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### MEMORANDUM

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TO: Jorge Rivas, Executive Director, Office of Civic Engagement and

**Immigrant Affairs** 

FROM: Victor Young, Assistant Clerk

DATE: August 3, 2023

SUBJECT: LEGISLATION INTRODUCED

The Board of Supervisors' Rules Committee received the following proposed legislation:

File No. 230868

Ordinance amending the Administrative Code to amend the Language Access Ordinance to clarify Departments' responsibilities to provide language access services to members of the public, and to clarify the role of the Office of Civic Engagement and Immigrant Affairs in administering the Language Access Ordinance; to require language access service be provided in Chinese, Spanish, Filipino, and any other language for which the requisite number of person qualifies as a Substantial Number of Limited English Proficient Persons; to amend the formula for determining when a language becomes eligible for language access services; to require Departments to translate signage; to require Departments to translate digital content provided on digital platforms; to clarify that crisis situations also includes but is not limited to pandemics, emergency response, and public safety incidents that impact and effect the community; to rename the Annual Compliance Plan to Annual Compliance Report; to impose requirements for the Language Access Ordinance Summary Report; to require Departments to inform members of the public of their right to file a complaint, and of a process for providing feedback on the Department's Language Access Services: to require Office of Civic Engagement and Immigrant Affairs to create a know-your-rights brochure; to require Departments' posting notice of the availability of Language Access Services and a know-your-rights brochure; to require Departments to budget and plan for delivery of Language Access Services; to require Office of Civic Engagement and Immigrant Affairs to prepare an investigation summary report of each investigation that will include findings and recommendation to address the issues raised, and to create and maintain a website for the posting of investigation summary reports;

## and to delete the financial disclosure requirement for Immigrant Rights Commission members.

If you have comments or reports to be included with the file, please forward them to me at the Board of Supervisors, City Hall, Room 244, 1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place, San Francisco, CA 94102 or by email at: victor.young@sfgov.org.



## City and County of San Francisco Master Report

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Conduct Codes - Language Access Ordinance

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#### History of Legislative File 230868

Ver	Acting Body	Date	Action	Sent To	Due Date	Result
1	President	07/25/2023	ASSIGNED UNDER 30 DAY RULE	Rules Committee	08/24/2023	

1 [Administrative, Campaign and Governmental Conduct Codes - Language Access Or	dinance]
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Commission members.
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<b>Asterisks (* * * *)</b> 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. Chapter 91 of the Administrative Code is hereby amended by revising
Sections 91.1, 91.2, 91.4, 91.5, 91.7, 91.8, 91.9, 91.10, 91.11, 91.12, 91.13, 91.14, 91.15,
91.16, 91.17, and 91.18, to read as follows:
SEC. 91.1. PURPOSE AND FINDINGS.
(a) Title. This Chapter 91 shall be known as the "Language Access Ordinance."
(b) Findings.
(1) The City and County of San Francisco ("the City") seeks to ensure a safe,
inclusive, and equitable environment where every person, regardless of immigration status or language
spoken can readily access information about City services and programs.
(2) The Board of Supervisors finds that San Francisco provides an array of service
and information that can be made accessible to persons who are not proficient in the English
language, or for whom English is not their primary language. The City of San Francisco is
committed to providing equal access to information about City services and programs improving to
accessibility of these services by providing language access services, including language interpretati
and written translations. and providing equal access to them.

1	$(\underline{32})$ the Boara finas that $\underline{aD}$ espite a long history of commitment to language
2	access as embodied in federal, state, and local law, beginning with the landmark Civil Rights
3	Act of 1964, there is a still a significant gap in providing the provision of governmental services
4	and programs to <u>Limited English Proficient ("LEP")</u> <u>pP</u> ersons <u>limited English language speakers</u> .
5	(43) In 1973, the California State Legislature adopted the Dymally-Alatorre
6	Bilingual Services Act, which required <i>certain</i> state and local agencies to provide language
7	services to non English speaking LEP Persons people who comprise 5% or more of the total state
8	population and to hire a sufficient number of bilingual staff.
9	(54) In 1999, the California State Auditor concluded that 80% of some state
10	agencies were not in compliance with the Dymally-Alatorre Act; therefore, not providing
11	equitable services to people who require bilingual assistance. and many of the audited agencies were
12	not aware of their responsibility to translate materials for non English speakers.
13	(65) In 2001, in response to these findings, the San Francisco Board of
14	Supervisors City enacted the Equal Access to Services Ordinance, Ordinance No. 126-01, which
15	required major departments to provide language translation services language access services to
16	limited English LEP Persons proficiency individuals who comprise 5% or more of the total city
17	population.
18	(76) In 2009, in Ordinance No. 202-09, the The Board-City enacted a number of
19	significant changes to the $\Theta \underline{o}$ rdinance, in 2009 and renamed renaming it the Language Access
20	Ordinance, and assigning roles and responsibilities for implementation and compliance to the Office
21	of Civic Engagement and Immigrant Affairs ("OCEIA") and the Immigrant Rights Commission. Since
22	$\underline{amendment\ of}$ the Language Access Ordinance- $\underline{was\ amended}$ -in 2009, City $\underline{\mathcal{D}}\underline{d}$ epartments have
23	made significant progress in providing <u>language access services</u> improved access to services. The
24	Board finds, however, that However, as of 2023, significant gaps remain in language access

consistency, quality, budgeting, and implementation across  $\underline{\textit{d}} \underline{\textit{P}} \text{epartments}.$ 

1	(8) The COVID-19 pandemic and health emergency highlighted the barriers to language
2	access services and inequities for many LEP Persons. The pandemic made it clear that City
3	departments must prioritize language access services during health-related emergencies, disaster-
4	related activities, and all other public safety crisis situations. A community-focused approach to
5	language access services ensures that residents can receive information about City programs and
6	services, including public service announcements, to effectively communicate with City agencies,
7	policymakers, and elected officials.
8	(97) Since the Covid-19 pandemic, the City's use of digital services, web-based content,
9	and on-line mediums for providing information about City programs and services has increased. To
10	meet the needs of City residents, the City's language access services must also expand to those media
11	to make them accessible to LEP Persons.
12	(10) Despite the City's progress in providing language access services, Tthe Board
13	finds that as of 2023 there are still gaps in language services access can seriously affecting San
14	Francisco's the City's ability to serve all of its residents, and provide timely access to information to
15	enable full participation in City services and programs.
16	(11) The United States Census Bureau's 2008-2012 2017-2021 American
17	Community Survey ("ACS") reveals that 3634.1% of San Franciscans are foreign-born and
18	$45.2\underline{42.7}\%$ over the age of five $\underline{can}$ speak a language other than English at home. More than
19	$\underline{112127}$ languages are spoken in the San Francisco Bay Area, with at least $\underline{28109}$ different
20	languages spoken in the City-alone.
21	(12) Historically, the City has offered language access services in-three languages
22	currently have at least 10,000 or more Limited English Persons LEP Persons: Chinese, Spanish
23	and Filipino Tagalog. Among According to the 2017-2021 ACS, the 2118.8% of the total City
24	population who self-identify as <u>LEP Persons</u> <u>limited English speakers</u> , <u>5756.7</u> % are Chinese
25	speakers, <u>23.720.5</u> % are Spanish speakers, <u>65</u> % are <u>Tagalog</u> <u>Filipino</u> speakers, <u>4.1% are</u>

1	<u>Vietnamese speakers,</u>	and 3.35% are	Russian	speakers.	<del>5% are</del>	Russian	speakers,	and	3.8%	are
2	Vietnamese sneakers									

(13) While the City remains a national leader in language access, much remains to be done to continue fighting for full inclusion of our LEP community. The City must continue to make every effort to ensure City departments comply with the Language Access Ordinance and removes barriers to participation in City processes by increasing bilingual staffing levels and language services budgets; improving accessibility through continued digital and telephonic language services; and increasing language services planning and coordination for public health crises, disasters, and emergencies.

#### SEC. 91.2. DEFINITIONS.

As used in this Chapter 91, the following capitalized terms shall have the following meanings:

"Advisory Body" shall mean a body other than a City Board or City Commission that is created by ordinance for the purpose of providing policy advice to the Board of Supervisors, the Mayor, or City Departments.

"Annual Compliance *Plan Report*" is set forth in Section 91.11 of this Chapter.

"Bilingual Employee" shall mean a City employee who is fluent in both English and a second language and who is able to conduct the department's business in both languages. A bilingual employee shall include a City employee who (i) is in a classification that provides information or direct services to the public requiring language proficiency in English and a second language; or (ii) is either a certified interpreter or translator by the Department of Human Resources or accredited training or academic institution; or (iii) receives premium pay and regularly and continuously uses the second language in his or hertheir city employment; or

1	(iv) is self-designated as competent in a second language for purposes of sporadic translation
2	services.
3	"City" shall mean the City and County of San Francisco.
4	"City Boards" shall mean all boards listed in Campaign and Governmental Conduct
5	Code Section 3.1-103(a)(1), as amended from time to time.
6	"City Commissions" shall mean all commissions listed in Campaign and
7	Governmental Conduct Code Section 3.1-103(a)(1), as amended from time to time.
8	"Commission" shall mean the Immigrant Rights Commission.
9	"Concentrated Number of Limited English Speaking Persons" shall mean either 5% of the
10	population of the District in which a Covered Department Facility is located or 5% of those person
11	who use the services provided by the Covered Department Facility. The Office of Civic Engagement
12	and Immigrant Affairs ("OCEIA") shall determine annually whether 5% or more of the population of
13	any District in which a Covered Department Facility is located are Limited English Speaking Person.
14	who speak a shared language other than English. OCEIA shall make this determination by referring to
15	the best available data from the United States Census Bureau or other reliable source and shall certify
16	its determination to all City Departments and the Commission no later than January 31st of each year
17	Each Department shall determine annually whether 5% or more of those persons who use the
18	Department's services at a Covered Department Facility are Limited English Speaking Persons who
19	speak a shared language other than English and report that determination in the Department's Annua
20	Compliance Plan. Departments shall make this determination using one of the following methods:
21	— (1) Conducting an annual survey of all contacts with the public made by the Departmen
22	during a period of at least two weeks, at a time of year in which the Department's public contacts are to
23	the extent possible typical or representative of its contacts during the rest of the year, but before
24	developing its Annual Compliance Plan required by Section 91.11 of this Chapter; or

1	(2) Analyzing information collected during the Department's intake process for all clients
2	including walk ins and scheduled appointments. The information gathered using either method shall
3	also be broken down by Covered Department Facility to determine whether 5% or more of those
4	persons who use the Department's services at a Covered Department Facility are Limited English
5	Speaking Persons who speak a shared language other than English; or
6	(3) Analyzing and calculating the total annual number of requests for telephonic language
7	translation services categorized by language that Limited English Speaking Persons make to the
8	Department based on the Department's telephonic translation services monthly bills, official telephone
9	logs, or any other reasonable method used for data collection.
10	-"Covered Department Facility" shall mean any Department building, office, or location tha
11	provides direct services to the public and serves as the workplace for 5 or more full time City
12	employees.
13	"Department" shall mean any City $\underline{\mathcal{D}}\underline{d}$ epartment, agency, or office with a service or
14	program that provides information or services directly to the public, or interacts with the public.
15	"Department's Service or Program" shall mean anything a City Department or office
16	provides that involves direct services to the public as part of ongoing operations and those
17	direct services administered by the Department, agency, or office for program beneficiaries and
18	participants. Activities include, but are not limited to, information provided to or communication
19	with the public, spaces or department facilities used by the public, and programs that provide
20	$d\underline{D}$ irect $d\underline{S}$ ervices to the $d\underline{P}$ ublic.
21	"Direct Services to the Public" shall mean any service that requires City employees to
22	provide responses to inquiries about official documents, licenses, financial matters, and
23	benefits that are related to the public's health, safety, and general welfare.

"Districts" shall refer to the 11 geographical districts by which the people of the City

elect the members of the  $\frac{City's}{S}$  Board of Supervisors.

