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[Urging the Public Utilities Commission, Department of Public Works, Municipal Transportation Agency, and Planning Department to Ensure the Coordination of Street, Transit, and Utility Infrastructure]

Resolution urging the Public Utilities Commission, Department of Public Works,
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for reviewing street improvement projects that overlap the jurisdiction of various
agencies and for those agencies to expeditiously modernize codes, standards,
regulations, and other guidelines to ensure that the City's collective public policy
interests are advanced.

WHEREAS, San Francisco is a Transit First City with various polices, initiatives, and implementation projects aimed at enhancing the City's transportation system including pedestrian and bicycle safety; and

WHEREAS, The Better Streets Plan establishes guidelines and standards to ensure that new streets and redesigned streets approved by the City provide universal access that, among other things, advance pedestrian and bicycle safety; and

WHEREAS, MTA, DPW, and the SFPUC have geographically overlapping jurisdiction over the right of way and portions thereof; and

WHEREAS, Improvements aimed at enhancing transit efficiency, pedestrian and bicycle safety, storm drainage control, sewage collection, water distribution and other related activities often overlap, and at times may affect or conflict with another department's facilities; and

WHEREAS, Working collaboratively to develop projects located within public rights of way to achieve multiple purposes will assist in meeting the objectives and fulfilling the mission of each department and the City; and

WHEREAS, The essence of meaningful interdepartmental collaboration involves effective communication between the departments regarding plans for and implementation of their responsibilities; and

WHEREAS, Project level coordination and communication frequently provides the means for effectively resolving spatial conflicts and identifying potential policy agreements; and

WHEREAS, Collaboration between the departments on the development of important public facilities located in public rights of way would be enhanced by the promulgation and consistent application of publically accessible state of the art specifications for the construction and operation of utility systems, drainage controls, transit facilities, streets, curbs, sidewalks, bikeways, pedestrian safety features and other such infrastructure located in public rights of way and that the greatest need for new specifications relates to situations where conflicts, or potential conflicts, between departments may arise; and

WHEREAS, Specifically, the Subdivision Code and its regulations can unnecessarily inhibit the development of important pedestrian and bicycle safety projects and there is lack of clarity as to when the subdivision code applies; and

WHEREAS, Specifically, the placement of sidewalk furniture and sidewalk utility infrastructure such as telecommunication boxes, traffic signal boxes, transit shelters, and news racks narrow the usable sidewalk area for pedestrians and in some cases produce pedestrian visibility concerns; and

WHEREAS, Specifically, pedestrian safety bulbouts are sometimes made prohibitively expensive when requirements to relocate subsurface infrastructure is mandated, whether or not that relocation is critical; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors urges the General Manager of the SFPUC, the Transportation Director of the MTA, the Director of DPW and the Director of the Planning

Department to develop and execute a suitable agreement within 60 days memorializing their commitment to collaboratively develop high performing facilities in public rights of way that accommodate all of the important and essential interests of the public, including pedestrian and bicycle safety, in the successful implementation and operation of such facilities with the explicit understanding that long standing practices, standards and other inter-departmental review procedures may need to be modified; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors urges the SFPUC, MTA, DPW and Planning Department to develop and document, within 6 months, publically accessible specifications or standards for the construction and operation of each department's facilities located in public rights of way that have the potential to overlap or conflict with other department facilities, such as, but not limited to, sidewalk widening, bulb outs, medians and traffic circles with the explicit understanding that a principal goal shall be to ensure that the City's policy interests regarding pedestrian and bike safety and delivery and conveyance of essential services such as water and wastewater are met; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors urges the SFPUC, MTA, DPW, and Planning Department to develop a straight-forward and expeditious approach for the review of proposals that seek a variance from any standards, policies, or other regulatory provisions; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the SFPUC apply the subdivision regulations and any specifications contained within such regulations only to streets contained entirely within a subdivision; and, be it

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FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Departments named herein shall report quarterly to the Board of Supervisors on their progress.



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File Nos. 130251, 130252 130253, 130255

4/3/13 · Received in Committee

May 15, 2013

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

Dear Supervisor Wiener,

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Sincerely,

Zack Marks Chair of PSAC

cc: San Francisco Board of Supervisors
Edward Reiskin, Director of Transportation, SFMTA
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MEMORANDUM

TO:

Harlan Kelly, Jr., General Manager, Public Utilities Commission

Mohammed Nuru, Director, Department of Public Works

Ed Reiskin, Executive Director, Municipal Transportation Agency

John Rahaim, Director, Planning Department

FROM:

Alisa Miller, Clerk, Land Use and Economic Development Committee

Board of Supervisors

DATE:

March 22, 2013

SUBJECT:

LEGISLATION INTRODUCED

The Board of Supervisors' Land Use and Economic Development Committee has received the following proposed legislation, introduced by Supervisor Wiener on March 12, 2013:

File No. 130255

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This matter is being forwarded to your department for informational purposes. If you have any 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.

c: Juliet Ellis, Public Utilities Commission
Frank Lee, Department of Public Works
Kate Breen, Municipal Transportation Agency
Janet Martinsen, Municipal Transportation Agency
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Introduction Form

By a Member of the Board of Supervisors or the Mayor

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An ordinance, resolution, motion, or charter amendment.		
2. Request for next printed agenda without reference to Committee.		
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4. Request for letter beginning "Supervisor	inquires"	
5. City Attorney request.		
6. Call File No. from Committee.		
7. Budget Analyst request (attach written motion).		
8. Substitute Legislation File No.		
9. Request for Closed Session (attach written motion).		
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