



CITY AND COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO
OFFICE OF THE CONTROLLER

Ben Rosenfield
Controller

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Deputy Controller

February 2, 2016

Ms. Angela Calvillo
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place Room 244
San Francisco, CA 94102-4689

RE: File 151273 – Charter amendment regarding vacancies in elective office. Revised for Third Draft

Dear Ms. Calvillo,

Should the proposed charter amendment be approved by the voters, in my opinion, it would moderately increase the cost of government.

Over a typical election cycle of four years, the amendment could be expected to result in at least one additional special election for a seat on the Board of Supervisors that would not have otherwise occurred. Based on Department of Elections' costs, there would be an estimated expense of approximately \$340,000 for the City to hold a special election in a supervisorial district as triggered by the proposed amendment.

Sincerely,

for
Ben Rosenfield
Ben Rosenfield
Controller

Note: This analysis reflects our understanding of the proposal as of the date shown. At times further information is provided to us which may result in revisions being made to this analysis before the final Controller's statement appears in the Voter Information Pamphlet.