



**City and County of San Francisco**  
**Meeting Agenda**  
**Budget and Finance Sub-Committee**

City Hall  
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place  
San Francisco, CA 94102-4689

*Supervisors: Carmen Chu, John Avalos, Jane Kim*

*Clerk: Victor Young (415) 554-7723*

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Thursday, July 12, 2012

11:30 AM

City Hall, Legislative Chamber, Room 250

**Special Meeting**

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## AGENDA CHANGES

## REGULAR AGENDA

1. [120681](#) **[Initiative Ordinance - Business and Tax Regulations Code - Enact Gross Receipts Tax and Phase Out Payroll Expense Tax]**  
**Sponsors: Mayor; Chiu**  
Motion ordering submitted to the voters an: "Ordinance amending the Business and Tax Regulations Code to: 1) enact a new Article 12-A-1 (Gross Receipts Tax Ordinance) to impose a gross receipts tax and a gross expense tax on persons engaging in business activities in San Francisco; 2) amend Article 12-A (Payroll Expense Tax Ordinance) to reduce business payroll expense tax rates based on the amount of gross receipts tax collected under Article 12-A-1 (Gross Receipts Tax Ordinance); 3) amend Article 12 (Business Registration Ordinance) to establish business registration fees based on gross receipts and gross expenses and amend the current business registration fees to generate \$13 million in additional revenue; 4) amend Article 12-A (Payroll Expense Tax Ordinance) to add a sunset date to the surplus business tax revenue credit; and 5) amend Article 6 (Common Administrative Provisions) to establish requirements for filing a tax return under Article 12-A-1 (Gross Receipts Tax Ordinance) and establish penalties for non-filing, amend the requirements for filing payroll expense tax returns and penalties for non-filing to conform to the new gross receipts tax" at an election to be held on November 6, 2012.

(Economic Impact)

**Attachments:** [Legislation Ver1](#)

[Leg Digest Ver1](#)

[Small Business 062812](#)

[Response Planning 070612](#)

[Comm Packet 071212](#)

6/12/12; ASSIGNED UNDER 30 DAY RULE to the Budget and Finance Committee.

6/26/12; REFERRED TO DEPARTMENT.

6/28/12; RESPONSE RECEIVED.

7/3/12; TRANSFERRED to the Budget and Finance Sub-Committee.

7/5/12; RESPONSE RECEIVED.

*The chair may entertain motions to amend and/or continue File Nos. 120681 and 120682 to July 18, 2012.*

2. **120682** **[Initiative Ordinance - Business and Tax Regulations Code - Enact Gross Receipts Tax and Phase Out Payroll Expense Tax]**

**Sponsors: Avalos; Campos, Kim, Mar and Olague**

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[Exempt from CEQA per Section 15273.](#)

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## ADJOURNMENT

### Agenda Item Information

Each item on the Consent or Regular agenda may include the following documents:

- 1) Legislation
- 2) Budget and Legislative Analyst report
- 3) Department or Agency cover letter and/or report
- 4) Public correspondence

These items will be available for review at City Hall, 1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place, Room 244, Reception Desk.

### Meeting Procedures

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Board procedures do not permit: 1) persons in the audience to vocally express support or opposition to statements by Supervisors or by other persons testifying; 2) ringing and use of cell phones, pagers, and similar sound-producing electronic devices; 3) bringing in or displaying signs in the meeting room; and 4) standing in the meeting room.

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