



Reentry Council City and County of San Francisco

August 14, 2023

Honorable Aaron Peskin, President of the Board of Supervisors
Honorable Connie Chan
Honorable Matt Dorsey
Honorable Joel Engardio
Honorable Rafael Mandelman
Honorable Myrna Melgar
Honorable Dean Preston
Honorable Hillary Ronen
Honorable Ahsha Safai
Honorable Catherine Stefani
Honorable Shamann Walton
City Hall, 1 Carlton B. Goodlett Place
San Francisco, CA 94102

Dear President and Members of the Board of Supervisors,

The purpose of this letter is to recommend that the legislation authorizing the Reentry Council of the City and County of San Francisco be renewed with the revisions noted on Attachment A. San Francisco Administrative Code Sec. 5.1 established the City and County of San Francisco's Reentry Council for the purpose of coordinating local efforts to support adults exiting San Francisco County Jail, San Francisco Juvenile Justice System Out-of-Home Placements, the California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation facilities, and United States Federal Bureau of Prison facilities.

The Council provides the Mayor, Board of Supervisors, the public, and any other appropriate agencies with comprehensive information about reentry barriers and programs, the disparate access and outcomes facing especially vulnerable reentry populations, best practices, funding sources, and serves as a clearinghouse for local, state, and federal legislation that impacts the criminal justice system and reentry communities.

In September 9, 2008, Ordinance # 215-08 established the Reentry Council. In 2014, Ordinance # 83-14 renewed the Council until June 1, 2019 and then Ordinance # 276-18 renewed the Council again. Presently, the Council has a sunset date of June 1, 2024. Per section 5.1.6 of the San Francisco Administrative Code, the Council shall submit a report to the Board of Supervisors "recommending whether the Council should continue to operate, and if so, whether the Board of Supervisors shall consider legislative changes that would enhance the capacity of the Council to achieve the goals that the ordinance creating the council identifies."

If you have any questions or would like additional information regarding this request, please contact Reentry Policy Planner, Victoria Westbrook at victoria.westbrook@sfgov.org or (415) 930-2202.

Thank you for your support and consideration of this Administrative Code amendment request.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Victoria Westbrook". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Victoria Westbrook, Reentry Policy Planner
Reentry Council of the City and County of San Francisco

Cc: Co-Chairs, and Members of the Reentry Council of the City and County of San Francisco

Attachments:

Attachment A: Sunset Date Extension Request Report

Attachment B: Proposed revisions to Administrative Code Sec. 5.1

Attachment C: Roster of Members