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1	"Emerging Language Population" shall mean any new or smaller language population
2	that is at least 2.5% of persons who share a primary language other than English, or for whom there
3	are identified language access needs. but less than 5 % of the population who use a Department's
4	services, or at least 5,000 but less than 10,000 City residents, who speak a shared language other than
5	English.
6	"First Responders" shall mean all City Departments that respond to crisis situations as set
7	forth in Section 91.9.
8	"Interpretation" means a live service that communicates information from one language into
9	another language that is provided in the moment through oral or gestured means. The live service may
10	be provided either through simultaneous or consecutive interpretation of the original speech.
11	"Language Access Services" shall mean translation and interpretation of oral or spoken
12	information services that is accessible and enables communication with persons for whom English is
13	not their primary language or for persons who have a greater capacity for speaking or writing a
14	language other than English. This may also include, interpretation of communications provided
15	through oral, video, remote, or telephonic mediums. for both verbal and written communication.
16	"LEP Person" shall mean Limited English Proficient Person.
17	"Limited English Proficient Speaking Person" shall mean an individual who does not
18	speak, read, understand, or communicate English well or is otherwise unable to communicate
19	effectively in English because English is not the individual's primary language.
20	"OCEIA" shall mean the Office of Civic Engagement & and Immigrant Affairs or any
21	successor agency.
22	"Public Contact or Public Information Position" shall mean a position, a primary job
23	responsibility of which consists of meeting, contacting, and dealing with the public in the
24	performance of the duties of that position.

	"Required languag	ges" shall mear	ı Language	Access Se	rvices in	Chinese,	Spanish,	Filipino,
and any o	ther language for	which the requ	isite number	of persons	s qualifies	as a Sub	stantial N	umber of
Limited E	nglish Proficient I	Persons.						

"Substantial Number of Limited English <u>Proficient-Speaking-Persons"</u> shall mean 10,000 <u>City residents with limited English proficiency LEP Limited English Speaking City residents</u>, who speak a shared language other than English. <u>The City will provide Language Access</u>

<u>Services to a Substantial Number of Limited English Proficient Persons.</u> OCEIA shall determine annually whether at least 10,000 <u>Limited English speaking LEP Persons City residents</u> speak a shared language other than English <u>in order that their shared language will render them eligible</u> <u>for Language Access Services in that language</u>. OCEIA shall make this determination by referring to the best available data from the United States Census Bureau or other reliable source and shall certify its determination to Departments and the Commission no later than January 31st of each year <u>or an annual date as determined by OCEIA</u>. Prior to certifying any new language as set forth in this <u>subsection definition</u>, OCEIA shall comply with the provisions in <u>Chapter Section</u> 91.16(de).

"Translation" means any written communication of information from one language into another language.

#### SEC. 91.4. UTILIZATION OF BILINGUAL EMPLOYEES.

(a) Utilizing sufficient Bilingual Employees in public contact <u>or public information</u> positions, Departments shall provide information and services to the public in <u>each the required</u> language<u>s</u>, <u>languages</u> spoken by a Substantial Number of Limited English <u>Speaking Proficient</u>
Persons, or to the public served by <u>a Covered Department Facility</u> <u>their respective Department</u> in each language spoken by <u>a Concentrated Number of Limited English Speaking LEP</u> Persons.

- Departments comply with their obligations under this Section 91.4 if they provide the same level of service to *Limited English Speaking LEP* Persons as they provide English speakers.
  - (b) Departments may consider hiring Bilingual Employees for public contact <u>or public</u> <u>information</u> positions made available through retirement or normal attrition. <u>Departments may also consider recruiting culturally and linguistically qualified bilingual employees to provide language services for both translation and interpretation.</u> Nothing herein shall be construed to authorize the dismissal of any City employee in order to carry out the Language Access Ordinance.
  - (c) Prior to July 1, 2016, this Section 91.4 shall not apply to Departments that are required under Section 91.12(a) to submit their initial Compliance Plans on October 1, 2016. Thereafter, this Section shall apply to all City Departments.

# SEC. 91.5. TRANSLATION OF MATERIALS, <u>AND SIGNAGE</u>, <u>AND DIGITAL</u> CONTENT.

(a) Except as provided in subsection 91.5(g), Translation of Materials. Departments shall translate the following written materials that provide vital information to the public about the Department's services or programs into the require languages or languages(s) spoken by a Substantial Number of Limited English Speaking LEP Persons: applications or forms to participate in a Department's program or activity or to receive its benefits or services; written notices of rights to, determination of eligibility for, award of, denial of, loss of, or decreases in benefits or services, including the right to appeal any Department's decision; written tests that do not assess English language competency, but test competency for a particular license or skill for which knowledge of written English is not required; notices advising Limited English Speaking LEP Persons of free language assistance; materials, including publicly-posted documents, explaining a Department's services or programs; complaint forms; any other written documents related to direct services to the public that could impact the community or an individual seeking services from or participating in a program of a Department.

- Notwithstanding the requirements of this subsection 91.5(a), translation of public hearing notices,
   agendas, and minutes shall be governed by Section 91.7 of this Chapter.
  - (b) <u>Signage</u>. Departments that post signage that provides information to the public with respect to the that relates to the Department's Service or Program shall make good faith efforts to translate those materials in the <u>required languages or</u> languages as prescribed by a Substantial Number of <u>Limited English Speaking LEP</u> Persons.
  - (1) Departments shall prioritize the translation of written materials by giving highest priority to materials <u>and information</u> that affect<u>s benefits, eligibility,</u> public safety, <u>health,</u> and critical services.
  - (2) Departments shall post <u>translated</u> notices in the public areas of their facilities in the relevant language(s) indicating that <u>Language Access Services</u> <u>written materials in the</u> <u>language(s) and staff who speak the language(s)</u> are available.
  - (3) Departments shall translate all signage posted in their facilities that is intended to assist members of the public utilizing the Department's services or programs. Departments shall also translate all signage posted in public spaces that is meant to inform the community about a service or program or a benefit or change that impacts the community. The translated notices shall be posted prominently and shall be readily visible to the public. Departments shall also provide translated written materials, in a conspicuous location, providing information about the OCEIA complaint process described in Section 91.10.
  - (c) Digital Content. Departments shall translate digital content that meets the parameters of subsection 91.5(a) that they provide on digital platforms such as web sites, social media platforms, third-party digital content providers, or various on-line mediums. Departments shall also translate all public service announcements or information that raises awareness about an issue of public interest or affects the community that they publish on websites, social media platforms, third-party digital content providers, or various on-line mediums.

- $(\underline{de})$  Departments shall  $\underline{take\ a\ community\ focused\ approach\ to}$  ensure  $\underline{that\ their\ all}$  translations are accurate and appropriate for the target audience. Translations should match literacy levels of the target audience.
- (<u>ef</u>) Each Department shall designate a staff member responsible for ensuring that all translations of the Department's written materials meet the accuracy and appropriateness standard set in subsection (<u>de</u>) of this Section 91.5. Departments are encouraged to have their staff check the quality of written translations, but where a Department lacks biliterate personnel, the responsible staff member shall obtain quality checks from external translators. Departments may contact OCEIA for assistance in locating a qualified translator or translation equipment. Departments are also encouraged to solicit feedback on the accuracy and appropriateness of translations from bilingual staff <u>etof</u> community groups whose clients receive services from the Department.
- (g) Prior to July 1, 2016, subsection 91.5(a) shall not apply to Departments that are required under Section 91.12(a) to submit their initial Compliance Plans on October 1, 2016.

  Thereafter. Section 91.5(a) shall apply to all City Departments. But prior to July 1, 2016, any Department not subject to subsection 91.5(a) shall translate into the language(s) spoken by a Substantial Number of Limited English Speaking Persons all publicly posted documents that provide information (1) regarding the Department's services or programs, or (2) affecting a person's rights to, determination of eligibility of, award of, denial of, loss of, or decreases in benefits or services.

#### SEC. 91.7. PUBLIC MEETINGS AND HEARINGS.

(a) <u>Notwithstanding the requirements of any other provisions of Chapter 91, City Boards,</u>
City Commissions, advisory bodies, and Departments shall translate meeting notices,
agendas, and minutes upon written request. When a City Board, City Commission, and
advisory body receives a written request for translated meeting minutes, the body shall

- translate the meeting minutes only after the body adopts them and within a reasonable time thereafter.
  - (b) City Boards, City Commissions, advisory bodies, and Departments shall provide <u>Language Access Services oral interpretation or translation services</u> in the language the member of the public requests at any public meeting or hearing, if requested at least 48 hours in advance of the meeting or hearing.

#### SEC. 91.8. RECORDED TELEPHONIC MESSAGES.

All Departments with recorded telephonic messages about the Department's operation or services shall maintain such messages in each language spoken by a Substantial Number of *Limited English Speaking LEP* Persons, or where applicable, a Concentrated Number of *Limited English Speaking LEP* Persons. Such Departments are encouraged to include in the telephonic messages information about business hours, office location(s), services offered and the means of accessing such services, and the availability of *Language Access Services language assistance*. The requirements of this Section 91.8 shall apply only to recordings prepared by a Department to provide general information to the public about the Department's operations and services, and shall not apply to voicemail recordings on City employees' telephone lines.

#### SEC. 91.9. CRISIS SITUATIONS.

(a) All Departments involved in health-related emergencies, refugee relief, disaster-related activities, and all other crisis situations, including but not limited to pandemics, emergency response, and public safety incidents that impact and effect the community, shall work with OCEIA to include Language Access Services language service protocols in the Department's Annual Compliance ReportPlan. During these events, erisis, emergency, and public safety situations, all Departments involved shall prioritize Language Access Services and to the extent feasible ensure bilingual staff are present and available to assist Limited English Speaking LEP Persons

with critical needs. If *the crisis, emergency or public safety these* situations require the posting of warning signs, the Department shall translate those signs in the required languages.

(b) Subject to the budgetary and fiscal provisions of the Charter, OCEIA shall develop strategies for Departments to use in deploying rapid response Language Access Services to advise First Responders serving the public in crisis situations as listed in Section 91.9(a). OCEIA shall collaborate with Departments to ensure a community-focused approach is incorporated in the operation of rapid response Language Access Services.

#### SEC. 91.10. COMPLAINT PROCEDURE.

- (a) Complaint Process. OCEIA shall be responsible for accepting, investigating, and resolving complaints from persons alleging violations of this Chapter 91. A person alleging that a Department violated a provision of this Chapter may submit a complaint to OCEIA by either: (1) completing and submitting a complaint form; er (2) calling OCEIA and speaking with an employee who will document the complaint; or (3) designating another person or entity to lodge the complaint on their behalf. Within §five days of receiving the complaint, OCEIA shall notify the Department and commence an investigation. OCEIA shall resolve all complaints within 30 days of their receipt unless OCEIA finds good cause to extend the time for resolving the complaint. OCEIA shall prepare a summary report of its investigation that will include findings and recommendations to address the issues raised in the complaint, including make a record of the resolution of the complaint and what action, if any, was undertaken by the Department in response to the complaint to ensure the Department's compliance with this Chapter 91 and whether a Department cooperated or failed to cooperate with OCEIA's investigation.
- (b) Department and City Board, City Commission, and Advisory Body's Complaint Procedure. If a Department, a City Board, a City Commission, or an Advisory Body receives a complaint from an individual, it shall immediately forward a copy of the complaint to OCEIA. In

- addition, *it-City Boards, City Commissions, and Advisory Bodies,* shall cooperate in good faith with OCEIA in resolving the complaint within the applicable time frame.
  - (c) Annual Tracking of Complaints <u>and Summary Reports</u>. <u>Annually</u>, OCEIA shall track the number of complaints received <u>each year and summary reports in progress and completed</u>.

