#### **BOARD of SUPERVISORS**



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# MEMORANDUM

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Youth Commission

FROM: Angela Calvillo, Clerk of the Board

DATE:

August 9, 2018

SUBJECT: REFERRAL FROM BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

The Board of Supervisors has received the following proposed legislation which is being referred to the Youth Commission as per Charter, Section 4.124 for comment and recommendation. The Commission may provide any response it deems appropriate within 12 days from the date of this referral.

File No. 180807

Ordinance amending the Administrative Code to establish the Early Care and Education for All Initiative, to be funded by appropriations from the Babies and Families First Fund, including procedures concerning a spending plan and reporting requirements.

Please return this cover sheet with the Commission's response to **Alisa Somera**, Legislative Deputy Director, Rules Committee. RESPONSE FROM YOUTH COMMISSION Date: No Comment **Recommendation Attached** 

Chairperson, Youth Commission

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[Administrative Code - Early Care and Education for All]

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NOTE: **Unchanged Code text and uncodified text** are in plain Arial font.

**Additions to Codes** are in *single-underline italics Times New Roman font*. Deletions to Codes are in strikethrough italics Times New Roman font. Board amendment additions are in double-underlined Arial font. Board amendment deletions are in strikethrough Arial font. Asterisks (\* \* \* \*) indicate the omission of unchanged Code subsections or parts of tables.

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

Section 1. Chapter 20 of the Administrative Code is hereby amended by adding Article XVII, consisting of Sections 20.17-1, 20.17-2, and 20.17-3, to read as follows:

# ARTICLE XVII: EARLY CARE AND EDUCATION FOR ALL

#### SEC. 20.17-1. EARLY CARE AND EDUCATION FOR ALL INITIATIVE.

The Office of Early Care and Education (OECE) shall establish and maintain the Early Care and Education for All Initiative (Initiative), to provide support for quality early care and education for children in San Francisco families, consistent with this Article XVII. The Initiative shall be funded by appropriations from the Babies and Families First Fund established in Section 10.100-36 of this Administrative Code, in addition to such other appropriations as the Board of Supervisors may direct by ordinance. This Article XVII implements Section 2112(d)(2) of the Business and Tax Regulations

Code, by facilitating the allocation of moneys in the Babies and Families First Fund among the purposes set forth in subsections (d)(1)(A), (d)(1)(B), (d)(1)(C), and (d)(1)(D) of Section 2112.

# SEC. 20.17-2. SPENDING PLAN.

- (a) Within 30 days of the effective date of this Article XVII, OECE shall submit to the Board of Supervisors a report setting forth the procedures OECE intends to use to develop the spending plan described in subsection (b). These procedures shall be designed to encourage broad and diverse community engagement—including, but not limited to, engagement with employees working in early care and education, the owners of businesses offering early care and education, parents, nonprofit organizations, philanthropists, and academic experts—in the development of that spending plan, and shall include the development of a wide range of mechanisms by which engaged community members may communicate with OECE. These mechanisms shall include, but need not be limited to, one or more public town halls, one or more surveys, a dedicated page on OECE's existing website, and a social media presence. Each of these mechanisms shall be advertised prominently on OECE's website.
- (b) Within six months of the effective date of this Article XVII, and subject to the budgetary and fiscal provisions of the Charter, OECE shall submit to the Board of Supervisors a five-year spending plan for the Initiative, and a proposed resolution to approve the spending plan. It is the Board's intent that this spending plan provide guidance to the Board when the Board adopts future appropriations ordinances. The spending plan shall estimate the anticipated funds available to the Initiative, identify specific programs or services to be offered as components of the Initiative, and specify the level of funding proposed for each such component in light of anticipated funds available to support the Initiative as a whole. To the extent possible in light of anticipated available funds, the spending plan shall, in a manner consistent with subsection (c), be designed to achieve the following goals:

- (1) Providing support for quality early care and education to all San Francisco children under the age of six from households whose incomes are at or below 85% of State Median Income, and who are listed as eligible, on that basis, to receive support for early care and education—but who, because of a lack of available resources, are not receiving the full amount of support to which they are entitled;
- (2) Providing financial support for measures to increase the compensation of early care and education professionals and staff by not less than 10%, in a manner designed to improve the quality and availability of early care and education;
- (3) Providing support for quality early care and education to all San Francisco' children under the age of four whose families earn up to and including 200% of Area Median Income, in a manner proportionate to family income (such that families with lower incomes receive proportionately more support);
- (4) Undertaking other measures designed to improve access to early care and education services that support the physical, emotional, and cognitive development of San Francisco children under the age of six.
- (c) The spending plan described in subsection (b) shall reflect that, during the five-year period covered by the spending plan, the Initiative's primary priority shall be providing the support described in subsection (b)(1), the Initiative's secondary priority shall be providing the support described in subsection (b)(2), and the Initiative's tertiary priority shall be providing the support described in subsection (b)(3). Notwithstanding the foregoing sentence, this subsection (c) shall not be construed to require OECE to completely address any particular priority, or to achieve any particular objective with respect to any particular priority, before addressing other Initiative goals identified in subsection (b). In developing the spending plan, OECE shall retain discretion to allocate resources among the Initiative goals identified in subsection (b) as OECE deems most appropriate, giving due consideration to the general priorities identified in this subsection.

