[Administrative Code - Reentry Council; Composition of Membership, Powers and Duties, and Sunset Date]

Ordinance amending San Francisco Administrative Code Sections 5.1-1, 5.1-3, 5.1-4, and 5.1-6 to amend the membership, powers and duties, and sunset date of the Reentry Council.

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

Section 1. The San Francisco Administrative Code is hereby amended by amending Section 5.1-1, to read as follows:

SEC. 5.1-1. REENTRY COUNCIL.

The City hereby establishes a Reentry Council ("Council"). Subject to the fiscal and budgetary provisions of the Charter, the Public Defender's Office, the District Attorney's Office, the Adult Probation Department, and the Mayor's Office shall each designate one staff member to provide administrative support to the Council.

Section 2. The San Francisco Administrative Code is hereby amended by amending Section 5.1-3, to read as follows:

SEC. 5.1-3. MEMBERSHIP AND ORGANIZATION.

(a) Members. The Council shall consist of 24 members, seven of whom shall be former inmates in the San Francisco County Jail, a California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation adult facility, and/or a United States Bureau of Prison facility. The Mayor, or his designee, shall serve as a member, and shall also appoint three of these seven members. Of these three members, at least one must be between the ages of 18 to 24 at the time of appointment, and

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at least one shall have expertise in providing services to individuals exiting the criminal justice system. The Board of Supervisors shall designate one of its members to serve as a member of the Council, and shall appoint the other four of these seven members who are former inmates. Of these four members, at least two of these seven members shall have expertise in providing services to individuals exiting the criminal justice system. At least one of these seven members must have been released from custody within two years of his or her appointment, and at least one must have served multiple terms of incarceration, and at least one must be between the ages of 18 to 24 at the time of appointment. All members of the Council shall be exempt from the Charter requirement that they be electors of the City and County of San Francisco.

The following City departments or agencies shall appoint one member each to the Council: the Public Defender's Office, the District Attorney's Office, the Sheriff's Department, the Police Department; the Adult Probation Department, the Juvenile Probation Department, the Department of Economic and Workforce Development; the Human Services Agency, the Department of Children Youth and Families, and the Department of Public Health. In addition, Council co-chairs shall invite the San Francisco Superior Court, the Department of Child Support Services, the California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation Division of Adult Parole Operations, and the United States Probation and Pretrial Services System to appoint one member each to the Council. If any of these four agencies does not appoint a representative, the Council co-chairs shall appoint an additional member.

Members shall serve two-year terms and shall serve at the pleasure of the appointing authority. Members may serve multiple terms.

(b) Quorum. Seven Eleven members of the Council shall constitute a quorum, and the Council shall have the authority to act on the vote of the majority of the quorum.
(c) Officers. The threefour members appointed by the Adult Probation Department, District Attorney's Office, the Public Defender's Office, and the Sheriff's Department, respectively, as well as the Mayor or the Mayor's representative, shall co-chair the Council.

(d) Subcommittees. The Council may establish subcommittees to be convened as directed by the Council. The Council's co-chairs shall appoint members to the subcommittees. Subcommittees shall report findings and make recommendations to the full Council for their consideration. The membership of these subcommittees shall be open to non-members of the Council who shall be drawn from a range of diverse experiences, identities, and interests related to the issue of reentry.

(e) Meeting Frequency. The Council shall meet in full at least three times per year.

(f) Roles of Council Members. Each member of the Council shall retain his or her official authority and duties granted under State law. In adopting this legislation, the Board of Supervisors recognizes that each member of the Council retains his or her authority and duties under State law and that where conflicts may arise out of members' dual roles. State powers and duties shall supersede the duties that the ordinance creating the council impose on Council members.

Section 3. The San Francisco Administrative Code is hereby amended by amending Section 5.1-4, to read as follows:

SEC. 5.1-4. POWERS AND DUTIES.