    <u>OCEIA shall and maintain copies of all complaints and <u>summary reports documentation of their resolution</u> for a period of not less than <u>5 five</u> years.</u>
  - (d) Quarterly Reports. On a quarterly basis, OCEIA shall submit a <u>written</u> report to the <u>Board of Supervisors and</u> the Commission containing the following information: (1) the number of complaints filed during that quarter, including an analysis of individual cases with departmental trends; (2) the number of complaints filed for the year-to-date; (3) a comparison of those numbers with the filings for the previous year; <u>and</u> (4) a brief description of the nature of each complaint filed, including the Department named in the complaint, <u>and</u> (5) OCEIA's <u>summary report of its investigation with findings and recommendations.</u> <u>violation alleged, the proposed intervention, whether the complaint was resolved or remains open, and what, if any, measures were implemented by the Department in response to the complaint.</u>

#### SEC. 91.11. ANNUAL COMPLIANCE REPORTPLAN.

Using information collected during the preceding fiscal year beginning July 1 and ending June 30, each Department shall draft an Annual Compliance <u>Report</u> Plan including the following information:

- (a) A description of the Department's language access policy;
- (b) The language services offered by the Department;
- (c) The number and percentage of people who are *Limited English Speaking LEP*Persons who use the Department's services Citywide; *listed by language other than English, using a method described in the definition of Concentrated Number of Limited English Speaking*

Persons in Section 91.2 of this Chapter. Departments must include a description of the methodology or data collection system used to make this determination;

- (d) A roster of bilingual employees, their titles, office locations, the language(s) other than English that the <u>y persons</u> speak; excluding those bilingual employees who are self-designated as competent in a second language other than English;
- (e) The name and contact information of the Department's language access coordinator;
- (f) A description of any use of telephone-based interpretation services, including the number of times telephone-based interpretation services were used, the language(s) for which they were used, and the number of times bilingual employees provided in-person interpretation services;
- (g) An explanatory assessment of the procedures used to facilitate communication with *Limited English Speaking-LEP* Persons, which shall include, but is not limited to, an evaluation of the following (1) the content of recorded telephonic messages provided to the public and the language of the message; (2) telephone requests for translation or interpretation services; (3) in-person requests for translation or interpretation services; and (4) public notices of the availability of translation or interpretation services upon request;
- (h) Ongoing employee development and training strategy to maintain well trained bilingual employees and general staff. Employee development and training strategy should include a description of quality control protocols for bilingual employees; and a description of language service protocols for *Limited English Speaking LEP* Persons in crisis situations as outlined in Section 91.9;
- (i) If the Department determines that additional bilingual employees are needed to meet the requirements of Section 91.4 *of this Chapter*, the Department must provide a description of its plan for meeting those requirements;

1	(j) The name, title, and language(s) other than English spoken, if any, by the staff
2	member designated with responsibility for ensuring the accuracy and appropriateness of
3	Language Access Services translations for each language in which services must be provided
4	under this Chapter 91;
5	(k) A list of the Department's written materials that have been translated under this
6	Chapter 91, the language(s) into which they have been translated, and the persons who have
7	reviewed the translated material for accuracy and appropriateness;
8	(I) The Department's written policies on providing services to Limited English
9	Speaking <u>LEP</u> Persons;
0	(m) A list of goals for the upcoming year and, for all Annual Compliance Reports
1	Plans except the first, an assessment of the Department's success at meeting last year's
2	goals;
3	(n) Annual expenditures from the previous fiscal year for services that are related to
4	language access, including:
5	(1) Compensatory pay for bilingual employees who perform bilingual services,
6	excluding regular annual salary expenditures;
7	(2) Telephonic interpretation services provided by City vendors;
8	(3) Document translation services provided by City vendors;
9	(4) On-site language interpretation services provided by City vendors;
20	(5) The total projected <u>Department's</u> budget for <u>Language Access Services and</u>
21	projected budget to support progressive implementation of the Department's Annual Compliance
22	<u>Report language service plan</u> ;
23	(o) A summary of changes between the Department's previous Annual Compliance
24	ReportPlan submittal and the current submittal, including but not limited to: (1) an explanation

of strategies and procedures that have improved the Department's <code>language services-Language</code>

1	Access Services from the previous year; and (2) an explanation of strategies and procedures
2	that did not improve the Department's language services and proposed solutions to achieve
3	the overall goal of this Language Access Ordinance; and

(p) Any other information OCEIA deems appropriate for the implementation of this Chapter 91.

# SEC. 91.12. <u>ANNUAL</u> COMPLIANCE <u>REPORTSPLANS</u> SUBMITTALS, LANGUAGE ACCESS ORDINANCE SUMMARY REPORT, AND RECOMMENDATIONS FOR EMERGING LANGUAGE POPULATIONS.

- (a) Annual Compliance Reports Plans Submittals. All Departments shall submit their

  Annual Compliance Report on October 1 of each year to OCEIA. All of the following entities shall submit their 2014 2015 Annual Compliance Plan on October 1, 2015, and thereafter October 1st of each year: Adult Probation Department, City Hall Building Management, Department of Building Inspection, Department of Elections, Department of the Environment, Department of Emergency Management, Department of Human Services, Department of Public Health, Department of Public Works, District Attorney's Office, Fire Department, Human Services Agency, Juvenile Probation Department, Mayor's Office of Economic and Workforce Development, Municipal Transportation Agency, Office of the Assessor Recorder, Office of the Treasurer and Tax Collector, Planning Department, Police Department, Public Defender's Office, Public Utilities Commission, Recreation and Park Department, Residential Rent Stabilization and Arbitration Board, San Francisco International Airport, San Francisco Public Library, San Francisco Zoo, and Sheriff's Office. All other Departments shall file their initial Compliance Plan on October 1, 2016, and thereafter October 1st of each year. The Director of each Department or his or her designee shall approve and submit an Annual Compliance Plan that includes the required data and budget information with OCEIA.
- (b) Language Access Ordinance Summary Report. <u>Beginning oOn</u> February <u>1 of each</u> year <u>1, 2016</u>, and annually thereafter, OCEIA shall submit to the Mayor, <u>Commission and the Clerk</u>

1	of the Board of Supervisors, and the Commission a Language Access Ordinance Summary
2	Report which compiles and summarizes all departmental Annual Compliance Reports Plans.
3	OCEIA shall also include in the Language Access Ordinance Summary Report a current
4	determination of: (1) the total number of <i>Limited English Speaking LEP</i> Persons in the City; (2)
5	the number of Limited English Speaking LEP Persons in the City delineated according to
6	language spoken; and (3) the number of Limited English Speaking LEP Persons for each District
7	delineated according to language spoken; (4) the number of complaints received; (5) the number
8	of complaints investigated; and (6) the number of investigative summary reports. The Language Access
9	Ordinance Summary Report shall be translated in the required languages.
10	(c) OCEIA may include in the Language Access Ordinance Summary Report
11	recommended changes to all departmental Annual Compliance Reports, including changes to
12	<u>language access policies</u> <u>Plans</u> in order to meet the needs of Emerging Language Populations.
13	(d) By June 30 of each year, OCEIA may request a joint public hearing with the
14	Board of Supervisors and the Commission to assess the adequacy of the City's ability to
15	provide the public with access to <u>Language Access Services</u> language services.
16	(e) By October 1, 2015, each Department required under subsection 91.12(a) to file an
17	initial Compliance Plan on October 1, 2016 shall provide a written update to OCEIA regarding the
18	Department's plans to ensure future compliance with Section 91.4 and Section 91.5(a) of this Chapter.
19	The written update shall be in a format prescribed by OCEIA and shall include any information
20	requested by OCEIA regarding the Department's plans.
21	SEC. 91.13. RECRUITMENT.
22	It shall be the policy of the City to publicize job openings for Departments' Public
23	Contact Positions in an inclusive and appropriate manner as widely as possible including, but not

limited to, in ethnic, and non-English language media, and in multiple languages.

SEC. 91.14. DEPARTMENT RESPONSIBILITIES.

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1	In addition to the duties and responsibilities provided elsewhere in this Chapter 91,
2	Departments shall:
3	(a) Provide Language Access Services in the required languages or languages spoken by a
4	Substantial Number of LEP Persons that provides vital information to the public about the
5	Department's services or programs;
6	$\underline{\hspace{0.1cm}}$ Inform $\underline{\hspace{0.1cm}}$ Limited English Speaking $\underline{\hspace{0.1cm}}$ Persons who seek services, in their native
7	tongue, of their right to request Language Access Services and their right to file a complaint
8	translation services;
9	$(\underline{cb})$ Create a process where all persons may provide feedback on the Department's
10	Language Access Services;
11	(d) Prominently post in main entrance or reception areas the availability of Language
12	Access Services and OCEIA's know-your-rights brochure translated in the required languages;
13	(e) Create and maintain a language access policy and review it annually;
14	(fe) Designate a language access coordinator who is responsible for managing the
15	Department's Language Access Services; and
16	(gd) Use a community-focused approach to language access services to ensure that residents
17	receive information about City programs and services, including public service announcements;
18	(h) Upon request, translate the investigative summary report;
19	(i) Budget and plan for the Department's delivery of Language Access Services; and
20	(j) Use good faith efforts to comply with the provisions of this Chapter 91.
21	Departments shall prioritize Language Access Services. and comply with the provisions of this
22	Chapter 91that are readily achievable. Over time, Departments shall fully comply with the
23	provisions of this Chapter 91.
24	SEC. 91.15. COMMISSION RESPONSIBILITIES.

The Commission is responsible for evaluating the requirements set forth in this Chapter
91. The Commission's duties shall include: (a) reviewing all OCEIA reports; (b) reviewing
complaints and OCEIA's resolution of them; (c) recommending policy changes, including
revisions to this Chapter or to the Rules and Regulations adopted under Section 91. $\underline{17}$ 16 of
this Chapter; (d) identifying new trends that may present new challenges tor language access;
(e) identifying new practices that further the objectives of this Chapter; and (f) conducting
public hearings related to items (a) through (e).

# SEC. 91.16. OFFICE OF CIVIC ENGAGEMENT AND IMMIGRANT AFFAIRS' RESPONSIBILITIES.

Subject to the budgetary and fiscal provisions of the Charter, OCEIA may provide technical assistance to support the Departments' Language Access Services, and investigate, a centralized infrastructure for the City's language services and monitor, and facilitate Departmental compliance with this Chapter 91. OCEIA may:

- (a) Provide technical assistance for <u>Language Access Services</u> <u>language services</u> for all Departments, including <u>but not limited to</u>, yearly trainings for department staff, <u>consultations as</u> needed, and language access tools and resources;
- (b) Coordinate <u>#Language Access</u> <u>#Services</u> across Departments, including but not limited to maintaining a directory of qualified language service providers for Departments to utilize and carry out their responsibilities under this Chapter 91, maintaining Language Access Services, translations, and interpretations contracts for all Departments, maintaining an inventory of <u>language services</u> <u>translation</u> equipment, and providing assistance to Departments, the Board of Supervisors, and the Mayor's Office in identifying bilingual staff;
  - -(c) Compile and maintain a central repository for all Departments' translated documents;
- (<u>c</u>d) Provide Departments with model Annual Compliance <u>Reports and language</u> access policies<u>Plans</u>;

1	$(\underline{de})$ If OCEIA determines that at least 10,000 City residents who are $\underline{Limited\ English}$
2	Speaking LEP Persons share a language other than English and makes its determination
3	pursuant to Section 91.2, it shall notify all affected Departments and post that determination
4	on its website for 120 days prior to certifying the new language. During that time period,
5	OCEIA may conduct a study to confirm that at least 10,000 City residents who are Limited
6	English Speaking LEP Persons share a language other than English. If OCEIA conducts such a
7	study, the 120 days shall commence the day the study is published. The certification of a new
8	language as a language spoken by a Substantial Number of Limited English Speaking LEP
9	Persons shall take effect after the conclusion of the process described in this subsection $(\underline{de})$ .
10	(ef) Maintain a complaint form on OCEIA's website in all certified languages spoken
11	by a Substantial Number of Limited English Speaking LEP Persons; and
12	(fg) Create a know-your-rights brochure for Language Access Services;
13	(g) Create and maintain a website for the posting of OCEIA's investigative summary
14	reports; and
15	(h) Investigate potential violations of this Chapter.
16	SEC. 91.17. RULES AND REGULATIONS.
17	In order to effectuate the terms of this Chapter, OCEIA the Commission may adopt
18	rules and regulations consistent with this Chapter.
19	SEC. 91.18. ENFORCEMENT.
20	OCEIA shall be responsible for enforcement of this Chapter $91$ . OCEIA may
21	investigate potential violations of this Chapter. OCEIA may attempt to resolve noncompliance
22	with this Chapter by any Department through informal processes, including mediation and
23	conference and conciliation. OCEIA shall prepare a summary report of each investigation that will
24	include findings and recommendations to address the issues raised in the complaint, including what
25	action, if any, was undertaken by the Department in response to the complaint to ensure the

- Department's compliance with this Chapter 91 and whether a Department failed to cooperate with

  OCEIA's investigation. If after an investigation and attempt to resolve an incidence of Department

  non compliance, OCEIA the Commission is unable to resolve the matter, it OCEIA shall transmit its

  investigative summary report a written finding of non compliance, specifying the nature of the non
  compliance and the recommended corrective measures, to the Department, the Department of

  Human Resources, the Commission, the Mayor, and the Board of Supervisors.
  - Section 2. Article III, Chapter 1 of the Campaign and Governmental Conduct Code is hereby amended by revising Section 3.1-251, to read as follows:

#### SEC. 3.1-251. GENERAL SERVICES AGENCY – CITY ADMINISTRATOR.

- (a) **Disclosure Category 2.** Persons in this category shall disclose all investments and business positions in business entities and income from any source which provides, or contracts with the City and County of San Francisco and its Purchasing Department to provide, or has provided within the last two years, commodities or services to the City and County of San Francisco.
- (b) **Disclosure Category 3.** Persons in this category shall disclose all investments and business positions in business entities and income from any source which provides, or contracts with the City and County of San Francisco to provide, or has provided within the last two years, commodities or services to either the Division of the Purchasing Department to which the person is assigned or the Department (other than the Purchasing Department) to which the person is assigned.
- (c) **Disclosure Category 4.** Persons in this disclosure category shall disclose all investments and business positions in any business entity, as well as income or gifts received from any business entity, which does business subject to Delegated Departmental Purchasing (Prop Q) with the City Administrator's Office, or has done business subject to Prop Q (Proposition Q, November 1993) with the City Administrator's Office within the reporting

