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Prepared by: Monique Crayton **Date:** April 17, 2026
Prepared by: _____ **Date:** _____
Prepared by: _____ **Date:** _____

[Administrative Code - Expanding Drug-Free Permanent Supportive Housing]

Ordinance amending the Administrative Code to state that it is City policy to expand the availability of Site-Based Permanent Supportive Housing ("PSH") that prohibits on-site illicit drug use among residents ("Drug-Free PSH") to meet the demand of people experiencing homelessness who prefer such a residential option; bar the City from funding new Site-Based PSH for people experiencing homelessness that prohibits evictions on the basis of drug use alone ("Drug-Tolerant PSH"), except where operation of the housing as Drug-Free PSH would conflict with standards imposed by law or by a condition of other funding, or the Board of Supervisors has waived the funding prohibition based on specific findings; and require the Department of Homelessness and Supportive Housing ("HSH") to survey residents of Site-Based PSH to assess their interest in living in either Drug-Tolerant PSH or Drug-Free PSH and report on the survey findings and HSH's strategies to meet PSH residents' demands.

NOTE: **Unchanged Code text and uncodified text** are in plain Arial font.
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Board amendment additions are in double-underlined Arial font.
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Asterisks (* * * *) indicate the omission of unchanged Code subsections or parts of tables.

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

Section 1. The Administrative Code is hereby amended by adding Chapter 12K, consisting of Sections 12K.1 through 12K.7, to read as follows:

CHAPTER 12K: PERMANENT SUPPORTIVE HOUSING; DRUG-FREE PERMANENT SUPPORTIVE HOUSING

SEC. 12K.1. FINDINGS.

(a) Permanent Supportive Housing ("PSH") plays a significant role in San Francisco's response to homelessness by combining affordable housing assistance with voluntary support services intended to address the myriad needs of chronically homeless people, including families with children, seniors, and persons with chronic disabilities. These support services are intended to build independent living and tenancy skills, and connect people with community-based health care, treatment, and employment services.

(b) With few exceptions, San Francisco's PSH sites currently adhere to the drug-tolerant policies reflected in California's current implementation of the "Core Components of Housing First," as set forth in California Welfare and Institutions Code Section 8255. These policies apply to state-funded PSH, and provide that "use of alcohol or drugs in and of itself, without other lease violations, is not a reason for eviction," and that supportive services must be "informed by a harm-reduction philosophy that recognizes drug and alcohol use and addiction as a part of tenants' lives." Some – but not all – of San Francisco's PSH is state-funded, and subject to the state's current Housing First mandates. To the extent locally funded PSH in San Francisco adheres to drug-tolerant provisions, however, it does so as a voluntary policy choice subject to revision by the Board of Supervisors.

(c) The near universality of drug-tolerant policies in San Francisco's PSH portfolio fails to serve the needs of many PSH residents seeking to stabilize their lives as they exit homelessness. This is especially true for those residents who are in recovery or seeking to recover from substance use disorders ("SUDs"), but it is similarly true for those supportive housing residents not in recovery who would prefer to avoid the myriad harms and risks associated with living in a residential community where the use of illicit drugs is expressly tolerated.

(d) Moreover, many of the externalities that arise from residents' illicit drug use overburden the City's public health and public safety resources because of elevated acuity and drug-related behavioral health challenges, diminishing San Franciscans' confidence in their city government's response to homelessness overall. According to data from the Office of the Chief Medical Examiner, between June 2024 and July 2025, 26% of overdose deaths occurred in PSH, a higher percentage than in shelters, hospitals, private homes, or on the street. Drug-related behaviors and associated lawlessness lead to public nuisances that routinely rob law-abiding PSH residents and neighbors of the quiet enjoyment of their own residences and neighborhoods. Just one PSH facility alone generated 654 police calls for service in a single year — averaging nearly two calls per day. A sample of 15 PSH sites showed 5,872 police calls for service during that same time frame.

(e) Drug-Free PSH operates as a residential community free of illicit drug use, avoiding the multitude of negative externalities of illicit drugs that bedevil many Drug-Tolerant PSH sites in San Francisco. As compared to Drug-Tolerant PSH, drug-free housing options would also better support individuals exiting homelessness who are in recovery from addiction or alcoholism as well as those at elevated risks to develop SUDs. The 2025 Homelessness Needs Assessment, published by the Our City, Our Home Oversight Committee in accordance with Business and Tax Regulations Code Section

2810(e)(2)(B), reported that 53% of single adults and 28% of families served through HSH's housing programs had substance use or mental health disorders.

(f) As of March 2026, the choices afforded to program participants are insufficiently prioritized in San Francisco's current operation of PSH. More Drug-Free PSH options would add an important new choice for PSH residents exiting homelessness, and would broaden the City's array of evidence-based solutions to more effectively address homelessness and substance use disorders that are so visible on City streets. By removing barriers to drug-free options for formerly unhoused persons and honoring the choice of some PSH residents who would prefer to live in a drug-free residential community, the policies advanced in this Chapter 12K would better serve many PSH residents, who include families with children, seniors, and individuals at all stages of recovery from SUDs and at heightened risk of suffering harms associated with illicit drug use.

SEC. 12K.2. DEFINITIONS.

For purposes of this Chapter 12K, the following definitions apply:

"City" means the City and County of San Francisco.

"Drug-Free Permanent Supportive Housing" or "Drug-Free PSH" means Site-Based PSH where on-site illicit drug use is prohibited and is grounds for eviction, provided that participation in Medication-Assisted-Treatment, administered by a licensed healthcare provider in accordance with applicable laws and medical guidance, shall not be deemed illicit drug use.

"Drug-Tolerant Permanent Supportive Housing" or "Drug-Tolerant PSH" means Site-Based PSH where the use of illicit drugs, without any other lease violation, is not a basis for eviction, and applicants are accepted regardless of their sobriety or use of substances, completion of treatment, or

participation in recovery services.

"Illicit drug use" means the use of a controlled or regulated substance in a manner that is unlawful under state or federal law, including use without a valid prescription or outside the scope of lawful medical or other legally permitted use, regardless of whether the substance itself may be lawfully possessed or used under other circumstances.

"PSH Resident Survey" means the survey described in Section 12K.5.

"Site-Based Permanent Supportive Housing" or "Site-Based PSH" means subsidized rental housing where 100% of the units are for individuals and households with a history of homelessness, in a building that is owned or master leased by the City or a non-profit organization funded by the City, that imposes no time limit on occupancy, and provides supportive services to help residents maintain housing.

"Site-Based Permanent Supportive Housing Portfolio" means the total number of Site-Based PSH units that are operated or funded by the City at a given time.

SEC. 12K.3. DECLARATION OF POLICY.

It shall be City policy to expand the availability of Drug-Free PSH to meet the demand from individuals in need of Site-Based PSH who prefer that option as an alternative to Drug-Tolerant PSH. The goal of this policy is to promote long-term housing stability and minimize returns to homelessness.

SEC. 12K.4. USE OF CITY FUNDS FOR DRUG-TOLERANT PERMANENT SUPPORTIVE HOUSING PROHIBITED EXCEPT WHERE DRUG-FREE HOUSING MODEL CONFLICTS WITH LAW OR FUNDING CONDITION.

(a) Except as stated in subsections (c) and (d) of this Section 12K.4, the City shall not expend funds for any contract, grant agreement, or loan agreement to increase the City's Site-Based Permanent Supportive Housing Portfolio unless the contract, grant agreement, or loan agreement would exclusively fund Drug-Free PSH.

(b) The prohibition set forth in subsection (a) includes, but is not limited to: (1) entering into a grant agreement to fund an organization to provide services or operations for new Drug-Tolerant PSH, (2) entering into a grant agreement to subsidize operations and/or rents for new Drug-Tolerant PSH, and (3) entering into a loan agreement for the development and construction of any new Drug-Tolerant PSH.

(c) The prohibition set forth in subsection (a) shall not apply to any contract, grant agreement, or loan agreement for Site-Based PSH where operation of such Site-Based PSH as Drug-Free PSH would be prohibited by law or in conflict with applicable conditions of funding.

(d) The Board of Supervisors may waive the prohibition set forth in subsection (a) by resolution only if the Board makes the following findings:

(1) Such waiver is necessary to meet the demand for Drug-Tolerant PSH as determined by the PSH Resident Survey conducted under section 12K.5, or is otherwise determined by the Board to be in the public interest; and

(2) Waiver is recommended by either the Department of Homelessness and Supportive Housing ("HSH") or the Mayor's Office of Housing and Community Development; and

(3) The sponsoring Department has committed to entering into a Good Neighbor Agreement with the housing operator intended to address anticipated neighborhood concerns.

SEC. 12K.5. MEASURING DEMAND FOR DRUG-TOLERANT AND DRUG-FREE PERMANENT SUPPORTIVE HOUSING.

(a) Within six months of the effective date of the ordinance in Board File No. 251003 enacting this Chapter 12K, HSH shall, in collaboration with the Controller's Office, conduct a survey of PSH residents to assess their interest in living in Drug-Free PSH as an alternative to Drug-Tolerant PSH ("PSH Resident Survey"). The survey instrument shall explain the drug-related policies that apply in each type of housing.

(b) Within one month of the completion of the PSH Resident Survey, HSH and the Controller's Office shall prepare a report summarizing the results of the survey and shall submit the report to the Board of Supervisors, along with a resolution for the Board to acknowledge receipt of the survey report.

(c) Within three months of the completion of the PSH Resident Survey, HSH shall prepare a report describing the strategies it intends to implement to meet the demand measured in the PSH Resident Survey for Drug-Free PSH and Drug-Tolerant PSH, in accordance with Section 12K.3, and shall submit that report to the Board of Supervisors together with a resolution for the Board to acknowledge its receipt.

