



CITY AND COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO
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Ms. Angela Calvillo
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place Room 244
San Francisco, CA 94102-4689

RE: File 140443 – Charter amendment establishing a Children and Families Council

Dear Ms. Calvillo,


Should the proposed charter amendment be approved by the voters, in my opinion, it would have a minimal impact on the cost of government.

The amendment provides for a new Children and Families Council to advise the City on the needs, services and programs for children and families in San Francisco. The Council would consist of the Mayor, the Superintendent of the San Francisco Unified School District, and other city and school officials. It would prepare and adopt a five-year plan for children and family services, seek community input and conduct a public hearing on the plan. The Controller's Office would be required to review Council operations and the Plan every five years. Subsequent to passage of the proposed amendment by the voters, the Board of Supervisors would adopt an ordinance further specifying the structure and functions of the Council.

The cost of staff support for the Council, related planning processes and review and evaluation requirements over the five year planning cycle is estimated at approximately \$100,000 on an annual basis.

The Controller's Office will work with the Mayor, Board of Supervisors and City departments to clarify the financial effects of the proposed Charter amendment as it and other related measures are considered for the ballot.

Sincerely,

for 
Ben Rosenfield
Controller

Note: This analysis reflects our understanding of the proposal as of the date shown. At times further information is provided to us which may result in revisions being made to this analysis before the final Controller's statement appears in the Voter Information Pamphlet.