1	period covered by the disclosure statement, or where the Person foresees the need to be a
2	Prop Q Purchasing Initiator or Approver for the City Administrator's Office in the future and is
3	unable to be recused from a Prop Q purchasing transaction that would create a disclosure
4	event.
5	Designated Positions Disclosure Categories
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7	Civic Engagement and Immigrant Affairs
8	Executive Director 1
9	Member, Immigrant Rights Commission 1
10	Senior Administrative Analyst 1
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13	Section 2. Effective Date. This ordinance shall become effective 30 days after
14	enactment. Enactment occurs when the Mayor signs the ordinance, the Mayor returns the
15	ordinance unsigned or does not sign the ordinance within ten days of receiving it, or the Board
16	of Supervisors overrides the Mayor's veto of the ordinance.
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18	Section 3. Scope of Ordinance. In enacting this ordinance, the Board of Supervisors
19	intends to amend only those words, phrases, paragraphs, subsections, sections, articles,
20	numbers, punctuation marks, charts, diagrams, or any other constituent parts of the Municipal
21	Code that are explicitly shown in this ordinance as additions, deletions, Board amendment
22	additions, and Board amendment deletions in accordance with the "Note" that appears under
23	the official title of the ordinance.
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1	APPROVED AS TO FORM:
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3	By: <u>/s/</u> ALICIA CABRERA
4	Deputy City Attorney
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#### LEGISLATIVE DIGEST

[Administrative, Campaign and Governmental Conduct Codes - Language Access Ordinance]

Ordinance amending the Administrative Code to amend the Language Access Ordinance to clarify Departments' responsibilities to provide language access services to members of the public, and to clarify the role of the Office of Civic Engagement and Immigrant Affairs in administering the Language Access Ordinance; to require language access service be provided in Chinese, Spanish, Filipino, and any other language for which the requisite number of person qualifies as a Substantial Number of Limited English Proficient Persons; to amend the formula for determining when a language becomes eligible for language access services; to require Departments to translate signage; to require Departments to translate digital content provided on digital platforms; to clarify that crisis situations also includes but is not limited to pandemics, emergency response, and public safety incidents that impact and effect the community; to rename the Annual Compliance Plan to Annual Compliance Report; to impose requirements for the Language Access Ordinance Summary Report; to require Departments to inform members of the public of their right to file a complaint, and of a process for providing feedback on the Department's Language Access Services; to require Office of Civic Engagement and Immigrant Affairs to create a know-your-rights brochure; to require Departments' posting notice of the availability of Language Access Services and a know-your-rights brochure; to require Departments to budget and plan for delivery of Language Access Services; to require Office of Civic Engagement and Immigrant Affairs to prepare an investigation summary report of each investigation that will include findings and recommendation to address the issues raised, and to create and maintain a website for the posting of investigation summary reports; and to delete the financial disclosure requirement for Immigrant Rights Commission members.

#### Existing Law

Currently, all City departments that provides information or services to the public or interacts with the public are required to provide language access services. All City departments are required to translate certain written materials. All City Boards, Commissions, advisory bodies, and Departments are required to provide language access services at public meetings and hearings. All Departments are required to submit an annual complaiance plan

#### Amendments to Current Law

If these amendments pass, this legislation would:

1. Update the findings;

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- 2. Clarify Departments' responsibilities to provide language access services to members of the public, and to clarify the role of the Office of Civic Engagement and Immigrant Affairs in administering the Language Access Ordinance;
- Require language access service be provided in Chinese, Spanish, Filipino, and any other language for which the requisite number of person qualifies as a Substantial Number of Limited English Proficient Persons;
- 4. Amend the formula for determining when a language becomes eligible for language access services;
- 5. Require Departments to translate signage;
- 6. Require Departments to translate digital content provided on digital platforms;
- 7. Rename the Annual Compliance Plan to Annual Compliance Report;
- 8. Impose requirements for the Language Access Ordinance Summary Report;
- Require Departments to inform members of the public of their right to file a complaint, and of a process for providing feedback on the Department's Language Access Services;
- 10. Require Office of Civic Engagement and Immigrant Affairs to create a know-your-rights brochure;
- 11. Clarify that crisis situation also includes pandemics, emergency response, and public safety incidents that impact and effect the community;
- 12. Require Departments' posting notice of the availability of Language Access Services and a know-your-rights brochure;
- 13. Require Departments to budget and plan for delivery of Language Access Services:
- 14. Require Office of Civic Engagement and Immigrant Affairs to prepare an investigation summary report of each investigation that will include findings and recommendation to address the issues raised, and to create and maintain a website for the posting of investigation summary reports; and
- 15. Delete the financial disclosure requirement for Immigrant Rights Commission members.

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## **Introduction Form**

(by a Member of the Board of Supervisors or the Mayor)

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Good afternoon Clerk Team,

Attached is Supervisor Walton's introduction, ordinance, and legislative digest for the Language Access Ordinance.

I've looped in Deputy City Attorney Alicia Cabrera to confirm her signature and Supervisor Chan's team to confirm co-sponsorship.

Thank you, Natalie

Natalie Gee 朱凱勤, Chief of Staff

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**Subject: FINAL FOR INTRODUCTION** 

Hi Natalie,

Thanks for your patience. Attached is the legislative digest and the final ordinance for introduction.

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**Subject:** RE: Wed 7/26 @ 12pm LAO Press Conference

Thank you Alicia!!!!

Natalie Gee 朱凱勒, Chief of Staff

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**Subject:** RE: Wed 7/26 @ 12pm LAO Press Conference

Hi Natalie,

Attached is the final version. I will send the legislative digest shortly.

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**Subject:** Re: Wed 7/26 @ 12pm LAO Press Conference

Good morning Alicia:

Thank you for sharing the updated version—we are good with the changes. For your question about the language population data source, the statistics that Natalie added to Sec. 91.1(b) (12) are derived from the U.S. Census Bureau's 2017 - 2021 Five Year American Community Survey, which is the most recently updated reliable data source available to us.

Thanks again, Chloe



**Chloe Noonan** | Policy and Civic Engagement Officer | Pronouns: she, her, hers

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Thank you Alicia. Our office is good with all the changes suggested. Thank you for making these changes!

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**Subject:** RE: Wed 7/26 @ 12pm LAO Press Conference

Hi Natalie, Jorge & Chloe,

Attached please find the revised version that includes changes from the City Attorney's Legislative Analysis Unit that is responsible for reviewing all drafting changes to our City Codes and Charter. Due to questions that came up in the internal City Attorney's Office review process, I revised language to provide clarity and highlighted them for you all. Please review them and let me know if you are amendable to the changes. I also incorporated the changes that we discussed earlier this afternoon.

Please get these back to me as soon as possible.

Thanks, Alicia

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Good afternoon Alicia,

Is there a better time this afternoon to check in? Director Rivas, Chloe from his team and I are free the rest of the afternoon.

Thank you, Natalie

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Thank you Alicia. Let's do 1pm. I just sent a Teams invite to you and Director Rivas.

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Hi Alicia.

My apologies on bugging you on a Saturday – see concerns from OCEIA. Happy to chat today or Monday morning if it's not too late. Thank you!

Natalie Gee 朱凱勤, Chief of Staff Supervisor Shamann Walton, District 10 San Francisco Board of Supervisors Sent on my mobile phone, please pardon any typos!

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<<u>chloe.noonan@sfgov.org</u>>

**Subject:** RE: Wed 7/26 @ 12pm LAO Press Conference

Good Morning Natalie,

Thank you very much for this update. It's exciting to see how the ordinance has progressed and we're glad to be at this point. I know things are now going to be moving fast, so I wanted to make sure we shared our thoughts/reactions on this latest version of the LAO with you as soon as possible, especially on additions in this version that we hadn't seen and weren't present in the last version of the ordinance that OCEIA received.

- 1. The reference to 5<sup>th</sup> grade reading level in the definition of "translation" (Section 91.2, page 8) should be reworked. A more effective alternative would be to keep the previous draft definition of "translation" and to instead add a new definition for the term "plain language" that addresses 5<sup>th</sup> grade reading level. We are concerned the definition as written now will confuse Departments and might be offensive to some audiences.
- 2. The translation requirement for all posted signage in public buildings as described in Section 91.5 (b)(3) looks new and we wonder about the potential impacts and possible unintended consequences. We think this many need further clarification, as the way it is written now, it

may be impacted by building/fire code? Would putting this into law introduce broad liability for the City if it applies to all public buildings? Also, having a requirement for there to be written materials about the language access complaint process and "know your rights," in every public building seems extensive, and may be a challenge to implement.

- 3. We wonder about the meaning of the new addition in Section 91.9(a) where it says first responder departments shall work with OCEIA to prioritize Language Access Services in crisis situations. Is the intent here that a Department would be required to engage OCEIA every single time a Department is responding to a crisis? If not, could you share more info as to the intent?
- 4. In Section 91.10 Complaint Procedure, is it correct that with the new language, any Department that is the subject of a language access complaint would have to post a copy of OCEIA's investigation summary report on their Department website in English and the three required languages, plus the investigation summary report would also have to be posted by OCEIA? We wonder if this requirement might be duplicative, as opposed to the investigation summary report being housed just with OCEIA.
- 5. Another change we see is in Section 91.14 Department Responsibilities. We had proposed language that would help clarify Department responsibilities that we noticed is absent in this draft. For example, we had suggested adding some language clarifying that Departments are responsible for budgeting, planning for, coordinating, and delivering the Language Access Services needed in order to ensure that LEP Persons have meaningful access to Departments' information, programs, and services. Is there a reason why this was removed?

Overall I do want to note that these new additions will have additional budgetary consequences to many depts, and of course OCEIA than what we had planned for.

Please let us know your thoughts and if it would be helpful to connect before the legislation is introduced on Tuesday. I am around part of this morning and tomorrow afternoon/evening to talk though our thoughts, and of course, we can also connect Monday.

Thank you again and enjoy the rest of your weekend! Jorge

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Hi Chloe,

I'm checking in with CAA on the language needs. I am working with Anisha Hingorani <a href="mailto:ahingorani@caasf.org">ahingorani@caasf.org</a> who requested the interpretation.

In the meantime, here is the almost final draft attached. It is currently going under legislative review and may have some technical changes for Tuesday, but the content will be the same.

Still drafting the press release and media advisory and will share once it's ready.

Thank you for your collaboration on this!

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Hi Natalie:

Thank you for reaching out and sharing this exciting update! Could you share more information about the interpretation request for the press conference? What language or languages was interpretation requested for, and how many limited English proficient (LEP) attendees are anticipated per language?

Please share any additional info that you have, or feel free to let us know the contact info for the requester and I can reach out to them directly to ask for more details.

Best,

Chloe



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Great -- if you can send me your draft release, I can work on a quote for Carmen to approve.

Thanks, sophie

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Thanks Sophie. We would love a quote from City Administrator Chu.

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Hi Natalie,

Congratulations on the progress all of you have worked toward for the LAO amendments! I'm of course looking forward to seeing a draft when it's ready to share.

Regarding next week's event, I just confirmed that Carmen will be away -- I'm sorry that she won't be available to join!

We will stand by for the press release -- let me know if you'd like a quote from Carmen in addition to Jorge.

Thanks so much, Sophie

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Good afternoon Director Rivas, Chloe, and Sophie,

I just got the draft from our drafting attorney, and I will share it tomorrow after I review and summarize the changes. We are excited to have the press conference announcing the LAO strengthening amendments. It will be on Wednesday, July 26 at 12pm at the steps of City Hall, following the Mayor's budget signing (which will be at the Mayor's balcony).

We would like to have the following folks speak, if you can help us coordinate as well as get quotes for our press release:

- Director Rivas
- City Administrator Chu
- A representative from IRC

Full run of show still pending but we will have some representatives from community as well as Supervisor Walton.

Community reached out to see if OCEIA can provide translation at the press conference.

I will be drafting the press release soon and will share as well.

Thank you all for your collaboration on this!

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Subject: RE: Walton - Introduction - Language Access Ordinance

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Thank you Natalie.

Attachments:

I confirm I approve as to form the attached legislation.

Thanks, Alicia

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Subject: Walton - Introduction - Language Access Ordinance

Good afternoon Clerk Team,

Attached is Supervisor Walton's introduction, ordinance, and legislative digest for the Language Access Ordinance.

