being displaced when they have nowhere else to go. According to the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals ruling *Martin vs. City of Boise*, cities can’t arrest or punish people for sleeping on public property unless they provide adequate and relatively accessible **indoor accommodations** that also accommodate disabilities. As Supervisor Mandleman was unwilling to insert language that no sweeps shall occur in conjunction with the creation of safe sleeping sites, and as his communications with neighborhood groups have suggested that the creation of such sites will allow police to remove those unable to move into a camp, we believe that this legislation is an attempted workaround of constitutional rights of unhoused people. We do not believe that an offer of a “tent” qualifies as an indoor accommodation, and believe that the constitutional rights of unhoused people will be violated in this process.

In sum, we urge you to vote no on Supervisor Mandleman’s legislation. It sets the bar too low for San Francisco, is poorly timed, outrageously expensive, would suck resources away from less expensive permanent solutions, and violate basic human rights.

Thank you for your consideration,

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "J. Friedenbach", is placed on a light gray rectangular background.

Jennifer Friedenbach  
Executive Director

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**Cc:** [Calvillo, Angela \(BOS\)](#); [Somera, Alisa \(BOS\)](#); [Ng, Wilson \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)  
**Subject:** FW: Civic Center Community Benefit District letter of support for A Place for All  
**Date:** Friday, February 26, 2021 4:57:50 PM  
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Dear San Francisco Supervisors,  
Please find attached a Civic Center Community Benefit District letter in support of the proposed A Place for All legislation. We've included a number of photos that are representative of the conditions we saw in our District in 2020 - conditions that markedly improved with the December opening of the 33 Gough Safe Sleeping site.

Best regards,



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February 25, 2021

San Francisco Board of Supervisors  
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Dear Supervisors,

The Civic Center Community Benefit District supports the *Place for All* ordinance goal of increasing the number of Safe Sleeping Sites in San Francisco.

Safe Sleeping Sites provide a modicum of support, structure and sanitation absolutely essential for those unable to secure safe shelter by any other means. The Safe Sleeping Sites currently operating in our area - Fulton Street and 33 Gough - have already provided critical relief to individuals in need and suffering in our community (photos attached) but we need to do more.

As long as the COVID-19 pandemic is still causing a significant reduction in shelter space and other housing assistance programs are at capacity, the Safe Sleeping Site model is a realistic, pragmatic and humane option for immediate support for the homeless now.

Moreover, as long as the stock of affordable and supportive housing remains woefully insufficient in San Francisco and the Bay Area in general, the Safe Sleeping Site model offers an immediate stop gap while the more complex and lengthy process for more affordable and supportive housing unfolds. We believe that such *Place for All* sites should be spread throughout the City, as many neighborhoods are seeing an influx of campers and sleepers - those outer neighborhoods dwellers should not be directed to sites solely in Civic Center, Tenderloin and SoMa. And in all cases, the City should seek to inform and hear from the community prior to opening a new site.

The *Place for All* ordinance includes an annual review and report on the program, providing an opportunity to evaluate its effectiveness. We believe individual outcomes and program costs should be included in such evaluations, allowing the Board of Supervisors to make informed decisions on the future of the Safe Sleeping Site model and its place in the spectrum of responses to the regional homeless crisis.