SEC. 12K.6. RULES AND REGULATIONS.

HSH, in consultation with the Department of Public Health, shall promulgate rules and regulations to carry out the provisions of this Chapter 12K, that:

(a) Establish standards for Drug-Free Permanent Supportive Housing operators that:

(1) Prohibit the use of illicit drugs on the premises;

(2) Provide that a single relapse or instance of illicit drug use may not be treated as an automatic cause for eviction or termination from a program, but that participants be offered relapse support; and

(3) Provide that an operator may seek to terminate a resident's tenancy when a participant's behavior substantially disrupts or impacts the welfare of the community in which the participant resides;

(b) Reaffirm HSH's commitment to use its best efforts to provide alternative housing or shelter to an individual who is living in Drug-Free PSH, where such individual is at risk of eviction, or is discharged from the program.

(c) HSH shall submit such rules and regulations to the Board of Supervisors prior to the implementation of any new Drug-Free PSH site.

SEC. 12K.7. UNDERTAKING FOR THE GENERAL WELFARE.

In enacting and implementing this Chapter 12K, the City is assuming an undertaking only to promote the general welfare. It is not assuming, nor is it imposing on its officers and employees, an obligation for breach of which it is liable in money damages to any person who claims that such breach proximately caused injury.

Section 2. Effective Date. This ordinance shall become effective at 12:00 a.m. on the

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31st day after enactment. Enactment occurs when the Mayor signs the ordinance, the Mayor returns the ordinance unsigned or does not sign the ordinance within ten days of receiving it, or the Board of Supervisors overrides the Mayor's veto of the ordinance.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:
DAVID CHIU, City Attorney

By: _____/S/_____
ANNE PEARSON
Deputy City Attorney

FILE NO. 251003

LEGISLATIVE DIGEST
(Substituted - 3/17/26)

[Administrative Code - Expanding Drug-Free Permanent Supportive Housing]

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Existing Law

Currently, there is no law requiring or prohibiting the City from funding any model of permanent supportive housing.

Amendments to Current Law

The proposed ordinance would state that it is City policy to expand the availability of Site-Based Permanent Supportive Housing that prohibits on-site illicit drug use ("Drug-Free PSH") to meet the demand from individuals who prefer that option as an alternative to Permanent Supportive Housing that prohibits eviction on the basis of on-site illicit drug use ("Drug-Tolerant PSH"). The goal of this policy is to promote long-term housing stability and minimize returns to homelessness.

The ordinance would also prohibit the City from funding new Site-Based Drug-Tolerant Permanent Supportive Housing except:

- Where operation of the new housing as Drug-Free PSH would conflict with standards imposed by law or by a condition of other funding; or
- Where the Board of Supervisors waives the prohibition on funding by resolution based on findings that such waiver is necessary to meet the demand for Drug-Tolerant PSH; the waiver is recommended by HSH or the Mayor's Office of Housing and Community Development; and the sponsoring department has committed to enter into a Good Neighbor Agreement with the housing operator.

The ordinance would require the Department of Homelessness and Supportive Housing to survey residents of Site-Based PSH to assess their interest in living in Drug-Free PSH, and submit a report to the Board of Supervisors summarizing their findings and plans to meet demand.

Background Information

This ordinance is a substitute of the ordinance in Board File No. 25-1003, which was introduced on October 7, 2025.

Permanent Supportive Housing plays a significant role in San Francisco's response to homelessness by combining affordable housing assistance with voluntary support services intended to address the myriad needs of chronically homeless people, including families with children, seniors, and persons with chronic disabilities. These support services are intended to build independent living and tenancy skills, and connect people with community-based health care, treatment, and employment services.

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M E M O R A N D U M

TO: Shireen McSpadden, Director, Department of Homelessness and Supportive Housing
Daniel Tsai, Director, Department of Public Health

FROM: John Carroll, Assistant Clerk, Land Use and Transportation Committee

DATE: October 29, 2025

SUBJECT: LEGISLATION INTRODUCED

The Board of Supervisors' Land Use and Transportation Committee has received the following proposed legislation, introduced by Supervisor Dorsey on October 7, 2025.

File No. 251003

Ordinance amending the Administrative Code to state that it is City policy to expand the availability of Site-Based Permanent Supportive Housing ("PSH") for people experiencing homelessness that supports abstinence by prohibiting illegal drug use on-site or emphasizing abstinence ("Drug-Free and Recovery-Oriented Supportive Housing"); prohibiting the City from funding Site-Based PSH for people experiencing homelessness that bars evictions on the basis of drug use alone ("Drug-Tolerant Housing") except where operation of the funded housing as Drug-Free and Recovery-Oriented Supportive Housing would conflict with standards imposed by law or as a condition of other funding; and requiring the Department of Homelessness and Supportive Housing to survey residents of Site-Based PSH to assess their interest in living in Drug-Free and Recovery-Oriented Supportive Housing, and submitting a report to the Board of Supervisors summarizing the summary findings.

If you have comments or reports to be included with the file, please forward them to me at the Board of Supervisors, City Hall, Room 244, 1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place, San Francisco, CA 94102 or by email at: john.carroll@sfgov.org.

cc:
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RAFAEL MANDELMAN

PRESIDENTIAL ACTION

Date: 11/3/25

To: Angela Calvillo, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

Madam Clerk,
Pursuant to Board Rules, I am hereby:

☐ Waiving 30-Day Rule (Board Rule No. 3.23)

File No. _____ _____ (Primary Sponsor)

Title. _____

☒ Transferring (Board Rule No 3.3)

File No. 251003 Dorsey (Primary Sponsor)

Title. Administrative Code - Expanding Drug-Free Permanent Supportive Housing

From: Land Use & Transportation Committee

To: Public Safety & Neighborhood Services Committee

☐ Assigning Temporary Committee Appointment (Board Rule No. 3.1)

Supervisor: _____ Replacing Supervisor: _____

For: _____ _____ Meeting
(Date) (Committee)

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Rafael Mandelman, President
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M E M O R A N D U M

TO: Shireen McSpadden, Director, Department of Homelessness and Supportive Housing
Daniel Tsai, Director, Department of Public Health

FROM: Monique Crayton, Assistant Clerk, Public Safety and Neighborhood Services Committee

DATE: March 24, 2026

SUBJECT: LEGISLATION INTRODUCED

The Board of Supervisors' Public Safety and Neighborhood Services Committee has received the following proposed legislation, substitued by Supervisor Dorsey on March 17 2026.

File No. 251003 (Substituted)

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M E M O R A N D U M

TO: Joy Zhan, Interim Director, Youth Commission

FROM: Monique Crayton, Assistant Clerk,
Public Safety and Neighborhood Services Committee

DATE: April 1, 2026

SUBJECT: LEGISLATIVE MATTER INTRODUCED

The Board of Supervisors' Public Safety and Neighborhood Services Committee has received the following ordinance request, introduced by Supervisor Matt Dorsey on March 17, 2026. This item is being referred for comment and recommendation.

File No. 251003

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Please return this cover sheet with the Commission's response to Monique Crayton, Assistant Clerk, Public Safety and Neighborhood Services Committee.

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RESPONSE FROM YOUTH COMMISSION Date: _____

____ No Comment
____ Recommendation Attached

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Chairperson, Youth Commission

C: Office of Chair Dorsey

From: Iris Bucchioni
To: Board of Supervisors (BOS); Lurie, Daniel (MYR); Melgar, Myrna (BOS); Sherrill, Stephen (BOS); Mahmood, Bilal (BOS); Sauter, Danny (BOS); Dorsey, Matt (BOS); Chan, Connie (BOS); Wong, Alan (BOS); Fielder, Jackie (BOS)
Subject: Supporting Drug Free Housing
Date: Sunday, January 11, 2026 12:52:38 PM

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Message to the Supervisors, Dr. Tsai, Mr. Modi, and Mayor Lurie

From your constituent: Iris Bucchioni

Email: irismvbucchioni@yahoo.com

Subject: Supporting Drug Free Housing

Message:

Dear Supervisors, Dr. Tsai, Mr. Modi, and Mayor Lurie,

I am writing to express my strong support for Supervisor Matt Dorsey's legislation to expand the availability of drug-free and recovery-oriented Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH) in San Francisco.

For too long, our city's approach to supportive housing has overlooked a vital segment of the unhoused population: those who are actively seeking or maintaining sobriety. Under the current "Housing First" framework, individuals in early recovery are frequently placed in environments where they are surrounded by the very substances and behaviors they are trying to escape. This lack of choice isn't just a policy gap, it is a barrier to life-saving recovery.

I support this legislation because:

Safety and Choice: Residents deserve the right to choose a living environment that supports their health goals. For many, a "drug-tolerant" building is not a bridge to stability, but a trigger for relapse.

Effective Use of Resources: By utilizing Prop 1 bond funds and other state resources specifically intended for recovery housing, we can expand our housing portfolio without taking away from existing "Housing

First" programs.

Addressing the Overdose Crisis: With overdose deaths reaching record highs, we must provide every possible tool for long-term remission. Sober living environments are a proven component of successful recovery.

We cannot continue to offer a "one-size-fits-all" model for supportive housing. I urge you to vote YES on this ordinance to ensure that San Francisco provides a diverse range of housing options that honor and protect the hard work of recovery.

Thank you.

Iris Bucchioni

From: Kate English
To: Board of Supervisors (BOS); Lurie, Daniel (MYR); Melgar, Myrna (BOS); Sherrill, Stephen (BOS); Mahmood, Bilal (BOS); Sauter, Danny (BOS); Dorsey, Matt (BOS); Chan, Connie (BOS); Wong, Alan (BOS); Fielder, Jackie (BOS)
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Message to the Supervisors, Dr. Tsai, Mr. Modi, and Mayor Lurie

From your constituent: Kate English

Email: kenglish1775@comcast.net

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Thank you.