I've looped in Deputy City Attorney Alicia Cabrera to confirm her signature and Supervisor

Chan's team to confirm co-sponsorship.

Thank you, Natalie

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Hi Natalie,

Thanks for your patience. Attached is the legislative digest and the final ordinance for introduction.

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Good morning Alicia:

Thank you for sharing the updated version—we are good with the changes. For your question about the language population data source, the statistics that Natalie added to Sec. 91.1(b) (12) are derived from the U.S. Census Bureau's 2017 - 2021 Five Year American Community Survey, which is the most recently updated reliable data source available to us.

Thanks again, Chloe



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Thank you Alicia. Our office is good with all the changes suggested. Thank you for making these changes!

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Hi Natalie, Jorge & Chloe,

Attached please find the revised version that includes changes from the City Attorney's Legislative Analysis Unit that is responsible for reviewing all drafting changes to our City Codes and Charter. Due to questions that came up in the internal City Attorney's Office review process, I revised language to provide clarity and highlighted them for you all. Please review them and let me know if you are amendable to the changes. I also incorporated the changes that we discussed earlier this afternoon.

Please get these back to me as soon as possible.

Thanks, Alicia

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**Sent:** Saturday, July 22, 2023 12:27:18 PM

**To:** Cabrera, Alicia (CAT) < <u>Alicia.Cabrera@sfcityatty.org</u>> **Subject:** Fwd: Wed 7/26 @ 12pm LAO Press Conference

Hi Alicia,

My apologies on bugging you on a Saturday – see concerns from OCEIA. Happy to chat today or Monday morning if it's not too late. Thank you!

Natalie Gee 朱凱勤, Chief of Staff Supervisor Shamann Walton, District 10 San Francisco Board of Supervisors Sent on my mobile phone, please pardon any typos!

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**Subject:** RE: Wed 7/26 @ 12pm LAO Press Conference

Good Morning Natalie,

Thank you very much for this update. It's exciting to see how the ordinance has progressed and we're glad to be at this point. I know things are now going to be moving fast, so I wanted to make sure we shared our thoughts/reactions on this latest version of the LAO with you as soon as possible, especially on additions in this version that we hadn't seen and weren't present in the last version of the ordinance that OCEIA received.

- 1. The reference to 5<sup>th</sup> grade reading level in the definition of "translation" (Section 91.2, page 8) should be reworked. A more effective alternative would be to keep the previous draft definition of "translation" and to instead add a new definition for the term "plain language" that addresses 5<sup>th</sup> grade reading level. We are concerned the definition as written now will confuse Departments and might be offensive to some audiences.
- 2. The translation requirement for all posted signage in public buildings as described in Section 91.5 (b)(3) looks new and we wonder about the potential impacts and possible unintended consequences. We think this many need further clarification, as the way it is written now, it may be impacted by building/fire code? Would putting this into law introduce broad liability for the City if it applies to all public buildings? Also, having a requirement for there to be written materials about the language access complaint process and "know your rights," in every public building seems extensive, and may be a challenge to implement.
- 3. We wonder about the meaning of the new addition in Section 91.9(a) where it says first responder departments shall work with OCEIA to prioritize Language Access Services in crisis situations. Is the intent here that a Department would be required to engage OCEIA every single time a Department is responding to a crisis? If not, could you share more info as to the intent?
- 4. In Section 91.10 Complaint Procedure, is it correct that with the new language, any Department that is the subject of a language access complaint would have to post a copy of OCEIA's investigation summary report on their Department website in English and the three required languages, plus the investigation summary report would also have to be posted by OCEIA? We wonder if this requirement might be duplicative, as opposed to the investigation summary report being housed just with OCEIA.

5. Another change we see is in Section 91.14 Department Responsibilities. We had proposed language that would help clarify Department responsibilities that we noticed is absent in this draft. For example, we had suggested adding some language clarifying that Departments are responsible for budgeting, planning for, coordinating, and delivering the Language Access Services needed in order to ensure that LEP Persons have meaningful access to Departments' information, programs, and services. Is there a reason why this was removed?

Overall I do want to note that these new additions will have additional budgetary consequences to many depts, and of course OCEIA than what we had planned for.

Please let us know your thoughts and if it would be helpful to connect before the legislation is introduced on Tuesday. I am around part of this morning and tomorrow afternoon/evening to talk though our thoughts, and of course, we can also connect Monday.

Thank you again and enjoy the rest of your weekend! Jorge

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**Subject:** Re: Wed 7/26 @ 12pm LAO Press Conference

Hi Chloe.

I'm checking in with CAA on the language needs. I am working with Anisha Hingorani ahingorani@caasf.org who requested the interpretation.

In the meantime, here is the almost final draft attached. It is currently going under legislative review and may have some technical changes for Tuesday, but the content will be the same.

Still drafting the press release and media advisory and will share once it's ready.

Thank you for your collaboration on this!

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**Subject:** Re: Wed 7/26 @ 12pm LAO Press Conference

Hi Natalie:

Thank you for reaching out and sharing this exciting update! Could you share more information about the interpretation request for the press conference? What language or languages was interpretation requested for, and how many limited English proficient (LEP) attendees are anticipated per language?

Please share any additional info that you have, or feel free to let us know the contact info for the requester and I can reach out to them directly to ask for more details.

Best, Chloe



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Great -- if you can send me your draft release, I can work on a quote for Carmen to approve.

Thanks, sophie

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**Subject:** RE: Wed 7/26 @ 12pm LAO Press Conference

Thanks Sophie. We would love a quote from City Administrator Chu.

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Hi Natalie,

Congratulations on the progress all of you have worked toward for the LAO amendments! I'm of course looking forward to seeing a draft when it's ready to share.

Regarding next week's event, I just confirmed that Carmen will be away -- I'm sorry that she won't be available to join!

We will stand by for the press release -- let me know if you'd like a quote from Carmen in addition to Jorge.

Thanks so much,
Sophie

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Hayward, Sophie (ADM) < sophie.hayward@sfgov.org> Subject: Wed 7/26 @ 12pm LAO Press Conference

Good afternoon Director Rivas, Chloe, and Sophie,

I just got the draft from our drafting attorney, and I will share it tomorrow after I review and summarize the changes. We are excited to have the press conference announcing the LAO strengthening amendments. It will be on Wednesday, July 26 at 12pm at the steps of City Hall, following the Mayor's budget signing (which will be at the Mayor's balcony).

We would like to have the following folks speak, if you can help us coordinate as well as get quotes for our press release:

- Director Rivas
- City Administrator Chu

# • A representative from IRC

Full run of show still pending but we will have some representatives from community as well as Supervisor Walton.

Community reached out to see if OCEIA can provide translation at the press conference.

I will be drafting the press release soon and will share as well.

Thank you all for your collaboration on this!

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 Cc:
 Gee, Natalie (BOS)

Subject: RE: Walton - Introduction - Language Access Ordinance

**Date:** Tuesday, July 25, 2023 4:44:18 PM

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Confirming Supervisor Chan's co-sponsorship.

Thanks,

Frances

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Subject: Walton - Introduction - Language Access Ordinance

Good afternoon Clerk Team,

Attached is Supervisor Walton's introduction, ordinance, and legislative digest for the Language Access Ordinance.

I've looped in Deputy City Attorney Alicia Cabrera to confirm her signature and Supervisor Chan's team to confirm co-sponsorship.

Thank you, Natalie

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**Subject: FINAL FOR INTRODUCTION** 

Hi Natalie,

Thanks for your patience. Attached is the legislative digest and the final ordinance for introduction.

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**Subject:** RE: Wed 7/26 @ 12pm LAO Press Conference

Thank you Alicia!!!!

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Hi Natalie,

Attached is the final version. I will send the legislative digest shortly.

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**Subject:** Re: Wed 7/26 @ 12pm LAO Press Conference

Good morning Alicia:

Thank you for sharing the updated version—we are good with the changes. For your question about the language population data source, the statistics that Natalie added to Sec. 91.1(b) (12) are derived from the U.S. Census Bureau's 2017 - 2021 Five Year American Community Survey, which is the most recently updated reliable data source available to us.

Thanks again, Chloe



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Thank you Alicia. Our office is good with all the changes suggested. Thank you for making these changes!

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**Subject:** RE: Wed 7/26 @ 12pm LAO Press Conference

Hi Natalie, Jorge & Chloe,

Attached please find the revised version that includes changes from the City Attorney's Legislative Analysis Unit that is responsible for reviewing all drafting changes to our City Codes and Charter. Due to questions that came up in the internal City Attorney's Office review process, I revised language to provide clarity and highlighted them for you all. Please review them and let me know if you are amendable to the changes. I also incorporated the changes that we discussed earlier this afternoon.

Please get these back to me as soon as possible.

Thanks, Alicia

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Good afternoon Alicia.

Is there a better time this afternoon to check in? Director Rivas, Chloe from his team and I are free the rest of the afternoon.

Thank you, Natalie

Natalie Gee 朱凱勤, Chief of Staff

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Good afternoon Alicia,

We are on.

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Thank you Alicia. Let's do 1pm. I just sent a Teams invite to you and Director Rivas.

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Yes, do you want Jorge on the call too?

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Hi Alicia,

Do you have time today to check in? 12:30pm or 1pm?

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Hi Natalie,

What would you like to do?

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Hi Alicia.

My apologies on bugging you on a Saturday – see concerns from OCEIA. Happy to chat today or Monday morning if it's not too late. Thank you!

Natalie Gee 朱凱勤, Chief of Staff Supervisor Shamann Walton, District 10 San Francisco Board of Supervisors Sent on my mobile phone, please pardon any typos!

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Thank you very much for this update. It's exciting to see how the ordinance has progressed and we're glad to be at this point. I know things are now going to be moving fast, so I wanted to make sure we shared our thoughts/reactions on this latest version of the LAO with you as soon as possible, especially on additions in this version that we hadn't seen and weren't present in the last version of the ordinance that OCEIA received.

- 1. The reference to 5<sup>th</sup> grade reading level in the definition of "translation" (Section 91.2, page 8) should be reworked. A more effective alternative would be to keep the previous draft definition of "translation" and to instead add a new definition for the term "plain language" that addresses 5<sup>th</sup> grade reading level. We are concerned the definition as written now will confuse Departments and might be offensive to some audiences.
- 2. The translation requirement for all posted signage in public buildings as described in Section 91.5 (b)(3) looks new and we wonder about the potential impacts and possible unintended consequences. We think this many need further clarification, as the way it is written now, it may be impacted by building/fire code? Would putting this into law introduce broad liability for the City if it applies to all public buildings? Also, having a requirement for there to be written materials about the language access complaint process and "know your rights," in every public building seems extensive, and may be a challenge to implement.
- 3. We wonder about the meaning of the new addition in Section 91.9(a) where it says first responder departments shall work with OCEIA to prioritize Language Access Services in crisis situations. Is the intent here that a Department would be required to engage OCEIA every single time a Department is responding to a crisis? If not, could you share more info as to the intent?
- 4. In Section 91.10 Complaint Procedure, is it correct that with the new language, any Department that is the subject of a language access complaint would have to post a copy of OCEIA's investigation summary report on their Department website in English and the three required languages, plus the investigation summary report would also have to be posted by OCEIA? We wonder if this requirement might be duplicative, as opposed to the investigation summary report being housed just with OCEIA.
- 5. Another change we see is in Section 91.14 Department Responsibilities. We had proposed language that would help clarify Department responsibilities that we noticed is absent in this draft. For example, we had suggested adding some language clarifying that Departments are responsible for budgeting, planning for, coordinating, and delivering the Language Access Services needed in order to ensure that LEP Persons have meaningful access to Departments' information, programs, and services. Is there a reason why this was removed?

Overall I do want to note that these new additions will have additional budgetary consequences to many depts, and of course OCEIA than what we had planned for.

Please let us know your thoughts and if it would be helpful to connect before the legislation is introduced on Tuesday. I am around part of this morning and tomorrow afternoon/evening to talk though our thoughts, and of course, we can also connect Monday.

Thank you again and enjoy the rest of your weekend! Jorge

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**Subject:** Re: Wed 7/26 @ 12pm LAO Press Conference

Hi Chloe.

I'm checking in with CAA on the language needs. I am working with Anisha Hingorani ahingorani@caasf.org who requested the interpretation.

In the meantime, here is the almost final draft attached. It is currently going under legislative review and may have some technical changes for Tuesday, but the content will be the same.

Still drafting the press release and media advisory and will share once it's ready.

Thank you for your collaboration on this!

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Hi Natalie:

Thank you for reaching out and sharing this exciting update! Could you share more information about the interpretation request for the press conference? What language or languages was interpretation requested for, and how many limited English proficient (LEP) attendees are anticipated per language?

