

LEGISLATIVE DIGEST

[Administrative Code - Our City, Our Home Oversight Committee]

Ordinance amending the Administrative Code to establish the Our City, Our Home Oversight Committee as an advisory committee to monitor the City's use of tax revenue received under the Homelessness Gross Receipts Tax established by Proposition C (November 2018), advise the Board of Supervisors and the Mayor regarding administration of the Our City, Our Home Fund, and recommend ways to reduce barriers that prevent people from exiting homelessness.

Existing Law

At the November 6, 2018 general municipal election, the voters approved Proposition C, which imposed additional business taxes to create a dedicated fund (the Our City, Our Home Fund) to support services for homeless people and prevent homelessness. Proposition C anticipated the establishment of an advisory committee to make recommendations to the Mayor and the Board of Supervisors to ensure that the City uses the tax revenue in a manner consistent with the intent of the ballot measure.

Amendments to Current Law

The proposed ordinance would establish the Our City, Our Home Oversight Committee (the "Committee") to monitor the City's use of the Our City, Our Home Fund (the "Fund") and to advise the Board and the Mayor regarding the administration of the Fund. The Committee would have nine voting members: four appointed by the Board of Supervisors, four appointed by the Mayor subject to rejection by a 2/3 vote of the Board of Supervisors, and one appointed by the Controller. The term of office for each seat would be two years, but to ensure that the members' terms are staggered, the first term for five of the members would be three years.

The Committee would conduct a needs assessment every three years with respect to homelessness and homeless populations served by the Fund, and would make annual recommendations to the Board of Supervisors about appropriations from the Fund. The Committee would also promote transparency and cultural sensitivity in the City's implementation of Proposition C, solicit input from impacted communities, identify barriers to safe and successful exits out of homelessness, and propose ways to eliminate or reduce the impact of those barriers.

The Controller would provide administrative support for the Committee. The following City agencies would be required to have staff members attend the Committee's meetings: Department of Homelessness and Supportive Housing, the Mayor's Office of Housing and Community Development, the Office of the Controller, and the Department of Public Health.