Kate English

From: tam tam
To: Board of Supervisors (BOS); Lurie, Daniel (MYR); Melgar, Myrna (BOS); Sherrill, Stephen (BOS); Mahmood, Bilal (BOS); Sauter, Danny (BOS); Dorsey, Matt (BOS); Chan, Connie (BOS); Wong, Alan (BOS); Fielder, Jackie (BOS)
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Message to the Supervisors, Dr. Tsai, Mr. Modi, and Mayor Lurie

From your constituent: tam tam

Email: tamsfo12@gmail.com

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From your constituent: tam tam

Email: tamsfo12@gmail.com

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COALITION ON HOMELESSNESS

December 12, 2025

Supervisor Matt Dorsey
Chair, Public Safety Committee
City Hall
1 Dr. Carlton Goodlet Place
San Francisco, CA 94102

Re: 251003- Expanding Drug Free Permanent Supportive Housing – Oppose as currently written

Dear Supervisor Dorsey,

This letter is in regards to your legislation, file 251003- Expanding Drug Free Permanent Supportive Housing. The Coalition on Homelessness organizes homeless people to create permanent solutions to homelessness while protecting the human rights of those forced to remain on the streets. We fully support attempts to diversify the system to meet the varied needs of our unhoused community members. The push to have more recovery housing options is laudable, as recovering from an addiction disorder is commonly a difficult and individually unique journey with many starts and stops. There are many people living in Supportive Housing that would benefit from recovery support, and many more who are seeking both housing and recovery and would like intentional housing options that are recovery friendly, such as sober living, scattered site housing or site based supportive housing with enhanced recovery services such as trauma therapy. Unfortunately, this legislation misses the mark and will not achieve that, instead pitting models against each other and hampering the flexibility the city needs to create as many forms of housing as possible.

Standard language in leases is the prohibition of illegal activity already, so the legislation creates confusion for supportive housing providers. Illegal drug use, smoking and drinking in common areas are already prohibited. Meanwhile, the inside of

housing units is private and not surveilled.

PSH is neither drug tolerant nor drug free, it is designed to be low barrier so all unhoused people who may need additional support due to health and behavioral health issues can thrive and the basic dignity of a home. The third category, Supportive Recovery, would not evict for drug use, and would have enhanced recovery services, following Housing First guidelines and could be created without the need for legislation.

The legal text creates new categories of supportive housing, using stigmatizing language. Stigma acts as a deterrent to seeking help for drug addiction and increases overdose rates.

Negatively Impact Pipeline and Ability to Backfill Federal Funding Losses
This legislation would negatively impact housing in the pipeline by putting confusing requirements on it. All homeless housing has braided funding - no PSH site-based buildings are from a single source of funds, but from various state, federal and local sources. The bill would impact locally funded strands, thus potentially negatively impacting the entire project.

In addition, we are set to lose federal funding for housing, with the potential loss of HUD and other housing resources. This legislation will create a complication in utilizing new funding to backfill the potential losses, as well as DHSH is about to issue new contracts for all homeless housing projects. It is unclear if this will be considered new funding and may negatively impact flexibility in this process.

System is short beds and units in every category
The legislation only calls for an expansion of “drug free supportive housing” and “supportive recovery” housing, without recognizing the fact that thousands of households are on the waitlist for and in need of PSH.

Ninety-seven percent of Permanent Supportive Housing residents are successfully housed. It is not designed for all homeless people; some unhoused people may need more support, for example someone with dementia may need board and care, while a working homeless person may just need a housing subsidy for extremely low-income housing. However, we simply do not have enough PSH to meet the specific category of unhoused people who need it and are many thousand units short.

Adding “supportive recovery housing”, typically called “step down” housing or “sober living" to our continuum *is needed*. We have both sober living buildings that are publicly and privately funded in San Francisco, but we are far short of meeting the need. Many individuals graduate from treatment programs onto the streets. We also need more PSH and we need more treatment, and we need more step-down housing. We also need housing tailored to higher acuities such as Board and Cares, and Co-ops. The different

models should not be pitted against each other, and this legislation does just that by calling for one, without recognizing the need for more of the other.

Impact on family and domestic violence
The legislation does not address families with children who have a parent who experiences a recurrence of use, likely putting the whole family in eviction proceedings, involvement with Child Protective Services, and loss of home.

Driving up Homelessness
The legislation calls for support to move out under recovery housing, but does not detail how that would work. It calls for evictions under Sober housing which will simply drive up street homelessness, and thus increase acuity related to addiction disorders. Homelessness drives up rates of substance use disorders.

Substance Use Disorder (SUD) is a chronic, treatable condition, and continued or intermittent use of drugs is part of the reality of the disorder. National data show that recurrence of use is often part of the recovery journey, and not a failure of treatment. It can take years and multiple engagements in treatment to achieve sustained remission; risk for meeting SUD criteria can remain elevated for several more years after that. Shame, discharge, and disconnection increase risk for overdose, incarceration, and disengagement from care.

Legal and Operational Issues
The legislation creates legal and practical issues with evicting people for what they are doing in the privacy of their own homes. The system has been set up to address that by having long-term one- to two-year step-down or recovery housing programs where people are living independently but within an accountable and supportive recovery community. This form of housing certainly needs expanding but does not need to do so at expense of PSH. Both are needed.

Omits Alcoholism
The legislation strangely omits alcohol in the recovery housing model. Alcoholism is not only the most common form of addiction, it is also intertwined with other forms of substance addiction, as many individuals with SUDs are poly substance users. Good recovery programs are comprehensive in their approach, looking at all forms of harm associated with substance use but also underlying issues driving the addiction.

Conflates Substance Use with Addictive Disorders
The legislation is also misguided in that it conflates all substance use with addictive disorders. Many substance users are casual users and do not suffer from addiction. Addiction is a medical diagnosis that can require medically assisted treatment, and/or other forms of treatment. It is not a good use of city dollars to set up a program for people suffering from an SUD, serving people who do not have a diagnosable SUD, given the scarce resources available to treat SUD.

No Sunset Date

The legislation has no sunset date, so when needs change, this legislation will remain banning the expansion of the very successful Permanent Supportive Housing model. Program design through legislation is problematic because program design is meant to be nimble responding to changing needs and landscapes.

Fails to Include Overdose Prevention Strategies

The legislation attacks PSH for the high number of fatal overdoses but does nothing to ensure prevention of overdoses in these same programs that disproportionately serve individuals with SUDs. There is no requirement for overdose training, emergency call buttons, naloxone distribution, buddy systems, or any other proven effective intervention.

Data gathering post passage

The legislation requires a survey that would take place after legislation is passed not before. It also can prove to be biased if it is surveying PSH tenants without recovery needs about the recovery needs of others.

Fails to take into account what formerly homeless people in recovery are calling for

Many people in recovery are getting on with their lives but may still need a housing subsidy given the high cost of rents. They would like to access scattered site housing, or they are in supportive housing and would like to get a “moving-on” subsidy to move into the private market. This allows people the flexibility to live in areas outside of the central city and move away from places where they used substances in the past, but allow them to stay in San Francisco. In addition, the existing supportive housing programs need richer services as the acuities of tenants have sharply risen, including those with dual disorders. The legislation fails to identify this large need.

While we have many critiques, we believe this legislation can be amended to resolve most of these issues. We will be providing suggestions for these changes throughout the legislative process and look forward to working collaboratively with your office. Only by working together can we solve these pressing issues.

Thank you for your consideration,

Sincerely,

Jennifer Friedenbach
Executive Director

Educational Materials – SF Believes in Science

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To:	Crayton, Monique (BOS)
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Hi Monique,

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Best regards,
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Sent: Thursday, March 12, 2026 11:23 AM
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Cc: Crayton, Monique (BOS) <monique.crayton@sfgov.org>
Subject: FW: Request for Amendments to Expanding Drug-Free Housing Ordinance

Hello – can my response be included in the file for this legislation? Thanks!

Madison Tam 譚詩薇| Legislative Director
Office of Supervisor Matt Dorsey, District 6

San Francisco City Hall, Room 284
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From: Tam, Madison (BOS)
Sent: Thursday, March 12, 2026 11:22 AM
To: 'Cody Keene' <codykeene@dishsf.org>; Dorsey, Matt (BOS) <matt.dorsey@sfgov.org>; Dorsey, Matt (BOS) <matt.dorsey@sfgov.org>
Subject: RE: Request for Amendments to Expanding Drug-Free Housing Ordinance

Good morning Cody,

Thank you for sharing this letter. We appreciate the continued feedback and engagement of SHPN, HESPA, and the Coalition on Homelessness. We are taking your recommendations under advisement and are working with the City Attorney on amendments that make progress on the issues raised. We will be in touch when we have more updates to share.

Best,

Madison Tam 譚詩薇| Legislative Director
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From: Cody Keene <codykeene@dishsf.org>
Sent: Thursday, March 12, 2026 10:55 AM
To: Dorsey, Matt (BOS) <matt.dorsey@sfgov.org>; Dorsey, Matt (BOS) <matt.dorsey@sfgov.org>; Tam, Madison (BOS) <madison.r.tam@sfgov.org>
Subject: Request for Amendments to Expanding Drug-Free Housing Ordinance

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Dear Supervisor Dorsey,

On behalf of the Supportive Housing Provider Network (SHPN), the Homeless Emergency Service Providers Association (HESPA), and the Coalition on Homelessness, we are writing to share the attached letter regarding the Expanding Drug-Free Housing ordinance.

