

From: [Eleana Binder](#)
To: [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Chan, Connie \(BOS\)](#); [Sherrill, Stephen \(BOS\)](#); [Sauter, Danny \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Alan \(BOS\)](#); [Mahmood, Bilal \(BOS\)](#); [Dorsey, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Melgar, Myrna \(BOS\)](#); [Felder, Jackie \(BOS\)](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Chen, Chyanne \(BOS\)](#)
Cc: [Board of Supervisors \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: Invoke Rule 3.38 — Give the Affordable Groceries Act a Vote (File No. 260693)
Date: Tuesday, July 14, 2026 1:15:52 PM

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Dear President Mandelman and Members of the Board of Supervisors,

GLIDE urges the Board to invoke Rule 3.38 to bring File No. 260693, the Abandoned Pharmacy and Grocery Tax, directly to the full Board for a hearing and a vote.

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At GLIDE, we serve three meals a day and we know food insecurity runs rampant in the Tenderloin. One way to alleviate food insecurity is easy access to a grocery store (especially for the 3,500 kids who live in the Tenderloin). We believe that every neighborhood deserves an affordable, full-service grocery store. Neighborhoods such as the Tenderloin, Fillmore and Bayview have been abandoned by corporate grocery stores and face food apartheid conditions. Residents need access to affordable, culturally appropriate food that is accessible in their neighborhoods. We support legislation that both encourages grocery stores to open in the Tenderloin and holds accountable businesses that obstruct any process to open existing spaces to expand food access.

We are calling on the Board President to invoke Rule 3.38 without delay, and on every member of this Board to sign onto the motion. Give File No. 260693 the hearing and the vote it has been denied. Let the full Board, and ultimately the voters, decide.

Thank you for your consideration,

Eleana Binder

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Eleana Binder

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From: [Brian Webster](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors \(BOS\)](#); [Chan, Connie \(BOS\)](#); [Sherrill, Stephen \(BOS\)](#); [Sauter, Danny \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Alan \(BOS\)](#); [Mahmood, Bilal \(BOS\)](#); [Dorsey, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Melgar, Myrna \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Felder, Jackie \(BOS\)](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Chen, Chyanne \(BOS\)](#)
Cc: [Brian Webster](#); [MahmoodStaff](#)
Subject: Supporting a vote to advance the Affordable Groceries Act
Date: Tuesday, July 14, 2026 12:03:03 PM
Attachments: [BW letter Supporting a vote to advance the Affordable Groceries Act - 7-14-26.pdf](#)

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Hello -

I live in the Union Square / Tenderloin district 5 neighborhood. I am a local community organizer, former UFCW union organizer, small business entrepreneur and grassroots Democratic Party activist. I have lived in our city for over 40 years.

I strongly support supervisor Bilal Mahmood's leadership on the Affordable Groceries Act.

I ask you to vote today to advance it going onto the ballot this November.

The Affordable Groceries Act will increase access to grocery stores and pharmacy chains by taxing empty storefronts to deter companies from leaving them vacant and establishing a fund to subsidize groceries.

Please vote today to advance the Affordable Groceries Act going onto the ballot this November.

Sincerely,
Brian E Webster

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brian.e.webster@gmail.com

**From the Desk of Brian E. Webster
San Francisco, California**

Date: July 14, 2026

To: All members of the San Francisco Board of Supervisors

From: Brian Webster / San Francisco Constituent

Subject: Supporting a vote to advance the Affordable Groceries Act

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From: [Jade Quizon](#)
To: [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Chan, Connie \(BOS\)](#); [Sherrill, Stephen \(BOS\)](#); [Sauter, Danny \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Alan \(BOS\)](#); [Mahmood, Bilal \(BOS\)](#); [Dorsey, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Melgar, Myrna \(BOS\)](#); [Fielder, Jackie \(BOS\)](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Chen, Chyanne \(BOS\)](#)
Cc: [Board of Supervisors \(BOS\)](#); [FAACTS Steering Committee](#)
Subject: Invoke Rule 3.38 - Give Community a Chance to Vote on the Affordable Groceries Act
Date: Tuesday, July 14, 2026 12:02:22 PM
Attachments: [FAACTS - Letter of Support - Affordable Grocery Fund.pdf](#)

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Hello,

Please see our attached letter.

thank you,

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Jade Quizon
Project Director, FAACTS
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hello@faactssf.org

TO: San Francisco Board of Supervisors

14 July, 2026

1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place
City Hall, Room 244
San Francisco, CA 94102

Re: Invoke Rule 3.38 — Give the Affordable Groceries Act a Vote (File No. 260693)

Dear President Mandelman and Members of the Board of Supervisors,

Food and Agriculture Action Coalition Toward Sovereignty, FAACTS, supports File No. 260693, the Abandoned Pharmacy and Grocery Tax, and strongly urges the Board to invoke Rule 3.38 to bring this measure directly to the full Board for a hearing and a vote.

