

LEGISLATIVE DIGEST

[Administrative Code - Energy Efficiency Coordinating Committee]

Ordinance amending the Administrative Code to rename the Energy Efficiency Steering Committee as the Energy Efficiency Coordinating Committee; to reauthorize the Committee for one year unless further extended by the Board of Supervisors; to change the qualifications for membership on the Committee; and to revise the Committee's powers and duties.

Existing Law

In 2010, the Board of Supervisors established the Energy Efficiency Steering Committee to advise the Board of Supervisors on planning and decision-making regarding energy efficiency projects, and the spending and allocation of new monies for such purposes. The Board did not appoint any members to the Energy Efficiency Steering Committee, and the Committee terminated by operation of law.

Amendments to Current Law

The proposed ordinance would reauthorize the Committee and rename it as the Energy Efficiency Coordinating Committee. The Committee would be responsible for advising the Board of Supervisors on policy regarding energy efficiency projects and programs, and the City's spending and allocation of money on such projects and programs. The Committee would also be responsible for advising the Board on implementation of the energy efficiency recommendations outlined in the Mayor's Renewable Energy Task Force's September 2012 report. Within one year of its inaugural meeting, the Committee would submit to the Board of Supervisors a set of recommendations for how the City should spend energy efficiency funds throughout the City and align City programs with other utility and regional programs.

The Committee would have seven voting members appointed by the Board of Supervisors, including:

- two members recommended by environmental justice organizations;
- one member recommended by a community-based organization that works with under-employed, low-wage workers in underserved communities and communities of color;
- one member with experience with building or operating multi-family housing, recommended by a community-based organization;
- one member with a background in labor organizing, recommended by the Office of Economic and Workforce Development;
- one member with a background in research and/or education on green sector industries who is currently employed at an economic development consulting firm

and/or college or university, recommended by the Executive Director of the Office of Community Investment and Infrastructure; and

- one member who has owned, operated or worked for a small business, recommended by the Executive Director of the Office of Small Business.

The Committee would also have non-voting representatives from the Office of the Mayor, the Department of the Environment, the Public Utilities Commission, the Office of the Controller, the Office of Economic and Workforce Development, the Department of Public Health, and the Office of Contract Administration.

The Public Utilities Commission would provide clerical and administrative support for the Committee, and the Department of the Environment would provide technical and policy support.

The Committee would terminate one year after its inaugural meeting, unless the Board of Supervisors adopts legislation extending the Committee.

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