We appreciate the Board of Supervisors' continued commitment to addressing homelessness and expanding a range of housing options that support stability and recovery for San Franciscans. As the City considers this ordinance, we respectfully request several

amendments to ensure recovery-oriented housing can be expanded without unintended impacts on permanent supportive housing or local funding flexibility, particularly in light of current federal funding uncertainty.

The attached letter outlines our perspective on recent federal Continuum of Care funding changes and proposes amendments that we believe will allow San Francisco to move recovery-oriented housing forward while preserving the strength and stability of the City's existing housing system.

We appreciate your consideration and would welcome the opportunity to discuss these recommendations further.

Thank you for your leadership and your continued work to address homelessness in San Francisco.

Sincerely,

Supportive Housing Provider Network (SHPN)
Homeless Emergency Service Providers Association (HESPA)
Coalition on Homelessness

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March 12th, 2026

City and County of San Francisco Board of Supervisors
1 Dr Carlton B. Goodlett Place
City Hall, Room 244
San Francisco, CA 94102

RE: Opportunity to move recovery housing forward with pending federal funding priorities

Dear Supervisors,

We appreciate the City and of San Francisco's continued focus on addressing homelessness and expanding housing options that meet the diverse needs of San Franciscans. We share the goal of ensuring people have access to housing models that support recovery, stability, and long-term well-being. We support the expansion of recovery housing and agree that a continuum of housing options, including recovery-oriented environments, are essential. At the same time, we want to ensure that one housing type is not moved forward at the expense of another housing type. Additionally, we want to avoid any unintended impacts on permanent supportive housing (PSH) as recovery-oriented housing is expanded during a period of federal funding uncertainty.

Congress recently passed legislation directing the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) to release Continuum of Care (CoC) funding and establishing a minimum Tier 1 funding threshold of 60% in the Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO). While this directive provides important clarity, it represents a significant reduction from the prior Tier 1 threshold of approximately 87% nationally. For San Francisco, this change could result in a loss of approximately $22 million in permanent supportive housing funding. This potential reduction introduces substantial financial uncertainty and underscores the importance of preserving local flexibility to sustain and protect San Francisco's permanent supportive housing portfolio.

These drastic funding changes have been seen across the federal government. Most recently, the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) abruptly ended $2 billion for behavioral health programs and services. While that funding was reinstated, the reality for local governments is that haphazard and significant federal policy and budget changes create too much uncertainty to hamstring local dollars. We also cannot only depend on legal remedies for these issues as such can be a luck of the draw. Accordingly, we request changes in the Expanding Drug-Free Housing legislation to ensure San

Francisco can use its resources effectively while moving recovery-oriented housing forward. We request these changes as amendments, which are described below.

1. Retitle drug-tolerant housing to low-barrier housing, drug-free housing to recovery-focused supportive housing, and recovery housing to recovery-focused transitional housing
2. Remove the total funding ban of low-barrier housing to allow local funding;
3. Expand recovery-oriented housing by implementing two pilots for recovery-focused supportive housing and recovery-focused transitional housing;
4. Ensure that evictions are for behavioral reasons versus relapse of substance use

We sincerely appreciate your consideration of these requests for the Expanding Drug-Free Housing ordinance. We believe that these provisions will allow San Francisco to better mitigate federal policy and funding shifts while locally advancing diverse housing options including recovery-oriented housing. Together, we can continue increasing and improving our housing system where recovery-housing is expanded in San Francisco.

In community,

Supportive Housing Provider Network (SHPN)

Homeless Emergency Service Providers Association (HESPA)

Coalition on Homelessness

From: Eben Marsh
To: Board of Supervisors (BOS); Lurie, Daniel (MYR); Melgar, Myrna (BOS); Sherrill, Stephen (BOS); Mahmood, Bilal (BOS); Sauter, Danny (BOS); Dorsey, Matt (BOS); Chan, Connie (BOS); Wong, Alan (BOS); Fielder, Jackie (BOS)
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Message to the Supervisors, Dr. Tsai, Mr. Modi, and Mayor Lurie

From your constituent: Eben Marsh

Email: ebenmarsh@hotmail.com

Subject: Supporting Drug Free Housing

Message:

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Eben Marsh

From: Mari Murayama
To: Board of Supervisors (BOS); Lurie, Daniel (MYR); Melgar, Myrna (BOS); Sherrill, Stephen (BOS); Mahmood, Bilal (BOS); Sauter, Danny (BOS); Dorsey, Matt (BOS); Chan, Connie (BOS); Wong, Alan (BOS); Fielder, Jackie (BOS)
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From your constituent: Mari Murayama

Email: mdmurayama@gmail.com

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Mari Murayama
District 1
San Francisco

Mari Murayama

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Email: CalumLMackay@gmail.com

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From: Carmen Morrison
To: Board of Supervisors (BOS); Lurie, Daniel (MYR); Melgar, Myrna (BOS); Sherrill, Stephen (BOS); Mahmood, Bilal (BOS); Sauter, Danny (BOS); Dorsey, Matt (BOS); Chan, Connie (BOS); Wong, Alan (BOS); Fielder, Jackie (BOS)
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From your constituent: Carmen Morrison

Email: nas4us@gmail.com

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To: Board of Supervisors (BOS); Lurie, Daniel (MYR); Melgar, Myrna (BOS); Sherrill, Stephen (BOS); Mahmood, Bilal (BOS); Sauter, Danny (BOS); Dorsey, Matt (BOS); Chan, Connie (BOS); Wong, Alan (BOS); Fielder, Jackie (BOS)
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From your constituent David Nolley

Email danolley@aol.com

Subject Supporting Drug Free Housing

Message:

Dear Supervisors, Dr. Tsai, Mr. Modi, and Mayor Lurie,

I am writing to express my strong support for Supervisor Matt Dorsey's legislation to expand the availability of drug-free and recovery-oriented Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH) in San Francisco. I take this position based upon my decades of professional relationships with California citizens as a California Licensed Psychologist specializing in Brain Injury Rehabilitation, some of my clients having experienced their brain injuries as the result of substance and/or alcohol abuse.

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To: Board of Supervisors (BOS); Lurie, Daniel (MYR); Melgar, Myrna (BOS); Sherrill, Stephen (BOS); Mahmood, Bilal (BOS); Sauter, Danny (BOS); Dorsey, Matt (BOS); Chan, Connie (BOS); Wong, Alan (BOS); Fielder, Jackie (BOS)
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Email: iyurinok@gmail.com

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From: richard brandi
To: Board of Supervisors (BOS); Lurie, Daniel (MYR); Melgar, Myrna (BOS); Sherrill, Stephen (BOS); Mahmood, Bilal (BOS); Sauter, Danny (BOS); Dorsey, Matt (BOS); Chan, Connie (BOS); Wong, Alan (BOS); Fielder, Jackie (BOS)
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Message to the Supervisors, Dr. Tsai, Mr. Modi, and Mayor Lurie

From your constituent: richard brandi

Email: rbrandi@earthlink.net

Subject: Supporting Drug Free Housing

Message:

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Thank you.

richard brandi

From: Machelle Burkstrand
To: Board of Supervisors (BOS); Lurie, Daniel (MYR); Melgar, Myrna (BOS); Sherrill, Stephen (BOS); Mahmood, Bilal (BOS); Sauter, Danny (BOS); Dorsey, Matt (BOS); Chan, Connie (BOS); Wong, Alan (BOS); Fielder, Jackie (BOS)
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From: Sondra Halperin
To: Board of Supervisors (BOS); Lurie, Daniel (MYR); Melgar, Myrna (BOS); Sherrill, Stephen (BOS); Mahmood, Bilal (BOS); Sauter, Danny (BOS); Dorsey, Matt (BOS); Chan, Connie (BOS); Wong, Alan (BOS); Fielder, Jackie (BOS)
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Email plastique@kpobox.com

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From: Martha Ehmann Conte
To: Board of Supervisors (BOS); Lurie, Daniel (MYR); Melgar, Myrna (BOS); Sherrill, Stephen (BOS); Mahmood, Bilal (BOS); Sauter, Danny (BOS); Dorsey, Matt (BOS); Chan, Connie (BOS); Wong, Alan (BOS); Fielder, Jackie (BOS)
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Email: martha@ehmannconte.com

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Martha Ehmann Conte

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Email: pattired12@gmail.com

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From: John McNamara
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Email: mcnamara229@hotmail.com

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Email: kenglish1775@comcast.net

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From your constituent: Amy Murphy

Email: ammurphy1@dons.usfca.edu

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Email scramboleer@yahoo.com

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From: Karen Breslin
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From your constituent: Karen Breslin

Email: kbsmail@sbcglobal.net

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From: Stephen Martin-Pinto
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Email efsullyjr@aol.com

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From: Erik Sens
To: Board of Supervisors (BOS); Lurie, Daniel (MYR); Melgar, Myrna (BOS); Sherrill, Stephen (BOS); Mahmood, Bilal (BOS); Sauter, Danny (BOS); Dorsey, Matt (BOS); Chan, Connie (BOS); Wong, Alan (BOS); Fielder, Jackie (BOS)
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From your constituent: Erik Sens

Email: esens123@yahoo.com

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From: Amanda Hoenigman
To: Board of Supervisors (BOS); Lurie, Daniel (MYR); Melgar, Myrna (BOS); Sherrill, Stephen (BOS); Mahmood, Bilal (BOS); Sauter, Danny (BOS); Dorsey, Matt (BOS); Chan, Connie (BOS); Wong, Alan (BOS); Fielder, Jackie (BOS)
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From your constituent: Amanda Hoenigman

Email: amanda@hoenigman.com

Subject: Supporting Drug Free Housing

Message:

Dear Supervisors, Dr. Tsai, Mr. Modi, and Mayor Lurie,

I am just coming home from closing statements at the Hall of Justice where the defendant admitted on the stand that he is on meth every waking hour, and he steals in order to feed himself. He can spend his money on drugs and does not have to worry about paying rent because he lives in Supportive Housing.

