## **LEGISLATIVE DIGEST**

[Transportation Code - Fee Waivers for Qualifying Neighborhood Outdoor Events]

Ordinance amending the Transportation Code to waive fees related to the temporary closure of streets for street fairs for nonprofit organizations, small businesses, merchant associations and neighborhood resident associations.

## **Existing Law**

Transportation Code Section 6.6 governs the regulation of street fairs, including the processing of permit applications by the Interdepartmental Staff Committee on Traffic and Transportation and the payment of associated fees to the City. Such permit fees reflect the cost to the City of temporarily closing streets for the event, including fees for the Fire Department, Department of Public Health, and the Police Department. Section 6.6 states that the San Francisco Municipal Transit Agency may also impose fees related to these events, and that the Fire Department may impose additional fees for Fire Department permits required for these events.

## Amendments to Current Law

This ordinance would amend Transportation Code Section 6.6 to waive all street fair fees for organizations that hold valid business licenses under Business and Tax Regulations Code Article 2 and are one or more of the following: (i) a non-profit organization that is exempt from taxation under Internal Revenue Code Section 501(c)(3), and that is in compliance with all applicable requirements to register with the California Attorney General's Registry of Charities and Fundraisers; (ii) a business with less than \$5 million in annual gross revenue; or (iii) a merchant or resident association. Waived fees include those listed in Section 6.6 as well as fees that would otherwise be imposed by the Fire Department and the Entertainment Commission for those departments' separate permits.

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