[Administrative Code - Valencia Street, Pier 39, Folsom Street, and Ellis Street Entertainment Zones and Yerba Buena Lane Downtown Activation Location]

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Entertainment Zone, on Valencia Street between 16th Street and 21st Street; the Pier 39
Entertainment Zone, on and around Pier 39, including the northern waterfront of The
Embarcadero, between The Embarcadero on the south, Kearny Street on the east,
Powell Street on the west, and the San Francisco shoreline on the north; the Folsom
Street Entertainment Zone, on Folsom Street between 7th Street and 8th Street, Hallam
Street between Folsom Street and Brush Place, and Langton Street between Folsom
Street and Decker Alley; the Ellis Street Entertainment Zone, on Ellis Street between
Stockton Street and Powell Street; and the Yerba Buena Lane Downtown Activation
Location, on Yerba Buena Lane between Market Street and Mission Street, and on the
northern side of Mission Street only, excluding the public street portion of Mission
Street, between Yerba Buena Lane and 3rd Street, including Jessie Square; and
affirming the Planning Department's determination under the California Environmental
Quality Act.

NOTE: Unchanged Code text and uncodified text are in plain Arial font.

Additions to Codes are in single-underline italics Times New Roman font.

Deletions to Codes are in strikethrough italics Times New Roman font.

Board amendment additions are in double-underlined Arial font.

Board amendment deletions are in strikethrough Arial font.

Asterisks (\* \* \* \*) indicate the omission of unchanged Code subsections or parts of tables.

Be it ordained by the People of the City and County of San Francisco:

Section 1. Environmental Findings.

(a) The Planning Department has determined that the actions contemplated in this ordinance comply with the California Environmental Quality Act (California Public Resources

Code Sections 21000 *et seq.*). Said determination is on file with the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors in File No. 250348 and is incorporated herein by reference. The Board affirms this determination.

#### Section 2. Port of San Francisco Actions

Port of San Francisco staff intends request that the Port Commission support the formation of the Pier 39 Entertainment Zone and adopt rules and regulations for said Entertainment Zone.

Section 3. Chapters 94B and 94D of the Administrative Code are hereby amended by revising Sections 94B.4 and 94D.3, to read as follows:

#### SEC. 94B.4. ENTERTAINMENT ZONE LOCATIONS.

- (a) The Board of Supervisors hereby establishes all of the Downtown Activation Locations set forth in Administrative Code Section 94D.3, including all public streets, public rights-of-way, and sidewalks in front of storefronts abutting both sides of said locations, and all establishments holding permits or licenses from ABC that are located on either side of said locations, as Entertainment Zones under Sections 23039.5 and 25690 of the California Business and Professions Code.
  - (b) Additional Entertainment Zones.

## (6) Valencia Street Entertainment Zone.

(A) All public streets, public rights-of-way, and sidewalks in front of storefronts abutting both sides of Valencia Street, between 16th Street and 21st Street, and all premises specified in Section 94B.2(c) that are adjacent thereto, are hereby designated as the Valencia Street Entertainment Zone under Sections 23039.5 and 25690 of the California Business and Professions Code.

(B) Notwithstanding subsection (c), if an Entertainment Zone Event within the Valencia Street Entertainment Zone does not involve the closure of a public street, it need not receive a permit for the use of a public street under Transportation Code Division I, Section 6.6 or 6.16 or Transportation Code Division II, Section 206, or other applicable authority of the SFMTA.

## (7) Pier 39 Entertainment Zone.

(A) The area on and around Pier 39, including the northern waterfront of The Embarcadero, between the Embarcadero on the south, Kearny Street on the east, Powell Street on the west, and the San Francisco shoreline on the north, including all sidewalks and public rights-of-way but excluding public streets, and all premises specified in Section 94B.2(c) that are adjacent thereto, are hereby designated as the Pier 39 Entertainment Zone under Sections 23039.5 and 25690 of the California Business and Professions Code.