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Amanda Hoenigman

From: vince hoenigman
To: Board of Supervisors (BOS); Lurie, Daniel (MYR); Melgar, Myrna (BOS); Sherrill, Stephen (BOS); Mahmood, Bilal (BOS); Sauter, Danny (BOS); Dorsey, Matt (BOS); Chan, Connie (BOS); Wong, Alan (BOS); Fielder, Jackie (BOS)
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Message to the Supervisors, Dr. Tsai, Mr. Modi, and Mayor Lurie

From your constituent: vince hoenigman

Email: Vince@Citymark.com

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Message to the Supervisors, Dr. Tsai, Mr. Modi, and Mayor Lurie

From your constituent: Emily Borowski

Email: ejborowski@icloud.com

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From your constituent: Kevin Wallace

Email: kevinwallace415@gmail.com

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From: Nathan Lang
To: Board of Supervisors (BOS); Lurie, Daniel (MYR); Melgar, Myrna (BOS); Sherrill, Stephen (BOS); Mahmood, Bilal (BOS); Sauter, Danny (BOS); Dorsey, Matt (BOS); Chan, Connie (BOS); Wong, Alan (BOS); Fielder, Jackie (BOS)
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From your constituent: Nathan Lang

Email: nathanlang@comcast.net

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From: Jane Day
To: Board of Supervisors (BOS); Lurie, Daniel (MYR); Melgar, Myrna (BOS); Sherrill, Stephen (BOS); Mahmood, Bilal (BOS); Sauter, Danny (BOS); Dorsey, Matt (BOS); Chan, Connie (BOS); Wong, Alan (BOS); Fielder, Jackie (BOS)
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From your constituent Jane Day

Email janeday@earthlink.net

Subject Supporting Drug Free Housing

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From: Spencer Camp
To: Board of Supervisors (BOS); Lurie, Daniel (MYR); Melgar, Myrna (BOS); Sherrill, Stephen (BOS); Mahmood, Bilal (BOS); Sauter, Danny (BOS); Dorsey, Matt (BOS); Chan, Connie (BOS); Wong, Alan (BOS); Fielder, Jackie (BOS)
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From your constituent: Spencer Camp

Email: hello@spencercamp.com

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From: Stephanie Lehman
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From your constituent: Stephanie Lehman

Email: slehman21@yahoo.com

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From: Machelle Burkstrand
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Subject: Supporting Drug Free Housing
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From your constituent: Machelle Burkstrand

Email: mlburkstrand@gmail.com

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From: Tracy Scruggs
To: Board of Supervisors (BOS); Lurie, Daniel (MYR); Melgar, Myrna (BOS); Sherrill, Stephen (BOS); Mahmood, Bilal (BOS); Sauter, Danny (BOS); Dorsey, Matt (BOS); Chan, Connie (BOS); Wong, Alan (BOS); Fielder, Jackie (BOS)
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Message to the Supervisors, Dr. Tsai, Mr. Modi, and Mayor Lurie

From your constituent: Tracy Scruggs

Email: tracy_scruggs@yahoo.com

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From: Desiree Maggiora Miles
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Message to the Supervisors, Dr. Tsai, Mr. Modi, and Mayor Lurie

From your constituent: Desiree Maggiora Miles

Email: desireemiles@msn.com

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To: Board of Supervisors (BOS); Lurie, Daniel (MYR); Melgar, Myrna (BOS); Sherrill, Stephen (BOS); Mahmood, Bilal (BOS); Sauter, Danny (BOS); Dorsey, Matt (BOS); Chan, Connie (BOS); Wong, Alan (BOS); Fielder, Jackie (BOS)
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From: Ali Mandviwala
To: Board of Supervisors (BOS); Lurie, Daniel (MYR); Melgar, Myrna (BOS); Sherrill, Stephen (BOS); Mahmood, Bilal (BOS); Sauter, Danny (BOS); Dorsey, Matt (BOS); Chan, Connie (BOS); Wong, Alan (BOS); Fielder, Jackie (BOS)
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Email: samali48@yahoo.com

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From: Cynthia Brown
To: Board of Supervisors (BOS); Lurie, Daniel (MYR); Melgar, Myrna (BOS); Sherrill, Stephen (BOS); Mahmood, Bilal (BOS); Sauter, Danny (BOS); Dorsey, Matt (BOS); Chan, Connie (BOS); Wong, Alan (BOS); Fielder, Jackie (BOS)
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Message to the Supervisors, Dr. Tsai, Mr. Modi, and Mayor Lurie

From your constituent: Cynthia Brown

Email: cymphany@hotmail.com

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From: Senta Tsantilis
To: Board of Supervisors (BOS); Lurie, Daniel (MYR); Melgar, Myrna (BOS); Sherrill, Stephen (BOS); Mahmood, Bilal (BOS); Sauter, Danny (BOS); Dorsey, Matt (BOS); Chan, Connie (BOS); Wong, Alan (BOS); Fielder, Jackie (BOS)
Subject: Supporting Drug Free Housing
Date: Sunday, March 29, 2026 9:01:34 AM

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Message to the Supervisors, Dr. Tsai, Mr. Modi, and Mayor Lurie

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From: Rebecca Saroyan
To: Board of Supervisors (BOS); Lurie, Daniel (MYR); Melgar, Myrna (BOS); Sherrill, Stephen (BOS); Mahmood, Bilal (BOS); Sauter, Danny (BOS); Dorsey, Matt (BOS); Chan, Connie (BOS); Wong, Alan (BOS); Fielder, Jackie (BOS)
Subject: Supporting Drug Free Housing
Date: Monday, March 30, 2026 3:14:37 PM

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Message to the Supervisors, Dr. Tsai, Mr. Modi, and Mayor Lurie

From your constituent: Rebecca Saroyan

Email: rebecca.saroyan@gmail.com

Subject: Supporting Drug Free Housing

Message:

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From: Andreas Mitchell
To: Board of Supervisors (BOS); Crayton, Monique (BOS)
Subject: Public Comment: Please Improve File #251003 Expanding Drug-Free Permanent Supportive Housing
Date: Friday, April 3, 2026 11:20:05 AM

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Dear Board of Supervisors,

My name is Andreas Mitchell, MD, MPP, I'm a District 10 resident, and I am writing to share concerns about File #251003, the ordinance Expanding Drug-Free Permanent Supportive Housing. I support expanding housing that provides a supportive environment to recover from drug use or live in a sober environment if that is what someone prefers. However, the way this ordinance is currently written will create the unintended consequences of making it more difficult to fund deeply affordable housing and increasing evictions, which would lead to increased street homelessness and public drug use.

In my clinical practice as a primary care physician in the San Francisco safety net, I have cared for many patients with active substance use disorders who were fortunate enough to match into permanent supportive housing (PSH). In many cases, the stability offered by that housing set them on a path to managing their medical conditions, finding employment and eventually achieving recovery from their substance use disorder. But, they weren't ready for abstinence at the moment they entered housing, and if the only housing option offered included a threat of eviction for substance use, they would have ended up right back on the street.

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housing that could be helpful and life-changing for tenants and communities.

Sincerely,
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From: Yang, Jae
To: Crayton, Monique (BOS); Board of Supervisors (BOS)
Subject: Public Comment: Please Improve File #251003 Expanding Drug-Free Permanent Supportive Housing
Date: Friday, April 3, 2026 11:28:02 AM

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Dear Board of Supervisors,

My name is Paul Yang, and I am a District 7 resident who works in District 10. I am writing to share concerns about File #251003, the ordinance on Expanding Drug-Free Permanent Supportive Housing.

I support expanding housing options that provide a supportive, sober environment for individuals who wish to recover from substance use. However, as currently written, this ordinance may have unintended consequences—namely, making it more difficult to fund deeply affordable housing and increasing evictions, which could ultimately lead to higher rates of street homelessness and public drug use.

I am a physician at both UCSF and Zuckerberg San Francisco General Hospital, where I regularly care for patients experiencing homelessness and substance use disorders. Many of these patients express a desire to stop using substances and are connected to addiction care and harm reduction resources. However, they often face complex mental health and social challenges that contribute to relapse.

Clinical evidence shows that forced abstinence is often ineffective. While abstinence-based housing can be beneficial for some, recovery is not linear, and relapse is common. Housing models must account for this reality. Individuals should have access to safe, stable housing environments that support recovery—even if they relapse—rather than face eviction and return to homelessness.

Abstinence-only housing is also more resource-intensive and may result in high turnover, as residents who relapse are removed from programs. This disrupts continuity of care and undermines long-term recovery. Instead, we should ensure that housing models allow individuals to remain engaged in care and recovery, even when setbacks occur.

Rather than restricting funding for existing Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH) models, I urge you to amend the ordinance to create a pilot program for recovery-focused housing. This approach would allow the City to evaluate the effectiveness of abstinence-based models without limiting funding for existing housing options or creating additional

barriers. A pilot program would expand housing solutions, rather than constrain them.

Additionally, the ordinance should include stronger eviction protections. If a tenant is at risk of eviction, they should be allowed to remain housed until alternative housing is secured. This should be a clear guarantee—not simply an aspiration—to prevent individuals from being displaced back onto the streets.

We all want residents to feel safe and supported in their housing. To achieve this, recovery housing must be voluntary, with individuals choosing it among multiple housing options. Tenants should feel safe disclosing relapse and seeking help without fear of eviction or homelessness.

With thoughtful amendments, this ordinance could support the development of effective, compassionate recovery housing that improves outcomes for individuals and strengthens our communities.

