



San Francisco Youth Commission Agenda

Monday, November 2nd, 2020
5:00 pm-8:00 pm

**Public Comment Call-in:
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There will be public comment on each item.

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1. **Call to Order and Roll Call for Attendance (Discussion and Possible Action)**
2. **Approval of Agenda (Action Item)**
3. **Approval of Minutes (Action Item)**
 - A. October 19th, 2020
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4. **Public Comment on Items not on Agenda (2 minutes per public comment)**
5. **Legislation Referred (All Items to Follow Discussion and Possible Action)**
 - A. [Inform + Decision] File No. 201187 - [Administrative Code - Safe Sleeping Sites Program]
Sponsor: Supervisor Mandelman, District 8
Presenters: District 8 Staff
(Doc B)
 - B. [Inform + Decision] File No. 201227 - [Urging a Just Transition to a Fossil Fuel-Free Future for California]
Sponsor: Supervisor Mar, District 4
Presenters: Edward Wright, District 4 Legislative Aide
(Doc C)
 - C. [Inform + Decision] File No. 201234 - [Hearing - Committee of the Whole - Shelter-in-Place Rehousing and Site Demobilization Plan - November 10, 2020, at 3:00 p.m.]



Sponsor: Supervisor Walton, District 10
Presenters: YC Staff

6. Presentations (All Items to Follow Discussion and Possible Action)

- A. [Inform + Decision] Defund SFPD Now - SF Police Officer's Association Contract
Presenters: Lawrence Drinkard, Emily Messer, Alex Karim, Defund SFPD Now

7. Committee Reports (Discussion Only)

- A. Executive Committee
 - a. LAO
 - b. Comms
 - c. General Committee Updates
- B. Civic Engagement
- C. Housing and Land Use
- D. Transformative Justice
- E. OCOF

8. Staff Report (Discussion Only)

9. Announcements (This Includes Community Events)

10. Adjournment

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Paunawa: Ang mga kahilingan ay kailangang matanggap sa loob ng 48 oras bago mag miting upang matiyak na matutugunan ang mga hiling. Mangyaring tumawag kay Joy Lamug sa (415) 554-7712.



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1. **Call to Order and Roll Call for Attendance (Discussion and Possible Action)**

Chair Hylton calls the meeting at 5:05 pm. Commissone Arana is absent due to wifi difficulties. Quorum is met.

Roll Call Attendance:

Jayden Tanaka, present
Valentina Alioto-Pier, present
Lillian Tang, present
Plyfaa Suwanamalik-Murphy, present
Calvin Quick,
Gabrielle Listana, present
Adrianna Zhang, present
Gracie Veiga, present
Ariana Arana, absent
Rome Jones, present
Erika Morris, present
Arsema Asfaw, present
Sarah Cheung, present
Sarah Ginsburg, present
Nora Hylton, present
Amara Santos, present
Stephen “Rocky” Versace, present

Commissioner Santos, seconded by Commissioner Veiga, motion to excuse Commissioner Arana’s absence. The motion passes by a unanimous roll call vote.



Roll Call Vote:

Jayden Tanaka, aye
Valentina Alioto-Pier, aye
Lillian Tang, aye
Plyfaa Suwanamalik-Murphy, aye
Calvin Quick,
Gabrielle Listana, aye
Adrianna Zhang, aye
Gracie Veiga, aye
Ariana Arana, absent
Rome Jones, aye
Erika Morris, aye
Arsema Asfaw, aye
Sarah Cheung, aye
Sarah Ginsburg, aye
Nora Hylton, aye
Amara Santos, aye
Stephen “Rocky” Versace, aye

Commissioner Quick arrived at 5:10pm.

Commissioner Hyton, seconded by Commissioner Cheung, motion to retroactively excuse Commissioner Ginsburg’s absence on September 28th. The motion passes by roll call vote of 15 ayes and 1 nay.

Roll Call Vote:

Jayden Tanaka, aye
Valentina Alioto-Pier, aye
Lillian Tang, aye
Plyfaa Suwanamalik-Murphy, aye
Calvin Quick, aye
Gabrielle Listana, aye
Adrianna Zhang, aye
Gracie Veiga, aye
Ariana Arana, absent
Rome Jones, nay
Erika Morris, aye
Arsema Asfaw, aye
Sarah Cheung, aye
Sarah Ginsburg, aye
Nora Hylton, aye
Amara Santos, aye
Stephen “Rocky” Versace, aye

2. Approval of Agenda (Action Item)

No public comment. Commissioner Zhang motions to approve the agenda, seconded by Commissioner Tanaka. By a roll call vote the motion passes.

