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CANNABIS OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE

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Administrative Code, Article XXXVIII (Ordinance No. 260-18)

Board Qualifications:

The Cannabis Oversight Committee (“Committee”) was established to convene representatives of Cannabis Business operators, workers, patients, and other key stakeholders in the Cannabis industry to oversee the Office of Cannabis’ implementation of Police Code, Article 16, by evaluating data on the industry’s growth; and provide guidance and recommendations to the Board of Supervisors on amendments to local laws and regulations, including those governing the Equity Program, to facilitate socially responsible growth of this new industry by creating living wage jobs and economic opportunities.

The Committee consists of a total of sixteen (16) members.

There are seven (7) non-voting members (seats 1 through 7), as follows:

- Seat 1 shall be held by the Director of the Department of Public Health or the Director’s designee.
- Seat 2 shall be held by the Chief of the Police Department or the Chief’s designee.
- Seat 3 shall be held by the Director of the Department of Building Inspection or the Director’s designee.
- Seat 4 shall be held by the Director of the Planning Department or the Director’s designee.
- Seat 5 shall be held by the Superintendent of the San Francisco Unified School District or the Superintendent’s designee, which may include a Member of the Board of Education. The Superintendent is not required to hold this seat or appoint a designee, but shall be invited to do so.

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Seat 6 shall be held by the Executive Director of the Entertainment Commission or the Executive Director's designee.

Seat 7 shall be held by the Chief of the Fire Department or the Chief's designee.

There are nine (9) voting members (seats 8 through 16) appointed by the Board of Supervisors, as follows:

Seat 8 shall be held by an Owner of a Cannabis Business permitted through the Equity Program. (If there are no Equity Applicant permit-holders who apply for the seat, then the Board may appoint a person who, at the time of the appointment, is an Equity Applicant, as that term is defined in Police Code Subsection 1604(b)).

Seat 9 shall be held by the operator of a Cannabis Cultivation, Manufacturing, or distribution business with fewer than 20 employees at the time of appointment.

Seat 10 shall be held by a representative of organized labor who works with the Cannabis business labor force.

Seat 11 shall be held by a representative of organized labor who works with the Cannabis delivery service labor force.

Seat 12 shall be held by an Owner of a Storefront Cannabis Retailer.

Seat 13 shall be held by a person who, at the time of the appointment, is an Equity Applicant, as that term is defined in Police Code Subsection 1604(b).

Seat 14 shall be held by a person with demonstrated subject matter expertise on the State of California's Cannabis laws and regulations.

Seat 15 shall be held by a person with significant experience in workforce and economic development.

Seat 16 shall be held by a person who has been a Medicinal Cannabis patient or Medicinal Cannabis consumer for at least five years, with an extensive history advocating for Medicinal Cannabis patients or involvement in implementing and running a Cannabis compassionate use program in compliance with the Compassionate Use Act of 1996.

Voting members shall serve two-year terms at the pleasure of the Board of Supervisors, and may serve for multiple terms.

The City Administrator shall provide administrative and policy support for the Committee.

All City departments, commissions, boards, and agencies shall cooperate with the Committee in the performance of its functions and respond within 30 days to requests for information and any other reasonable requests submitted by the Committee.

The Office of Cannabis shall prepare and submit a report to the Committee no later than January 1, 2020, as set forth in Administrative Code, Section 2A.420, evaluating the growth of the City's Cannabis industry.

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Reports: The Committee shall gather and evaluate data, report, and make recommendations to the Board of Supervisors and Mayor on the effectiveness of City laws and regulations, and the overall health and stability of the Cannabis industry in San Francisco.

Sunset: The Committee shall sunset on December 3, 2021, unless the Board of Supervisors extends the term of the Committee by Ordinance.
