Ordinance amending the Administrative Code to reauthorize the Reentry Council and revise the membership, powers and duties, and sunset date.

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

Section 1. Background.

(a) The Reentry Council was established by Ordinance No. 215-08 to coordinate local efforts to support adults exiting San Francisco County Jail, San Francisco juvenile justice system out-of-home placements, the California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation facilities, and the United States Federal Bureau of Prison facilities. Codified at Chapter 5, Article I of the Administrative Code, which was subsequently amended by Ordinance No. 26-09 and Ordinance No. 44-11, the Reentry Council is scheduled to sunset on June 1, 2014 pursuant to Administrative Code Section 5.1-6.

(b) Section 5.1-6 provides, however, that Chapter 5, Article I will not sunset if the Board of Supervisors adopts an ordinance continuing its existence. Section 5.1-6 states that the Reentry Council shall submit a report to the Board recommending whether the Reentry Council should continue to operate and, if so, whether the Board should consider amendments that would enhance the capacity of the Reentry Council to further its goals, along with draft amendments to implement its recommendations.
(c) At the Reentry Council meeting of February 11, 2014, the Reentry Council decided to recommend that it continue to operate, and also recommended several changes in various provisions in Chapter 5, Article I. These recommendations are contained in a report dated February 11, 2014, in the form of a letter to all members of the Board of Supervisors, including a draft of recommended amendments to Chapter 5, Article I, contained in Attachment A to the letter. The letter, including all attachments, is on file with the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors in File No. 140141.

Section 2. Reauthorization of Reentry Council.

Chapter 5, Article I of the Administrative Code is hereby continued in its entirety, with the amendments as shown in Section 3 of this ordinance.

Section 3. The Administrative Code is hereby amended by revising Sections 5.1-3, 5.1-4, and 5.1-6 of Chapter 5, Article 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 staff to provide administrative support to the Council.

SEC. 5.1-2. PURPOSE.

The purpose of the Council is to coordinate local efforts to support adults exiting San Francisco County Jail, San Francisco juvenile justice system out-of-home placements, the California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation facilities, and the United States Federal Bureau of Prison facilities. The Council shall provide the Mayor, the Board of
Supervisors, the public, and any other appropriate agency with accurate and comprehensive
information about programs that serve this population, barriers faced by this population, best
practices to meet the needs of this population, and funding sources for programs and
practices that address the needs of this population. The Council shall coordinate information
sharing, planning, and engagement among all interested private and public stakeholders to
the extent permissible under Federal and State law.

SEC. 5.1-3. MEMBERSHIP AND ORGANIZATION.

(a) Members. The Council shall consist of 23 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 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 the seven members who
are former inmates. Of these four members, at least one shall have expertise in providing
services to individuals exiting the criminal justice system, at least one 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 self-identify as a survivor of violence
or crime. 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. Eleven Twelve 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 four 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 imposes on Council members.

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 Individuals Exiting 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).

(g) 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).

(j) The Council shall share information and work in collaboration with the San Francisco Sentencing Commission, as required by San Francisco Ordinance 10-12 (SF Administrative Code Section 5.250-2).
SEC. 5.1-5. ATTENDANCE REQUIREMENT.

The Council shall monitor the attendance of Council members. In the event that any Council member misses two regularly scheduled Council meetings in a twelve-month period without prior notice to the Council, the Council shall certify that fact in writing to the appointing authority, and the member shall be deemed to have resigned from the Council on the date of such certification. The Council shall request the appointing authority to appoint a new member. The appointing authority shall appoint a successor to the resigned member not later than 60 days after the date of the certification of resignation.

SEC. 5.1-6. SUNSET CLAUSE.

This legislation shall expire June 1, 2019, 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 by January 1, 2019 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.

Section 4. Effective Date and Retroactivity. 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. The provisions of this ordinance shall be retroactive to June 1, 2014, should the effective date of the ordinance occur after that date.
Section 5. Scope of Ordinance. In enacting this ordinance, the Board of Supervisors intends to amend only those words, phrases, paragraphs, subsections, sections, articles, numbers, punctuation marks, charts, diagrams, or any other constituent parts of the Municipal Code that are explicitly shown in this ordinance as additions, deletions, Board amendment additions, and Board amendment deletions in accordance with the "Note" that appears under the official title of the ordinance.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:
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May 08, 2014 Government Audit and Oversight Committee - AMENDED

May 08, 2014 Government Audit and Oversight Committee - RECOMMENDED AS AMENDED

May 20, 2014 Board of Supervisors - PASSED, ON FIRST READING
Ayes: 11 - Avalos, Breed, Campos, Chiu, Cohen, Farrell, Kim, Mar, Tang, Wiener and Yee

June 03, 2014 Board of Supervisors - FINALLY PASSED
Ayes: 11 - Avalos, Breed, Campos, Chiu, Cohen, Farrell, Kim, Mar, Tang, Wiener and Yee

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Ordinance was FINALLY PASSED on 6/3/2014 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

Angela Calvillo
Clerk of the Board

Mayor

Date Approved