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[Environment Code - Revising the Urban Forestry Council Composition and Meeting Requirements]

Ordinance amending the Environment Code to revise the composition and meeting schedule requirements for the Urban Forestry Council.

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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. Background.

- (a) The Urban Forestry Council was established by Ordinance No. 171-03 to serve as an advisory body to the Mayor and Board of Supervisors on urban forestry issues. The Council is comprised of members representing the full range of urban forest stakeholders, including City departments, non-profit organizations, educators, community members, and industry professionals.
- (b) Section 1202 currently provides that the Urban Forestry Council shall be composed of eleven voting members. The Board of Supervisors appoints seven voting members; the Mayor appoints two voting members; and the Director of the Department of Public Works and the Director of the Planning Department (or their respective representatives) each are voting members. Section 1202 also provides that the Council shall have advisory members comprised of representatives from the Recreation and Park Department, the Public Utilities Commission, the San Francisco Redevelopment Agency, and the Golden Gate National Recreation Area.

- (c) The San Francisco Redevelopment Agency was dissolved on February 1, 2012. As a result, the advisory member seat dedicated to the San Francisco Redevelopment Agency is vacant. To fill the seat left vacant by the San Francisco Redevelopment Agency, Section 1202 should authorize the Port of San Francisco to appoint a representative as a voting member of the Council.
- (d) Under Section 1202(a)(3), the Director of the Department of Public Works and the Director of the Planning Department (or their respective designees) are voting members. However, the representative members from the Recreation and Park Department and Public Utilities Commission are not voting members. To increase the effectiveness of the Urban Forestry Council at carrying out its role in advising the Mayor and Board of Supervisors on critical issues relating to urban forestry, all Council members should have equal standing and be voting members.
- (e) Under Section 1202, the Urban Forestry Council is to meet once a month.

 Between 2009 and 2013, the Council averaged nine meetings per year, which has been sufficient for the Council to effectively and efficiently carry out its general business. In addition to the regular Council meeting, the Landmark Tree Committee and Planning and Funding Committee meet frequently throughout the year, as needed.

Section 2. The Environment Code is hereby amended by revising Section 1202, to read as follows:

SEC. 1202. COUNCIL COMPOSITION AND ADMINISTRATION.

- (a) Council members will represent the full range of urban forest stakeholders including City agencies, non-profit organizations, tree management organizations, and community members. The Council shall be composed of *eleven fifteen* voting members.
 - (1) The Board of Supervisors shall appoint seven voting members:

(A) One member from an educational organization involved with tree				
management (University of California Cooperative Extension, etc.);				
(B) Two members certified by a professional tree management organization				
(International Society of Arboriculture, American Society of Consulting Arborists, or American				
Society of Landscape Architects, etc.);				
(C) Two members of non-profit organizations involved in urban forestry or other				
environmentally-related issues; and				
(D) Two members from the community.				
(2) The Mayor shall appoint two voting members:				
(A) One member from the tree care industry; and				
(B) One member at large.				
(3) The following departments shall have voting members: The Director or General				
Manager of each of the following departments, or his or her designee, shall each serve as a voting				
member:				
(A) The Director of the Department of Public Works: or his or her designee; and				
(B) The Director of the Planning Department or his or her designee.; and				
(b) The Council shall have advisory members comprised of representatives from the				

- (1)(C) The General Manager of the Recreation and Park Department; and
- (2) The Public Utilities Commission. In addition, the San Francisco Redevelopment Agency and the Golden Gate National Recreation Area are invited to send representatives to sit as
 - (4) The Public Utilities Commission shall appoint one voting member.
- (5) The Golden Gate National Recreation Area is invited to appoint one voting member. If the Golden Gate National Recreation Area does not make an appointment within 60 days after the seat

is vacant, the Presidio Trust may appoint one voting member to serve that term. If the Presidio Trust does not make an appointment within 30 days after it is authorized to do so, the Mayor shall appoint an at-large member to fill the seat for the duration of that term.

(6) The Port of San Francisco shall appoint one voting member.

