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MEMORANDUM

TO: John Rahaim, Director, Planning Department
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FROM: Erica Major, Assistant Clerk, Land Use and Transportation Committee

DATE: May 22, 2018

SUBJECT: LEGISLATION INTRODUCED

The Board of Supervisors' Land Use and Transportation Committee has received the following proposed legislation, introduced by Mayor Farrell on May 15, 2018:

File No. 180522

Resolution authorizing the continued operation of the Navigation Center located at 1950 Mission Street through September 30, 2018, and the continued operation of the Navigation Center located at 20-12th Street through December 31, 2021.

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: Erica.Major@sfgov.org.

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1 [Authorizing Operation of the Mission Street Navigation Center through September 30, 2018,
2 and the Civic Center Navigation Center through December 31, 2021]

3 **Resolution authorizing the continued operation of the Navigation Center located at**
4 **1950 Mission Street through September 30, 2018, and the continued operation of the**
5 **Navigation Center located at 20-12th Street through December 31, 2021.**

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7 WHEREAS, The Navigation Center at 1950 Mission Street (the “Mission Street
8 Navigation Center”) has been in operation since March of 2015; and

9 WHEREAS, Since its opening, the Mission Street Navigation Center has served over
10 1,800 people, providing critical shelter, health care, benefits, housing assistance, and support;
11 and

12 WHEREAS, The Navigation Center located at 20 12th Street (the “Civic Center
13 Navigation Center”) opened in June 2016; and

14 WHEREAS, Since its opening, the Civic Center Navigation Center has served 330
15 people, providing critical shelter, health care, housing assistance and other support; and

16 WHEREAS, Section 106.3 of the San Francisco Administrative Code provides that
17 Navigation Centers are temporary facilities, and may not be operated for more than two years
18 without approval of adjustment or extension of the time limit by resolution of the Board of
19 Supervisors; and

20 WHEREAS, In March 2018, the Board of Supervisors passed Ord. No. 029-18 (on file
21 with the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors in File No. 180032) declaring there to be a shelter
22 crisis in San Francisco, and authorizing streamlined procedures for the procurement of
23 services relating to navigation centers in order to expeditiously offer resources to individuals
24 experiencing homelessness; and

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1 WHEREAS, Both the Mission Street Navigation Center and the Civic Center Navigation
2 Center are located on properties that are slated for the development of permanent low-income
3 housing, and have been used as Navigation Centers in the interim until the intended housing
4 developments can be constructed; and

5 WHEREAS, Due to delays in construction of the permanent housing at those sites, the
6 Department of Homelessness and Supportive Housing (HSH) has the opportunity to extend
7 the use of both sites as Navigation Centers; and

8 WHEREAS, The City and County of San Francisco faces a homelessness crisis with
9 approximately 7,500 people experiencing homelessness on any given night, 58% of whom are
10 unsheltered; and

11 WHEREAS, At a time of shelter crisis, San Francisco cannot afford to lose Navigation
12 Center capacity when the space remains available to continue operating the programs at their
13 current sites; and

14 WHEREAS, The availability of Navigation Center beds is an essential element of the
15 City's efforts to resolve tent encampments by allowing HSH to make meaningful offers of
16 shelter to individuals so that they have a safe alternative to a tent; and

17 WHEREAS, To close the Navigation Center at 1950 Mission Street before the
18 developer is ready to begin construction in October 2019 would leave the community with a
19 vacant, inactive, and unsecured lot that would become a blight to the community; now,
20 therefore, be it

21 RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors, pursuant to subsection (b) of Section
22 106.3 of the San Francisco Administrative Code, approves the extension and continued
23 operation of the Mission Street Navigation Center through September 30, 2018; and, be it
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FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors, pursuant to subsection (b) of Section 106.3 of the San Francisco Administrative Code, approves the extension and continued operation of the Civic Center Navigation Center until December 31, 2021.