Roll Call Vote:

Jayden Tanaka, aye



Valentina Alioto-Pier, aye
Lillian Tang, aye
Plyfaa Suwanamalik-Murphy, aye
Calvin Quick, aye
Gabrielle Listana, aye
Adrianna Zhang, aye
Gracie Veiga, aye
Ariana Arana, absent
Rome Jones, aye
Erika Morris, aye
Arsema Asfaw, aye
Sarah Cheung, aye
Sarah Ginsburg, aye
Nora Hylton, aye
Amara Santos, aye
Stephen "Rocky" Versace, aye

5. Presentations (All Items to Follow Discussion and Possible Action)

At the call of the chair, this item was called before items 3 and 4.

A. [Inform + Decision] SHARP Advisory Committee Presentation

Presenter: Dulce A. Garcia, Policy Director, Office of Sexual Harassment & Assault, Response, Prevention (SHARP)

Dulce Garcia- Office of Sexual Harassment. Her background is the policy director at SHARP. Has been working w/ SFWAR for the past 7 years and certified rape counselors. Has been working with Sharp for the past month and a half. Their mission is to ensure survivors are believed and responded with dignity by city governments when **voicing** their experience of sexual violence. Their vision is to envision SF with no incidents of sexual assault or harassment.

KellyLou Densmore- a new office, about 1 yr old, holds the city accountable for how it reacts to survivors of sexual violence. We are looking for advisory committee members. The Director as the Legal Director at TGI Justice Project for 5 years. SHARP's values work is led and shaped by survivors of sexual violence, particular who do not report, have a history of mistrust of city government, and court systems, and voices are often left out of the conversation on sexual violence. They seek to support those harmed by sexual violence to be heard. SHARP work reflects complex connection of all forms of domestic violence, coercion, gender-based violence, practice accessibility solairty, and understand work within city government is one strategy to address the larger movement to end sexual violence, and they honor the legacy of femininity and anti-violence organizers who have come before them.

Garcia- SHARP focused on advocacy, policy, and prevention. They try to advocate for marginalized communities. Policy is survivor led to recommend new meaningful policies that provide support and resources for survivors of sexual harassment and assault within and without the criminal legal system, They work a lot of community members through prevention. SHARP does not provide direct services, cannot take cases to court, and represent survivors in any legal matters.



Densmore- The main things we do at SHARP are their complaint form in which people file from their own experience against someone or a larger institution.

Garcia- We have a large advisory committee who have many roles. They provide expertise, rooted in community, succeed, identity pitfalls, and be honest. We understand youth are an integral part and can assist with our advisory committee. Advisory committee meets every other month to provide expertise to help fill the knowledge gap to reflect their mission. They help with being rooted in the community. You would be invested in helping us succeed and assisting w/ events.

Questions?

Commissioner Hylton- Thank you for the presentation. Are there any other youth or TAY members?

Answer: we are in the process of recruiting. Working with CARECEN & LYRIC. We just had our first meeting last week & we are currently doing outreach right now.

Commissioner Quick- thank you for the informative presentation. What is the process for getting people appointed to the advisory committee?

Answer: It's informal, contact us sfsharp@sfgov.org, they would meet with KellyLou or Dulce and join a conversation.

Commissioner Santos- Is there any collaboration or connections w/ SFUSD for youth perspective or workshops. Are there any stipends or compensation for the youth and does it impact undocumented youth?

Answer: reaching out SFUSD now especially because youth can be survivors too. No answer on the stipends yet, but we are working to figure this out. Currently not a paid position.

Commissioner Cheung- I was one of the commissioners who co sponsored legislation to support survivors. One of you mentioned you have been in contact w/ them through coalitions. Have you reached out to them to join the advisory committee?

Answer: Initial stages of recruitment and connections, due to COVID it's hard to meet in person. However, there is a lot of interest in online engagement. SHARP can help w/ them or collaborations as it aligns w/ our pillars.

No public comment.

3. Approval of Minutes (Action Item)

- A. October 5th, 2020
[\(Document A\)](#)

At the call of the chair, Item 3 was tabled to hear Item 5 first.



No public comment. Commissioner Quick, seconded by Commissioner Jones, motioned to approve the minutes.

Roll Call Vote:

Jayden Tanaka, aye
Valentina Alioto-Pier, aye
Lillian Tang, aye
Plyfaa Suwanamalik-Murphy, aye
Calvin Quick, aye
Gabrielle Listana, aye
Adrianna Zhang, aye
Gracie Veiga, aye
Ariana Arana, absent
Rome Jones, nay
Erika Morris, aye
Arsema Asfaw, aye
Sarah Cheung, aye
Sarah Ginsburg, aye
Nora Hylton, aye
Amara Santos, aye
Stephen "Rocky" Versace, aye

4. Public Comment on Items not on Agenda (2 minutes per public comment)

No public comment. Commissioner Zhang motions to approve of agenda, seconded by Commissioner Alioto-Pier. By Roll Call vote, this motion passes.