Please share any additional info that you have, or feel free to let us know the contact info for the requester and I can reach out to them directly to ask for more details.

Best, Chloe



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Noonan, Chloe (ADM) < <a href="mailto:chloe.noonan@sfgov.org">chloe.noonan@sfgov.org</a> **Subject:** Re: Wed 7/26 @ 12pm LAO Press Conference Great -- if you can send me your draft release, I can work on a quote for Carmen to approve.

Thanks, sophie

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Thanks Sophie. We would love a quote from City Administrator Chu.

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Hi Natalie,

Congratulations on the progress all of you have worked toward for the LAO amendments! I'm of course looking forward to seeing a draft when it's ready to share.

Regarding next week's event, I just confirmed that Carmen will be away -- I'm sorry that she

won't be available to join!

We will stand by for the press release -- let me know if you'd like a quote from Carmen in addition to Jorge.

Thanks so much,

Sophie

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Good afternoon Director Rivas, Chloe, and Sophie,

I just got the draft from our drafting attorney, and I will share it tomorrow after I review and summarize the changes. We are excited to have the press conference announcing the LAO strengthening amendments. It will be on Wednesday, July 26 at 12pm at the steps of City Hall, following the Mayor's budget signing (which will be at the Mayor's balcony).

We would like to have the following folks speak, if you can help us coordinate as well as get quotes for our press release:

- Director Rivas
- City Administrator Chu
- A representative from IRC

Full run of show still pending but we will have some representatives from community as well as Supervisor Walton.

Community reached out to see if OCEIA can provide translation at the press conference.

I will be drafting the press release soon and will share as well.

Thank you all for your collaboration on this!

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Ordinance amending the Administrative Code to amend the Language Access Ordinance to clarify Departments' responsibilities to provide language access services to members of the public, and to clarify the role of the Office of Civic Engagement and Immigrant Affairs in administering the Language Access Ordinance; to require language access service be provided in Chinese, Spanish, Filipino, and any other language for which the requisite number of person qualifies as a Substantial Number of Limited English Proficient Persons; to amend the formula for determining when a language becomes eligible for language access services; to require Departments to translate signage; to require Departments to translate digital content provided on digital platforms; to clarify that crisis situations also includes but is not limited to pandemics, emergency response, and public safety incidents that impact and effect the community; to rename the Annual Compliance Plan to Annual Compliance Report; to impose requirements for the Language Access Ordinance Summary Report; to require Departments to inform members of the public of their right to file a complaint, and of a process for providing feedback on the Department's Language Access Services; to require Office of Civic Engagement and Immigrant Affairs to create a know-your-rights brochure; to require Departments' posting notice of the availability of Language Access Services and a know-your-rights brochure; to require Departments to budget and plan for delivery of Language Access Services; to require Office of Civic Engagement and Immigrant Affairs to prepare an investigation summary report of each investigation that will include findings and recommendation to address the issues raised, and to create and maintain a website for the posting of investigation summary

1	reports; and to delete the financial disclosure requirement for immigrant Rights	
2	Commission members.	
3	NOTE: Unchanged Code text and uncodified text are in plain Arial font.  Additions to Codes are in single-underline italics Times New Roman font.	
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8	Be it ordained by the People of the City and County of San Francisco:	
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10	Section 1. Chapter 91 of the Administrative Code is hereby amended by revising	
11	Sections 91.1, 91.2, 91.4, 91.5, 91.7, 91.8, 91.9, 91.10, 91.11, 91.12, 91.13, 91.14, 91.15,	
12	91.16, 91.17, and 91.18, to read as follows:	
13	SEC. 91.1. PURPOSE AND FINDINGS.	
14	(a) Title. This Chapter 91 shall be known as the "Language Access Ordinance."	
15	(b) Findings.	
16	(1) The City and County of San Francisco ("the City") seeks to ensure a safe,	
17	inclusive, and equitable environment where every person, regardless of immigration status or language	ge
18	spoken can readily access information about City services and programs.	
19	(2) The Board of Supervisors finds that San Francisco provides an array of service	es
20	and information that can be made accessible to persons who are not proficient in the English	
21	language, or for whom English is not their primary language. The City of San Francisco is	
22	committed to providing equal access to information about City services and programs improving the	he
23	accessibility of these services by providing language access services, including language interpretation	on
24	and written translations. and providing equal access to them.	

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(32) The Board finds that dDespite a long history of commitment to language
access as embodied in federal, state, and local law, beginning with the landmark Civil Rights
Act of 1964, there is a still a significant gap in providing the provision of governmental services
and programs to Limited English Proficient ("LEP") pPersons limited English language speakers.

- (43) In 1973, the *California State* Legislature adopted the Dymally-Alatorre Bilingual Services Act, which required *certain* state and local agencies to provide language services to *non English speaking LEP Persons people* who comprise 5% or more of the total state population and to hire a sufficient number of bilingual staff.
- (<u>5</u>4) In 1999, the California State Auditor concluded that <u>80% of some</u> state agencies were not in compliance with the Dymally-Alatorre Act; therefore, not providing <u>equitable services to people who require bilingual assistance</u>. and many of the audited agencies were not aware of their responsibility to translate materials for non English speakers.
- (65) In 2001, in response to these findings, the San Francisco Board of

  Supervisors City enacted the Equal Access to Services Ordinance, Ordinance No. 126-01, which required major departments to provide language translation services language access services to limited English LEP Persons proficiency individuals who comprise 5% or more of the total city population.
- (76) In 2009, in Ordinance No. 202-09, the The Board-City enacted a number of significant changes to the Oordinance, in 2009 and renamed renaming it the Language Access Ordinance, and assigning roles and responsibilities for implementation and compliance to the Office of Civic Engagement and Immigrant Affairs ("OCEIA") and the Immigrant Rights Commission. Since amendment of the Language Access Ordinance was amended in 2009, City Delepartments have made significant progress in providing language access services improved access to services. The Board finds, however, that However, as of 2023, significant gaps remain in language access consistency, quality, budgeting, and implementation across dependents.

(8) The COVID-19 pandemic and health emergency highlighted the barriers to language
access services and inequities for many LEP Persons. The pandemic made it clear that City
departments must prioritize language access services during health-related emergencies, disaster-
related activities, and all other public safety crisis situations. A community-focused approach to
language access services ensures that residents can receive information about City programs and
services, including public service announcements, to effectively communicate with City agencies,
policymakers, and elected officials.
(97) Since the Covid-19 pandemic, the City's use of digital services, web-based content,
and on-line mediums for providing information about City programs and services has increased. To
meet the needs of City residents, the City's language access services must also expand to those media
to make them accessible to LEP Persons.
(10) Despite the City's progress in providing language access services, Tthe Board
finds that as of 2023 there are still gaps in language services access can seriously affecting San
Francisco's the City's ability to serve all of its residents, and provide timely access to information to
enable full participation in City services and programs.
(11) The United States Census Bureau's 2008 2012 2017-2021 American
Community Survey ("ACS") reveals that 3634.1% of San Franciscans are foreign-born and
$45.242.7\%$ over the age of five $\underline{can}$ speak a language other than English at home. More than
$\frac{112127}{120}$ languages are spoken in the San Francisco Bay Area, with at least $\frac{28109}{100}$ different
languages spoken in the City-alone.
(12) Historically, the City has offered language access services in-three languages
currently have at least 10,000 or more Limited English Persons LEP Persons: Chinese, Spanish
and Filipino Tagalog. Among According to the 2017-2021 ACS, the 2118.8% of the total City
population who self-identify as <u>LEP Persons</u> limited English speakers, 5756.7% are Chinese
speakers, 23.720.5% are Spanish speakers, 65% are Tagalog Filipino speakers, 4.1% are

<u>Vietnamese speakers, and 3.35% are Russian speakers.</u> 5% are Russian speakers, and 3.8% are <u>Vietnamese speakers</u>.

(13) While the City remains a national leader in language access, much remains to be done to continue fighting for full inclusion of our LEP community. The City must continue to make every effort to ensure City departments comply with the Language Access Ordinance and removes barriers to participation in City processes by increasing bilingual staffing levels and language services budgets; improving accessibility through continued digital and telephonic language services; and increasing language services planning and coordination for public health crises, disasters, and emergencies.

#### SEC. 91.2. DEFINITIONS.

As used in this Chapter 91, the following capitalized terms shall have the following meanings:

"Advisory Body" shall mean a body other than a City Board or City Commission that is created by ordinance for the purpose of providing policy advice to the Board of Supervisors, the Mayor, or City Departments.

"Annual Compliance *PlanReport*" is set forth in Section 91.11 of this Chapter.

"Bilingual Employee" shall mean a City employee who is fluent in both English and a second language and who is able to conduct the department's business in both languages. A bilingual employee shall include a City employee who (i) is in a classification that provides information or direct services to the public requiring language proficiency in English and a second language; or (ii) is either a certified interpreter or translator by the Department of Human Resources or accredited training or academic institution; or (iii) receives premium pay and regularly and continuously uses the second language in his or hertheir city employment; or

services.
"City" shall mean the City and County of San Francisco.
"City Boards" shall mean all boards listed in Campaign and Governmental Conduct
Code Section 3.1-103(a)(1), as amended from time to time.
"City Commissions" shall mean all commissions listed in Campaign and
Governmental Conduct Code Section 3.1-103(a)(1). as amended from time to time.
"Commission" shall mean the Immigrant Rights Commission.
"Concentrated Number of Limited English Speaking Persons" shall mean either 5% of the
population of the District in which a Covered Department Facility is located or 5% of those person
who use the services provided by the Covered Department Facility. The Office of Civic Engagemen
and Immigrant Affairs ("OCEIA") shall determine annually whether 5% or more of the population of
any District in which a Covered Department Facility is located are Limited English Speaking Person
who speak a shared language other than English. OCEIA shall make this determination by referring to
the best available data from the United States Census Bureau or other reliable source and shall certif
its determination to all City Departments and the Commission no later than January 31st of each year
Each Department shall determine annually whether 5% or more of those persons who use the
Department's services at a Covered Department Facility are Limited English Speaking Persons who
speak a shared language other than English and report that determination in the Department's Annua
Compliance Plan. Departments shall make this determination using one of the following methods:
— (1) Conducting an annual survey of all contacts with the public made by the Departmen
during a period of at least two weeks, at a time of year in which the Department's public contacts are to

the extent possible typical or representative of its contacts during the rest of the year, but before

developing its Annual Compliance Plan required by Section 91.11 of this Chapter; or

(iv) is self-designated as competent in a second language for purposes of sporadic translation

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including walk ins and scheduled appointments. The information gathered using either method shall also be broken down by Covered Department Facility to determine whether 5% or more of those persons who use the Department's services at a Covered Department Facility are Limited English Speaking Persons who speak a shared language other than English; or

(2) Analyzing information collected during the Department's intake process for all clients,

— (3)—Analyzing and calculating the total annual number of requests for telephonic language translation services categorized by language that Limited English Speaking Persons make to the Department based on the Department's telephonic translation services monthly bills, official telephone logs, or any other reasonable method used for data collection.

—"Covered Department Facility" shall mean any Department building, office, or location that provides direct services to the public and serves as the workplace for 5 or more full time City employees.

"Department" shall mean any City  $\underline{\mathcal{P}}\underline{d}$ epartment, agency, or office with a service or program that provides information or services directly to the public, or interacts with the public.

"Department's Service or Program" shall mean anything a *City* Department *or office* provides that involves direct services to the public as part of ongoing operations and those direct services administered by the Department, *agency, or office* for program beneficiaries and participants. Activities include, but are not limited to, information provided to or communication with the public, spaces or department facilities used by the public, and programs that provide *dD*irect *sServices* to the *pPublic*.

"Direct Services to the Public" shall mean any service that requires City employees to provide responses to inquiries about official documents, licenses, financial matters, and benefits that are related to the public's health, safety, and general welfare.

"Districts" shall refer to the 11 geographical districts by which the people of the City elect the members of the *City's* Board of Supervisors.

"Emerging Language Population" snall mean <u>any new or smaller language population</u>
that is at least 2.5% of persons who share a primary language other than English, or for whom there
are identified language access needs. but less than 5 % of the population who use a Department's
services, or at least 5,000 but less than 10,000 City residents, who speak a shared language other than
English.
"First Responders" shall mean all City Departments that respond to crisis situations as se
forth in Section 91.9.
"Interpretation" means a live service that communicates information from one language into
another language that is provided in the moment through oral or gestured means. The live service may
be provided either through simultaneous or consecutive interpretation of the original speech.
"Language Access Services" shall mean translation and interpretation of oral or spoken
information services that is accessible and enables communication with persons for whom English i.
not their primary language or for persons who have a greater capacity for speaking or writing a
language other than English. This may also include, interpretation of communications provided
through oral, video, remote, or telephonic mediums. for both verbal and written communication.
"LEP Person" shall mean Limited English Proficient Person.
"Limited English Proficient Speaking Person" shall mean an individual who does not
speak, read, understand, or communicate English well or is otherwise unable to communicate
effectively in English because English is not the individual's primary language.
"OCEIA" shall mean the Office of Civic Engagement & and Immigrant Affairs or any
successor agency.
"Public Contact or Public Information Position" shall mean a position, a primary job
responsibility of which consists of meeting, contacting, and dealing with the public in the
performance of the duties of that position.

