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MEMORANDUM

Date: October 7, 2025

To: Planning Department / Commission

From: Victor Young, Clerk of the Rules Committee

Subject: Board of Supervisors Legislation Referral - File No. 250982
Administrative Code - West SoMa Entertainment Zone

☒ California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Determination
(California Public Resources Code, Sections 21000 et seq.)
- ☒ Ordinance / Resolution
- ☐ Ballot Measure

☐ Amendment to the Planning Code, including the following Findings:
(Planning Code, Section 302(b): 90 days for Planning Commission review)
☐ General Plan ☐ Planning Code, Section 101.1 ☐ Planning Code, Section 302

☐ Amendment to the Administrative Code, involving Land Use/Planning
(Board Rule 3.23: 30 days for possible Planning Department review)

☐ General Plan Referral for Non-Planning Code Amendments
(Charter, Section 4.105, and Administrative Code, Section 2A.53)
(Required for legislation concerning the acquisition, vacation, sale, or change in use of City property; subdivision of land; construction, improvement, extension, widening, narrowing, removal, or relocation of public ways, transportation routes, ground, open space, buildings, or structures; plans for public housing and publicly-assisted private housing; redevelopment plans; development agreements; the annual capital expenditure plan and six-year capital improvement program; and any capital improvement project or long-term financing proposal such as general obligation or revenue bonds.)

☒ Historic Preservation Commission
- ☐ Landmark *(Planning Code, Section 1004.3)*
- ☒ Cultural Districts *(Charter, Section 4.135 & Board Rule 3.23)*
- ☐ Mills Act Contract *(Government Code, Section 50280)*
- ☐ Designation for Significant/Contributory Buildings *(Planning Code, Article 11)*

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Master Report

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File Number: 250982 **File Type:** Ordinance **Status:** 30 Day Rule

Enacted: **Effective:**

Version: 1 **In Control:** Rules Committee

File Name: Administrative Code - West SoMa Entertainment Zone **Date Introduced:** 09/30/2025

Requester: **Cost:** **Final Action:**

Comment: **Title:** Ordinance amending the Administrative Code to eliminate the Folsom Street Entertainment Zone and create the West SoMa Entertainment Zone, to include the following streets: Folsom Street, between 12th and Russ Streets; Hallam Street, between Folsom Street and Brush Place; Langton Street, between Folsom Street and Decker Alley; Russ Street, between Minna and Folsom Streets; 7th Street between Folsom and Harrison Streets; 8th Street between Folsom and Harrison Streets; Harrison Street between 7th and 13th Streets; 12th Street between Harrison and Folsom Streets; 11th Street between Harrison and Folsom Streets; 10th Street between Harrison and Howard Streets; Howard Street between 10th and 11th Streets; Dore Street between Folsom and Sheridan Streets; 9th Street between Harrison and Folsom Streets; Ringgold Street between 8th and 9th Streets; and Heron Street between 8th Street and Berwick Place; and affirming the Planning Department's determination under the California Environmental Quality Act.

Sponsor: Dorsey

History of Legislative File 250982

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APPROVED AS TO FORM:
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FILE NO. 250982

LEGISLATIVE DIGEST

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Existing Law

Under Administrative Code Chapter 94B, open alcoholic beverages can be consumed on any public street, avenue, sidewalk, stairway, alley, or thoroughfare within an Entertainment Zone during an Entertainment Zone Event, subject to state and local law, when those beverages are purchased from a licensed premises within the Entertainment Zone.

Administrative Code Section 94B.1 defines an Entertainment Zone Event as "an event that occurs within the boundaries of an Entertainment Zone established in accordance with this Chapter 94B and within the hours permitted by this Chapter 94B and the Management Plan or the Downtown Activation Permit issued pursuant to Administrative Code Chapter 94D for the Entertainment Zone." Administrative Code Section 94B.4 establishes Entertainment Zone locations.

Amendments to Current Law

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Introduction Form

(by a Member of the Board of Supervisors or the Mayor)

I hereby submit the following item for introduction (select only one):

- [x] 1. For reference to Committee (Ordinance, Resolution, Motion or Charter Amendment)
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  (Routine, non-controversial and/or commendatory matters only)
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- [ ] 10. Topic submitted for Mayoral Appearance before the Board on _____

The proposed legislation should be forwarded to the following (please check all appropriate boxes):

☐ Small Business Commission ☐ Youth Commission ☐ Ethics Commission

☐ Planning Commission ☐ Building Inspection Commission ☐ Human Resources Department

General Plan Referral sent to the Planning Department (proposed legislation subject to Charter 4.105 & Admin 2A.53):

☐ Yes ☐ No

(Note: For Imperative Agenda items (a Resolution not on the printed agenda), use the Imperative Agenda Form.)

Sponsor(s):

Supervisor Dorsey

Subject:

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Long Title or text listed:

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Signature of Sponsoring Supervisor: \s\Dorsey

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Cc:	Somera, Alisa (BOS); Dorsey, Matt (BOS); WONG, VICTORIA (CAT); RUSSI, BRAD (CAT); Varian, Kelly (ECN); VanHouten, Ben (ECN)
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Date:	Tuesday, September 30, 2025 2:48:13 PM
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Hello,

We are seeking e signature and approval as to form, from DCA Wong regarding the subject introduction.

Regards,

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