

File No. 210782

Committee Item No. _____

Board Item No. 47

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Board of Supervisors Meeting

Date: July 13, 2021

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Prepared by: Lisa Lew

Date: July 9, 2021

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1 [Supporting Free Muni For All Youth]

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YOUTH COMMISSION MEMORANDUM

TO: Honorable Mayor London Breed
Honorable Members, Board of Supervisors

CC: Angela Calvillo, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
Alisa Somera, Legislative Deputy Director, Board of Supervisors
Rebecca Peacock, Mayor's Government Affairs Team support
Sophia Kittler, Mayor's Liaison to the Board of Supervisors
Jenny Lam, Mayor's Education Advisor
Legislative Aides, Board of Supervisors
Maria Su, Executive Director, Department of Children Youth and Their Families
Jeffrey Tumlin, Executive Director, SFMTA

FROM: 2020-2021 Youth Commission

DATE: Wednesday, July 7, 2021

RE: One Youth Commission Action from July 6, 2021: unanimous support for BOS File No. 210782 – [Supporting Free Muni For All Youth]

At its virtual meeting on Tuesday, July 6, 2021, the Youth Commission took the following actions:

1. Youth Commissioners unanimously voted to support BOS File No. 210782 – [Supporting Free Muni For All Youth]. A record of their response, with recommendations, can be viewed in referral response no. 2021-RBM-20 ([PDF](#)) (attached).

The Youth Commissioners are excited to see this resolution and policy come to fruition, given their extensive advocacy efforts on the original Free Muni for Youth initiative and this latest endeavor.

Please do not hesitate to contact Youth Commissioners or Youth Commission staff (415) 554-6446 with any questions. Thank you.

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Kiely Hosmon, Director
Youth Commission
FROM: Angela Calvillo, Clerk of the Board
DATE: July 6, 2021
SUBJECT: REFERRAL FROM BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

The Board of Supervisors has received the following proposed legislation which is being referred to the Youth Commission as per Charter, Section 4.124 for comment and recommendation. The Commission may provide any response it deems appropriate within 12 days from the date of this referral.

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Resolution supporting the budget allocation of \$2,000,000 for "Free Muni For All Youth" for a period of 12 months; urging the Municipal Transportation Agency to implement this program effective August 15, 2021, and to partner with the San Francisco Unified School District and all San Francisco schools on a comprehensive outreach effort.

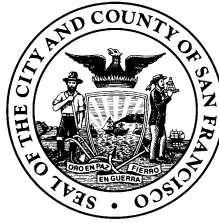
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RESPONSE FROM YOUTH COMMISSION Date: July 6, 2021

No Comment
[X] Recommendation Attached

Nora Hylton
Chairperson, Youth Commission

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FROM: Youth Commission
DATE: Wednesday, July 7, 2021
RE: Referral response to BOS File No. 210782 – [Supporting Free Muni For All Youth]

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To unanimously support BOS File No. 210782 – [Supporting Free Muni For All Youth].

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Youth Commissioners thank the Board of Supervisors for their attention to this issue. If you have any questions, please contact our office at (415) 554-6446, or your Youth Commissioner.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Nora Hylton".

Nora Hylton, Chair
Adopted on July 6, 2021
2020-2021 San Francisco Youth Commission

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Introduction Form

By a Member of the Board of Supervisors or Mayor

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

- 1. For reference to Committee. (An Ordinance, Resolution, Motion or Charter Amendment).
- 2. Request for next printed agenda Without Reference to Committee.
- 3. Request for hearing on a subject matter at Committee.
- 4. Request for letter beginning : "Supervisor inquiries"
- 5. City Attorney Request.
- 6. Call File No. from Committee.
- 7. Budget Analyst request (attached written motion).
- 8. Substitute Legislation File No.
- 9. Reactivate File No.
- 10. Topic submitted for Mayoral Appearance before the BOS on

Please check the appropriate boxes. The proposed legislation should be forwarded to the following:

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- Youth Commission
- Ethics Commission
- Planning Commission
- Building Inspection Commission

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