Best regards,

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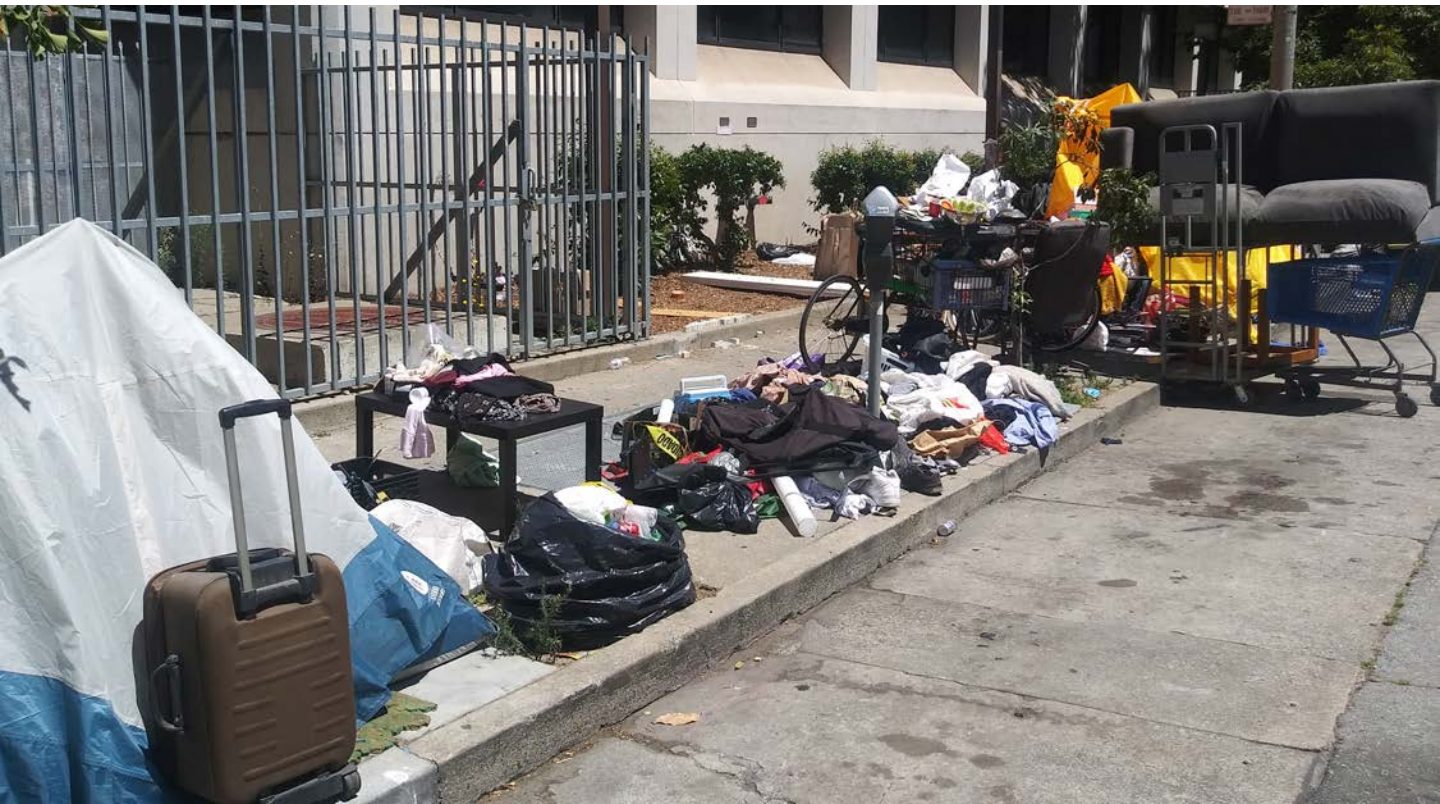
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Executive Director



12<sup>th</sup> Street (at Market) – 2020







Fulton (btw Franklin and Gough) – 2020







Redwood St (at Franklin) – 2020







Above: Elm Street – Below: Market Street – 2020







Above: Fell Street – Below: Stevenson Street – 2020





**From:** [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#)  
**To:** [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)  
**Subject:** FW: Mid Market Community Benefit District letter of support for A Place for All  
**Date:** Wednesday, February 17, 2021 2:39:25 PM  
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Best regards,



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January 2021

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Dear Supervisors,

Given the urgent and growing need to provide basic support for individuals living on our streets the Mid Market Community Benefit District supports the proposed *Place for All* ordinance and its goal of increasing the number of Safe Sleeping Sites in San Francisco. Safe Sleeping Sites provide a modicum of support, structure and sanitation absolutely essential for those unable to secure safe shelter by any other means.

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900 Block of Mission and 6<sup>th</sup> Street corner – 2020