Roll Call Vote:

Jayden Tanaka, aye
Valentina Alioto-Pier, aye
Lillian Tang, aye
Plyfaa Suwanamalik-Murphy, aye
Calvin Quick, aye
Gabrielle Listana, aye
Adrianna Zhang, aye
Gracie Veiga, aye
Ariana Arana, absent
Rome Jones, nay
Erika Morris, aye
Arsema Asfaw, aye
Sarah Cheung, aye
Sarah Ginsburg, aye
Nora Hylton, aye
Amara Santos, aye
Stephen "Rocky" Versace, aye

6. Youth Commission Business (All Items to Follow Discussion and Possible Action)

- A. [Inform] "Root to Fruit": Resolution Writing Workshop
Presenter: YC Staff



(Document B)

Staff Estrada- For new commissioners what is the difference between motion and resolution?

Commissioner Zhang- motion is when something is to discuss further and a resolution is a written document.

Staff Estrada- motion does not advise BOS or mayor which is the key difference. A policy change is an example of structural change, a change in systems that affect our lives. Does anyone have policies that you can think of for example a curfew. A policy is a rule or agreement that is enforced.

Commissioner Hylton- yes

Staff Estrada- Public policy is all around our lives that tells us what we can or cannot do. Legislative is any formal actions by BOS. Can anyone name a legislative that has been enacted by a supervisor?

Commissioner Veiga- The CAREN act

Commissioner Ginsburg- read what is an ordinance from the powerpoint slide.

Commissioner Tang- read the resolution from the powerpoint slide.

Staff Estrada- Which ones does the YC can adapt and write? The YC can adapt resolutions but not write ordinances. An example is prop G. A resolution is a description of a problem or situation that is then followed by a suggestion as to how to correct it or might also be a statement or declaration as to the policy of a certain matter. Any examples for last year's commission?

Commissioner Quick- Current Commissioner Cheung and former commissioner wrote a resolution on sexual assault for schools to provide survivor resources.

Commissioner Chueng- Identify a problem that affects youth, you can sponsor someone else's or write your own.

Staff Estrada- Motions and resolutions allow you to do charter duty and advocate for the needs of young people. Any returners have examples of past motions?

Commissioner Quick- TJ has passed motions to let letters around the state prison system.

Staff Hosmon- With the passing of Mayor Ed Lee the city wrote a motion for the passing of Mayor Ed Lee.

Staff Estrada- For practice does anyone have an issue who wants to write a resolution? An example is paying youth commissioners but is there another example?

Commissioner Santos- defund the police.

Commissioner Zhang- I like the idea of paying youth commissioners because it seems more relevant.



Commissioner Santos- I like both but paying the Youth Commissioner is very relevant.

Commissioner Quick- Commissioner Jones and I did a little bit of work towards being the commissioner so it can be interesting to discuss it again.

Staff Hosmon- How are you all feeling about writing a resolution?

Commissioner Zhang- I am unsure but want to write about something.

Commissioner Tanaka, - I agree with Commissioner Zhang.

Commissioner Alioto-Pier, Ginsburg- we did not write one last year but are ready to do it this year.

Staff Hosmon- think of a resolution like a tree, anything can be an issue connected to youth issues. The first step is to pick an issue, then think about what does a tree half on top and bottom? They are branches which are solutions and roots which are the foundation of the issue such as data points, quotes, and research.

The staff and commissioners engaged in an activity.

7. Committee Reports (Discussion Only)

A. Executive Committee

a. LAO

- i. no legislation introduced in relation to youth
- ii. CAREN Act up for full reading tomorrow in front of full board
- iii. tomorrow at 3pm a hearing on SFPD justice recommendations
- iv. Recommendations on Supervisor Haney has yet to see a resolution but I will check w/ Staff Estrada

b. Comms

- i. Postponed week in life, planning to start next week
- ii. Reminder for Boys and Girls Club is coming up soon

c. General Committee Updates

- i. Look over agenda and if interested let us know or come to the meetings
- ii. Buddy system related to Youth Commission, reaching out in the future

B. Civic Engagement

- a. Tomorrow Board of Ed will see if they will pass Prop 16 at 5pm
- b. Prop G phone banking on the weekend
- c. Merchant walks

C. Housing and Land Use

- a. Approve Mission statement
- b. Learning about HLU
- c. Internal team building

D. Transformative Justice

- a. Internal team building
- b. Police presentations back on, anyone interested reach out to them

E. OCOF

- a. No meetings dates yet
- b. Youth Friendly City Initiative- anyone interested to work on it then contact Commissioner Listana or Itzel



8. Staff Report (Discussion Only)

- Shoutout to birthdays- Sarah G, Lillian, Austin
- Signal app
- Created a collaborative spotify playlist
- Fill out self care form / YC activity form
- Weekly Internal shout outs (shoutout to Amara for always shouting out)
- If you get any media requests let Kiely know so she can help you prepare
- Boys and Girls Club panel is tomorrow
- Time for check ins

9. Announcements (This Includes Community Events)

- no announcements

10. Adjournment

Commissioner Hylton adjourned the meeting at 7:35 pm.

