

LEGISLATIVE DIGEST

[Administrative Code - Adding Western South of Market Area Plan to Eastern Neighborhoods Area Plan Monitoring Program]

Ordinance amending the Administrative Code, Section 10E.2, to integrate the Western South of Market (SoMa) Area Plan into the Eastern Neighborhoods Monitoring Program for purposes of reviewing the effectiveness of the Western SoMa Area Plan and inclusion of the Western SoMa Area Plan into the Eastern Neighborhoods reporting requirement, Eastern Neighborhoods capital expenditures plan, and the Eastern Neighborhoods Citizens Advisory Committee; and making environmental findings.

Existing Law

Section 10E.2 of the Administrative Code establishes the Eastern Neighborhoods Area Plan Monitoring Program. Section 10E.2 was adopted in 2008, with the adoption of the Eastern Neighborhoods Area Plans and accompanying legislation. Western SoMa was not included in the Eastern Neighborhoods Area Plan Monitoring Program, but it did have some representation in the Eastern Neighborhoods Citizens Advisory Committee.

Amendments to Current Law

This Ordinance amends Section 10E.2 of the Administrative Code to integrate the Western SoMa Plan into the Eastern Neighborhoods Monitoring Program. It creates a process to review the effectiveness of the Western SoMa Area Plan by including the Western SoMa Area Plan into the Eastern Neighborhoods Reporting Requirement, the Eastern Neighborhoods Capital Expenditures Plan, and the Eastern Neighborhoods Citizens Advisory Committee.

Background Information

This Ordinance is a companion piece of legislation to the ordinances that create the Western SoMa Area Plan – the General Plan, Planning Code, and Zoning Map amendments. The Western SoMa community planning process began in 2001, originally as a part of Eastern Neighborhoods, with the goal of developing new zoning controls for the industrial portion of this neighborhood. The Western SoMa plan area was eventually removed from the Eastern Neighborhoods planning process and on November 23, 2004 the Board of Supervisors passed Resolution No. 731-04 creating the Western SoMa Citizens Planning Task Force (“Task Force”). The Task Force was charged with conducting a comprehensive analysis of the Western SoMa plan area and developing recommendations. The Task Force, with assistance from the Planning Department held numerous public workshops and worked with consultants

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throughout 2008, resulting in the publication of a Draft Western SoMa Community Plan in September 2008. An updated version of the plan was published in October 2011.