



CITY AND COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO
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OFFICE OF SMALL BUSINESS
DIRECTOR KATY TANG

March 26, 2025
Ms. Angela Calvillo, Clerk of the Board
City Hall Room 244
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place
San Francisco, CA 94102-4689

RE: BOS File No. 250101 – Removing Conditional Use Requirement for Formula Retail Uses on Van Ness Avenue, between Broadway and Redwood Street - Support

Dear Ms. Calvillo,

On March 24, 2025, Lorenzo Rosas, Legislative Aide to Supervisor Sherrill, presented BOS File No. 250101 – Removing Conditional Use Requirement for Formula Retail Uses on Van Ness Avenue, between Broadway and Redwood Street to the Small Business Commission (the Commission).

The legislation would remove the Conditional Use requirement for formula retail businesses within the Residential-Commercial Zone on Van Ness Avenue from Broadway to Redwood Street. The intent behind Supervisor Sherrill's legislation is to fill vacancies in the larger storefronts along Van Ness Avenue --spaces that are challenging for most small businesses to lease. The Commission acknowledged that with a high number of commercial vacancies, relaxing formula retail controls may encourage more business growth along the corridor. At the same time, Commissioners emphasized the importance of ongoing support for small businesses along the corridor.

The Commission supported the legislation with a 7-0 vote. Thank you for considering the Commission's recommendations. Please feel free to contact me should you have any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Katy Tang".

Katy Tang
Director, Office of Small Business