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M E M O R A N D U M

TO: Kiely Hosmon, Director, Youth Commission
FROM: John Carroll, Assistant Clerk,
Public Safety and Neighborhood Services Committee
DATE: October 30, 2020
SUBJECT: LEGISLATIVE MATTER INTRODUCED

The Board of Supervisors' Public Safety and Neighborhood Services Committee has received the following ordinance, introduced by Supervisor Mandelman on October 20, 2020. This item is being referred for comment and recommendation.

File No. 201187

Ordinance amending the Administrative Code to require the Department of Homelessness and Supportive Housing to establish a Safe Sleeping Sites Program to provide unsheltered persons with a safe place to sleep overnight; and affirming the Planning Department's determination under the California Environmental Quality Act.

Please return this cover sheet with the Commission's response to John Carroll, Assistant Clerk, Public Safety and Neighborhood Services Committee.

RESPONSE FROM YOUTH COMMISSION Date: _____

- _____ No Comment
- _____ Recommendation Attached

Chairperson, Youth Commission

1 [Administrative Code - Safe Sleeping Sites Program]

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3 **Ordinance amending the Administrative Code to require the Department of**
4 **Homelessness and Supportive Housing to establish a Safe Sleeping Sites Program to**
5 **provide unsheltered persons with a safe place to sleep overnight; and affirming the**
6 **Planning Department's determination under the California Environmental Quality Act.**

7 NOTE: **Unchanged Code text and uncodified text** are in plain Arial font.
8 **Additions to Codes** are in *single-underline italics Times New Roman font*.
9 **Deletions to Codes** are in *strikethrough italics Times New Roman font*.
10 **Board amendment additions** are in double-underlined Arial font.
11 **Board amendment deletions** are in ~~strikethrough Arial font~~.
12 **Asterisks (* * * *)** indicate the omission of unchanged Code
13 subsections or parts of tables.

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

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14 Section 1. Environmental Findings.

15 The Planning Department has determined that the actions contemplated in this
16 ordinance comply with the California Environmental Quality Act (California Public Resources
17 Code Sections 21000 et seq.). Said determination is on file with the Clerk of the Board of
18 Supervisors in File No. ____ and is incorporated herein by reference. The Board affirms this
19 determination.

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21 Section 2. General Findings.

22 (a) San Francisco has struggled with homelessness for nearly four decades. Since
23 the 1980's, successive mayoral administrations have implemented different and sometimes
24 divergent strategies to address the City's most enduring crisis.

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1 (b) In 1982, Mayor Dianne Feinstein launched a network of church-based
2 emergency winter shelters and soup kitchens. In the late 1980s and early 1990s, Mayor Art
3 Agnos took a different approach, unveiling the “Beyond Shelter” plan to provide unhoused
4 people access to supportive services and a pathway to long-term housing. In 1990, Mayor
5 Agnos opened the City’s first two Multi-Service Centers, which were homeless shelters with
6 onsite mental health and substance use disorder services.

7 (c) In 1993, Mayor Frank Jordan instituted the Matrix Program which tasked police
8 officers accompanied by social workers or health aides with clearing unhoused people from
9 City streets and connecting them to services. In the first six months of the program, police
10 issued over 6,000 citations for quality-of-life misdemeanors, such as public inebriation or
11 sleeping in doorways. In 1992, voters approved Mayor Jordan’s Proposition J, which banned
12 aggressive panhandling. Voters also approved Mayor Jordan’s 1994 ballot measure, also
13 named Proposition J, which banned loitering within 30 feet of an automated teller machine for
14 more than one minute.

15 (d) After his election in 1996, Mayor Willie Brown declared homelessness
16 unsolvable at a local level, and insisted any measurable improvement would require state and
17 federal dollars to fund the housing and services needed to keep people off the streets. During
18 his two terms in office, Mayor Brown’s administration nonetheless added thousands of units of
19 affordable and subsidized housing, including leasing and renovating single room occupancy
20 hotels for low-income and unhoused people.

21 (e) Prior to his election as Mayor in 2004, as a member of the Board of Supervisors,
22 Gavin Newsom authored a 2002 ballot measure, entitled “Care Not Cash,” which reduced
23 City-funded General Assistance cash payments to unhoused people, and redirected the
24 savings to fund services and supportive housing. According to a 2008 City Controller’s audit,
25 the Care Not Cash program housed 2,127 people between its implementation in 2003 and

1 December 2007. The Department of Homelessness and Supportive Housing (“HSH”)
2 estimates that Care Not Cash led to the creation of 1,300 units of permanent supportive
3 housing.