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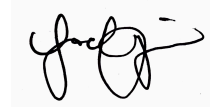
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Our city needs creative and proactive solutions tackling our broken food system and holding large corporate retailers that abandon our communities accountable. FAACTS commends Supervisor Mahmood on his proposed legislation addressing San Francisco's growing grocery access challenges. We need approaches such as this that aim to strengthen local, affordable food access, protect food workers, boost our food economy, and ensure good food reaches the neighborhoods that need it most.

We are calling on the Board President to invoke Rule 3.38 without delay, and on every member of this Board to sign onto the motion. Give File No. 260693 the hearing and the vote it has been denied. Let the full Board, and ultimately the voters, decide — not the Mayor's Office, and not Amazon.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Jade Quizon', is centered within a light gray rectangular box.

Jade Quizon
Project Director

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From: [paula hendricks](#)
To: [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Chan, Connie \(BOS\)](#); [Sherrill, Stephen \(BOS\)](#); [Sauter, Danny \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Alan \(BOS\)](#); [Mahmood, Bilal \(BOS\)](#); [Dorsey, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Melgar, Myrna \(BOS\)](#); [Felder, Jackie \(BOS\)](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Chen, Chyanne \(BOS\)](#)
Cc: [Board of Supervisors \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: Re: Invoke Rule 3.38 — Give the Affordable Groceries Act a Vote (File No. 260693)
Date: Friday, July 10, 2026 5:17:42 PM

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Dear President Mandelman and Members of the Board of Supervisors,

I strongly support File No. 260693, the Abandoned Pharmacy and Grocery Tax, and urge the Board to invoke Rule 3.38 to bring this measure directly to the full Board for a hearing and a vote.

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This has affected me personally as my main supermarket, Safeway on Webster + Geary, has been closed as well as several Walgreens in the neighborhood. I live downtown on O'Farrell St. and the closest shopping by walking or taking public transpo are small stores or require transfers or aren't open every day.

We are calling on the Board President to invoke Rule 3.38 without delay, and on every member of this Board to sign onto the motion. Give File No. 260693 the hearing and the vote it has been denied. Let the full Board, and ultimately the voters, decide — not the Mayor's Office, and not Amazon.

Thank you for your consideration,

Best,

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paula hendricks
san francisco ~::~ 415.310.1168

From: [Mike Vuong](#)
To: [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Chan, Connie \(BOS\)](#); [Sherrill, Stephen \(BOS\)](#); [Sauter, Danny \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Alan \(BOS\)](#); [Mahmood, Bilal \(BOS\)](#); [Dorsey, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Melgar, Myrna \(BOS\)](#); [Felder, Jackie \(BOS\)](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Chen, Chyanne \(BOS\)](#)
Cc: [Board of Supervisors \(BOS\)](#); [Kate Robinson](#)
Subject: Access to affordable, healthy groceries & More
Date: Saturday, July 11, 2026 8:02:02 AM

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Dear President Mandelman and Members of the Board of Supervisors,

The Tenderloin Community Benefit District (TLCBD) writes in strong support of efforts to expand access to affordable, healthy groceries and essential neighborhood services, and respectfully urges the Board to allow this important proposal to receive a full hearing and vote.

Every day, TLCBD works to care for the Tenderloin's streets and parks, support our youth and families, and lift up the voices of the residents we serve. That work gives us a close, ground-level view of how much a neighborhood's daily life depends on reliable access to essential services, especially something as basic as affordable, healthy food.

For too many of our seniors, youth, and families, fresh groceries and pharmacy essentials shouldn't require a trip across town. People deserve to find what they need close to home, at a price they can afford. When storefronts that once served that purpose sit empty for years, the whole neighborhood feels it: not just as an inconvenience, but as a real strain on health and quality of life.

We also see real opportunity here. Bringing vacant storefronts back into active use doesn't just improve food access; it opens doors for small, neighborhood-serving businesses to grow and thrive. A healthy Tenderloin needs both: residents with reliable access to essential services, and a business environment where responsible local merchants can succeed.

It is also important that decisions affecting the Tenderloin reflect the experiences and priorities of the people who live and work here. Third parties from outside the neighborhood do not necessarily understand or reflect the needs of Tenderloin residents, families, and businesses. Those closest to these challenges should have a meaningful voice in shaping the solutions.

Community organizations like ours are proud to do our part, but we can't solve challenges like this alone. That's why we're encouraged by the work Supervisor Mahmood and others are doing to find real solutions that expand healthy grocery access and support the businesses already showing up for our community.

We believe a proposal to increase access, affordability, and healthy grocers and pharmacies deserves a full and public discussion before the Board, giving every Supervisor the opportunity to consider its merits and hear directly from the communities most affected.