(B) The establishment of the Pier 39 Entertainment Zone pursuant to this subsection (b)(7) shall in no way affect the land use authorizations for or ownership or control of any private property within the Pier 39 Entertainment Zone.

(C) The Pier 39 Entertainment Zone shall be subject to any controls imposed by the Port of San Francisco. To the extent any inconsistency exists between controls imposed by the Port of San Francisco and controls imposed by this Chapter 94B or the Management Plan issued pursuant to Section 94B.3, the controls imposed by the Port of San Francisco shall take precedence.

(D) An Entertainment Zone Event within the Pier 39 Entertainment Zone shall not involve the closure of a public street, and therefore notwithstanding subsection (c), it need not receive a permit for the use of a public street under Transportation Code Division I, Section 6.6 or 6.16 or Transportation Code Division II, Section 206, or other applicable authority of the SFMTA.

### (8) Folsom Street Entertainment Zone.

(A) All public streets, public rights-of-way, and sidewalks in front of storefronts abutting both sides of Folsom Street, between 7th Street and 8th Street, both sides of Hallam Street,

between Folsom Street and Brush Place, and both sides of Langton Street, between Folsom Street and

Decker Alley, and all premises specified in Section 94B.2(c) that are adjacent thereto, are hereby

designated as the Folsom Street Entertainment Zone under Sections 23039.5 and 25690 of the

California Business and Professions Code.

(B) Notwithstanding subsection (c), if an Entertainment Zone Event within the Folsom Street Entertainment Zone does not involve the closure of a public street, it need not receive a permit for the use of a public street under Transportation Code Division I, Section 6.6 or 6.16 or Transportation Code Division II, Section 206, or other applicable authority of the SFMTA.

## (9) Ellis Street Entertainment Zone.

All public streets, public rights-of-way, and sidewalks in front of storefronts abutting both sides of Ellis Street, between Stockton Street and Powell Street, and all premises specified in Section 94B.2(c) that are adjacent thereto, are hereby designated as the Ellis Street Entertainment Zone under Sections 23039.5 and 25690 of the California Business and Professions Code.

- (c) Except as otherwise specified in this Section 94B.4, an Entertainment Zone Event must receive a permit for the use of a public street under Transportation Code Division I, Section 6.6 or 6.16 or Transportation Code Division II, Section 206, or other applicable authority of the SFMTA.
- (d) Outdoor consumption of alcoholic beverages is authorized within an Entertainment Zone during any Entertainment Zone Event on any day of the year between the hours of noon and 11:59 p.m., inclusive, subject to any additional limitations imposed by any ABC permit or license and by the Management Plan, or if none, the Downtown Activation Permit, for the Entertainment Zone, including but not limited to more restrictive days and hours during which outdoor consumption of alcoholic beverages is authorized.
  - (e) A Downtown Activation Permit is not required to hold an Entertainment Zone Event.

additions, and Board amendment deletions in accordance with the "Note" that appears under the official title of the ordinance. APPROVED AS TO FORM: DAVID CHIU, City Attorney /s/ Victoria Wong VICTORIA WONG By: Deputy City Attorney n:\legana\as2025\2500224\01832829.docx 



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April 21, 2025 Rules Committee - RECOMMENDED

April 29, 2025 Board of Supervisors - PASSED, ON FIRST READING

Ayes: 11 - Chan, Chen, Dorsey, Engardio, Fielder, Mahmood, Mandelman, Melgar, Sauter, Sherrill and Walton

May 06, 2025 Board of Supervisors - FINALLY PASSED

Ayes: 11 - Chan, Chen, Dorsey, Engardio, Fielder, Mahmood, Mandelman, Melgar, Sauter, Sherrill and Walton

File No. 250348

I hereby certify that the foregoing Ordinance was FINALLY PASSED on 5/6/2025 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

Clerk of the Board

**Daniel Lurie** Mayor

MAY 16,2025 **Date Approved**