- (e)(b) Council members shall serve for two years. <u>A Council Members member ean may</u> serve successive terms if reappointed by the <u>body authority that</u> originally <u>appointing appointed</u> the Council member. Council members serve at the <u>will pleasure</u> of the <u>body appointing</u> <u>authority</u> that appoints each Council member, as specified above. The <u>body appointing</u> <u>authority</u> that appoints Council members also may appoint at-large members to serve any unfilled Council positions.
 - (d)(c) The Council shall meet at least six times per year. once each month.
- (e)(d) The Council shall establish its own operating procedures, which, at a minimum, shall meet the public notice, meeting, voting, agenda and other procedural requirements set forth in local law.
- (f) (e) Subcommittees shall be created to adequately address other special areas of concern on an as needed basis.
- (g)(f) The Department of the Environment, with adequate funding to assist the Council in carrying out its mission, shall provide professional and administrative staff to the Council.
 - (h)(g) All members of the Council shall serve without compensation.

Section 3. Effective Date. This ordinance shall become effective 30 days 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.

Section 4. Scope of Ordinance. In enacting this ordinance, the Board of Supervisors intends to amend only those words, phrases, paragraphs, subsections, sections, articles, numbers, punctuation marks, charts, diagrams, or any other constituent parts of the Municipal Code that are explicitly shown in this ordinance as additions, deletions, Board amendment additions, and Board amendment deletions in accordance with the "Note" that appears under the official title of the ordinance.

APPROVED AS TO FORM: DENNIS J. HERRERA, City Attorney

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LEGISLATIVE DIGEST

[Environment Code - Revising the Urban Forestry Council Composition and Meeting Requirements]

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Existing Law

Section 1202 of the Environment Code addresses the composition and administration of the Urban Forestry Council.

Section 1202(a) currently provides that the Urban Forestry Council shall be composed of eleven voting members. The Board of Supervisors appoints seven voting members; the Mayor appoints two voting members; and the Director of the Department of Public Works and the Director of the Planning Department (or their respective representatives) each are voting members. Section 1202(b) provides that the Council shall have four advisory members comprised of representatives from the Recreation and Park Department, the Public Utilities Commission, the San Francisco Redevelopment Agency, and the Golden Gate National Recreation Area.

Under Section 1202(d), the Urban Forestry Council is to meet once a month.

Amendments to Current Law

To increase the effectiveness of the Urban Forestry Council at carrying out its role in advising the Mayor and Board of Supervisors on critical issues relating to urban forestry, Section 1202(a) and (b) are amended to give all Council members equal standing by eliminating the distinction between advisory and voting members, thereby making every member a voting member.

Because the San Francisco Redevelopment Agency was dissolved in 2012, its member seat is vacant. To fill the vacancy, Section 1202(a) is amended to authorize the Port of San Francisco to appoint a representative as a voting member of the Council.

Section 1202(a) is also amended to provide that the Golden Gate National Recreation area may appoint a voting member, and if it declines to do so within 60 days of the seat becoming vacant, the Presidio Trust may appoint a voting member to that seat. If the Presidio Trust fails to appoint a member within 30 days after it is authorized to do so, the Mayor may appoint an at-large member to serve the duration of the term.

Between 2009 and 2013, the Council averaged nine meetings per year, which has been sufficient for the Council to effectively and efficiently carry out its general business. Accordingly, Section 1202(d) is amended to require the Council to meet at least six times per year.

Background Information

The Urban Forestry Council was established by Ordinance No. 171-03 to serve as an advisory body to the Mayor and Board of Supervisors on urban forestry issues. The Council is comprised of members representing the full range of urban forest stakeholders, including City departments, non-profit organizations, educators, community members, and industry professionals

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MEMORANDUM

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FROM:

Alisa Somera, Clerk, Rules Committee

Board of Supervisors

DATE:

September 22, 2014

SUBJECT:

LEGISLATION INTRODUCED

The Board of Supervisors' Rules Committee has received the following proposed legislation, introduced by Supervisor Wiener on September 9, 2014. This matter is being referred to your department for informational purposes.

File No. 140953

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If you wish to submit any reports or documentation to be considered with the legislation, please send those to me at the Board of Supervisors, City Hall, Room 244, 1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place, San Francisco, CA 94102.

c: Guillermo Rodriguez, Department of the Environment Monica Fish, Department of the Environment Mei Ling Hui, Department of the Environment Frank Lee, Department of Public Works AnMarie Rodgers, Planning Department Aaron Starr, Planning Department Sarah Ballard, Recreation and Park Department Juliet Ellis, Public Utilities Commission Elaine Forbes, Port

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By a Member of the Board of Supervisors or the Mayor

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