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1 DEPARTMENT OF ELECTIONS PROPOSED INITIATIVE ORDINANCE TO BE SUBMITTED BY FOUR OR MORE 2 SUPERVISORS TO THE VOTERS AT THE NOVEMBER 8, 2011 ELECTION. 3 [Under Charter Sections 3.100(15) and 2.113(b), this measure must be submitted to the Board of Supervisors and filed with the Department of Elections no fewer than 45 days prior 4 to deadline for submission of such initiatives to the Department of Elections set in Municipal Elections Code Section 300(b)] 5 6 7 [Administrative Code—Fair Shelter Initiative] 8 Ordinance amending the San Francisco Administrative Code by amending 9 Section 20.57.1, 20.76.3, 20.106.2, 20.206.3, and 20.228, to: 1) provide that homeless 10 shelters shall not constitute "housing" for purposes of setting benefit levels under the 11 12 Care Not Cash Initiative; and 2) set an operative date. 13 NOTE: Additions are single-underline italics Times New Roman; deletions are strike-through italics Times New Roman. 14 15 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 16 17 Sections 20.57.1, 20.76.3, 20.106.2, 20.206.3, and 20.228, to read as follows: SEC. 20.57.1. HOUSING. 18 19 (a) "Housing" shall mean single occupancy residential hotels, master lease rooms, transitional housing, supportive housing programs, or residential substance abuse and mental 20 health treatment facilities. "Housing" shall not include a shelter. "Shelter" shall mean a facility. 21 22 including a resource center, operated under a contract with the City, to provide temporary emergency shleter services for homeless single adults or families. 23

(b) There shall be no reduction in the amount of General Assistance for which an

applicant or recipient is eligible because he or she shares housing with others who are not

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members of the applicant's family as defined in Section 20.57(a). All applicants and recipients shall be required to present a verifiable rent receipt. If the applicant or recipient is not the owner or prime lessee of the premises, a verifiable rent receipt signed by the owner or prime lessee may provide evidence of the applicant's or recipient's place of residence and monthly share of housing costs.

- (c) When an applicant or recipient obtains rent-free housing, such housing shall be valued according to the Income-in-Kind Values Chart set forth in Title 22 of the California Code of Regulations, Section 50511 (the "Income-in-Kind Chart"), rather than at fair market value. The value of the rent-free housing, which is presumed to include utilities, as determined under the Income-in-Kind Chart, shall be deducted from the maximum monthly grant amount. If the applicant or recipient receives rent-free housing, but pays for utilities, the applicant or recipient must present a verifiable bill for utilities at that address, and a verifiable receipt for payment of any portion of that utility bill.
- (d) Verified payments made directly to a housing provider on behalf of an applicant or recipient for the entire amount of the rent and/or utilities, or rent-free housing, or housing received in exchange for work, shall be assigned an in-kind value as specified by the Income-in-Kind Chart, and that value shall be deducted from the maximum monthly grant for which that applicant or recipient is eligible.
- (e) Housing, utilities and/or meals provided to applicants and recipients who are unable to provide a verifiable rent receipt, or verifiable documentation of shared housing, or verifiable documentation of rent-free housing shall be valued as in-kind housing, utilities and/or meals as specified by the Income-In-kind Chart, and that value shall be deducted from the maximum monthly grant for which that applicant or recipient is eligible.
- (f) Nothing in this Section shall be construed as requiring an otherwise eligible applicant or recipient to accept housing in a facility which is either the subject of a pending

nuisance abatement proceeding before a duly authorized agency or department of the City and County or before a court of competent jurisdiction, or which theretofore has been found to be a public nuisance pursuant to any provision of any San Francisco Municipal Code by a duly authorized agency or department of the City and County or by a court of competent jurisdiction and which nuisance has not been abated.

### SEC. 20.76.3. HOUSING.

- (a) "Housing" shall include, but not be limited to, single occupancy residential hotels, master lease rooms, transitional housing, supportive housing programs, <u>and</u> residential treatment facilities, <u>shelter</u>. "Housing" shall not include a shelter. "Shelter" shall mean a facility, including a resource center, operated under a contract with the City, to provide temporary emergency shleter services for homeless single adults or families.
- (b) There shall be no reduction in the PAES stipend for which an applicant/participant is eligible because s/he shares housing with others who are not members of the applicant's/participant's family budget unit as defined under this Article. All applicants/participants shall be required to present a verifiable rent receipt. If the applicant/participant is not the owner or prime lessee of the premises, a verifiable rent receipt signed by the owner or prime lessee may provide evidence of the applicant's/participant's place of residence and monthly share of housing costs.
- (c) When an applicant/participant obtains rent-free housing, such housing shall be valued according to Income-in-Kind Values Chart set forth under Title 22 of the California Code of Regulations, Section 50511 (the Income-in-Kind Chart"), rather than at fair market value. The value of the rent-free housing, which is presumed to include utilities, as determined under the Income-in-Kind Chart, shall be deducted from the maximum monthly stipend amount. If the applicant or recipient receives rent-free housing, but pays for utilities, the

applicant or recipient must present a verifiable bill for utilities at that address, and a verifiable receipt for payment of any portion of that utility bill.

