

1 [Administrative Code - Establishing the Gun Violence Prevention Task Force]

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3 **Ordinance amending the Administrative Code to establish the Gun Violence Prevention**
4 **Task Force to advise City departments and policymakers on methods to reduce gun**
5 **violence in the City; and setting forth the membership and duties of the Task Force.**

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13 subsections or parts of tables.

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

13 Section 1. The Administrative Code is hereby amended by adding Chapter 5, Article
14 XVI, Sections 5.150 through 5.156, to read as follows:

15 **ARTICLE XVI:**

16 **GUN VIOLENCE PREVENTION TASK FORCE**

17 Sec. 5.150. Creation of Task Force.

18 Sec. 5.151. Findings and Purposes.

19 Sec. 5.152. Membership.

20 Sec. 5.153. Organization and Terms of Office.

21 Sec. 5.154. Powers and Duties.

22 Sec. 5.155. Meetings and Procedures.

23 Sec. 5.156. Sunset.

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1 **SEC. 5.150. CREATION OF TASK FORCE.**

2 The Board of Supervisors hereby establishes the Gun Violence Prevention Task Force (the
3 “Task Force”) of the City and County of San Francisco.

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5 **SEC. 5.151. FINDINGS AND PURPOSES.**

6 (a) The Board of Supervisors finds that ensuring the safety and protection of its citizens is
7 among the most important roles of City government. San Francisco has a significant urban population
8 affected by gun violence. Gun violence has been proven to have a particularly deleterious effect on the
9 public health of families and communities and has taken too many lives in San Francisco, including
10 twenty lives from January through July 2014.

11 (b) From 2007 through July 2014, 1,731 individuals in San Francisco either were wounded or
12 lost their lives to gun violence, and countless others have been affected by the trauma of experiencing
13 gun violence.

14 (c) On June 27, 2014, over 40 children engaged in recreational activities at Herz playground
15 in Visitacion Valley witnessed the horrific murder there, in broad daylight, of Allen Calloway.

16 (d) Studies have shown correlations between children who have adverse childhood experiences,
17 such as witnessing violence, with cyclical violence and poor physical and mental health outcomes.

18 (e) Access to data and sound research on gun violence is critical to the development of effective
19 public policies to reduce firearm injuries and death.

20 (f) The purposes of the Gun Violence Task Force are to study policy options with the goal of
21 curbing gun violence and trauma related to violence; to identify best practices and strategies for
22 prevention and reduction of gun violence; to formulate policy recommendations for the Board of
23 Supervisors, the Mayor, and other City agencies; and to provide advice to those agencies on
24 implementation strategies to reduce gun violence.

1 **SEC. 5.152. MEMBERSHIP.**

2 (a) The Task Force shall consist of 13 members, appointed as follows:

3 (1) Seat 1 shall be held by a current or former resident of a property owned or operated
4 by the Housing Authority, appointed by the Board of Supervisors.

5 (2) Seat 2 shall be held by a current or former employee of a community-based
6 organization working with a population affected by gun violence, appointed by the Board of
7 Supervisors.

8 (3) Seat 3 shall be held by a clinician who has worked with victims of violence,
9 appointed by the Board of Supervisors.

10 (4) Seat 4 shall be held by a parent who has been affected by gun violence, appointed by
11 the Board of Supervisors.

12 (5) Seat 5 shall be held by a person who has engaged in gun violence, appointed by the
13 Board of Supervisors.

14 (6) Seat 6 shall be held by a member of the general public, appointed by the Board of
15 Supervisors.

16 (7) Seat 7 shall be held by a registered nurse who works with victims or perpetrators of
17 gun violence, appointed by the Board of Supervisors.

18 (8) Seat 8 shall be held by a current employee of the District Attorney's Office,
19 appointed by the District Attorney.

20 (9) Seat 9 shall be held by a current employee of the Department of Public Health with
21 a background in providing mental health treatment, appointed by the Director of Public Health.

