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MEMORANDUM

TO: All City Departments via Adam Thongsavat, Mayor's Office

FROM: Victor Young, Assistant Clerk *Victor Young*

DATE: October 7, 2025

SUBJECT: LEGISLATION INTRODUCED

The Board of Supervisors' Rules Committee received the following proposed Ordinance:

File No. 250980

Ordinance amending the Administrative Code to delete the provision authorizing a court to award costs and attorney's fees to a plaintiff who is a prevailing party in an action alleging a violation Administrative Code, Chapter 19B, governing the acquisition of Surveillance Technology.

If you have comments or reports to be included with the file, please forward them to Victor Young at the Board of Supervisors, City Hall, Room 244, 1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place, San Francisco, CA 94102 or by email at: victor.young@sfgov.org.

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c. Aly Bonde, Mayor's Office



City and County of San Francisco

Master Report

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File Number: 250980	File Type: Ordinance	Status: 30 Day Rule
Enacted:	Effective:	
Version: 1	In Control: Rules Committee	
File Name: Administrative Code - Recovery of Attorney's Fees and Costs - Surveillance Technology		Date Introduced: 09/30/2025
Requester:	Cost:	Final Action:
Comment:	Title: Ordinance amending the Administrative Code to delete the provision authorizing a court to award costs and attorney's fees to a plaintiff who is a prevailing party in an action alleging a violation Administrative Code, Chapter 19B, governing the acquisition of Surveillance Technology.	
		Sponsors: Dorsey; Mandelman and Sherrill

History of Legislative File 250980

Ver	Acting Body	Date	Action	Sent To	Due Date	Result
1	President	09/30/2025	ASSIGNED UNDER 30 DAY RULE	Rules Committee	10/30/2025	

[Administrative Code - Recovery of Attorney's Fees and Costs - Surveillance Technology]

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

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SEC. 19B.8. ENFORCEMENT.

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1 instituted under this subsection (b) shall be brought against the City.

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3 given written notice of the alleged violation(s) and an opportunity to correct such alleged
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11 Section 2. Scope of Ordinance. In enacting this ordinance, the Board of Supervisors
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17 Section 3. Effective Date. This ordinance shall become effective 30 days after
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21 APPROVED AS TO FORM:
22 DAVID CHIU, City Attorney

23 By: /s/Jana Clark
24 JANA CLARK
25 Deputy City Attorney

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Introduction Form

(by a Member of the Board of Supervisors or the Mayor)

I hereby submit the following item for introduction (select only one):

- ☐ 1. For reference to Committee (Ordinance, Resolution, Motion or Charter Amendment)
- ☐ 2. Request for next printed agenda (For Adoption Without Committee Reference)
(Routine, non-controversial and/or commendatory matters only)
- ☐ 3. Request for Hearing on a subject matter at Committee
- ☐ 4. Request for Letter beginning with "Supervisor inquires..."
- ☐ 5. City Attorney Request
- ☐ 6. Call File No. from Committee.
- ☐ 7. Budget and Legislative Analyst Request (attached written Motion)
- ☐ 8. Substitute Legislation File No.
- ☐ 9. Reactivate File No.
- ☐ 10. Topic submitted for Mayoral Appearance before the Board on

The proposed legislation should be forwarded to the following (please check all appropriate boxes):

- ☐ Small Business Commission ☐ Youth Commission ☐ Ethics Commission
- ☐ Planning Commission ☐ Building Inspection Commission ☐ Human Resources Department

General Plan Referral sent to the Planning Department (proposed legislation subject to Charter 4.105 & Admin 2A.53):

- ☐ Yes ☐ No

(Note: For Imperative Agenda items (a Resolution not on the printed agenda), use the Imperative Agenda Form.)

Sponsor(s):

Subject:

Long Title or text listed:

Signature of Sponsoring Supervisor:

From: [Donovan, Dominica \(BOS\)](#)
To: [BOS Legislation, \(BOS\)](#)
Cc: [Dorsey, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ho, Calvin \(BOS\)](#); [HALL, ARLENE \(CAT\)](#); [CLARK, JANA \(CAT\)](#); [RUSSI, BRAD \(CAT\)](#); [Chung, Lauren \(BOS\)](#); [Sherrill, Stephen \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: D6 Introduction - Ordinance - Surveillance Technology
Date: Tuesday, September 30, 2025 2:25:15 PM
Attachments: [01872302.DOCX](#)
[Dorsey Introduction - Ordinance - 9.30.2025.pdf](#)

Dear Clerk's Staff:

Please see the attached ordinance for introduction from Supervisor Dorsey for today. Including Supervisor Mandelman's and Supervisor Sherrill's team to confirm their co-sponsorship.

DCA Jana Clark is copied to confirm her approval as to form.

Please let me know if you need anything else.

Dominica Donovan | Chief of Staff

Office of Supervisor Matt Dorsey, District 6

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Subject: RE: D6 Introduction - Ordinance - Surveillance Technology
Date: Tuesday, September 30, 2025 2:34:53 PM

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Subject: Re: D6 Introduction - Ordinance - Surveillance Technology
Date: Tuesday, September 30, 2025 2:27:20 PM

Confirming President Mandelman's co-sponsorship. Thank you!

Calvin Ho (he/they)

Legislative Aide

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Subject: RE: D6 Introduction - Ordinance - Surveillance Technology
Date: Tuesday, September 30, 2025 2:37:21 PM

Confirming Supervisor Sherrill's co-sponsorship.

Thank you,

Lauren Chung | Chief of Staff
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