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Ordinance amending the San Francisco Administrative Code by amending Sections 5.400 and 5.410 and adding Section 5.415 to extend the operation of the Voting Systems Task Force to June 30, 2011.

[Administrative Code - Extending operation of Voting Systems Task Force]

NOTE:

Additions are <u>single-underline italics Times New Roman</u>; deletions are <u>strike-through italics Times New Roman</u>. Board amendment additions are <u>double-underlined</u>; Board amendment deletions are <u>strikethrough normal</u>.

Be it ordained by the People of the City and County of San Francisco:

Section 1. The San Francisco Administrative Code is hereby amended by amending Article XXVIII to read as follows:

ARTICLE XXVIII: - VOTING SYSTEMS TASK FORCE

SEC. 5.400. - ESTABLISHMENT AND ORGANIZATION OF THE VOTING SYSTEMS TASK FORCE.

- (a) The Board of Supervisors hereby establishes a Voting Systems Task Force ("Task Force") consisting of nine voting members appointed by the Board of Supervisors, and including two individuals representing good government groups, four individuals with substantial background in computer science or the software or computer industry, two individuals with a background in or knowledge of election administration, and one individual with a background working in accommodation of persons with disabilities. The Task Force shall also include as an ex-officio non-voting member a representative of the San Francisco Elections Commission who is also a member of that Commission at the time of appointment.
- (b) The voting members of the Task Force shall serve at the pleasure of the Board of Supervisors for a term of two years <u>and six months</u> from the date that all nine members have

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been appointed. The Board of Supervisors shall fill any vacancies occurring in the voting membership of the Task Force.

- (c) The Office of the City Administrator shall provide administrative support to the Task Force.
 - (d) The Task Force shall schedule regular meetings once a month.
 - SEC. 5.405. POWERS AND DUTIES OF THE VOTING SYSTEMS TASK FORCE.
- (a) The Task Force shall have the authority to hold hearings and take testimony regarding voting systems and related matters.
 - (b) The Task Force shall provide the City with recommendations on:
- (1) Standards and guidelines to gauge the adequacy, accuracy and trustworthiness of any voting system to be developed or acquired and the adequacy of any vendor or other entity which might develop and deliver such a system;
- (2) Methods for generating or acquiring designs for a voting system which meets applicable Federal, State, County and City laws, regulations and other requirements and all other goals for the voting system while minimizing system life-cycle costs;
- (3) Models for development of a voting system including proprietary, disclosed and open source software and hardware approaches and which address aforementioned voting systems requirements and assure a cost effective, highly reliable, maintainable system;
- (4) Business models, including the City and County of San Francisco acting as its own vendor, which promote the transparency of all aspects of design, development, production and the business relationship of all parties associated with production, delivery, implementation and use of the voting system;
- (5) Any other considerations related to voting systems which will promote public trust in the conduct and results of elections.

(c) During each year of its operation the Task Force shall submit to the Board of Supervisors an annual report summarizing its recommendations.

SEC. 5.410. - SUNSET PROVISION.

The Voting Systems Task Force shall terminate by operation of law on <u>June 30</u>, <u>2011December 31</u>, <u>2010</u>, and after that date the City Attorney shall cause this Article to be removed from the Administrative Code.

SEC. 5.415 – RETROACTIVITY.

If the Voting Systems Task Force terminates on December 31, 2010, before the ordinance extending its termination date to June 30, 2011 goes into effect, the ordinance extending the termination date shall apply retroactively so that the Voting Systems Task Force will be deemed to have remained in continuous operation from its inception through and until June 30, 2011. All appointments to the Task Force as of December 31, 2010 shall remain effective through June 30, 2011, subject to the appointment and removal process established by Section 5.400. If necessary, the City Attorney shall cause Article XXVIII to be added back to the Administrative Code, and Article XXVIII shall remain as part of the Code through June 30, 2011.

APPROVED AS TO FORM: DENNIS J. HERRERA, City Attorney

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December 02, 2010 Rules Committee - RECOMMENDED AS COMMITTEE REPORT

December 07, 2010 Board of Supervisors - PASSED, ON FIRST READING

Ayes: 11 - Alioto-Pier, Avalos, Campos, Chiu, Chu, Daly, Dufty, Elsbernd, Mar, Maxwell and Mirkarimi

December 14, 2010 Board of Supervisors - FINALLY PASSED

Ayes: 11 - Alioto-Pier, Avalos, Campos, Chiu, Chu, Daly, Dufty, Elsbernd, Mar, Maxwell and Mirkarimi

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Ordinance was FINALLY PASSED on 12/14/2010 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

> Angela Calvillo Clerk of the Board

Mayor Gavin Newsom