4 (f) In 2004, Mayor Newsom introduced his “Ten Year Plan to Abolish Chronic
5 Homelessness,” which proposed to create 3,000 units of permanent supportive housing by
6 2010, and to replace shelters with 24-hour crisis clinics and sobering centers. By 2014, the
7 City was still 300 units shy of the 3,000 pledged units, and had reduced the number of
8 shelters beds by a third, from 1,910 beds in 2004 to 1,145 beds in 2014.

9 (g) Mayor Newsom authored two additional voter-approved ballot measures aimed
10 at responding to homelessness: Proposition M in 2003, which amended the City’s
11 panhandling and loitering bans, and Proposition L in 2010, which made it illegal to sit or lie on
12 sidewalks citywide from 7am to 11pm.

13 (h) Mayor Ed Lee oversaw the opening of the City’s first Navigation Center in 2015,
14 and in 2016 created HSH, pledging to spend at least \$1 billion over the next four years to
15 address homelessness. Mayor Lee directed implementation of the City’s Coordinated Entry
16 system, seeking to improve the coordination of services by consolidating the dozens of City-
17 funded homeless service groups into one system with a shared database. In the winter of
18 2017, shortly before his death, Mayor Lee pledged to move 1,000 unhoused people off the
19 streets, and open two more Navigation Centers.

20 (i) Today, nearly four decades after Mayor Feinstein first attempted to respond to
21 rising homelessness in San Francisco, the issue continues to vex the City. According to the
22 Homeless Point-in-Time Count conducted on January 24, 2019, more than 8,035 people were
23 experiencing homelessness at that time, a 17% increase from 2017. Among those surveyed,
24 5,180 were unsheltered, with 86% of unsheltered individuals sleeping outdoors in streets,
25 parks or tents. According to a database of homeless individuals who use health care and

1 other services, the number of people experiencing homelessness over the course of a year is
2 estimated to be much higher than the number of people who experience homelessness on a
3 given night, with estimates that more than 17,500 people experience homelessness in San
4 Francisco during a given year.

5 (j) During those same four decades, San Francisco has earned an international
6 reputation for the severity of its homelessness crisis, with widespread reports of the City's
7 street conditions appearing in media outlets around the world. In January 2017, Leilani Farha,
8 a United Nations Special Rapporteur on adequate housing, issued a report finding that San
9 Francisco's response to its unhoused population constitutes cruel and inhumane treatment,
10 and is a violation of international human rights law including laws establishing the rights to life,
11 housing, health and water and sanitation. Her report further stated "[T]he scope and severity
12 of the living conditions in informal settlements make them one of the most pervasive violations
13 of the human rights of dignity, security, health and life worldwide."

14 (k) San Francisco voters expressed their own dissatisfaction with the current state
15 of homelessness in a Dignity Health CityBeat Poll conducted in January 2020. 71% of San
16 Francisco voters identified homelessness and street conditions as the top issue facing the
17 City, and 89% stated that homelessness and street behavior had gotten worse in the past few
18 years.

19 (l) The COVID-19 pandemic and the City's Shelter in Place response exacerbated
20 street conditions and contributed to an increase in the number of tent encampments citywide,
21 with large numbers of unhoused people seeking shelter in neighborhoods throughout the City.
22 This was at least partly due to a 75% reduction in available shelter beds, and a halt on new
23 admissions to the shelter system in the early days of the pandemic, in compliance with
24 guidance from the Centers for Disease Control requiring social distancing in the City's
25 homeless shelters, thus necessitating a decrease in the shelter capacity. This reduction in

1 shelter capacity is estimated to have forced nearly 1,000 unhoused people to return to City
2 streets. From January to May 2020, the number of tents citywide increased by 71%.

3 (m) Although encampments increased across the City during Shelter in Place, the
4 increase and related impacts were felt more severely in neighborhoods where homelessness
5 was most acute prior to COVID-19. In the Tenderloin, the number of tents increased 285%
6 between January and May 2020.

7 (n) On May 4, 2020, UC Hastings Law School filed a lawsuit on behalf of a group of
8 Tenderloin residents and business owners over conditions in the neighborhood. As part of a
9 settlement, the City agreed to achieve a 70% reduction in the number of tents by July 20,
10 2020. By July 3, 2020, the number of tents in the Tenderloin decreased by 65%. By July 10,
11 2020, the City reduced the number of tents in the Tenderloin by over 73%. As of August 18,
12 2020, the City had moved 87% of tents from the Tenderloin, and placed more than 600 people
13 into Shelter in Place (SIP) hotels or other shelter. Since the Hastings lawsuit, three other
14 lawsuits have been filed against the City. These lawsuits, except one filed by a plaintiff
15 proceeding in propria persona, have been dismissed.

16 (o) Following the issuance of new guidance from the Department of Public Health
17 (“DPH”) regarding street encampments, the City’s Healthy Streets Operations Center began
18 resolving encampments in other neighborhoods as well, subject to the availability of
19 alternative placements.