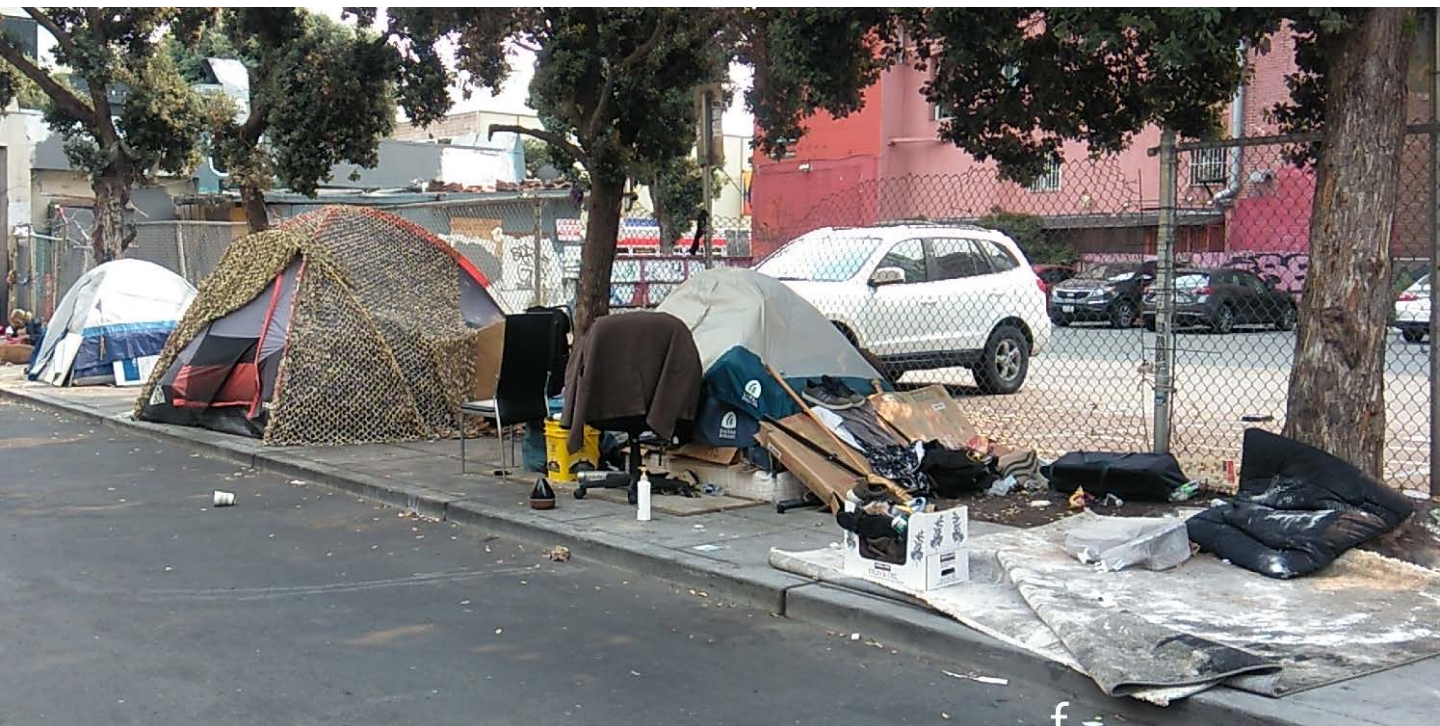




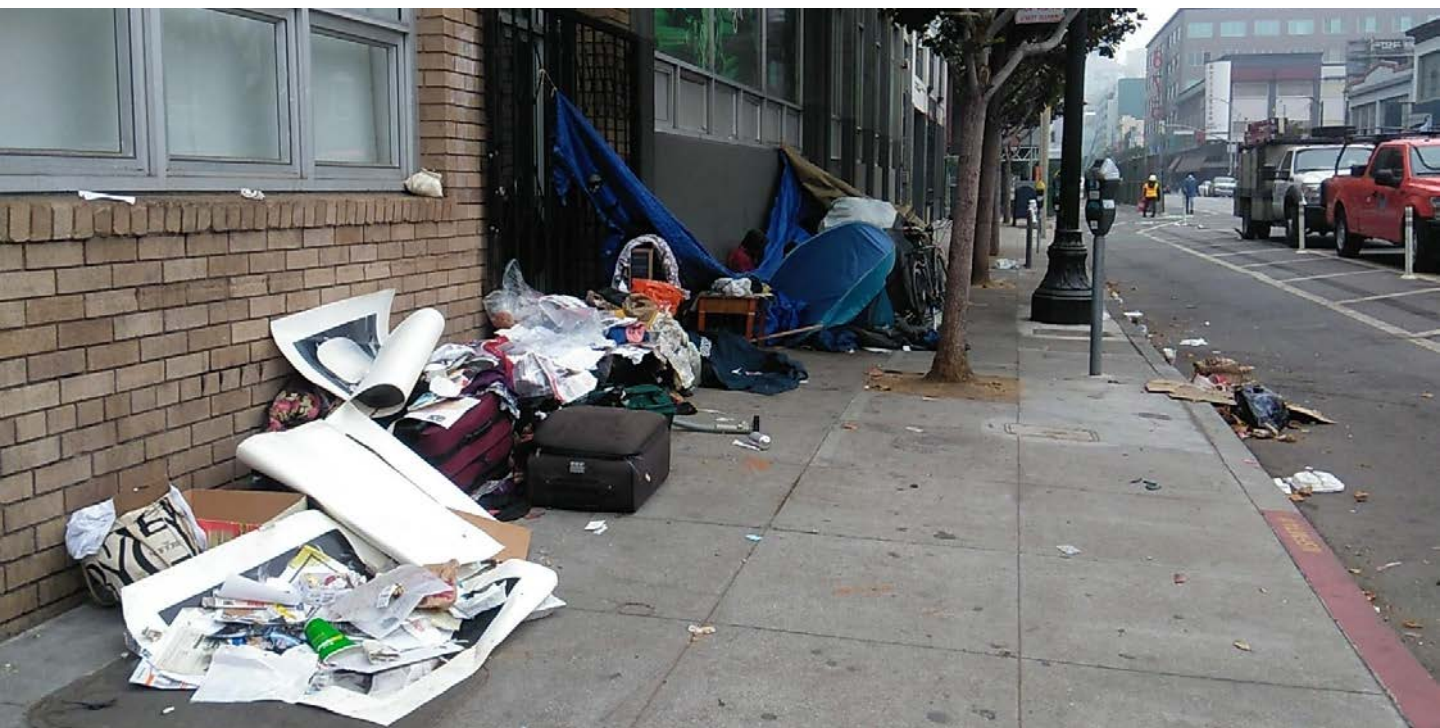
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Uniblock and 100 block of 6<sup>th</sup> Street – 2020



