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# MEMORANDUM

TO: Kiely Hosmon, Director  
Youth Commission

FROM: Angela Calvillo, Clerk of the Board

DATE: October 30, 2020

SUBJECT: REFERRAL FROM BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

The Board of Supervisors has received the following proposed legislation which is being referred to the Youth Commission as per Charter, Section 4.124 for comment and recommendation. The Commission may provide any response it deems appropriate within 12 days from the date of this referral.

**File No. 201234**

**Hearing of the Board of Supervisors to sit as a Committee of the Whole on Tuesday, November 10, 2020, at 3:00 p.m., during the Regular Board of Supervisors Meeting, to hold a public hearing on the Shelter-in-Place Rehousing and Site Demobilization Plan; pending approval of the Motion contained in File No. 201233.**

Please return this cover sheet with the Commission's response to the Board of Supervisors by email at: [bos.legislation@sfgov.org](mailto:bos.legislation@sfgov.org).

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**RESPONSE FROM YOUTH COMMISSION**      Date: November 2, 2020

     No Comment  
  X   Recommendation Attached

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Chairperson, Youth Commission

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## YOUTH COMMISSION MEMORANDUM

**TO:** Lisa Lew, Legislative Clerk, Board of Supervisors  
**FROM:** Youth Commission  
**DATE:** Tuesday, November 2, 2020  
**RE:** Referral response to BOS File No. 201234 - [Hearing - Committee of the Whole - Shelter-in-Place Rehousing and Site Demobilization Plan - November 10, 2020, at 3:00 p.m.]

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At our **Monday, November 2, 2020, meeting**, the Youth Commission voted unanimously to support the following motion:

**To support BOS File No. 201234** - [Hearing - Committee of the Whole - Shelter-in-Place Rehousing and Site Demobilization Plan - November 10, 2020, at 3:00 p.m.]

The Youth Commissioners voted to include the following questions, recommendations, and comments to be included at the hearing:

### Questions:

- What percentage of Shelter-in-Place hotels are housing Transitional Aged Youth (TAY) and how does this compare to the general TAY population experiencing homelessness?
- In the presentation provided by the sponsoring legislative office, there was a lack of language regarding youth. How are youth being considered in the rehousing and demobilization planning, especially because permanent supportive housing is lacking for TAY already?
- If federal funding is going to be unlocked how can some of it be allocated for TAY resources and needs?
- Can HSH describe how those in Shelter-in-Place hotels will be helped if they don't get housing issues resolved in the advised strategies? It's unclear on what the resources are and transparency is needed on the specifics of this.
- "Reactivate, congregate, shelter" proposal does not necessarily sound safe for people in a global pandemic. The Youth Commission is concerned about safety in general and even more so with a global pandemic. If the city of San Francisco is "re-opening" does this also include the TAY Navigation Center? Furthermore, will it be opened at its proposed time AND will it only include limited numbers to adhere to pandemic regulations? If this is the case, the Youth Commission must insist on there being more than one TAY Navigation Center in SF.
- Can a city legally condemn hotel rooms on a temporary basis to recoup the cost? Or, can a city just take over hotel rooms?

### Recommendations and Comments:

- The Youth Commission agrees that it is important to gather data on racial demographics AND it is recommended that data needs to be gathered on age, specifically relating to the TAY demographic.
- HSH needs to do a better job reporting TAY numbers. It is not acceptable to be housing so many people without having relevant information on TAY.

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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.



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Nora Hylton, Chair  
Adopted on November 2, 2020  
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