Sincerely,

Jae Hyun "Paul" Yang, MD
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Pronouns: he, him, his

From: Katie Leiner
To: Board of Supervisors (BOS); Crayton, Monique (BOS)
Subject: Public Comment: Please Improve File #251003 Expanding Drug-Free Permanent Supportive Housing
Date: Friday, April 3, 2026 11:28:25 AM

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Dear Board of Supervisors,

My name is Katie Leiner. I'm a District 5 resident, and I am writing to share concerns about File #251003, the ordinance Expanding Drug-Free Permanent Supportive Housing. I support expanding housing that provides a supportive environment to recover from drug use or live in a sober environment if that is what someone prefers.However, the way this ordinance is currently written will create the unintended consequences of making it more difficult to fund deeply affordable housing and increasing evictions, which would lead to increased street homelessness and public drug use.

I am an internal medicine resident at University of San Francisco and spend significant time working at the safety net hospital. Recently, I was working in the hospital on the cardiology service caring for a patient who has heart failure and uses methamphetamine. He shared with me that he would like to quit using methamphetamine; however, he continues to use it because he lives on the street and uses it to stay awake to make sure that he does not get assaulted on the street and so that he does not have his personal belongings stolen. If people are kicked out of their supportive housing after one instance of returning to use, they will be forced to live on the street. A person that returns to a little bit of use will then be at risk of using more because they are exposed to the elements on the street, like is the case with this patient. More use is worse for their personal health and also puts the general public at greater risk of being exposed to used needles and cookers on the open streets.

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From: Beth Griffiths
To: Board of Supervisors (BOS); Crayton, Monique (BOS)
Subject: Public Comment: Please Improve File #251003 Expanding Drug-Free Permanent Supportive Housing
Date: Friday, April 3, 2026 11:33:36 AM

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Dear Board of Supervisors,

My name is Elizabeth Griffiths, I'm a District 8 resident, and I am writing to share concerns about File #251003, the ordinance Expanding Drug-Free Permanent Supportive Housing. I support expanding housing that provides a supportive environment to recover from drug use or live in a sober environment if that is what someone prefers. However, the way this ordinance is currently written will create the unintended consequences of making it more difficult to fund deeply affordable housing and increasing evictions, which would lead to increased street homelessness and public drug use.

As a primary care physician who cares for patients with substance use disorders (aka addiction), I have seen firsthand the importance of having choice in housing options. Some of my patients prefer and would benefit from drug-free housing, and I am in support of this option. However, some of my patients with addiction also are not ready for drug-free housing but need housing first to be able to recover from their addiction, which the evidence strongly supports. I am very concerned that if only drug-free housing were built then people would only be offered drug-free housing. This ordinance should require that people who come to the top of the list be offered a choice of both types of housing, allowing them a free choice. I am also concerned that if people feel pressured to choose drug-free housing or were overly optimistic about their chances of abstinence that they would then be using in secret—something that could lead to fatal overdose and worsening addiction. I have seen this firsthand in my work as a physician.

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Sincerely,
Elizabeth Griffiths, MD

From: Yolanda C
To: Board of Supervisors (BOS)
Cc: Crayton, Monique (BOS)
Subject: Dorsey Sober Housing
Date: Friday, April 3, 2026 1:14:55 PM

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I'm very disappointed at Supervisor Dorsey's proposed legislation. Therwee are al kinds of reasons why people turn to drugs. Volunteering with Coalition on Homeless meeting, I am writing some things we would like to see changed.

People should not be evicted for using drugs just because they're poor and rely on government funded housing. Reminds me of early 1970s with Nixon's war on drugs fiasco.

File#251003 runs counter to San Francisco's progressive values.

I don't live in Supervisor Dorsey's district. As a resident of San Francisco, I am think of the poor. We should be able to live in our dwellings free from fear, free from want.

Respectfully,
Yolanda Catzalco

From: Rick Girling
To: Board of Supervisors (BOS); Crayton, Monique (BOS)
Subject: Public Comment: Please Improve File #251003 Expanding Drug-Free Permanent Supportive Housing
Date: Friday, April 3, 2026 1:47:58 PM

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I have lived in SF for over 50 years and I can remember times when there were far fewer homeless folks on the streets. People could afford to pay rent and had a place to live, whether they used alcohol or other drugs.

My name is Richard Girling, I'm a District 9 resident, and I am writing to share concerns about File #251003, the ordinance Expanding Drug-Free Permanent Supportive Housing. I support expanding housing that provides a supportive environment to recover from drug use or live in a sober environment if that is what someone prefers. However, the way this ordinance is currently written will create the unintended consequences of making it more difficult to fund deeply affordable housing and increasing evictions, which would lead to increased street homelessness and public drug use.

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From: Larry Ackerman
To: Board of Supervisors (BOS); Crayton, Monique (BOS)
Subject: Public Comment: Please Improve File #251003 Expanding Drug-Free Permanent Supportive Housing
Date: Friday, April 3, 2026 3:34:50 PM

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Dear Board of Supervisors,

My name is **Larry Ackerman**, I'm a District 5 resident, and I am writing to share concerns about File #251003, the ordinance Expanding Drug-Free Permanent Supportive Housing. I support expanding housing that provides a supportive environment to recover from drug use or live in a sober environment if that is what someone prefers. However, the way this ordinance is currently written will create the unintended consequences of making it more difficult to fund deeply affordable housing and increasing evictions, which would lead to increased street homelessness and public drug use.

My late husband became addicted to meth and I and others spent years trying to get him into rehab. When he finally agreed and entered a program he had a relapse the first week and was kicked out of the house and program. This alienated him so much that he never returned to any kind of rehab and eventually overdosed. Thus I firmly believe that some people need a little leniency and not strict protocols as they slowly begin a new life.

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From: Carrie Hamilton
To: Board of Supervisors (BOS); Crayton, Monique (BOS)
Subject: Public Comment: Please Improve File #251003 Expanding Drug-Free Permanent Supportive Housing
Date: Monday, April 6, 2026 9:31:47 AM

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Dear Board of Supervisors,

My name is **Carrie Hamilton**, I'm a District **6** resident, and I am writing to share concerns about File #251003, the ordinance Expanding Drug-Free Permanent Supportive Housing. I support expanding housing that provides a supportive environment to recover from drug use or live in a sober environment if that is what someone prefers. However, the way this ordinance is currently written will create the unintended consequences of making it more difficult to fund deeply affordable housing and increasing evictions, which would lead to increased street homelessness and public drug use.

I am someone whose life was directly shaped by access to housing while navigating substance use and pregnancy. Years ago, I was a homeless mother—pregnant and caring for my three-year-old—while struggling with substance use. Every day was about survival. There was no space to heal, no safety to stabilize, and no way to focus on recovery while constantly worrying about where we would sleep.

Everything changed when I was able to enter a family shelter and then move into permanent housing. Having a safe place to live gave me the foundation I needed to continue my recovery journey. Housing didn't "fix" everything overnight, but it gave me stability, dignity, and the ability to show up for myself and my children. Recovery is not linear; it is a spiral. Without housing, that spiral becomes dangerous. With housing, it becomes manageable and hopeful.

Because I was housed, I was able to join the Homeless Prenatal Program's Community Health Worker training program. I went back to school and earned my Substance Use and Recovery Counseling certification, CADCII. Today, I work in the field supporting pregnant and parenting mothers with substance use disorders—women who are walking the same path I once walked.

From both my personal experience and my professional work, I know this: **housing is essential for recovery and for strengthening families.** When people lose housing because of their substance use struggles, it doesn't make them safer or healthier. It

makes them more traumatized, more vulnerable, and more disconnected from the very supports that help people heal.

Policies that threaten housing for people who use drugs do not reduce drug use. They increase homelessness, family instability, and public suffering. My story—and the stories of the clients I serve—show that when people are given a safe place to live, they can recover, parent safely, reconnect with community, and build a future.

Housing is not a reward for recovery.
Housing is the foundation that makes recovery possible.

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Message to the Supervisors, Dr. Tsai, Mr. Modi, and Mayor Lurie

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Email: zabredala3@yahoo.com

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From: Fifi Holbrook
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Subject: Supporting Drug Free Housing
Date: Tuesday, April 7, 2026 7:22:30 PM

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From your constituent: Robin Morjikian

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Robin Morjikian

From: James Wolf
To: Board of Supervisors (BOS); Lurie, Daniel (MYR); Melgar, Myrna (BOS); Sherrill, Stephen (BOS); Mahmood, Bilal (BOS); Sauter, Danny (BOS); Dorsey, Matt (BOS); Chan, Connie (BOS); Wong, Alan (BOS); Fielder, Jackie (BOS)
Subject: Supporting Drug Free Housing
Date: Tuesday, April 7, 2026 7:21:26 PM

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Message to the Supervisors, Dr. Tsai, Mr. Modi, and Mayor Lurie

From your constituent: James Wolf

Email: twolffamily@gmail.com

Subject: Supporting Drug Free Housing

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From your constituent Shari Jones

Email sharihatch@yahoo.com

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From: Merwin, Madeline
To: Board of Supervisors (BOS); Crayton, Monique (BOS)
Subject: Public Comment: Please Improve File #251003 Expanding Drug-Free Permanent Supportive Housing
Date: Monday, April 6, 2026 7:49:09 PM

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Dear Board of Supervisors,

My name is Madeline Merwin , I'm a District 9 resident (in Potrero Hill), and I am writing to share concerns about File #251003, the ordinance Expanding Drug-Free Permanent Supportive Housing. I support expanding housing that provides a supportive environment to recover from drug use or live in a sober environment if that is what someone prefers. However, the way this ordinance is currently written will create the unintended consequences of making it more difficult to fund deeply affordable housing and increasing evictions, which would lead to increased street homelessness and public drug use.