20 (p) Notwithstanding such efforts, conditions on our streets remain unacceptable.
21 While some progress has been made in parts of the City, many thousands of people continue
22 to sleep in unregulated, unsafe encampments without access to basic services such as water,
23 food, sanitation, or bathrooms.

24 (q) As demonstrated by the summary of mayoral initiatives above, the reality that
25 thousands of individuals remain without homes or shelter is not for lack of effort or investment

1 in solutions by the City. Since 2004, San Francisco has housed 26,000 homeless people.
2 Today, the City has more than 8,000 units of permanent supportive housing which house
3 approximately 10,000 formerly homeless individuals every night who would otherwise be
4 homeless.

5 (r) Since 2015, the City's development of the Navigation Center model has
6 represented a significant expansion of shorter-term shelter as well. Navigation Centers are
7 unlike traditional emergency shelters because they are service-intensive and low-barrier, and
8 provide case management, meals, showers, laundry, and 24-hour access, and allow guests to
9 bring their partners, pets, and belongings.

10 (s) Since 2015, HSH has opened eight Navigation Centers, four of which are
11 currently operating. According to HSH, from the launch of Navigation Centers in 2015 through
12 the end of 2019, 48% of Navigation Center exits were either to permanent housing or
13 reunifications with family or friends through the Homeward Bound program. Over 5,000 clients
14 have been served at Navigation Centers from 2015 to December 2019.

15 (t) In October 2018, Mayor Breed announced a commitment to open at least 1,000
16 additional shelter beds, including Navigation Center beds, by the end of 2020. Prior to the
17 outbreak of the coronavirus pandemic, the City was close to meeting this goal, and anticipates
18 opening 880 of the proposed 1,000 beds by March 2021.

19 (u) In November 2018, the voters approved Proposition C ("Prop. C"), creating a
20 new gross receipts tax on high-grossing companies estimated to generate over \$300 million
21 annually for homeless housing and services. In June 2020, a state appeals court upheld a
22 lower court decision validating Prop. C, and on September 9, the California Supreme Court
23 denied further legal review, freeing up nearly \$500 million in revenue that had been collected
24 but remained unspent pending resolution of the litigation.

25

1 (v) During Shelter in Place, the City has acquired over 2,441 SIP hotel rooms to
2 provide shelter to homeless individuals determined to be medically vulnerable to COVID-19.
3 The cost of providing a hotel room is approximately \$260 per person per night, although the
4 City anticipates that 75% of costs may be reimbursed by the Federal Emergency
5 Management Agency.

6 (w) On September 29, the Board of Supervisors enacted the Fiscal Year 2020-21
7 budget, which includes funding for the acquisition or leasing of an additional 1,500 permanent
8 supportive housing units over the next two years, largely funded through Prop. C revenue.
9 These units, proposed in Mayor Breed's Homelessness Recovery Plan, represent the largest
10 one-time expansion of permanent supportive housing in San Francisco in 20 years. The
11 budget for HSH increased from \$367,690,818, in Fiscal Year 2019-20, to \$850,065,660, for
12 Fiscal Year 2020-21, with the bulk of the increase paying for Shelter in Place hotel rooms and
13 new permanent supportive housing units.

14 (x) San Franciscans are justifiably frustrated that after multiple decades and many
15 billions of dollars of investment in additional shelter bed capacity, hotel placements, and
16 permanent supportive housing units, thousands of unsheltered people continue to sleep on
17 the streets night after night, and that the City relies on residential neighborhoods to serve as
18 campsites of last resort for unhoused people, including individuals struggling with significant
19 behavioral health conditions and substance use disorders.

20 (y) The Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals in a case entitled Martin v. City of Boise, 902
21 F.3d 1031 (9th Cir. 2018), held that the Eighth Amendment's prohibition on cruel and unusual
22 punishment bars a city from criminally prosecuting people for sleeping on public property
23 when those persons have committed no offenses other than sleeping on public property, and
24 the city has not offered alternative shelter.

25

1 (z) Notwithstanding the many investments described above, San Francisco has
2 never established a comprehensive citywide strategy for meeting the shelter needs of the
3 unhoused. Safe sleeping sites offer a potential strategy for addressing the needs of
4 thousands of people who continue to suffer outside every night.

5 (aa) Safe sleeping sites are designated and officially sanctioned outdoor spaces for
6 unsheltered people, providing an organized area to stay with access to amenities and
7 services that may include handwashing stations, bathrooms, daily meals, social services, and
8 access to the City’s Coordinated Entry System.

9 (bb) Safe sleeping sites offer a scalable and sustainable strategy for addressing the
10 needs of those people who continue to shelter outside every night and for whom the City does
11 not have an available housing unit or shelter available.

