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MEMORANDUM

TO:

Nicole Elliott, Liaison to the Board of Supervisors, Mayor's Office

Melissa Whitehouse, Acting Budget Director, Mayor's Office of Public

Policy and Finance

Todd Rufo, Director, Office of Economic and Workforce Development

Regina Dick-Endrizzi, Director, Small Business Commission

FROM:

Erica Major, Assistant Committee Clerk, Government Audit and

Oversight Committee, Board of Supervisors

DATE:

May 11, 2016

SUBJECT: HEARING MATTER INTRODUCED

The Board of Supervisors' Government Audit and Oversight Committee has received the following hearing request, introduced by Supervisor Campos on May 3, 2016:

File No. 160490

Hearing on the implementation of the Legacy Business Registry and Historic Preservation Grant; and requesting the Mayor's Legislative Liaison Nicole Elliott, Acting Budget Director Melissa Whitehouse, Office of Economic and Workforce Development Director Todd Rufo, and Office of Small Business Executive Director Regina Dick-Endrizzi to report.

If you have any comments or reports to be included with the file, please forward them to me at the Board of Supervisors, City Hall, Room 244, 1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place, San Francisco, CA 94102.

Ken Rich, Office of Economic and Workforce Development Lisa Pagan, Office of Economic and Workforce Development **Print Form**

Introduction Form

By a Member of the Board of Supervisors or the Mayor

I hereby submit the following item for introduction (select only one):		
	1. For reference to Committee. (An Ordinance, Resolution, Motion, or Charter Amendment)	
	2. Request for next printed agenda Without Reference to Committee.	
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	6. Call File No. from Committee.	
	7. Budget Analyst request (attach written motion).	
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	se check the appropriate boxes. The proposed legislation should be forwarded to the following: Small Business Commission Planning Commission Building Inspection Commission For the Imperative Agenda (a resolution not on the printed agenda), use a Imperative Form.	
Spons	or(s):	
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Subje	ect:	
Hear	ng on the Implementation of Legacy Business Registry and Historic Preservation Grant	

The text is listed below or attached:

I am calling a hearing on the implementation of the Legacy Business Registry and Historic Preservation Grant Programs. In March 2015, the Board of Supervisors unanimously passed legislation creating a Legacy Business Registry. Despite unanimous passage over a year ago, not one business has been placed on the registry. In November 2015, the voters passed Proposition J with a 60% approval rate. Despite passage of this landmark legislation and grant program, and over 54 nominations by nine Supervisors, not one business has been forwarded to the Historic Preservation Commission for review and not one business has had a hearing before the Small Business Commission. In a recent article on Hoodline, the director of the Office of Small Business, Regina Dick-Endrizzi, told the reporter that she hasn't yet had time to work on the program because she's already been doing double duty, handling her own job as well as that of the senior policy analyst commission secretary, a position that was only recently filled.

With the drastic increase in commercial rents, no commercial rent control, rising costs of doing business, and

difficultly hiring staff because of extreme housing and transportation costs in the pay area, small businesses and non-profits are shutting down at alarming rates. The Legacy Business Program is one of the very few in the City providing direct financial assistance to these struggling businesses and a tool to help negotiate long term leases. I am calling a hearing on the City's implementation of the Legacy Business program. Why has implementation of this program not been a priority for the Office of Economic and Workforce Development and the Mayor's Office? Why has not one business been nominated to the registry despite nominations by nine Supervisors offices? What plans does the Mayor have to implement this program? What is OEWD's budget request to adequately and fully implement this program?

I request this hearing be held at the Government Audit & Oversight Committee. I respectfully request the Clerk of the Board to forward this hearing request to Nicole Wheaton, Mayor's Office, Melissa Whitehouse, Acting Budget Director, Todd Rufo, Director of OEWD, and Regina Dick-Endrizzi at the Office of Small Business.

Signature of Sponsoring Supervisor:

For Clerk's Use Only: