

LEGISLATIVE DIGEST

[Administrative Code - Establishing Balboa Reservoir Community Advisory Committee]

Ordinance amending the Administrative Code to establish the Balboa Reservoir Community Advisory Committee to advise the Board of Supervisors, the Mayor, and City departments regarding any proposed development under the Public Land for Housing Program at the portion of the Balboa Reservoir owned by the San Francisco Public Utilities Commission; and setting forth the membership and duties of the Advisory Committee.

Existing Law

The San Francisco Public Utilities Commission owns approximately 18 acres of the western portion of the Balboa Reservoir located off of Ocean and Phelan Avenues in Balboa Park. The site is currently used for short-term parking accommodating up to about 1,000 automobiles. The Public Utilities Commission, in consultation with the Mayor's Office of Economic and Workforce Development and the Planning Department, is evaluating the potential to use the site for housing and other purposes. There is currently no formal community advisory group advising the Board of Supervisors, the Mayor, the Public Utilities Commission, or any other City departments regarding the use of the site.

Amendments to Current Law

The proposed ordinance would create a Balboa Reservoir Community Advisory Committee. The Advisory Committee would hold regular meetings, providing a venue for community stakeholders and the general public to discuss any proposed development on the Site, and to ask questions of and give input to City officers, City staff, and eventually the developers selected by the Public Utilities Commission. The Advisory Committee would provide feedback on the City's development objectives, addressing issues including housing affordability, transportation, open space and other community benefits, interactions with City College, and good neighbor policies. The Advisory Committee would submit annual reports to the Board of Supervisors and the Mayor.

The Advisory Committee would terminate five years after the effective date of the ordinance unless the Board re-authorizes it in a subsequent ordinance. The Board's stated goal is for the Advisory Committee to last until development entitlements have been issued for the project site.

The Advisory Committee would have nine members:

- the President of the Sunnyside Neighborhood Association or a designee;
- the President of the Westwood Park Neighborhood Association or a designee;

- three members appointed by the District 7 Supervisor, including a resident of the OMI (Oceanview-Merced-Ingleside) neighborhood, an employee or trustee of City College of San Francisco, and a member of the Balboa Park Station Community Advisory Committee; and
- four members appointed by the Mayor, including a business owner on Ocean Avenue, a member of the Public Utilities Commission Citizens Advisory Committee, and two members of the general public.

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