



TO: Angela Calvillo, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors  
FROM: Adam Thongsavat, Liaison to the Board of Supervisors  
RE: Planning Code - Fenestration, Transparency, and Sign Requirements Generally; Sales and Service  
Uses in the C-3 and RC Districts  
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Ordinance amending the Planning Code to 1) principally permit certain non-retail sales and service uses, including general office, design professional, business services, non-retail professional services, and trade offices, on the ground floor in the C-3 ("Downtown Commercial") Districts through December 31, 2030, after which such uses will be conditionally permitted; 2) principally permit retail sales and service uses on the second floor and above in the RC ("Residential-Commercial") Districts; 3) principally permit non-retail sales and service uses on the second floor and above in the RC Districts; 4) update transparency and fenestration requirements for ground floor active uses and exempt child care facilities, homeless shelters, mortuaries, religious institutions, reproductive health clinics, and school uses from those requirements; 5) define an Interior Sign and the applicable standards for Interior Signs; 6) exempt Interior Signs of six square feet or less and Business and Identifying Signs painted on building facades from a permit under the Planning Code; 7) modify the definition of a Non-Residential Use for the purposes of certain development impact fee waivers; affirming the Planning Department's determination under the California Environmental Quality Act; making findings of consistency with the General Plan and the eight priority policies of Planning Code, Section 101.1; and making findings of public necessity, convenience, and welfare pursuant to Planning Code, Section 302.

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