

LEGISLATIVE DIGEST

[Administrative Code - Neighborhood Noticing Ordinance]

Ordinance amending the Administrative Code to direct the Chief Data Officer to develop a pilot program for expanding public notice of significant projects and permitting decisions in the City, in the areas of construction and infrastructure repair work, public health and safety services and facilities, and transportation.

Existing Law

Current City law sets public notice requirements for various City actions and decisions, but there is no program that gathers in one place all or most such notices.

Amendments to Current Law

The proposal is an ordinance that would amend the Administrative Code to direct the City's Chief Data Officer ("CDO") to develop a pilot program for expanding public notice of significant projects and permitting decisions. The program would be in addition to, rather than in place of, other official notice requirements.

The program initially would cover significant projects and permitting decisions in the areas of:

- Construction and infrastructure repair work;
- Public health and safety services and facilities; and,
- Transportation.

The program would consist of a system through which the City sent, by e-mail or other electronic means and on a periodic basis, information regarding City projects and permitting decisions to members of the public who signed up for the service, and a website where members of the public could find information from responsible City departments regarding City projects and permitting decisions for a particular supervisorial district. The target date for starting the pilot program would be 12 months after the CDO acquired the necessary resources to implement the ordinance.

The program would not include Planning Department notices for Environmental Review, Discretionary Review, Conditional Use, Planning Code Section 311 Review ("Residential Permit Review Procedures for RH, RM, and RTO Districts"), and Planning Code Section 312 Review ("Permit Review Procedures for All NC, RED, and Eastern Neighborhoods Mixed Use Districts").

The CDO could excuse a City department from participating in the pilot program where it is not currently feasible to provide the department's notices in machine-readable data formats on a regular basis.

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