12 (cc) On May 8, 2020 the Board of Supervisors unanimously enacted Resolution 191-
13 20, urging the City to establish safe sleeping sites for unsheltered people, to encourage social
14 distancing, improve sanitation, and slow the spread of COVID-19.

15 (dd) Subsequent to introduction of Resolution 191-20, on May 5, 2020 Supervisors
16 Sandra Lee Fewer and Gordon Mar introduced legislation authorizing the use of San
17 Francisco park property for temporary shelter and other measures in response to the COVID-
18 19 pandemic, and directed the Recreation and Park Department (“RPD”) to provide to the
19 Board of Supervisors with a list of potential locations for such uses. RPD and the Real Estate
20 Division submitted a list of 42 potential sites. The sponsors tabled the legislation on May 18,
21 2020.

22 (dd) On May 13, 2020, the City established its first sanctioned and supervised safe
23 sleeping site on Fulton Street between the Asian Art Museum and the Main Library, which
24 provides space for safely distanced tents, 24/7 access to bathrooms and handwashing
25 stations, daily meals, and health care services. As of October 14, 2020, the City has opened

1 six Safe Sleeping Sites, five of which are active. In total, the active Safe Sleeping sites
2 provide a place to sleep to approximately 213 unhoused individuals. Safe sleeping sites are a
3 proven model providing safe places to sleep and access to services for unhoused individuals
4 who were otherwise unable to access housing, shelter or services. However, the HSH Fiscal
5 year 2020-21 Budget includes funding for only 150 safe sleeping site placements, with funding
6 decreasing to just 50 placements in 2021-22.

7 (ff) Because the City's safe sleeping sites provide outdoor space with socially
8 distanced areas for sleeping, access to sanitation and bathrooms, and 24/7 onsite security,
9 guests are at lower risk of contracting and spreading COVID-19 than in congregate shelters
10 where guests sleep in confined indoor spaces close to others, or unregulated encampments
11 where there is little access to sanitation and no enforcement of social distancing.

12 (gg) Safe sleeping sites are a preferred option of unhoused people. According to a
13 survey of 584 unhoused individuals conducted by the Coalition on Homelessness between
14 June 3 and August 30, 2020, 58% of unhoused people surveyed prefer a "legal free campsite"
15 to existing shelters.

16 (hh) Because the City lacks sufficient capacity in the shelter system or adequate
17 housing alternatives to accommodate the thousands of people still living in tent encampments,
18 far too many unhoused people continue to seek shelter on the streets. By establishing a
19 network of safe sleeping sites so that every unsheltered person who is unable to access a
20 shelter bed or housing unit can be offered a placement, San Francisco can ensure that all
21 unhoused people have a safe place to spend the night, and no neighborhood's sidewalks
22 need serve as shelter of last resort.

23
24 Section 3. The Administrative Code is hereby amended by adding Chapter 118,
25 consisting of Sections 118.1 to 118.8, to read as follows:

1
2 **CHAPTER 118:**
3 **SAFE SLEEPING SITES**
4

5 **SEC. 118.1. TITLE.**

6 *This ordinance shall be known as “A Place for All Ordinance.”*
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8 **SEC. 118.2. SAFE SLEEPING SITE POLICY.**

9 *It shall be the policy of the City and County of San Francisco (“City”) to ensure that every*
10 *person experiencing homelessness in San Francisco has a safe place to sleep overnight. First and*
11 *foremost, the City is committed to expanding opportunities for safe, affordable, and permanent housing*
12 *for all residents. To supplement permanent housing, the City is committed to expanding opportunities*
13 *for people experiencing homelessness to have temporary shelter, including but not limited to,*
14 *Navigation Centers, adult emergency shelters, crisis stabilization units, family shelters, and shelters for*
15 *transitional aged youth (“TAY”). To the extent that there is insufficient permanent housing and*
16 *temporary shelter for people experiencing homelessness in San Francisco, it shall be the policy of the*
17 *City to expeditiously establish and operate a network of temporary Safe Sleeping Sites where*
18 *individuals may safely take shelter for the night, and to provide transportation as reasonably needed to*
19 *and from such locations.*
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21 **SEC. 118.3. ESTABLISHMENT OF THE SAFE SLEEPING SITES PROGRAM.**

22 *(a) Subject to the budgetary and fiscal provisions of the Charter, the Department of*
23 *Homelessness and Supportive Housing (“HSH”) shall establish a Safe Sleeping Sites Program (the*
24 *“Program”). By no later than 18 months after the Effective Date, the City shall have opened as many*
25 *Safe Sleeping Sites as are necessary to accommodate all of the Unsheltered people in San Francisco*

1 who are willing to accept a referral to such sites, based on the most recent estimate prepared by HSH
2 pursuant to Section 118.5, with such excess capacity as HSH reasonably determines may be necessary
3 to ensure that a space at a Safe Sleeping Site will generally be available for anyone accepting such
4 placement.