"Required languages" shall mean Language Access Services in Chinese, Spanish, Filipino, and any other language for which the requisite number of persons qualifies as a Substantial Number of Limited English Proficient Persons.

"Substantial Number of Limited English <u>Proficient Speaking</u> Persons" shall mean 10,000 <u>City residents with limited English proficiency LEP Limited English Speaking City residents</u>, who speak a shared language other than English. <u>The City will provide Language Access</u> <u>Services to a Substantial Number of Limited English Proficient Persons.</u> OCEIA shall determine annually whether at least 10,000 <u>Limited English speaking LEP Persons City residents</u> speak a shared language other than English <u>in order that their shared language will render them eligible</u> <u>for Language Access Services in that language</u>. OCEIA shall make this determination by referring to the best available data from the United States Census Bureau or other reliable source and shall certify its determination to Departments and the Commission no later than January 31st of each year <u>or an annual date as determined by OCEIA</u>. Prior to certifying any new language as set forth in this <u>subsection</u> <u>definition</u>, OCEIA shall comply with the provisions in <u>Chapter Section</u> 91.16(<u>de</u>).

"Translation" means any written communication of information from one language into another language.

SEC. 91.4. UTILIZATION OF BILINGUAL EMPLOYEES.

(a) Utilizing sufficient Bilingual Employees in public contact <u>or public information</u> positions, Departments shall provide information and services to the public in <u>each the required</u> language<u>s</u>, <u>languages</u> spoken by a Substantial Number of Limited English <u>Speaking Proficient</u>
Persons, or to the public served by <u>a Covered Department Facility their respective Department in each language spoken by <u>a Concentrated Number of Limited English Speaking LEP</u> Persons.</u>

- Departments comply with their obligations under this Section 91.4 if they provide the same level of service to *Limited English Speaking LEP* Persons as they provide English speakers.
- (b) Departments may consider hiring Bilingual Employees for public contact <u>or public</u> <u>information</u> positions made available through retirement or normal attrition. <u>Departments may</u> <u>also consider recruiting culturally and linguistically qualified bilingual employees to provide language</u> <u>services for both translation and interpretation.</u> Nothing herein shall be construed to authorize the dismissal of any City employee in order to carry out the Language Access Ordinance.
- (c) Prior to July 1, 2016, this Section 91.4 shall not apply to Departments that are required under Section 91.12(a) to submit their initial Compliance Plans on October 1, 2016. Thereafter, this Section shall apply to all City Departments.

## SEC. 91.5. TRANSLATION OF MATERIALS, $\underline{AND}$ SIGNAGE, $\underline{AND\ DIGITAL}$ CONTENT.

(a) Except as provided in subsection 91.5(g), Translation of Materials. Departments shall translate the following written materials that provide vital information to the public about the Department's services or programs into the require languages or languages(s) spoken by a Substantial Number of Limited English Speaking LEP Persons: applications or forms to participate in a Department's program or activity or to receive its benefits or services; written notices of rights to, determination of eligibility for, award of, denial of, loss of, or decreases in benefits or services, including the right to appeal any Department's decision; written tests that do not assess English language competency, but test competency for a particular license or skill for which knowledge of written English is not required; notices advising Limited English Speaking LEP Persons of free language assistance; materials, including publicly-posted documents, explaining a Department's services or programs; complaint forms; any other written documents related to direct services to the public that could impact the community or an individual seeking services from or participating in a program of a Department.

- (b) <u>Signage</u>. Departments that post signage that provides information to the public with respect to the that relates to the Department's Service or Program shall make good faith efforts to translate those materials in the <u>required languages or</u> languages as prescribed by a Substantial Number of <u>Limited English Speaking LEP</u> Persons.
- (1) Departments shall prioritize the translation of written materials by giving highest priority to materials <u>and information</u> that affect<u>s</u> <u>benefits</u>, <u>eligibility</u>, public safety, <u>health</u>, and critical services.
- (2) Departments shall post <u>translated</u> notices in the public areas of their facilities in the relevant language(s) indicating that <u>Language Access Services</u> <u>written materials in the language(s) and staff who speak the language(s)</u> are available.
- (c) Digital Content. Departments shall translate digital content that meets the parameters of subsection 91.5(a) that they provide on digital platforms such as web sites, social media platforms, third-party digital content providers, or various on-line mediums. Departments shall also translate all public service announcements or information that raises awareness about an issue of public interest or affects the community that they publish on websites, social media platforms, third-party digital content providers, or various on-line mediums.

( <u>d</u> e) Departments shall <u>take a community-focused approach to</u> ensure <u>that their all</u>
translations are accurate and appropriate for the target audience. Translations should match
literacy levels of the target audience.

- (ef) Each Department shall designate a staff member responsible for ensuring that all translations of the Department's written materials meet the accuracy and appropriateness standard set in subsection (<u>de</u>) of this Section 91.5. Departments are encouraged to have their staff check the quality of written translations, but where a Department lacks biliterate personnel, the responsible staff member shall obtain quality checks from external translators. Departments may contact OCEIA for assistance in locating a qualified translator or translation equipment. Departments are also encouraged to solicit feedback on the accuracy and appropriateness of translations from bilingual staff <u>etof</u> community groups whose clients receive services from the Department.
- (g) Prior to July 1, 2016, subsection 91.5(a) shall not apply to Departments that are required under Section 91.12(a) to submit their initial Compliance Plans on October 1, 2016.

  Thereafter. Section 91.5(a) shall apply to all City Departments. But prior to July 1, 2016, any Department not subject to subsection 91.5(a) shall translate into the language(s) spoken by a Substantial Number of Limited English Speaking Persons all publicly posted documents that provide information (1) regarding the Department's services or programs, or (2) affecting a person's rights to, determination of eligibility of, award of, denial of, loss of, or decreases in benefits or services.

### SEC. 91.7. PUBLIC MEETINGS AND HEARINGS.

(a) Notwithstanding the requirements of any other provisions of Chapter 91, City Boards, City Commissions, advisory bodies, and Departments shall translate meeting notices, agendas, and minutes upon written request. When a City Board, City Commission, and advisory body receives a written request for translated meeting minutes, the body shall

translate the meeting minutes only after the body adopts them and within a reasonable time thereafter.

(b) City Boards, City Commissions, advisory bodies, and Departments shall provide <u>Language Access Services oral interpretation or translation services</u> in the language the member of the public requests at any public meeting or hearing, if requested at least 48 hours in advance of the meeting or hearing.

### SEC. 91.8. RECORDED TELEPHONIC MESSAGES.

All Departments with recorded telephonic messages about the Department's operation or services shall maintain such messages in each language spoken by a Substantial Number of *Limited English Speaking LEP* Persons, or where applicable, a Concentrated Number of *Limited English Speaking LEP* Persons. Such Departments are encouraged to include in the telephonic messages information about business hours, office location(s), services offered and the means of accessing such services, and the availability of *Language Access Services language assistance*. The requirements of this Section 91.8 shall apply only to recordings prepared by a Department to provide general information to the public about the Department's operations and services, and shall not apply to voicemail recordings on City employees' telephone lines.

### SEC. 91.9. CRISIS SITUATIONS.

(a) All Departments involved in health-related emergencies, refugee relief, disasterrelated activities, and all other crisis situations, including but not limited to pandemics, emergency response, and public safety incidents that impact and effect the community, shall work with OCEIA to include Language Access Services language service protocols in the Department's Annual Compliance Report Plan. During these events, erisis, emergency, and public safety situations, all Departments involved shall prioritize Language Access Services and to the extent feasible ensure bilingual staff are present and available to assist Limited English Speaking LEP Persons

with critical needs. If *the crisis, emergency or public safety these* situations require the posting of warning signs, the Department shall translate those signs in the required languages.

(b) Subject to the budgetary and fiscal provisions of the Charter, OCEIA shall develop strategies for Departments to use in deploying rapid response Language Access Services to advise First Responders serving the public in crisis situations as listed in Section 91.9(a). OCEIA shall collaborate with Departments to ensure a community-focused approach is incorporated in the operation of rapid response Language Access Services.

### SEC. 91.10. COMPLAINT PROCEDURE.

- (a) Complaint Process. OCEIA shall be responsible for accepting, investigating, and resolving complaints from persons alleging violations of this Chapter 91. A person alleging that a Department violated a provision of this Chapter may submit a complaint to OCEIA by either: (1) completing and submitting a complaint form; or (2) calling OCEIA and speaking with an employee who will document the complaint; or (3) designating another person or entity to lodge the complaint on their behalf. Within 5five days of receiving the complaint, OCEIA shall notify the Department and commence an investigation. OCEIA shall resolve all complaints within 30 days of their receipt unless OCEIA finds good cause to extend the time for resolving the complaint. OCEIA shall prepare a summary report of its investigation that will include findings and recommendations to address the issues raised in the complaint, including make a record of the resolution of the complaint and what action, if any, was undertaken by the Department in response to the complaint to ensure the Department's compliance with this Chapter 91 and whether a Department cooperated or failed to cooperate with OCEIA's investigation.
- (b) Department and City Board, City Commission, and Advisory Body's Complaint Procedure. If a Department, a City Board, a City Commission, or an Advisory Body receives a complaint from an individual, it shall immediately forward a copy of the complaint to OCEIA. In

- (c) Annual Tracking of Complaints <u>and Summary Reports</u>. <u>Annually</u>, OCEIA shall track the number of complaints received <u>each year and summary reports in progress and completed</u>. <u>OCEIA shall and</u> maintain copies of all complaints and <u>summary reports documentation of their resolution</u> for a period of not less than <u>5 five</u> years.
- (d) Quarterly Reports. On a quarterly basis, OCEIA shall submit a <u>written</u> report to the <u>Board of Supervisors and</u> the Commission containing the following information: (1) the number of complaints filed during that quarter, including an analysis of individual cases with departmental trends; (2) the number of complaints filed for the year-to-date; (3) a comparison of those numbers with the filings for the previous year; <u>and</u> (4) a brief description of the nature of each complaint filed, including the Department named in the complaint, <u>and (5) OCEIA's summary report of its investigation with findings and recommendations. violation alleged, the proposed intervention, whether the complaint was resolved or remains open, and what, if any, measures were implemented by the Department in response to the complaint.</u>

### SEC. 91.11. ANNUAL COMPLIANCE REPORTPLAN.

Using information collected during the preceding fiscal year beginning July 1 and ending June 30, each Department shall draft an Annual Compliance <u>ReportPlan</u> including the following information:

- (a) A description of the Department's language access policy;
- (b) The language services offered by the Department;
- (c) The number and percentage of people who are Limited English Speaking LEP

  Persons who use the Department's services Citywide: listed by language other than English, using a method described in the definition of Concentrated Number of Limited English Speaking

- (d) A roster of bilingual employees, their titles, office locations, the language(s) other than English that the <u>y</u> persons speak; excluding those bilingual employees who are self-designated as competent in a second language other than English;
- (e) The name and contact information of the Department's language access coordinator:
- (f) A description of any use of telephone-based interpretation services, including the number of times telephone-based interpretation services were used, the language(s) for which they were used, and the number of times bilingual employees provided in-person interpretation services;
- (g) An explanatory assessment of the procedures used to facilitate communication with *Limited English Speaking LEP* Persons, which shall include, but is not limited to, an evaluation of the following (1) the content of recorded telephonic messages provided to the public and the language of the message; (2) telephone requests for translation or interpretation services; (3) in-person requests for translation or interpretation services; and (4) public notices of the availability of translation or interpretation services upon request;
- (h) Ongoing employee development and training strategy to maintain well trained bilingual employees and general staff. Employee development and training strategy should include a description of quality control protocols for bilingual employees; and a description of language service protocols for *Limited English Speaking LEP* Persons in crisis situations as outlined in Section 91.9;
- (i) If the Department determines that additional bilingual employees are needed to meet the requirements of Section 91.4 of this Chapter, the Department must provide a description of its plan for meeting those requirements;

member designated with responsibility for ensuring the accuracy and appropriateness of
<u>Language Access Services</u> translations for each language in which services must be provided
under this Chapter 91;
(k) A list of the Department's written materials that have been translated under this
Chapter 91, the language(s) into which they have been translated, and the persons who have
reviewed the translated material for accuracy and appropriateness;
(I) The Department's written policies on providing services to Limited English
Speaking LEP Persons;
(m) A list of goals for the upcoming year and, for all Annual Compliance Reports
Plans except the first, an assessment of the Department's success at meeting last year's
goals;
(n) Annual expenditures from the previous fiscal year for services that are related to
language access_including:
(1) Compensatory pay for bilingual employees who perform bilingual services,
excluding regular annual salary expenditures;
(2) Telephonic interpretation services provided by City vendors;
(3) Document translation services provided by City vendors;
(4) On-site language interpretation services provided by City vendors;
(5) The total projected Department's budget for Language Access Services and
$\underline{\textit{projected budget}} \text{ to support progressive implementation of the Department's } \underline{\textit{Annual Compliance}}$
Report language service plan;
(o) A summary of changes between the Department's previous Annual Compliance
ReportPlan submittal and the current submittal, including but not limited to: (1) an explanation
of strategies and procedures that have improved the Department's language services Language

(j) The name, title, and language(s) other than English spoken, if any, by the staff

Access Services from the previous year; and (2) an explanation of strategies and procedures
that did not improve the Department's language services and proposed solutions to achieve
the overall goal of this Language Access Ordinance; and

(p) Any other information OCEIA deems appropriate for the implementation of this Chapter 91.