22 (10) Seat 10 shall be held by a current employee of the Human Services Agency,
23 appointed by the Executive Director of the Human Services Agency.

24 (11) Seat 11 shall be held by a current or retired employee of the Police Department,
25 appointed by the Chief of Police.

1 (12) Seat 12 shall be held by a current employee of the Adult Probation Department,
2 appointed by the Chief Adult Probation Officer.

3 (13) Seat 13 shall be held by a current employee of the San Francisco Unified School
4 District who has experience identifying and working with at-risk youth, appointed by the Board of
5 Education; provided that if the Board of Education declines to appoint a member by March 31, 2015,
6 the Board of Supervisors shall appoint to Seat 13 an individual with experience identifying and working
7 with at-risk youth.

8 (b) All members of the Task Force shall be residents of San Francisco.

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10 **SEC. 5.153. ORGANIZATION AND TERMS OF OFFICE.**

11 (a) Each member shall serve at the pleasure of the member's appointing authority, and shall
12 serve for the life of the Task Force unless removed by the appointing authority.

13 (b) If a vacancy occurs in any seat on the Task Force, the appointing authority for the vacated
14 seat shall appoint a successor to that seat.

15 (c) Services of the members of the Task Force shall be voluntary and members shall serve
16 without compensation, except that the members in seats 8 through 13 may receive their regular salaries
17 for time spent on the Task Force if they are serving in an official capacity as representatives of their
18 departments or, in the case of seat 13, as a representative of the San Francisco Unified School District.

19 (d) Any member who misses three regular meetings of the Task Force within a six-month
20 period without the express prior or subsequent approval of the Task Force shall be deemed to have
21 resigned from the Task Force 30 days after the third unapproved absence.

22 (e) The Mayor's Office of Violence Prevention Services or any successor office shall provide
23 clerical and administrative support and staffing for the Task Force.

1 **SEC. 5.154. POWERS AND DUTIES.**

2 (a) The Task Force shall hold hearings and submit recommendations to the Board of
3 Supervisors, the Mayor, and other City officers and departments on best practices, policies, and
4 strategies to reduce gun violence in the City.

5 (b) No later than one year after the inaugural meeting of the Task Force, the Task Force shall
6 submit to the Board of Supervisors and the Mayor a set of policy recommendations for reducing gun
7 violence in the City. Thereafter, the Task Force may issue additional reports and recommendations to
8 the Board of Supervisors, the Mayor, or other City agencies.

9 (c) All City departments, commissions, boards, and agencies shall cooperate with the Task
10 Force in conducting its business. Upon request from the Task Force, any City department shall
11 provide reports to the Task Force regarding gun violence in San Francisco.

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13 **SEC. 5.155. MEETINGS AND PROCEDURES.**

14 (a) The Task Force shall hold its inaugural meeting not more than 30 days after a quorum of
15 the Task Force, defined as a majority of seats, has been appointed. There shall be at least ten days'
16 notice of the inaugural meeting. Following the inaugural meeting, the Task Force shall hold a regular
17 meeting not less than once every other month. The Task Force may meet more often as determined by
18 the Task Force.

19 (b) The Task Force shall elect its own officers and may establish rules for its own organization
20 and procedures.

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22 **SEC. 5.156. SUNSET.**

23 Unless the Board of Supervisors by ordinance extends the term of the Task Force, this Article
24 XVI shall expire by operation of law, and the Task Force shall terminate, two years after the effective
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1 date of Ordinance No. _____ establishing the Task Force. After that date, the City Attorney shall
2 cause this Article to be removed from the Administrative Code.

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4 Section 2. Effective Date. This ordinance shall become effective 30 days after
5 enactment. Enactment occurs when the Mayor signs the ordinance, the Mayor returns the
6 ordinance unsigned or does not sign the ordinance within ten days of receiving it, or the Board
7 of Supervisors overrides the Mayor's veto of the ordinance.

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9 APPROVED AS TO FORM:
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11 By: _____
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13 Deputy City Attorney

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