

LEGISLATIVE DIGEST

[Administrative Code - Additional Pre-approval Notice for Certain City Projects]

Ordinance amending the San Francisco Administrative Code by adding Chapter 79A to expand upon the minimum notice requirements prior to approval of a City Project that are mandated by the Citizens' Right to Know Act of 1998.

Existing Law

In June 1998, the voters adopted Proposition I, which is known as the Citizens' Right-to-Know Act of 1998. Proposition I is codified as Chapter 79 of the San Francisco Administrative Code. It establishes minimum public notice requirements for certain projects that are being funded directly by the City or administered by the City through the use of federal, state or other funding sources.

Amendments to Current Law

The proposed ordinance adds Chapter 79A to the Administrative Code. Chapter 79A expands upon the minimum notice requirements for projects that are within the scope of Chapter 79.

Background Information

Under the current notice provisions for City-funded projects, neighborhood notice comes too late in the process to enable the public to provide meaningful input to the City decisionmakers. Expanding upon the notice that Chapter 79 currently requires and requiring it earlier in the process will address this problem.