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**Submittal Form**  
**For Proposed Initiative Measure(s)**  
**Prior to Submittal to the Department of Elections**

**by 4 or more Supervisors or the Mayor**

I, hereby submit the following proposed initiative measure(s) for hearing before the Board of Supervisors' Rules Committee prior to the submittal of the proposed initiative measure to the Department of Elections (per Proposition C, November 2007).

This matter is for the **March 5, 2024** Election.

**Sponsor(s): Supervisor Ahsha Safai**

**Subject:** Administrative Code-Community Policing and Foot and Bike Patrols

The text is listed below or attached:

(See attached.)

Supervisor Ahsha Safai: 

Supervisor Joel Engardio: 

Supervisor Hillary Ronen: 

Supervisor Aaron Peskin: 

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**PROPOSED INITIATIVE ORDINANCE TO BE SUBMITTED BY FOUR OR MORE SUPERVISORS TO THE VOTERS AT THE MARCH 5, 2024 ELECTION.**

[Under Charter Section 2.113(b), this measure must be submitted to the Board of Supervisors and filed with the Department of Elections no less than *45 days prior* to deadline for submission of such initiatives to the Department of Elections set in Municipal Elections Code Section 300(b).]

[Initiative Ordinance - Administrative Code - Community Policing and Foot and Bike Patrols]

**Ordinance amending the Administrative Code to require the Chief of Police to adopt a foot and bike patrol strategy for the Police Department.**

NOTE: **Unchanged Code text and uncodified text** are in plain font.  
**Additions to Codes** are in *single-underline italics Times New Roman font*.  
**Deletions to Codes** are in *strikethrough italics Times New Roman font*.  
**Asterisks (\* \* \* \*)** indicate the omission of unchanged Code subsections or parts of tables.

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

Section 1. The Administrative Code is hereby amended by revising Section 96F.1, to read as follows:

**SEC. 96F.1. COMMUNITY POLICING PLANS; FOOT AND BIKE PATROLS.**

(a) ~~*Creation of District Station Community Policing Plans*~~ *Police Commission Hearings and Development of Community Policing Plans.*

*(1) At least every other year beginning in 2024, the Police Commission shall review and may hold a public hearing to consider the Police Department ("SFPD") District Station Community Policing Plans that shall include strategies regarding community policing and foot and bike patrols.*

(2)       The Police Department (“SFPD”) shall ~~continue to create~~ implement a Community Policing Plan (“CPP”) for each police district station. ~~The CPP that~~ shall be publicly available and posted on SFPD’s website and on each station’s website.

(b) **Community Policing Plans.** ~~The Police Department~~ SFPD shall finalize the CPPs no later than January 1, 2023, and review and update them on an annual basis by January 1 of each year. The purpose of CPPs are is to foster collaboration and open communication between police officers and community members, including neighborhood associations and groups, small businesses, merchant groups, non-profits, school groups, and neighborhood leaders. The CPPs shall:

(1) Support a culture and practice of policing that reflects the values of protection and promotion of the dignity of all people, and, especially, the most vulnerable in the community.

(2) Foster an environment where requests for service and information from SFPD are handled in a timely and transparent manner.

(3) Support ~~the Police Department’s~~ SFPD’s ongoing reform efforts to increase community engagement, trust, positive interactions, and relations between the community and police officers.

(4) Promote collaboration with groups ~~as~~ described in this subsection (b); ~~above~~, to identify problems as well as solutions that will produce meaningful results for the community, and incorporate information learned from the Community Process in subsection ~~(d)~~.

(5) Subject to the budgetary and fiscal provisions of the Charter and staffing availability, deploy foot and bike patrol officers, ~~as specified in subsection (c)~~, at each district station.

(6) Include a succession plan for the transfer and continual implementation of CPPs when changes in district station captains occur.

(c) **Foot and Bike Patrol Strategy and Assignments.**

(1) **Foot and Bike Patrol Strategy.** Upon completing the Proposition E bi-annual staffing study, the Chief of the San Francisco Police Department shall (A) adopt a foot and bike patrol strategy that identifies the areas where foot and/or bike patrol officers are most needed to effectively reduce crime and strengthen the SFPD's partnership and trust with the community, (B) develop a map outlining the footprint of the foot and/or bike patrol beats within the boundaries of each of the SFPD's district stations to dictate the street locations foot patrol officers may travel as described in subsection (c)(2), and (C) develop a formula for designating the foot and bike patrol streets and boundaries based on the reporting of crime, high volume foot traffic, crime prevention, and any other factors the Chief of Police deems appropriate to meet the needs of the community. The Chief of Police shall submit the foot and/or bike patrol strategy, map, and formula described in this subsection (c)(1) and provide a staffing analysis to the Police Commission in accordance with the biannual staffing study so that that the Commission may hold a public hearing to review the strategy, map, or formula. Thereafter, the Chief of Police may modify the strategy, map, or formula from time to time in the Chief's discretion.