# SEC. 91.12. <u>ANNUAL</u> COMPLIANCE <u>REPORTSPLANS</u> SUBMITTALS, LANGUAGE ACCESS ORDINANCE SUMMARY REPORT, AND RECOMMENDATIONS FOR EMERGING LANGUAGE POPULATIONS.

- (a) Annual Compliance Reports Plans Submittals. All Departments shall submit their

  Annual Compliance Report on October 1 of each year to OCEIA. All of the following entities shall submit their 2014 2015 Annual Compliance Plan on October 1, 2015, and thereafter October 1st of each year: Adult Probation Department, City Hall Building Management, Department of Building Inspection, Department of Elections, Department of the Environment, Department of Emergency Management, Department of Human Services, Department of Public Health, Department of Public Works, District Attorney's Office, Fire Department, Human Services Agency, Juvenile Probation Department, Mayor's Office of Economic and Workforce Development, Municipal Transportation Agency, Office of the Assessor Recorder, Office of the Treasurer and Tax Collector, Planning Department, Police Department, Public Defender's Office, Public Utilities Commission, Recreation and Park Department, Residential Rent Stabilization and Arbitration Board, San Francisco International Airport, San Francisco Public Library, San Francisco Zoo, and Sheriff's Office. All other Departments shall file their initial Compliance Plan on October 1, 2016, and thereafter October 1st of each year. The Director of each Department or his or her designee shall approve and submit an Annual Compliance Plan that includes the required data and budget information with OCEIA.
- (b) Language Access Ordinance Summary Report. Beginning ΘΩn February 1 of each year 1, 2016, and annually thereafter, OCEIA shall submit to the Mayor, Commission and the Clerk

2	Report which compiles and summarizes all departmental Annual Compliance $\underline{\textit{ReportsPlans}}$ .
3	OCEIA shall also include in the Language Access Ordinance Summary Report a current
4	determination of: (1) the total number of Limited English Speaking LEP Persons in the City; (2)
5	the number of $\underline{\textit{Limited English Speaking LEP}}$ Persons in the City delineated according to
6	language spoken; and (3) the number of Limited English Speaking LEP Persons for each District
7	delineated according to language spoken ir (4) the number of complaints received; (5) the number
8	of complaints investigated; and (6) the number of investigative summary reports. The Language Access
9	Ordinance Summary Report shall be translated in the required languages.
10	(c) OCEIA may include in the <u>Language Access Ordinance</u> Summary Report
11	recommended changes to all departmental Annual Compliance Reports, including changes to
12	language access policies Plans in order to meet the needs of Emerging Language Populations.
13	(d) By June 30 of each year, OCEIA may request a joint public hearing with the
14	Board of Supervisors and the Commission to assess the adequacy of the City's ability to
15	provide the public with access to <u>Language Access Services</u> language services.
16	(e) By October 1, 2015, each Department required under subsection 91.12(a) to file an
17	initial Compliance Plan on October 1, 2016 shall provide a written update to OCEIA regarding the
18	Department's plans to ensure future compliance with Section 91.4 and Section 91.5(a) of this Chapter.
19	The written update shall be in a format prescribed by OCEIA and shall include any information
20	requested by OCEIA regarding the Department's plans.
21	SEC. 91.13. RECRUITMENT.
22	It shall be the policy of the City to publicize job openings for Departments' Public
23	Contact Positions in an inclusive and appropriate manner as widely as possible including, but not
24	limited to, in ethnic, and non-English language media, and in multiple languages.

SEC. 91.14. DEPARTMENT RESPONSIBILITIES.

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1	In addition to the duties and responsibilities provided elsewhere in this Chapter 91,
2	Departments shall:
3	(a) Provide Language Access Services in the required languages or languages spoken by a
4	Substantial Number of LEP Persons that provides vital information to the public about the
5	Department's services or programs;
6	$\underline{\hspace{0.1in}}$ Inform $\underline{\hspace{0.1in}}$ Limited English Speaking $\underline{\hspace{0.1in}}$ Persons who seek services, in their native
7	tongue, of their right to request Language Access Services and their right to file a complaint
8	translation services;
9	(cb) Create a process where all persons may provide feedback on the Department's
0	Language Access Services;
1	(d) Prominently post in main entrance or reception areas the availability of Language
2	Access Services and OCEIA's know-your-rights brochure translated in the required languages;
3	(e) Create and maintain a language access policy and review it annually;
4	(fe) Designate a language access coordinator who is responsible for managing the
5	Department's Language Access Services; and
6	(gd) Use a community-focused approach to language access services to ensure that residents
7	receive information about City programs and services, including public service announcements;
8	(h) Upon request, translate the investigative summary report;
9	(i) Budget and plan for the Department's delivery of Language Access Services; and
20	(j) Use good faith efforts to comply with the provisions of this Chapter 91.
21	Departments shall prioritize Language Access Services. and comply with the provisions of this
22	Chapter 91that are readily achievable. Over time, Departments shall fully comply with the
23	provisions of this Chapter 91.

SEC. 91.15. COMMISSION RESPONSIBILITIES.

The Commission is responsible for evaluating the requirements set forth in this Chapter 91. The Commission's duties shall include: (a) reviewing all OCEIA reports; (b) reviewing complaints and OCEIA's resolution of them; (c) recommending policy changes, including revisions to this Chapter or to the Rules and Regulations adopted under Section 91.1746 of this Chapter; (d) identifying new trends that may present new challenges tor language access; (e) identifying new practices that further the objectives of this Chapter; and (f) conducting public hearings related to items (a) through (e).

# SEC. 91.16. OFFICE OF CIVIC ENGAGEMENT AND IMMIGRANT AFFAIRS' RESPONSIBILITIES.

Subject to the budgetary and fiscal provisions of the Charter, OCEIA may provide technical assistance to support the Departments' Language Access Services, and investigate, a centralized infrastructure for the City's language services and monitor, and facilitate Departmental compliance with this Chapter 91. OCEIA may:

- (a) Provide technical assistance for <u>Language Access Services</u> <del>language services</del> for all Departments, including <u>but not limited to</u>, yearly trainings for department staff, <u>consultations as needed, and language access tools and resources</u>:
- (b) Coordinate <u>#Language Access</u> <u>#Services across Departments</u>, including but not limited to maintaining a directory of qualified language service providers for Departments to utilize and carry out their responsibilities under this Chapter 91, maintaining Language Access Services, translations, and interpretations contracts for all Departments, maintaining an inventory of <u>language services</u> <u>translation</u> equipment, and providing assistance to Departments, the Board of Supervisors, and the Mayor's Office in identifying bilingual staff;
  - -(c) Compile and maintain a central repository for all Departments' translated documents;
- (<u>c</u>d) Provide Departments with model Annual Compliance <u>Reports and language</u> <u>access policies</u>Plans;

Speaking LEP Persons share a language other than English and makes its determination
pursuant to Section 91.2, it shall notify all affected Departments and post that determination
on its website for 120 days prior to certifying the new language. During that time period,
OCEIA may conduct a study to confirm that at least 10,000 City residents who are <i>Limited</i>
${\it English Speaking} \ {\it LEP} \ {\it Persons} \ {\it share a language other than English.} \ {\it If OCEIA conducts such a}$
study, the 120 days shall commence the day the study is published. The certification of a new $$
language as a language spoken by a Substantial Number of Limited English Speaking LEP
Persons shall take effect after the conclusion of the process described in this subsection ( $\underline{\underline{d}}\underline{e}$ ).
(ef) Maintain a complaint form on OCEIA's website in all certified languages spoken
by a Substantial Number of Limited English Speaking LEP Persons; and
(fg) Create a know-your-rights brochure for Language Access Services;
(g) Create and maintain a website for the posting of OCEIA's investigative summary
reports; and
(h) Investigate potential violations of this Chapter.
SEC. 91.17. RULES AND REGULATIONS.
In order to effectuate the terms of this Chapter, OCEIA the Commission may adopt
rules and regulations consistent with this Chapter.
SEC. 91.18. ENFORCEMENT.
OCEIA shall be responsible for enforcement of this Chapter $91$ . OCEIA may
investigate potential violations of this Chapter. OCEIA may attempt to resolve noncompliance
with this Chapter by any Department through informal processes, including mediation and
conference and conciliation. OCEIA shall prepare a summary report of each investigation that will
include findings and recommendations to address the issues raised in the complaint, including what

action, if any, was undertaken by the Department in response to the complaint to ensure the

 $(\underline{de})$  If OCEIA determines that at least 10,000 City residents who are  $\underline{Limited\ English}$ 

1	Department's compliance with this Chapter 91 and whether a Department failed to cooperate with
2	OCEIA's investigation. If after an investigation and attempt to resolve an incidence of Department
3	non compliance, OCEIA the Commission is unable to resolve the matter, it OCEIA shall transmit its
4	investigative summary report a written finding of non-compliance, specifying the nature of the non-
5	compliance and the recommended corrective measures, to the Department, the Department of
6	Human Resources, the Commission, the Mayor, and the Board of Supervisors.

Section 2. Article III, Chapter 1 of the Campaign and Governmental Conduct Code is hereby amended by revising Section 3.1-251, to read as follows:

### SEC. 3.1-251. GENERAL SERVICES AGENCY – CITY ADMINISTRATOR.

- (a) **Disclosure Category 2.** Persons in this category shall disclose all investments and business positions in business entities and income from any source which provides, or contracts with the City and County of San Francisco and its Purchasing Department to provide, or has provided within the last two years, commodities or services to the City and County of San Francisco.
- (b) **Disclosure Category 3.** Persons in this category shall disclose all investments and business positions in business entities and income from any source which provides, or contracts with the City and County of San Francisco to provide, or has provided within the last two years, commodities or services to either the Division of the Purchasing Department to which the person is assigned or the Department (other than the Purchasing Department) to which the person is assigned.
- (c) **Disclosure Category 4.** Persons in this disclosure category shall disclose all investments and business positions in any business entity, as well as income or gifts received from any business entity, which does business subject to Delegated Departmental Purchasing (Prop Q) with the City Administrator's Office, or has done business subject to Prop Q (Proposition Q, November 1993) with the City Administrator's Office within the reporting

period covered by the disclosure statement, or where the Person foresees the need to be a Prop Q Purchasing Initiator or Approver for the City Administrator's Office in the future and is unable to be recused from a Prop Q purchasing transaction that would create a disclosure event.

### Designated Positions

### Disclosure Categories

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## Civic Engagement and Immigrant Affairs

Executive Director 1

Member, Immigrant Rights Commission

Senior Administrative Analyst 1

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Section 2. Effective Date. This ordinance shall become effective 30 days after enactment. Enactment occurs when the Mayor signs the ordinance, the Mayor returns the ordinance unsigned or does not sign the ordinance within ten days of receiving it, or the Board of Supervisors overrides the Mayor's veto of the ordinance.

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Section 3. Scope of Ordinance. In enacting this ordinance, the Board of Supervisors intends to amend only those words, phrases, paragraphs, subsections, sections, articles, numbers, punctuation marks, charts, diagrams, or any other constituent parts of the Municipal Code that are explicitly shown in this ordinance as additions, deletions, Board amendment additions, and Board amendment deletions in accordance with the "Note" that appears under the official title of the ordinance.

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