Thank you for your continued partnership with the Tenderloin community, and for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

Tenderloin Community Benefit District

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Michael Vuong (He/His)

Deputy Director of Policy & Voice

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From: [O'Farrell Neighbors Group](#)
To: [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Chan, Connie \(BOS\)](#); [Sherrill, Stephen \(BOS\)](#); [Sauter, Danny \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Alan \(BOS\)](#); [Mahmood, Bilal \(BOS\)](#); [Dorsey, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Melgar, Myrna \(BOS\)](#); [Felder, Jackie \(BOS\)](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Chen, Chyanne \(BOS\)](#)
Cc: [Board of Supervisors \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: Re: Invoke Rule 3.38 — Give the Affordable Groceries Act a Vote (File No. 260693)
Date: Saturday, July 11, 2026 3:48:19 PM
Attachments: [image0.png](#)

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Dear President Mandelman and Members of the Board of Supervisors,

We (ONG ... O'farrell Neighbors Group) strongly support File No. 260693, the Abandoned Pharmacy and Grocery Tax, and urge the Board to invoke Rule 3.38 to bring this measure directly to the full Board for a hearing and a vote.

Across San Francisco, corporate grocery and pharmacy chains have shuttered stores and deliberately left the buildings vacant for years, keeping competitors out and leaving our neighbors, especially seniors, families, and low-income residents, without reliable access to fresh food or basic pharmacy needs.

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That is not how this city is supposed to work. A measure that would tax corporate landlords for deliberately keeping grocery and pharmacy storefronts vacant, and support the neighborhood grocers and pharmacies still showing up for our communities, deserves a floor debate, not a backroom veto.

The lack of an affordable full service grocery store and pharmacy negatively affects members of our group and our wider Tenderloin community on a daily basis. We live in a food + pharmacy desert.

We are calling on the Board President to invoke Rule 3.38 without delay, and on every member of this Board to sign onto the motion. Give File No. 260693 the hearing and the vote it has been denied. Let the full Board, and ultimately the voters, decide — not the Mayor's Office, and not Amazon.

Thank you for your consideration,

Best,

O'Farrell Neighbors Group



From: [Tiffany Chung](#)
To: [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Chan, Connie \(BOS\)](#); [Sherrill, Stephen \(BOS\)](#); [Sauter, Danny \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Alan \(BOS\)](#); [Mahmood, Bilal \(BOS\)](#); [Dorsey, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Melgar, Myrna \(BOS\)](#); [Felder, Jackie \(BOS\)](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Chen, Chyanne \(BOS\)](#)
Cc: [Board of Supervisors \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: Re: Invoke Rule 3.38 — Give the Affordable Groceries Act a Vote (File No. 260693)
Date: Tuesday, July 14, 2026 10:55:40 AM

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Dear President Mandelman and Members of the Board of Supervisors,

Foodwise strongly supports File No. 260693, the Abandoned Pharmacy and Grocery Tax, and urges the Board to invoke Rule 3.38 to bring this measure directly to the full Board for a hearing and a vote.

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Thank you for your consideration.

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From: [Sylvia Nguyen](#)
To: [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Chan, Connie \(BOS\)](#); [Sherrill, Stephen \(BOS\)](#); [Sauter, Danny \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Alan \(BOS\)](#); [Mahmood, Bilal \(BOS\)](#); [Dorsey, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Melgar, Myrna \(BOS\)](#); [Felder, Jackie \(BOS\)](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Chen, Chyanne \(BOS\)](#)
Cc: [Board of Supervisors \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: Re: Invoke Rule 3.38 — Give the Affordable Groceries Act a Vote (File No. 260693)
Date: Tuesday, July 14, 2026 10:58:24 AM

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Dear President Mandelman and Members of the Board of Supervisors,

My name is Sylvia Nguyen and I strongly support File No. 260693, the Abandoned Pharmacy and Grocery Tax, and I urge the Board to invoke Rule 3.38 to bring this measure directly to the full Board for a hearing and a vote.

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Yesterday, during the San Francisco Agency of Human Rights grantee convening, Mayor Lurie spoke about knowing that the City of San Francisco needs to do better and that the Mayor's Office would have our backs. This is a moment in which you, the Board of Supervisors, have a choice to provide tangible solutions for all San Franciscans especially during a time when so many neighbors are struggling to afford gas to get to work, MUNI lines have been reduced, and neighbors need to make the difficult decision of paying for medicine or food instead of being able to access and cover costs of all their essential needs.

At Farming Hope, we see and experience the direct impacts on food and housing insecure San Franciscans when grocery stores suddenly close and cause an additional strain for neighbors to access food and pharmacies.

