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MEMORANDUM

TO: Kiely Hosmon, Director, Youth Commission

FROM: John Carroll, Assistant Clerk,

Public Safety and Neighborhood Services Committee

DATE: August 4, 2020

SUBJECT: LEGISLATIVE MATTER INTRODUCED

The Board of Supervisors' Public Safety and Neighborhood Services Committee has received the following hearing request, introduced by Supervisor Haney on July 21, 2020. This item is being referred for comment and recommendation.

File No. 200796

Hearing on the City's efforts to fill vacancies in Supportive Housing; and requesting the Department of Homelessness and Supportive Housing, San Francisco Housing Authority, and Mayor's Office of Housing and Community Development to report.

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RESPONSE FROM YOUTH COMMISSION	Date: _August 17, 2020
No Comment _X_ Recommendation Attached	Josephine Caretar
	Chairperson, Youth Commission

Youth Commission

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YOUTH COMMISSION MEMORANDUM

TO: John Carroll, Assistant Clerk, Public Safety and Neighborhood Services

Committee

FROM: Youth Commission

DATE: Tuesday, August 18, 2020

RE: Referral response to BOS File No. 200796 [Hearing - Supportive Housing

Vacancies]

At our **Monday, August 17, 2020 special meeting**, the Youth Commission unanimously voted to support the following motion:

BOS File No. 200796 [Hearing - Supportive Housing Vacancies]

The Youth Commissioners also voted to include the following questions to be asked at the hearing as well as recommendations:

- Recommendation: the Youth Commission strongly advises the City to complete the 2015 TAY Housing plan before making more promises on filling vacancies
- Recommendation: vacancies should be broken down by category to get a sense of how big a problem this is for Transitional Aged Youth, specifically, as well as with adults
- Questions-language access concerns and how community members can apply for housing:
 - How do the departments provide language assistance to ensure that all persons have access to permanent supportive housing?
 - What is the language access plan for the department and how have they made their mark on communities?
 - o Who is being served?
 - o Who is being underserved?
- Questions-roles of different departments:
 - o What stock does the Housing Authority oversee?
 - How is their application process different from the rest of housing stock?
 - How is the Housing Authority functions different from MOHCD?
- Questions-COVID19 related:
 - How are families able to access these social services in COVID-19 time with limited access to resources?
 - o How would changes to social services change during COVID19?
 - Do any departments have a plan while they are building units so that families and community members can have access to social services?

Youth Commissioners thank the Board of Supervisors for their attention to this issue. If you have any questions, please contact our office at (415) 554-6446, or your Youth Commissioner.

Josephine Cureton, Chair

Adopted on August 17, 2020

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