I work directly with patients who are in recovery and are medically recommended to continue use of their non-prescribed opioids in order to avoid withdrawal, prevent relapse, increase success of long-term sobriety, and meet them at their recovery goals. When stopping fentanyl use and transitioning to methadone, the federal government designates the maximum starting methadone dose at 50 mg. This roughly equates to less than a fourth of the amount of fentanyl most of my patients use per day. This means that if patients do not continue using their non-prescribed substances, they will go into horrific withdrawal and relapse returning to use.

Many of my patients also are focusing on stopping one substance at a time. They can only complete cessation of stimulants or opioids, voicing a need for more time to stop their other substances. By requiring residents to stop their use of all substances, this would SIGNIFICANTLY harm people seeking substance use treatment and prevent them from having safe transitional housing while in recovery.

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Sincerely,

Madeline Merwin, MD | she/her
Resident Physician, PGY-2
Obstetrics, Gynecology & Reproductive Sciences
University of California, San Francisco

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From: Carrie Hamilton
To: Board of Supervisors (BOS); Crayton, Monique (BOS)
Subject: Public Comment: Please Improve File #251003 Expanding Drug-Free Permanent Supportive Housing
Date: Monday, April 6, 2026 9:31:46 AM

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My name is **Carrie Hamilton**, I'm a District **6** resident, and I am writing to share concerns about File #251003, the ordinance Expanding Drug-Free Permanent Supportive Housing. I support expanding housing that provides a supportive environment to recover from drug use or live in a sober environment if that is what someone prefers. However, the way this ordinance is currently written will create the unintended consequences of making it more difficult to fund deeply affordable housing and increasing evictions, which would lead to increased street homelessness and public drug use.

I am someone whose life was directly shaped by access to housing while navigating substance use and pregnancy. Years ago, I was a homeless mother—pregnant and caring for my three-year-old—while struggling with substance use. Every day was about survival. There was no space to heal, no safety to stabilize, and no way to focus on recovery while constantly worrying about where we would sleep.

Everything changed when I was able to enter a family shelter and then move into permanent housing. Having a safe place to live gave me the foundation I needed to continue my recovery journey. Housing didn't "fix" everything overnight, but it gave me stability, dignity, and the ability to show up for myself and my children. Recovery is not linear; it is a spiral. Without housing, that spiral becomes dangerous. With housing, it becomes manageable and hopeful.

Because I was housed, I was able to join the Homeless Prenatal Program's Community Health Worker training program. I went back to school and earned my Substance Use and Recovery Counseling certification, CADCII. Today, I work in the field supporting pregnant and parenting mothers with substance use disorders—women who are walking the same path I once walked.

From both my personal experience and my professional work, I know this: **housing is essential for recovery and for strengthening families.** When people lose housing because of their substance use struggles, it doesn't make them safer or healthier. It

makes them more traumatized, more vulnerable, and more disconnected from the very supports that help people heal.

Policies that threaten housing for people who use drugs do not reduce drug use. They increase homelessness, family instability, and public suffering. My story—and the stories of the clients I serve—show that when people are given a safe place to live, they can recover, parent safely, reconnect with community, and build a future.

Housing is not a reward for recovery.
Housing is the foundation that makes recovery possible.

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Sincerely,

Carrie Hamilton

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From: Mahal Montes
To: Board of Supervisors (BOS); Crayton, Monique (BOS)
Subject: Public Comment: Please Improve File #251003 Expanding Drug-Free Permanent Supportive Housing
Date: Sunday, April 5, 2026 5:34:54 PM

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Dear Board of Supervisors,

My name is Mahal Montes, I'm a District 3 resident, and I am writing to share concerns about File #251003, the ordinance Expanding Drug-Free Permanent Supportive Housing. I support expanding housing that provides a supportive environment to recover from drug use or live in a sober environment if that is what someone prefers. However, the way this ordinance is currently written will create the unintended consequences of making it more difficult to fund deeply affordable housing and increasing evictions, which would lead to increased street homelessness and public drug use.

I build community partnerships for the Institute on Aging in San Francisco and San Mateo counties. Time after time, I encounter clients who desperately need housing but cannot find subsidized options due to the scarcity of social housing available. A ban would squeeze the already lacking supply of affordable housing for folks with complex medical needs and histories of SUD.

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From: Larry Ackerman
To: Board of Supervisors (BOS); Crayton, Monique (BOS)
Subject: Public Comment: Please Improve File #251003 Expanding Drug-Free Permanent Supportive Housing
Date: Friday, April 3, 2026 3:34:45 PM

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Dear Board of Supervisors,

My name is **Larry Ackerman**, I'm a District 5 resident, and I am writing to share concerns about File #251003, the ordinance Expanding Drug-Free Permanent Supportive Housing. I support expanding housing that provides a supportive environment to recover from drug use or live in a sober environment if that is what someone prefers. However, the way this ordinance is currently written will create the unintended consequences of making it more difficult to fund deeply affordable housing and increasing evictions, which would lead to increased street homelessness and public drug use.

My late husband became addicted to meth and I and others spent years trying to get him into rehab. When he finally agreed and entered a program he had a relapse the first week and was kicked out of the house and program. This alienated him so much that he never returned to any kind of rehab and eventually overdosed. Thus I firmly believe that some people need a little leniency and not strict protocols as they slowly begin a new life.

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From: Rick Girling
To: Board of Supervisors (BOS); Crayton, Monique (BOS)
Subject: Public Comment: Please Improve File #251003 Expanding Drug-Free Permanent Supportive Housing
Date: Friday, April 3, 2026 1:47:57 PM

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I have lived in SF for over 50 years and I can remember times when there were far fewer homeless folks on the streets. People could afford to pay rent and had a place to live, whether they used alcohol or other drugs.

My name is Richard Girling, I'm a District 9 resident, and I am writing to share concerns about File #251003, the ordinance Expanding Drug-Free Permanent Supportive Housing. I support expanding housing that provides a supportive environment to recover from drug use or live in a sober environment if that is what someone prefers. However, the way this ordinance is currently written will create the unintended consequences of making it more difficult to fund deeply affordable housing and increasing evictions, which would lead to increased street homelessness and public drug use.

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From: Yolanda C
To: Board of Supervisors (BOS)
Cc: Crayton, Monique (BOS)
Subject: Dorsey Sober Housing
Date: Friday, April 3, 2026 1:14:55 PM

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I'm very disappointed at Supervisor Dorsey's proposed legislation. Therwee are al kinds of reasons why people turn to drugs. Volunteering with Coalition on Homeless meeting, I am writing some things we would like to see changed.

People should not be evicted for using drugs just because they're poor and rely on government funded housing. Reminds me of early 1970s with Nixon's war on drugs fiasco.

File#251003 runs counter to San Francisco's progressive values.

I don't live in Supervisor Dorsey's district. As a resident of San Francisco, I am think of the poor. We should be able to live in our dwellings free from fear, free from want.

Respectfully,
Yolanda Catzalco

From: Beth Griffiths
To: Board of Supervisors (BOS); Crayton, Monique (BOS)
Subject: Public Comment: Please Improve File #251003 Expanding Drug-Free Permanent Supportive Housing
Date: Friday, April 3, 2026 11:33:34 AM

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Dear Board of Supervisors,

My name is Elizabeth Griffiths, I'm a District 8 resident, and I am writing to share concerns about File #251003, the ordinance Expanding Drug-Free Permanent Supportive Housing. I support expanding housing that provides a supportive environment to recover from drug use or live in a sober environment if that is what someone prefers. However, the way this ordinance is currently written will create the unintended consequences of making it more difficult to fund deeply affordable housing and increasing evictions, which would lead to increased street homelessness and public drug use.

As a primary care physician who cares for patients with substance use disorders (aka addiction), I have seen firsthand the importance of having choice in housing options. Some of my patients prefer and would benefit from drug-free housing, and I am in support of this option. However, some of my patients with addiction also are not ready for drug-free housing but need housing first to be able to recover from their addiction, which the evidence strongly supports. I am very concerned that if only drug-free housing were built then people would only be offered drug-free housing. This ordinance should require that people who come to the top of the list be offered a choice of both types of housing, allowing them a free choice. I am also concerned that if people feel pressured to choose drug-free housing or were overly optimistic about their chances of abstinence that they would then be using in secret—something that could lead to fatal overdose and worsening addiction. I have seen this firsthand in my work as a physician.

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Sincerely,
Elizabeth Griffiths, MD

From: Katie Leiner
To: Board of Supervisors (BOS); Crayton, Monique (BOS)
Subject: Public Comment: Please Improve File #251003 Expanding Drug-Free Permanent Supportive Housing
Date: Friday, April 3, 2026 11:28:31 AM

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Dear Board of Supervisors,

My name is Katie Leiner. I'm a District 5 resident, and I am writing to share concerns about File #251003, the ordinance Expanding Drug-Free Permanent Supportive Housing. I support expanding housing that provides a supportive environment to recover from drug use or live in a sober environment if that is what someone prefers.However, the way this ordinance is currently written will create the unintended consequences of making it more difficult to fund deeply affordable housing and increasing evictions, which would lead to increased street homelessness and public drug use.

I am an internal medicine resident at University of San Francisco and spend significant time working at the safety net hospital. Recently, I was working in the hospital on the cardiology service caring for a patient who has heart failure and uses methamphetamine. He shared with me that he would like to quit using methamphetamine; however, he continues to use it because he lives on the street and uses it to stay awake to make sure that he does not get assaulted on the street and so that he does not have his personal belongings stolen. If people are kicked out of their supportive housing after one instance of returning to use, they will be forced to live on the street. A person that returns to a little bit of use will then be at risk of using more because they are exposed to the elements on the street, like is the case with this patient. More use is worse for their personal health and also puts the general public at greater risk of being exposed to used needles and cookers on the open streets.