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Good morning Linda,

Please add this to File No. 201187.

Thank you,  
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This letter is to express our strong opposition to Supervisor Mandleman's legislation entitled "A Place for All".

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We have worked with Supervisor Mandleman to adjust this legislation, and while he was open to some changes, fundamentally he has been unwilling to move away from the "tents for all" concept.

#### Existing Experience with Safe Sleeping Villages

There are two types of sanctioned encampments in San Francisco, one is referred to as a safe sleeping site and the other safe sleeping village. The site has little infrastructure, staffing and is much more informal, while the Safe Sleeping Villages ensure fundamental human rights such as sanitation, shower, water, garbage service, food and bathrooms are provided. Currently



there is one safe sleeping site and three Safe Sleeping Villages. The city started with two safe sleeping sites in the tenderloin - one they had to close for safety reasons and the other has had to be reorganized, emptied, and changed staffing several times. Serious shortfalls such as lack of sanitation, garbage buildup, lack of safety, have meant these sites have been unable to meet the basic needs of residents there. The Safe Sleeping Villages have provided a solid experience overall for camp residents, however because the lack of existing infrastructure has been very expensive with an *average* per person cost of almost \$72,000 annually. This cost has been lower in the larger sites, however the larger sites have been much more challenging for the residents staying there. For some unhoused people, with no indoor options, safe sleeping sites can be a successful option, however this should be considered only an interim intervention. It is not humane to keep people in tents for long periods of time. All of the sites are temporary, as development is going to occur on each of these sites and are only available temporarily.

#### Coalition on Homelessness Position on Organized Encampments

COH has supported Safe Sleeping Programs as an alternative form of *shelter*, and our research shows unhoused people prefer this to traditional *shelter*. However, this is not to be confused with an alternative to housing -- unhoused people prefer housing. We firmly view Safe Sleeping Programs as *temporary* respites from criminalization and harsh street conditions and not *permanent* solutions to homelessness. We prefer them to be placed on unused temporary property such as pre-development sites. As we note later, the shelter system needs to be “right sized” to ensure successful movement through the system.

We support these as a way to diversify the shelter system, and have supported the opening of these in SF. We want these spaces to have democratic rule, and to have basic minimum standards including bathrooms, showers, hand washing and drinking water, and garbage service. These sites must also have 24 hour access, as unhoused constituents have felt night-time only access to be too much of a burden, too destabilizing to be helpful. We also have insisted that there be community access to these sites to move away from complaint driven placements.

#### Shooting for Very Expensive Dirt instead of a Reachable Moon

Safe Sleeping Villages are typically developed on empty lots, and therefore rarely have existing infrastructure, water hook ups, bathrooms, showers or other fundamental sanitation requirements necessary for hygienic and safe conditions. This means the infrastructure needs to be built or brought in. This has driven up the costs dramatically. The average cost of the Safe Sleeping Villages has been just under \$72,000 per person per year, according to HSH, whereas the cost of a permanent housing subsidy for someone to rent an apartment in the private market is priced at about \$40,000 per person per household, including intensive services. This form of housing, called flex pool housing, has been incredibly successful in Los Angeles. In San Francisco, pre-pandemic we were limited with a lack of apartments inside San Francisco, a very tight housing market, and unwillingness of landlords to accept subsidies. That is no longer the case. The legislation calls for tents for all unsheltered people. This is a very low bar when you can have housing for all for less money.