We are calling on the Board President to invoke Rule 3.38 without delay, and on every member of this Board to sign onto the motion. Give File No. 260693 the hearing and the vote it has been denied. Let the full Board, and ultimately the voters, decide — not the Mayor's Office, and not Amazon.

Thank you for your consideration,

Sylvia

Sylvia Nguyen | she/her | Development Manager | 415.300.0265

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From: [Danica Berry](#)
To: [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Chan, Connie \(BOS\)](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Chen, Chyanne \(BOS\)](#); [Felder, Jackie \(BOS\)](#); [Melgar, Myrna \(BOS\)](#); [Dorsey, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Mahmood, Bilal \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Alan \(BOS\)](#); [Sherrill, Stephen \(BOS\)](#); [Sauter, Danny \(BOS\)](#)
Cc: [Board of Supervisors \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: Invoke Rule 3.38 — Give the Affordable Groceries Act a Vote (File No. 260693)
Date: Tuesday, July 14, 2026 11:43:40 AM

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Dear President Mandelman and Members of the Board of Supervisors,

Danica Berry strongly supports File No. 260693, the Abandoned Pharmacy and Grocery Tax, and urges the Board to invoke Rule 3.38 to bring this measure directly to the full Board for a hearing and a vote.

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Danica Berry

From: tamibryant@aol.com
To: [Board of Supervisors \(BOS\)](#); [Mahmood, Bilal \(BOS\)](#); [WongStaff \(BOS\)](#); [Waltonstaff \(BOS\)](#); [Melgar, Myrna \(BOS\)](#); [Chan, Connie \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: Please support Supervisor Mahmood's grocery store legislation
Date: Wednesday, July 15, 2026 7:15:35 PM

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As a San Franciscan since 1971, who raised three children in the Fillmore as a single welfare mom, I am urging you to support the Affordable Groceries Act.

I am not sure why I have to even ask this of this board. Don't you think people have the right to eat? Chan is wrong all day long on this as she seeks to please conservatives in her run for Congress, which will be a disaster for poor people given her SF track record, please do not be on the wrong side of history.

I lived across the street from the Fillmore Safeway before it was built, and I still live here long after they abandoned us. There were City employees who already put corporate greed over community need 40 years ago. We deserve accountability! The deal they gave Safeway was SO BAD for San Francisco, I'm sure they took bribes! Who gives millions of dollars of land to a corporation with nothing in return? SF staff who didn't care about our future. The windfall should belong to the Black community, not these greedy corporations.

Safeway has chained up the lot so pedestrians from my coop can't go directly to the Farmers Market, including my 98 year old neighbor who has to cross under chains! Do you understand, 98 years old and Safeway made his walk to the Farmers Market a health hazard.

This is vital and necessary legislation. Safeway has refused to let any food store temporarily occupy it.

Marina Safeway is not being treated like this. They're getting a sweet deal! Make corporations pay taxes or open grocery stores! San Francisco! If no big corporation wants our business, good! Let's open up community run coops like Rainbow.

As a white ally, I know Black people are not a priority and very few on this BOS care about the Black community, but I think a few of you do.

Please stand for justice. Please protect one of the last Black communities in S.F. Please put human being over corporate profit. I support this legislation and am shocked that there is not unanimous support!

San Franciscan of more than a half century.

Fillmore resident since 1979

A lonely voice for my Black neighbors

Tami Bryant

From: [Mchugh, Eileen \(BOS\)](#)
To: [BOS-Operations](#)
Subject: Fw: Affordable Groceries Act
Date: Wednesday, July 15, 2026 9:17:21 PM

From: William Walker <wiyum@wiyum.org>
Sent: Wednesday, July 15, 2026 9:15 PM
To: Chen, Chyanne (BOS) <Chyanne.Chen@sfgov.org>; Mahmood, Bilal (BOS) <bilal.mahmood@sfgov.org>; Chan, Connie (BOS) <connie.chan@sfgov.org>; MandelmanStaff (BOS) <mandelmanstaff@sfgov.org>; Calvillo, Angela (BOS) <angela.calvillo@sfgov.org>
Subject: Affordable Groceries Act

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Hi Supervisors Chen, Chan, Mahmood and Mandelman:

I support taxing vacant parcels whether they are supermarkets, other general retail, or even vacant residential units in complexes greater than five units.

For 15 years I have been a tenant in District 8. For 23 years I was a tenant in District 8. For three years I was in Districts 4 and 9.

I'm astonished that the Mayor would tell an Independent Board Chair that an item should not be heard at a Committee. I'm even more flummoxed that a Supervisor would listen. I don't know how I'd support someone in any office that would acquiesce in such a manner. I don't expect the legislative check on the Mayor, the Board of Supervisors, to abdicate their authority.

Please invoke whatever rules are needed for the Board to consider the affordable groceries act.

Thank you,

William Walker
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