

LEGISLATIVE DIGEST

[Administrative, Campaign and Governmental Conduct Codes - Administrative Support for Sanitation and Streets Department; Form 700 Filing Requirements for Public Works Commission, Sanitation and Streets Commission, and Director of Sanitation and Streets]

Ordinance amending the Administrative Code to require the Department of Public Works to provide the new Department of Sanitation and Streets with administrative support, including human resources, performance management, finance, budgeting, technology, emergency planning, training, and employee safety services; and amending the Campaign and Governmental Conduct Code to require Public Works Commissioners, Sanitation and Streets Commissioners, and the Director of Sanitation and Streets to file Form 700 (Statement of Economic Interests)

Existing Law

On November 3, 2020, the voters approved Proposition B, which amended the Charter to create a Department of Sanitation and Streets (“Department”) to succeed to specific duties then and presently performed by the Department of Public Works, and a Sanitation and Streets Commission (“Commission”) to oversee the Department, as well as a Public Works Commission to oversee the Department of Public Works. Proposition B added Charter sections 4.138, 4.139, 4.140, and 4.141.

On December 14, 2021, the Board of Supervisors approved Motion No. M21-181 establishing July 1, 2022, as the “Transition Date,” which, according to Charter Section 4.139(d), dictates various deadlines relating to the establishment of the Commission and the Department. Pursuant to Charter Section 4.138(a), the Department “shall come into existence three months after the Transition Date for the Sanitation and Streets Commission in Section 4.139(d).” Based on the Transition date, this is October 1, 2022.

Pursuant to Charter Section 4.138(d), no later than the Transition Date, the Board of Supervisors shall, by ordinance, require “the City Administrator, the Department of Public Works, and/or any other City department to provide administrative support for the Department.” The Board may direct the Department to take on these administrative support obligations “any time more than two years and three months after the Transition Date.”

Under the Campaign and Governmental Conduct Code, every elected official and public employee who makes or influences governmental decisions is required to submit a Statement of Economic Interest, also known as the Form 700.

Amendments to Current Law

This ordinance would provide that the Department of Public Works shall provide administrative support for the Department of Sanitation and Streets.

This ordinance would also require that commissioners on the Sanitation and Streets Commission, and Public Works Commission file a Form 700. It would also require the Director of Sanitation and Streets to file a Form 700.

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