#### Poor Timing

Due to the pandemic, we have a plethora of permanent and short term housing opportunities for homeless people if we invest homeless dollars in a smart way. The SIP hotels are now 100% reimbursable by FEMA up to October 1st and accessible to all



unhoused people as the restrictions on who can access these rooms has broadened dramatically. These are buildings that already have doors, rooms, infrastructure, staffing, showers, bathrooms, and food service. It is simply a matter of moving people into the empty hotel rooms that are already staffed. We will have about 500 of these rooms ready to move in soon, and 250 more per month while the program lasts. City energy should be focused on filling those rooms. The city also has over 700 vacancies in permanent supportive housing. City energy should be put towards filling those vacancies as well. As previously noted, we also have landlords willing to rent, and housing subsidies sitting on the table, unutilized. We also have the opportunity to purchase tourist and student hotels. The homeless department is currently overwhelmed with a combination of vacant positions, is stretched across multiple pre-existing efforts to address a supportive housing vacancy crisis and to expand the emergency shelter system, and responding to the pandemic. The timing of this legislation could not be worse. It calls for the department to embark on yet another very time intensive effort of opening up hundreds of safe sleeping slots in a short period of time while having a plan to open thousands more. The real estate department is also struggling to keep up and should be focused on assessing acquisitions for permanent housing.

#### Failed Experience in other Municipalities such as New York City

The legislation states that within 60 days of passage, HSH should submit a plan to serve 500 unsheltered people within 9 months. By another 9 months, the legislation states that HSH should be able to serve all who are “willing”. Within 60 days of passage, HSH must prepare an estimate of unsheltered people willing to accept referral.

Our long standing position is that we do not support a “shelter for all” policy because in other areas such as New York City this has meant a massive resource dump into temporary accommodation at the expense of housing. In NYC people spend their entire lives in large congregate shelters, moving from site to site, and it has turned into de facto housing for impoverished people at a considerable expense given the lack of dignity such facilities are able to provide. Our position is clear and matches national best practices – we support a small shelter system with a diversity of shelter such as safe sleeping campsites, navigation centers and traditional shelters, but the size of that system should be kept relatively small. In comparing the cost of shelter to the cost of housing, it appears the amount spent to shelter could be used to make rents affordable. For example, family shelter costs about \$35k per family per year for shelter, for an individual at a Navigation Center it is about \$36K per year per person, and safe sleeping sites as mentioned are costing \$80k per person per year. *We believe the overwhelming majority of homeless dollars expended should go to permanent housing. This proposal would use all dollars and more for shelter.*

#### Right Sizing the Shelter System

As of four years ago, our position is to increase the shelter system by 1,000 shelter beds to eliminate the shelter wait list. This position was adopted by Mayoral Administration, DHS, and we sized Prop C to meet that need. Shelter has been expanded significantly since then and we are close reaching the 1,000 bed expansion. We have had several shelter population priorities, to be served in that 1,000 including full service emergency family shelter, full service shelter in the Bayview, shelter serving the trans community and an additional youth navigation center, and vehicular housed parking. All of these are in process or have been achieved.

Our vision for the system has been to invest heavily in prevention to decrease numbers experiencing homelessness, invest heavily in behavioral health and to invest heavily in housing so stays in shelters are brief and rare. This means the right size shelter system as has been the lesson in municipalities across the country. Those with the most success, such as Houston, Texas have moved the dial on homelessness by ensuring the “right sized” investments in each portion of the system, avoiding the NYC trap of investing too much in emergency shelter only to see those shelters fill up and unhoused people being stuck.

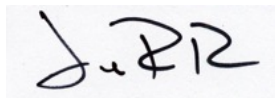
#### Work Around Constitutional Protections for Unhoused People

Unsheltered people enjoy constitutional protections against being displaced when they have nowhere else to go. According to the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals ruling *Martin vs. City of Boise*, cities can’t arrest or punish people for sleeping on public property unless they provide adequate and relatively accessible **indoor accommodations** that also accommodate disabilities. As Supervisor Mandleman was unwilling to insert language that no sweeps shall occur in conjunction with the creation of safe sleeping sites, and as his communications with neighborhood groups have suggested that the creation of such sites will allow police to remove those unable to move into a camp, we believe that this legislation is an attempted workaround of constitutional rights of unhoused people. We do not believe that an offer of a “tent” qualifies as an indoor accommodation, and believe that the constitutional rights of unhoused people will be violated in this process.

In sum, we urge you to vote no on Supervisor Mandleman’s legislation. It sets the bar too low for San Francisco, is poorly timed, outrageously expensive, would suck resources away from less expensive permanent solutions, and violate basic human rights.

Thank you for your consideration,

Sincerely,

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February 10, 2021

Sent via email

Dear Board President Walton,

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