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PROPOSED INITIATIVE ORDINANCE
TO BE SUBMITTED BY FOUR OR MORE SUPERVISORS
TO THE VOTERS AT THE JUNE 8, 2010 ELECTION

[Under Charter Sections 3.100(15) and 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 establishing Community Policing.]

Initiative Ordinance amending the San Francisco Administrative Code to establish a community-based foot beat policing patrol program within the San Francisco Police Department.

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

Section 1. Findings: In 1994 with the passage of Proposition D establishing a minimum police staffing in the City Charter, the voters specifically intended for officers to be "dedicated to neighborhood policing and patrol."

In 2007, the city established a highly successful foot patrol pilot program demonstrating the effectiveness of beat officers almost doubling the officer-hours spent walking a beat with no apparent effect on response times.

The pilot program had multiple benefits which included 70% of community members surveyed feeling safer through increased police visibility and presence enhancing citizens' sense of security

The implementation of a successful foot beat patrol policing program requires an investment by the City and SFPD in planning, program development, technology, training, and

community outreach. The People of San Francisco hereby direct the Mayor, Board of Supervisors, the Police Commission and the San Francisco Police Department to take any and all measures necessary to fully implement and sustain a comprehensive, accountable community policing program

Section 2. The San Francisco Administrative Code is hereby amended by adding Section 10A, to read as follows:

SEC. 10A.1. – COMMUNITY-BASED FOOT BEAT POLICING PROGRAM.

(a) Designation of Foot Patrols

(1) The officer in charge of each Police Station shall:

(A) Designate foot beats, based on his or her assessment of the most critical and immediate need for a physical police presence to address and prevent crime;

(B) Have discretion to determine the specific route and staffing based on community input, needs and evolving or emerging patterns of criminal activity or suspected criminal activity;

(C) Work with foot patrol officers and the community to develop policing priorities and strategies — including prevention, intervention and enforcement — that are specific to the neighborhood and the needs of its residents.

(2) Foot patrol officers shall not be called off their foot beat except in an emergency. The Station Captain shall make a monthly report, in writing and available to the public at the Captain's monthly community meeting, to the Chief of Police detailing the beats walked and number of man-hours actually staffed.

(b) Officer patrol of San Francisco Municipal Transit Agency. As an extension of San Francisco's city streets, a police presence on Muni is essential to public safety and welfare and to reduce crime.

(1) The officer in charge of each Police Station shall

1 (A) Coordinate amongst adjacent stations to provide a consistent presence on Muni
2 Lines running through their respective jurisdiction

3 (B) Have discretion, in consultation with adjacent stations commanders, to determine
4 the specific Muni route patrolled and staffing based on community input, needs and evolving or
5 emerging patterns of criminal activity or suspected criminal activity;

6 (C) Have discretion to allow Officers to cross station jurisdictional boundaries while
7 monitoring activity on Muni lines.

8 (c) Requirements for Officers and Supervisors. Foot patrols shall be managed to identify and reduce
9 the incidence of crime in the areas most heavily impacted by crime.

10 (1) Officers assigned to foot and Muni patrols shall:

11 (A) Make every effort to be known in the community through constant interactions
12 with residents especially in locations where seniors, children and youth gathers and on Muni
13 lines.

14 (B) Identify and address crime and nuisance problems that impact the quality of life
15 and the level of fear of neighborhood residents including identifying and mitigating elements of
16 the built environment that may hide or encourage crime or criminal activity.

17 (C) Foster collaboration and open communication between police officers and
18 community members, including neighborhood groups, merchants, faith-based groups, schools,
19 and neighborhood leaders.

20 (D) Encourage residents' involvement in activities that contribute to crime
21 prevention, including neighborhood watch activities, neighborhood clean-up and beautification,
22 and crime prevention educational programs.

23 (c) Requirements of the Chief of Police. Oversight and Accountability are essential elements of any
24 city policing policy. As such, the Chief of Police shall:

1 (1) Have overall responsibility for the Planning of, Strategic Vision for , and Outcomes of
2 Community Based foot beat and Muni policing program;

3 (2) Report to the Mayor, Board of Supervisors and the Police Commission not less than every
4 six months:

5 (A) Status of implementation and ongoing program features required by this ordinance;

6 (B) Number of Officer-hours dedicated to foot and Muni patrols and impacts;

7 (C) Recommend or report on improvements to or changes in the community-based foot
8 beat and Muni policing program

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