LEGISLATIVE DIGEST

[Approving General Plan Amendments in connection with the Better Streets Plan]

Ordinance amending the Urban Design and Transportation Elements of the San Francisco General Plan to incorporate the San Francisco Better Streets Plan by reference, and to make objectives and policies relating to pedestrian transportation consistent with the Better Streets Plan; making environmental findings that the proposed amendments are consistent with the General Plan and the eight priority policies of the Planning Code Section 101.1.

Existing Law

The City's General Plan is the blueprint for planning within the City and the Planning Code. It includes various Elements, such as Urban Design and Transportation. It also includes a Land Use Index. Within each Element there are objectives and policies. The General Plan also includes neighborhood plans for specific areas of the City, such as the Downtown Plan.

Amendments to Current Law

This Ordinance, as part of the Better Street Plan planning effort, would incorporate by reference the Better Streets Plan and amend various policies so that they are consistent with the Better Streets Plan. The proposed changes would include amendments to the Urban Design and Transportation Elements of the General Plan. This Ordinance would make environmental findings and findings of consistency with General Plan, as proposed for amendment, and the priority policies of Planning Code Section 101.1.

Background Information

This Ordinance is part of companion legislation concerning the Better Streets Plan.