

LEGISLATIVE DIGEST

[Police Code – Plaza Program Entertainment Permits]

Ordinance amending the Police Code to include “Plazas” as identified in Administrative Code Chapter 94, as a type of limited live performance locale and establish various requirements applicable to such Plazas; affirming the Planning Department’s determination under the California Environmental Quality Act.

Existing Law

Police Code Sections 1060 et seq. govern entertainment regulations permitting and licensing requirements. These Code sections authorize the Entertainment Commission to approve permits that allow multiple live performances in outdoor spaces under certain circumstances.

Amendments to Current Law

This legislation would allow the Entertainment Commission to approve permits for multiple live performances at public plazas as established in the new Administrative Code Chapter 94, subject to certain requirements. The ordinance also would affirm the Planning Department’s determination under the California Environmental Quality Act.

Background Information

This ordinance is part of a legislative package that establishes the San Francisco Plaza Program and facilitates the establishment of plazas on City property under Division of Real Estate jurisdiction and on the public right-of-way under Department of Public Works jurisdiction. The Plaza Program will enable the City to partner with community stewards to help activate and maintain public plazas.

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