- (d) To promote stability and continuity in early care and education, the spending plan described in subsection (b) shall contain provisions addressing policies for financial reserves, strategic one-time expenditures, and other strategies designed to manage revenue volatility.
- (e) Within 90 days of introduction of the resolution to approve the spending plan described in subsection (b), the Board shall take any action it deems necessary, in its discretion, to approve, amend, or reject the proposed resolution and spending plan.

# SEC. 20.17-3. REPORTS.

The spending plan described in Section 20.17-2(b) shall also include metrics designed to evaluate the effectiveness of the Initiative and each of its specific components. Within one year of OECE's submission of the spending plan to the Board of Supervisors, and on an annual basis thereafter, OECE shall prepare, and submit to the Board of Supervisors, a report evaluating the effectiveness of the Initiative and each of its specific components, using the metrics previously developed in OECE's spending plan. Before OECE submits this annual report to the Board of Supervisors, OECE's Citizens Advisory Committee shall have an opportunity to review the report and submit related recommendations to OECE.

# Section 2. Severability.

(a) Except as provided in subsection (b), if any section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase, or word of this Article XVII, or any application thereof to any person or circumstance, is held to be invalid or unconstitutional by a decision of a court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions or applications of the Article. The Board of Supervisors hereby declares that, except as provided in subsection (b), it would have enacted this Article, including each and every section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase, and word not declared invalid or unconstitutional,

without regard to whether any other portion of this Article or application thereof would be subsequently declared invalid or unconstitutional.

(b) If, as provided in Section 2115(b) of the Business and Tax Regulations Code, imposition of the Early Care and Education Commercial Rents Tax in Section 2104 of the Business and Tax Regulations Code is held in its entirety to be facially invalid or unconstitutional in a final court determination, this Article XVII shall be void and of no force and effect, and the City Attorney shall cause it to be removed from the Administrative Code.

Section 3. Effective Date.

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

APPROVED AS TO FORM: DENNIS J. HERRERA, City Attorney

By:

MATTHEW LEE Deputy City Attorney

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# LEGISLATIVE DIGEST

[Administrative Code - Early Care and Education for All]

Ordinance amending the Administrative Code to establish the Early Care and Education for All Initiative, to be funded by appropriations from the Babies and Families First Fund, including procedures concerning a spending plan and reporting requirements.

# **Existing Law**

At the June 5, 2018 election, the voters approved Proposition C, which imposes additional taxes on revenue from the lease of certain commercial real property. Revenues raised by this tax are to be used primarily to fund quality early care and education for young children. In particular, Proposition C specifies that most of its revenues should be spent on certain "Eligible Programs" related early care and education; nevertheless, Proposition C leaves the Board of Supervisors and the Office of Early Care and Education discretion to allocate resources amongst those programs.

#### Amendments to Current Law

This ordinance would require the Office of Early Care and Education (OECE) to establish the Early Care and Education for All Initiative, which would provide support for quality early care and education for children in San Francisco families. The Initiative would be funded by revenues raised by Proposition C, in addition to such other appropriations as the Board of Supervisors might direct by ordinance.

The ordinance would further require OECE to develop, and submit to the Board for approval, a five-year spending plan for the Early Care and Education for All Initiative. The spending plan would be intended to provide guidance when the Board adopts future appropriations ordinances. In advance of the spending plan, the ordinance also requires OECE to report to the Board regarding its plans to foster community engagement in the development of the spending plan.

The ordinance identifies four goals for the spending plan: clearing the current waitlist of children eligible for support for early care and education; increasing compensation of early care and education professionals and staff by not less than 10%; expanding support for early care and education to families earning up to 200% of Area Median Income; and undertaking other measures to improve access to early care and education services. These goals are intended to be consistent with the "Eligible Programs" set forth in Proposition C. The ordinance also directs OECE to prioritize amongst those goals in general terms (with this

prioritization matching the order in which the four goals were just recited in this legislative digest), but this direction is general, and OECE retains discretion (after giving due consideration to the ordinance's general priorities) to submit a spending plan proposing whatever allocation of resources OECE deems most appropriate.

To promote stability and continuity in early care and education, the ordinance also requires the spending plan to contain provisions addressing policies for financial reserves, strategic one-time expenditures, and other strategies designed to manage revenue volatility.

Finally, the ordinance also requires the spending plan to include metrics designed to measure the effectiveness of the Early Care and Education for All Initiative and each of the Initiative's specific components. Each year, OECE would be required to report to the Board regarding the effectiveness of the Initiative and its components, using those metrics.

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