(2) **Foot and Bike Patrols Assignments.** The Chief of Police shall assign foot and/or bike patrol officers to each district station in the City, in the geographic locations identified as described in subsection (c)(1). Foot and/or bike patrol officers shall have the knowledge and skills required of a foot and/or bike patrol officer, and ties to the community the district station serves or the ability to readily develop such ties. To the extent permitted by law and labor agreements, the Chief of Police shall give due consideration to minimizing the reassignment of foot and/or bike patrol officers in order to promote continuity between the officers and community members with the goal of strengthening SFPD's relationships with the community.

(3) **Foot and Bike Patrols Budget.** Each fiscal year, the Chief of Police or designee shall submit to the Police Commission a budget and level of staffing for foot and/or bike patrols based on the required staffing study and as a part of the proposed budget that the Chief of Police submits to the Police Commission.

(de) **SFPD Community Policing Strategies.** The Police Department SFPD shall provide time and resources for departmental involvement in community events, relationship-building exercises and problem-solving activities. The Police Department SFPD shall serve the diverse populations represented in the district station using the principles of the CPPs.

SFPD shall create community policing strategies that address *deployment of foot and bike patrols*, quality of life issues, and community language access needs as follows:

~~————(1) **Foot and Bike Patrols.** Police Officers working outside the confines of a patrol car may find it easier to interact with community members and to identify otherwise overlooked problems. SFPD shall (A) adopt a foot and bike patrol strategy that will deploy foot and bike patrol officers at every district station to effectively reduce crime and strengthen the SFPD's partnership and trust with the community, and (B) develop a formula for designating the foot and bike patrol streets and boundaries based on the reporting of crime, high volume foot traffic, crime prevention, and community input. The Police Department shall continue to evaluate the effectiveness of this deployment and readjust the strategy by considering the numbers of calls for service, crime prevention initiatives, and individual interactions with the community.~~

(1z) **Quality of Life Issues.** SFPD shall develop a strategy for proactive problem solving on quality of life quality-of-life issues, nuisances, and crime prevention, and identify alternatives to criminal law enforcement for quality of life issues. In the face of these concerns, SFPD community policing strategies shall create a sense of community where members of the community feel safe and secure.

(23) **Language Access Needs.** SFPD shall incorporate a strategy tailored to address the distinct language access needs of communities served by each district station.

(ed) **Community Process.** SFPD shall create a public process for eliciting community input for the CPPs from community members, including neighborhood associations and groups, small businesses, merchant groups, non-profits, school groups, and neighborhood leaders that provide direct services to San Francisco residents *in areas served by* their respective district stations before adoption of the CPPs. SFPD shall consider and incorporate, to the extent possible, community feedback that includes a proactive problem-solving approach in designing CPPs. This public process is intended to allow the community to provide valuable input to SFPD as a measure of accountability.

Section 2. Scope of Ordinance. In enacting this ordinance, the People of the City and County of San Francisco intend to amend only those words, phrases, paragraphs, subsections, sections, articles, numbers, punctuation marks, charts, diagrams, or any other constituent parts of the Municipal Code that are explicitly shown in this ordinance as additions or deletions, in accordance with the "Note" that appears under the official title of the ordinance.

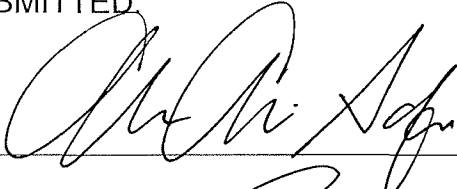
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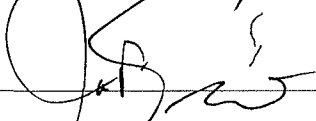
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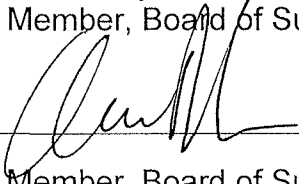
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