



CITY AND COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO
OFFICE OF THE CONTROLLER

Ben Rosenfield
Controller

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Deputy Controller

July 13, 2016

Ms. Angela Calvillo
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place Room 244
San Francisco, CA 94102-4689

RE: File 160699 – Ordinance prohibiting candidate-controlled general purpose committees (first draft)

Dear Ms. Calvillo,

Should the proposed ordinance be approved by the voters, in my opinion, it would have a minimal impact on the cost of government.

The proposed amendment would prohibit candidates in local elections from controlling a general purpose committee, which is a committee that supports or opposes more than one candidate or ballot measures. The Ethics Commission acts as the filer for, and auditor of, financial disclosure statements filed by political candidates and committees. If the proposed amendment is enacted, the Ethics Commission would add this prohibition to existing processes.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Ben Rosenfield".

for Ben Rosenfield
Controller

Note: This analysis reflects our understanding of the proposal as of the date shown. At times further information is provided to us which may result in revisions being made to this analysis before the final Controller's statement appears in the Voter Information Pamphlet.