- (d) Verified payments made directly to a housing provider on behalf of an applicant/participant for the entire amount of the rent and/or utilities, or rent-free housing, or housing received in exchange for work, shall be assigned an in-kind value as specified by the Income-in-Kind Chart and that value shall be deducted from the maximum monthly stipend for which that applicant/participant is eligible.
- (e) Housing and/or meals provided to applicants and recipients who are unable to provide a verifiable rent receipt, or verifiable documentation of shared housing, or verifiable documentation of rent-free housing shall be valued as in-kind housing, utilities and/or meals as specified by the Income-In-kind Chart, and that value shall be deducted from the maximum monthly stipend for which that applicant or recipient is eligible.
- (f) Nothing in this Section shall be construed as requiring an otherwise eligible applicant/participant to accept housing in a facility which is either the subject of a pending nuisance abatement proceeding before a duly authorized agency or department of the City and County or before a court of competent jurisdiction, or which theretofore has been found to be a public nuisance pursuant to any provision of any San Francisco Municipal Code by a duly authorized agency or department of the City and County or by a court of competent jurisdiction and which nuisance has not been abated.

#### SEC. 20.106.2. HOUSING.

(a) "Housing" shall include, but not be limited to, single occupancy residential hotels, master lease rooms, transitional housing, supportive housing programs, <u>and</u> residential treatment facilities, <u>shelter</u>. "Housing" shall not include a shelter. "Shelter" shall mean a facility,

including a resource center, operated under a contract with the City, to provide temporary emergency shleter services for homeless single adults or families.

- (b) There shall be no reduction in the CALM payment for which an applicant/recipient is eligible because she/he shares housing with others who are not members of the applicant's family budget unit as defined under this Article. All applicants/recipients shall be required to present a verifiable rent receipt. If the applicant/recipient is not the owner or prime lessee of the premises, a verifiable rent receipt signed by the owner or prime lessee may provide evidence of the applicant's/recipient's place of residence and monthly share of housing costs.
- (c) When an applicant obtains rent-free housing, such housing shall be valued according to Value of Income-in-Kind Chart set forth under Title 22 of the California Code of Regulations, Section 50511 (the "Income-in-Kind Chart"), rather than at fair market value. The value of the rent-free housing, which is presumed to include utilities, as determined under the Income-in-Kind Chart, shall be deducted from the maximum monthly payment amount. If the applicant or recipient receives rent-free housing, but pays for utilities, the applicant or recipient must present a verifiable bill for utilities at that address, and a verifiable receipt for payment of any portion of that utility bill.
- (d) Verified payments made directly to a housing provider on behalf of an applicant or recipient for the entire amount of the rent and/or utilities, or rent-free housing, or housing received in exchange for work, shall be assigned an in-kind value as specified by the Income-in-Kind Chart and that value shall be deducted from the maximum monthly payment for which that applicant or recipient is eligible.
- (e) Housing and/or meals provided to applicants and recipients who are unable to provide a verifiable rent receipt, or verifiable documentation of shared housing, or verifiable documentation of rent-free housing shall be valued as in-kind housing, utilities and/or meals

as specified by the Income-In-Kind Chart, and that value shall be deducted from the maximum monthly grant for which that applicant or recipient is eligible.

(f) Nothing in this Section shall be construed as requiring an otherwise eligible

applicant or recipient to accept housing in a facility which is either the subject of a pending

nuisance abatement proceeding before a duly authorized agency or department of the City

and County or before a court of competent jurisdiction, or which theretofore has been found to

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duly authorized agency or department of the City and County or by a court of competent

iurisdiction and which nuisance has not been abated.

#### SEC. 20.206.3. HOUSING.

- (a) "Housing" shall include, but not be limited to, single occupancy residential hotels, master lease rooms, transitional housing, supportive housing programs, <u>and</u> residential treatment facilities, <u>shelter</u>. "Housing" shall not include a shelter. "Shelter" shall mean a facility, including a resource center, operated under a contract with the City, to provide temporary emergency shleter services for homeless single adults or families.
- (b) There shall be no reduction in the SSIP payment for which an applicant or recipient is eligible because she/he shares housing with others who are not members of the applicant's/recipient's family budget unit. All applicants/recipients shall be required to present a verifiable rent receipt. If the applicant/recipient is not the owner or prime lessee of the premises, a verifiable rent receipt signed by the owner or prime lessee may provide evidence of the applicant's/recipient's place of residence and share of monthly housing costs.
- (c) When an applicant/recipient obtains rent-free housing, such housing shall be valued according to the Income-in-Kind Values Chart set forth under Title 22 of the California Code of Regulations, Section 50511 (the "Income-in-Kind Chart"), rather than at fair market

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- (d) Verified payments made directly to a housing provider on behalf of an applicant or recipient for the entire amount of the rent and/or utilities, or rent-free housing, or housing received in exchange for work, shall be assigned an in-kind value as specified by the Incomein-Kind Chart and that value shall be deducted from the maximum monthly payment for which that applicant or recipient is eligible.
- (e) Housing and/or meals provided to applicants and recipients who are unable to provide a verifiable rent receipt, or verifiable documentation of shared housing, or verifiable documentation of rent-free housing shall be valued as in-kind housing, utilities and/or meals as specified by the Income-In-Kind Chart, and that value shall be deducted from the maximum monthly stipend for which that applicant or recipient is eligible.
- (f) Nothing in this Section shall be construed as requiring an otherwise eligible applicant or recipient to accept housing in a facility which is either the subject of a pending nuisance abatement proceeding before a duly authorized agency or department of the City and County or before a court of competent jurisdiction, or which theretofore has been found to be a public nuisance pursuant to any provision of any San Francisco Municipal Code by a duly authorized agency or department of the City and County or by a court of competent jurisdiction and which nuisance has not been abated.

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SEC. 20.228. OPERATIVE DATE OF AMENDMENT.
(a) The provisions of this amendment, Sections 20.206(b),(c),(i),(j),
20.206.3(a),(b),(c),(e); 20.226; and 20.227 shall become operative on or before July 1, 2003.
(b) The amendments to Sections 20.57.1, 20.76.3, 20.106.2, and 20.206.3, adopted by the voters
at the general municipal election on November 8, 2011 shall become operative on January 1, 2012.
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