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From: Yang, Jae
To: Crayton, Monique (BOS); Board of Supervisors (BOS)
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Dear Board of Supervisors,

My name is Paul Yang, and I am a District 7 resident who works in District 10. I am writing to share concerns about File #251003, the ordinance on Expanding Drug-Free Permanent Supportive Housing.

I support expanding housing options that provide a supportive, sober environment for individuals who wish to recover from substance use. However, as currently written, this ordinance may have unintended consequences—namely, making it more difficult to fund deeply affordable housing and increasing evictions, which could ultimately lead to higher rates of street homelessness and public drug use.

I am a physician at both UCSF and Zuckerberg San Francisco General Hospital, where I regularly care for patients experiencing homelessness and substance use disorders. Many of these patients express a desire to stop using substances and are connected to addiction care and harm reduction resources. However, they often face complex mental health and social challenges that contribute to relapse.

Clinical evidence shows that forced abstinence is often ineffective. While abstinence-based housing can be beneficial for some, recovery is not linear, and relapse is common. Housing models must account for this reality. Individuals should have access to safe, stable housing environments that support recovery—even if they relapse—rather than face eviction and return to homelessness.

Abstinence-only housing is also more resource-intensive and may result in high turnover, as residents who relapse are removed from programs. This disrupts continuity of care and undermines long-term recovery. Instead, we should ensure that housing models allow individuals to remain engaged in care and recovery, even when setbacks occur.

Rather than restricting funding for existing Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH) models, I urge you to amend the ordinance to create a pilot program for recovery-focused housing. This approach would allow the City to evaluate the effectiveness of abstinence-based models without limiting funding for existing housing options or creating additional

barriers. A pilot program would expand housing solutions, rather than constrain them.

Additionally, the ordinance should include stronger eviction protections. If a tenant is at risk of eviction, they should be allowed to remain housed until alternative housing is secured. This should be a clear guarantee—not simply an aspiration—to prevent individuals from being displaced back onto the streets.

We all want residents to feel safe and supported in their housing. To achieve this, recovery housing must be voluntary, with individuals choosing it among multiple housing options. Tenants should feel safe disclosing relapse and seeking help without fear of eviction or homelessness.

With thoughtful amendments, this ordinance could support the development of effective, compassionate recovery housing that improves outcomes for individuals and strengthens our communities.

Sincerely,

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Pronouns: he, him, his

From: Andreas Mitchell
To: Board of Supervisors (BOS); Crayton, Monique (BOS)
Subject: Public Comment: Please Improve File #251003 Expanding Drug-Free Permanent Supportive Housing
Date: Friday, April 3, 2026 11:20:05 AM

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In my clinical practice as a primary care physician in the San Francisco safety net, I have cared for many patients with active substance use disorders who were fortunate enough to match into permanent supportive housing (PSH). In many cases, the stability offered by that housing set them on a path to managing their medical conditions, finding employment and eventually achieving recovery from their substance use disorder. But, they weren't ready for abstinence at the moment they entered housing, and if the only housing option offered included a threat of eviction for substance use, they would have ended up right back on the street.

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housing that could be helpful and life-changing for tenants and communities.

Sincerely,
Andreas Mitchell, MD, MPP

From: Julie Paul
To: Board of Supervisors (BOS); Lurie, Daniel (MYR); Melgar, Myrna (BOS); Sherrill, Stephen (BOS); Mahmood, Bilal (BOS); Sauter, Danny (BOS); Dorsey, Matt (BOS); Chan, Connie (BOS); Wong, Alan (BOS); Fielder, Jackie (BOS)
Subject: Supporting Drug Free Housing
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Message to the Supervisors, Dr. Tsai, Mr. Modi, and Mayor Lurie

From your constituent: Julie Paul

Email: juliepaul164@gmail.com

Subject: Supporting Drug Free Housing

Message:

Dear Supervisors, Dr. Tsai, Mr. Modi, and Mayor Lurie,

I am writing to express my strong support for Supervisor Matt Dorsey's legislation to expand the availability of drug-free and recovery-oriented Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH) in San Francisco.

For too long, our city's approach to supportive housing has overlooked a vital segment of the unhoused population: those who are actively seeking or maintaining sobriety. Under the current "Housing First" framework, individuals in early recovery are frequently placed in environments where they are surrounded by the very substances and behaviors they are trying to escape. This lack of choice isn't just a policy gap, it is a barrier to life-saving recovery.

I support this legislation because:

Safety and Choice: Residents deserve the right to choose a living environment that supports their health goals. For many, a "drug-tolerant" building is not a bridge to stability, but a trigger for relapse.

Effective Use of Resources: By utilizing Prop 1 bond funds and other state resources specifically intended for recovery housing, we can expand our housing portfolio without taking away from existing "Housing First" programs.

Addressing the Overdose Crisis: With overdose deaths reaching record highs, we must provide every possible tool for long-term remission. Sober living environments are a proven component of successful recovery.

We cannot continue to offer a "one-size-fits-all" model for supportive housing. I urge you to vote YES on this ordinance to ensure that San Francisco provides a diverse range of housing options that honor and protect the hard work of recovery.

Thank you.

Julie Paul

April 10, 2026

City and County of San Francisco Supervisor Bilal Mahmood

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City Hall, Room 244

San Francisco, CA 94102

RE: Opportunity to move recovery housing forward with pending federal funding priorities

Dear Supervisors,

We appreciate the City and County of San Francisco's continued focus on addressing homelessness and expanding housing options that meet the diverse needs of San Franciscans, we share this goal. We support the expansion of recovery housing and agree that a continuum of housing options, including recovery-oriented environments, are essential. At the same time, we want to ensure that one housing type is not moved forward at the expense of another housing type. Additionally, we want to avoid any unintended impacts on permanent supportive housing (PSH) as recovery-oriented housing is expanded during a period of federal funding uncertainty.

Congress recently passed legislation directing the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) to release Continuum of Care (CoC) funding and establishing a minimum Tier 1 funding threshold of 60% in the Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO). While this directive provides important clarity, it represents a significant reduction from the prior Tier 1 threshold of approximately 87% nationally. For San Francisco, this change could result in a loss of approximately $22 million in permanent supportive housing funding. This potential reduction introduces substantial financial uncertainty and underscores the importance of preserving local flexibility to sustain and protect San Francisco's permanent supportive housing portfolio. It must also be said that housing first is a well-studied evidence-based practice that is essential to how we aim to tackle holes in the social safety

net in San Francisco. As stated earlier, we need every single tool available to us on the table, not less.

These drastic funding changes have been seen across the federal government. Most recently, the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) abruptly ended $2 billion for behavioral health programs and services. While that funding was reinstated, the reality for local governments is that haphazard and significant federal policy and budget changes create too much uncertainty to hamstring local dollars. We also cannot only depend on legal remedies for these issues as such can be a luck of the draw. Accordingly, we request changes in the Expanding Drug-Free Housing legislation to ensure San Francisco can use its resources effectively while moving recovery-oriented housing forward. We request these changes as amendments, which are described below.

1. Retitle drug-tolerant housing to low-barrier housing, drug-free housing to recovery-focused supportive housing, and recovery housing to recovery-focused transitional housing
2. Expand recovery-oriented housing by implementing two pilots for recovery-focused supportive housing and recovery-focused transitional housing;
3. Remove the total funding ban of low-barrier housing to allow local funding;
4. Ensure that no evictions are for recurrence of substance use.
5. Ensure that MAT/MOUD are all specifically permitted for use. Making sure to include these medications will help to ensure that people who are on their treatment journey will not be turned away.

We sincerely appreciate your consideration of these requests for the Expanding Drug-Free Housing ordinance. The changes asked for in item #1 are critical to ensuring that the language we use does not stand to create more stigma for housing that already exists. We believe that these provisions will allow San Francisco to better mitigate federal policy and funding shifts while locally advancing diverse housing options including recovery-oriented housing which we fully support. Together, we can continue increasing and improving our housing system where recovery-housing is expanded in San Francisco.

In community,

Treatment on Demand Coalition & Safer Inside Coaliton

Introduction Form

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

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

- ☐ 1. For reference to Committee (Ordinance, Resolution, Motion or Charter Amendment)
- ☐ 2. Request for next printed agenda (For Adoption Without Committee Reference)
  (Routine, non-controversial and/or commendatory matters only)
- ☐ 3. Request for Hearing on a subject matter at Committee
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- ☐ 6. Call File No. _____ from Committee.
- ☐ 7. Budget and Legislative Analyst Request (attached written Motion)
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- ☐ 9. Reactivate File No. _____
- ☐ 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):

Dorsey; Mandelman, Sherrill, Sauter, Mahmood

Subject:

Administrative Code - Expanding Drug-Free Permanent Supportive Housing

Long Title or text listed:

Ordinance amending the Administrative Code to state that it is City policy to expand the availability of Site-Based Permanent Supportive Housing ("PSH") that prohibits on-site illicit drug use among residents ("Drug-Free PSH") to meet the demand of people experiencing homelessness who prefer such a residential option; bar the City from funding Site-Based PSH for people experiencing homelessness that prohibits evictions on the basis of drug use alone ("Drug-Tolerant PSH"), except where operation of housing as Drug-Free PSH would conflict with standards imposed by law or by a condition of other funding; and require the Department of Homelessness and Supportive Housing ("HSH") to survey residents of Site-Based PSH to assess their interest in living in either Drug-Tolerant PSH or Drug-Free PSH and report on the survey findings and HSH's strategies to meet PSH residents' demands.

Signature of Sponsoring Supervisor: Matt Dorsey