



CITY AND COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO
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OFFICE OF SMALL BUSINESS
DIRECTOR KATY TANG

April 30, 2026

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

RE: BOS File 260359 – Uncertified Lithium-Ion Battery Ban – Support with Recommendations

Dear Ms. Calvillo,

On April 27, 2026, the Small Business Commission (the Commission) heard BOS File **260359 – Uncertified Lithium-Ion Battery Ban**. Samantha Logan, Legislative Aide to Supervisor Mahmood, presented the legislation, which would prohibit the sale and delivery of lithium-ion batteries for electric mobility devices unless they have certain safety certifications.

The Commission stated their understanding of the safety concerns and fire risks associated with uncertified batteries but also noted that low-income communities that rely on electric scooters and bicycles for commuting may experience affordability challenges with purchasing certified batteries. They voted to support the legislation with a recommendation that the City explore programs to mitigate inequities for communities that cannot afford certified batteries. Please feel free to contact me should you have any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Katy Tang". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Katy Tang
Director, Office of Small Business