The Council shall have the following powers and duties:

(a) Identifying Funding Streams. The Council shall identify funding at the local, State, and Federal level that is earmarked or available for services or programs designed to serve individuals exiting the criminal justice system. In addition, the Council shall identify conditions, restrictions, or limitations on each funding stream, and shall document these findings in its
reports to the Mayor, the Board of Supervisors, and other appropriate entities consistent with subsection (d) below.

(b) Identifying Programs Serving IndividualsExiting the Criminal Justice System. The Council shall identify programs serving individuals exiting the criminal justice system who reside in San Francisco or who will be released to San Francisco, including program capacity.

(c) Identifying Needs of Reentry Population. The Council shall identify any unmet needs of this population, and propose ways to meet those needs based on existing research and best practices.

(d) Identifying Barriers. The Council shall also identify barriers to safe and successful reentry presented by local, State, and Federal law, and propose ways to reduce the impact of these barriers.

(e) Reports. At least once a year, the Council shall prepare and submit a report that shall include but not be limited to information required under subsections (a), (b), (c), and (d) above. City departments shall respond within 30 days to reasonable requests for information submitted by the Council relevant to its ability to discharge its powers and duties under this Chapter, provided that the disclosure of such information shall not be required where it would violate Federal or State law. The Council shall provide the reports to: 1) the Mayor, 2) the Board of Supervisors, 3) any City department or program identified by the Council in a report: and 4) the public. These reports shall be public documents. Any City department identified in a report may provide a response, within 30 days of issuance of the report, for inclusion into the final report submitted to the Mayor and the Board of Supervisors, among others, consistent with this subsection.

(f) The Council shall share information and work in collaboration with the San Francisco Community Corrections Partnership, as established by the California Community Corrections Performance Incentives Act of 2009 (CA Penal Code Section 1228-1233.8).
(fg) Retaliation Prohibited. No City officer or employee may retaliate against other City
staff or the staff of programs identified by the Council for cooperating with the Council or for
participating in any activity involving the Council. This section is not intended to create a
private right of action against the City and County of San Francisco.

(h) The Council shall share information and work in collaboration with the San
Francisco Juvenile Justice Coordinating Council, as required by the Juvenile Crime
Enforcement and Accountability Challenge Grant Program (CA Welfare and Institutions Code
Section 749.2-749.27).

(i) The Council shall appoint one member to the Workforce Investment Community
Advisory Committee, as required by San Francisco Ordinance 270-07 (SF Administrative
Code Section 30.7).

Section 4. The San Francisco Administrative Code is hereby amended by amending
Section 5.1-6, to read as follows:

SEC. 5.1-6. SUNSET CLAUSE.

This legislation shall expire June 1, 2014, unless the Board of Supervisors adopts
an ordinance continuing its existence. The Council shall submit a report to the Board of
Supervisors no fewer than six months prior to the expiration date recommending whether the
Council should continue to operate, and if so, whether the Board of Supervisors shall consider
legislative changes that would enhance the capacity of the Council to achieve the goals that
the ordinance creating the council identifies, amendments that further the Council’s goals.
The Council’s recommendations shall include drafts of ordinances that would implement its
recommendations.
APPROVED AS TO FORM:
DENNIS J. HERRERA, City Attorney

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February 17, 2011 Public Safety Committee - AMENDED

February 17, 2011 Public Safety Committee - RECOMMENDED AS AMENDED

March 01, 2011 Board of Supervisors - PASSED, ON FIRST READING
   Ayes: 11 - Avalos, Campos, Chiu, Chu, Cohen, Elsbernd, Farrell, Kim, Mar,
   Mirkarimi and Wiener

March 08, 2011 Board of Supervisors - FINALLY PASSED
   Ayes: 11 - Avalos, Campos, Chiu, Chu, Cohen, Elsbernd, Farrell, Kim, Mar,
   Mirkarimi and Wiener

I hereby certify that the foregoing Ordinance was FINALLY PASSED on 3/8/2011 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

Angela Calvillo  
Clerk of the Board

Mayor Edwin Lee  
Date Approved