

LEGISLATIVE DIGEST

[Transportation Code - Expanding the Membership of the Interdepartmental Staff Committee on Traffic and Transportation]

Ordinance amending the Transportation Code to change the membership of the Interdepartmental Staff Committee on Traffic and Transportation (ISCOTT) by adding a seat for a representative of the Port and adding four seats for appointees of the Board of Supervisors.

Existing Law

The Interdepartmental Staff Committee on Traffic and Transportation, commonly known as ISCOTT, reviews applications for temporary use or occupancy of public streets, street fairs and athletic events on public streets. ISCOTT currently has representatives from each of the following City agencies: Municipal Transportation Agency (MTA), Department of Public Works, Police Department, Fire Department, Department of Public Health, and Entertainment Commission.

Amendments to Current Law

The ordinance would expand the membership of ISCOTT. Under the ordinance, ISCOTT would have 11 members:

- One representative from each of seven City agencies: MTA, Department of Public Works, Police Department, Fire Department, Department of Public Health, Entertainment Commission, and Port of San Francisco. The member representing the Port would be a non-voting member, except on matters having a direct impact on property under the Port's jurisdiction. The MTA representative would serve as the chair, and anyone who the Director of Transportation designates for that position could serve on ISCOTT only for five successive years.
- Four members appointed by the Board of Supervisors. One of these appointees would represent the interests of pedestrians, one would represent the interests of bicyclists, one would represent the interests of the entertainment industry, and one would have some background in organizing and running temporary events.

The ordinance would set requirements for agenda notices describing ISCOTT's meetings. ISCOTT would act by majority vote of at least six members on street closure applications.

For applications related to a Pavement to Parks or similar project, ISCOTT could not impose conditions related to the Fire Department's or MTA's jurisdiction unless the department has requested or imposed the condition.

The ordinance would also require ISCOTT to issue an annual report including the number of street closure applications received by ISCOTT, the number of those applications seeking the use of one block or less, the number of applications denied and approved by ISCOTT, and a list of all permits issued where the applicant requested police services under Administrative Code Chapter 10B. The ordinance would also require ISCOTT to develop a survey requesting anonymous feedback regarding ISCOTT's performance.

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