

1 [Settlement of Lawsuit - San Francisco Apartment Association, San Francisco Association of  
2 Realtors, Coalition for Better Housing, and Small Property Owners of San Francisco Institute -  
3 \$93,000]

4 **Ordinance authorizing settlement of the lawsuit filed by San Francisco Apartment**  
5 **Association, San Francisco Association of Realtors, Coalition for Better Housing, and**  
6 **Small Property Owners of San Francisco Institute against the City and County of San**  
7 **Francisco for \$93,000; the lawsuit was filed on May 12, 2020, in San Francisco County**  
8 **Superior Court, Case No. CPF 20-517087; entitled San Francisco Apartment**  
9 **Association, et al. v. City and County of San Francisco; the lawsuit involves a Petition**  
10 **for Writ of Mandate challenging Ordinance No. 36-20, which amended San Francisco**  
11 **Administrative Code § 37.9E to revise the requirements that landlord must follow when**  
12 **engaging in buyout negotiations with tenants.**

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

15 Section 1. Pursuant to Charter Section 6.102(5), the Board of Supervisors hereby  
16 authorizes the City Attorney to settle the action entitled San Francisco Apartment Association,  
17 et al. v. City and County of San Francisco, San Francisco County Superior Court, Case No.  
18 CPF 20-517087 by the payment of \$93,000.00 in attorneys' fees to Petitioners' counsel. The  
19 lawsuit involves a Petition for Writ of Mandate challenging Ordinance 36-20, which amended  
20 San Francisco Administrative Code § 37.9E to revise the requirements that landlord must  
21 follow when engaging in buyout negotiations with tenants.

22 Section 2. The above-named action was filed in San Francisco County Superior Court  
23 on May 12, 2020, and the following parties were named in the lawsuit: Petitioners and  
24 Plaintiffs San Francisco Apartment Association, San Francisco Association Of Realtors,  
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1 Coalition For Better Housing, And Small Property Owners Of San Francisco Institute; and  
2 Respondent and Defendant City and County of San Francisco.

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4 APPROVED AS TO FORM AND  
5 RECOMMENDED:

RECOMMENDED:

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7 DAVID CHIU  
8 City Attorney

RENT BOARD

9 /s/ Wayne Snodgrass  
10 Wayne Snodgrass  
11 Team Leader, Government Litigation

/s/  
Christina Varner  
Executive Director

12 FUNDS AVAILABLE:

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14 /s/ Carol Lu for Greg Wagner  
15 GREG WAGNER  
16 Controller

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