

REVISED LEGISLATIVE DIGEST
(Amended in Board, 10/16/2018)

[Administrative Code - Cannabis Oversight Committee]

Ordinance amending the Administrative Code to establish the Cannabis Oversight Committee to advise the Board of Supervisors and the Mayor regarding the implementation and enforcement of City laws and regulations relating to cannabis; and to require the Director of the Office of Cannabis to report information to the Committee regarding the growth of the cannabis industry in the City.

Existing Law

Police Code Article 16 regulates commercial cannabis activities in the City. The Office of Cannabis, under the direction of the City Administrator, oversees the implementation and enforcement of Article 16.

Amendments to Current Law

The proposed ordinance would create a Cannabis Oversight Committee to advise the Board of Supervisors and the Mayor regarding the implementation and enforcement of City laws and regulations relating to cannabis in the City. The proposed ordinance would require the Office of Cannabis to report to the Committee annually on the growth of the City's cannabis industry. The Committee would terminate three years after the effective date of the ordinance unless the Board re-authorizes it in a subsequent ordinance.

The Committee would have 18 members. Seats 1-7 would be for non-voting members, and would be held by the following:

- The Director of the Department of Public Health (or the Director's designee).
- The Chief of the Police Department (or the Chief's designee).
- The Director of the Department of Building Inspection (or the Director's designee).
- The Director of the Planning Department (or the Director's designee).
- The Superintendent of the San Francisco Unified School District (or the Superintendent's designee).
- The Chief of the Fire Department (or the Chief's designee).
- The Executive Director of the Entertainment Commission (or the Executive Director's designee).

The remaining seats would be for voting members appointed by the Board, and include:

- A Cannabis owner permitted through the Equity Program.
- An operator of a Cannabis Cultivation, Manufacturing, or distribution business with fewer than 20 employees.
- Two organized labor representatives, including one that works in the delivery labor force.
- A storefront cannabis retailer.
- An Equity Applicant.
- A person with subject matter expertise on the State of California's Cannabis laws and regulations.
- A person with significant experience in workforce and economic development.
- A medicinal cannabis patient or consumer, with an extensive history of medicinal cannabis advocacy or involvement in a cannabis compassionate use program.

Background Information

This legislative digest reflects amendments adopted by the Rules Committee at its October 3, 2018 meeting. At that meeting, the Rules Committee amended the ordinance to add two non-voting seats to the proposed Committee, change the qualifications for seat 13, require the City Administrator to provide administrative and policy support for the Committee, and require the Committee to provide one report per year instead of two.

This digest also reflects amendments adopted by the Board of Supervisors on October 16, 2018 to change the qualifications for seats 6, 8, and 13.

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