5 (b) HSH shall coordinate with the Division of Real Estate, the Recreation and Park
6 Department, the Human Services Agency, the Port of San Francisco (“Port”), the Public Utilities
7 Commission (“PUC”), the Municipal Transportation Agency (“MTA”), and such other City
8 departments, offices, agencies, boards, and commissions as may be necessary or appropriate for
9 successful implementation of the Program.

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11 **SEC. 118.4. DEFINITIONS.**

12 As used in this Chapter 118, the following words or phrases shall mean:

13 “City” means the City and County of San Francisco.

14 “Effective Date” means the effective date of the ordinance in Board File No. 201187, enacting
15 this Chapter 118

16 “Safe Sleeping Site” means an outdoor lot or facility meeting the operational requirements set
17 forth in Section 118.7, as may be applicable, where Unsheltered individuals may sleep overnight in
18 their own tent or bedding and may access services.

19 “Unsheltered” means having a primary nighttime residence that is a public or private place not
20 designed for or ordinarily used as a regular sleeping accommodation for human beings, including a
21 car, park, abandoned building, bus or train station, airport, or camping ground.

22
23 **SEC. 118.5. ANNUAL ESTIMATE OF THE NUMBER OF UNSHELTERED PEOPLE.**

24 Within 60 days of the Effective Date, and every year thereafter, HSH shall prepare an estimate
25 of the number of Unsheltered people in San Francisco who are willing to accept a referral to a Safe

1 Sleeping Site, which estimate shall be used to determine the number of Safe Sleeping Sites that the City
2 is required to operate, consistent with Section 118.3. HSH shall calculate the estimate in collaboration
3 with the Controller, using the most accurate and current data sources available, including but not
4 limited to the Point-in-Time Homeless Count, tent counts, and data collected and maintained by HSH
5 and other City departments reflecting the rate of acceptance of referrals to Safe Sleeping Sites among
6 people who are offered such placement.

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8 **SEC. 118.6. SURVEY OF REAL PROPERTY.**

9 (a) The Director of Real Estate shall conduct a survey of real property in the City to identify
10 lots appropriate for use as Safe Sleeping Sites, and shall submit the findings of such survey to the
11 Board of Supervisors no later than three months after the Effective Date. The survey shall include
12 vacant or unused sites owned or controlled by the City; sites owned or controlled by the City that are
13 being used for other purposes but could feasibly be converted to a Safe Sleeping Site; private property,
14 including property owned by non-City agencies, that could be leased or acquired by the City; and such
15 other information, if any, as the Director of Real Estate deems appropriate to aid in identifying lots as
16 intended by this Section 118.6. As part of the survey, the Director of Real Estate, in consultation with
17 the Planning Department, shall note whether the use of a particular lot as a Safe Sleeping Site would
18 require a variance, conditional use permit, or amendment of the Planning Code.

19 (b) The Director of Real Estate shall annually update the survey of real property required
20 by subsection (a) and shall submit such updated survey to the Board of Supervisors.

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22 **SEC. 118.7. OPERATIONAL REQUIREMENTS.**

23 (a) **Applicability of Requirements.** The location of a facility or lot on property under the
24 jurisdiction of the MTA, PUC, or the Port requires the approval of the agency with jurisdiction over the
25 property.

1 **(b) Operational Requirements for Safe Sleeping Sites. Each Safe Sleeping Site shall:**

2 **(1) Accommodate up to 150 Unsheltered individuals;**

3 **(2) Prepare and implement a Safety Plan to ensure that the site is safe and secure;**

4 **(3) Prepare and implement an Intake Plan designed to support Unsheltered people**
5 **and address street encampments;**

6 **(4) Prepare and implement an Exit Plan to assist clients who are exiting the site to**
7 **relocate to places other than the street;**

8 **(5) Provide access to clean and regularly-serviced bathroom facilities, and may also**
9 **provide access to showers;**

10 **(6) Be open and available for use during hours to be established by HSH, but at a**
11 **minimum shall be open from 8:00 p.m. to 8:00 a.m.**

12 **(c) Transportation. HSH shall ensure that transportation is provided between Safe Sleeping**
13 **Sites and designated HSH shelter reservation sites, access points, and other designated pick-up/drop-**
14 **off locations to persons who have been assigned a reservation at a Safe Sleeping Site by HSH or its**
15 **designee, and shall provide expanded pick-up/drop-off service during wet weather events and**
16 **emergency conditions. For purposes of this subsection (c), “transportation” shall not include bus or**
17 **light rail service operated for public transportation by the MTA.**

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19 **SEC. 118.8. IMPLEMENTATION.**

20 **(a) The Director of HSH may issue rules, regulations, and/or guidelines, applicable to the**
21 **Program, consistent with the objectives and requirements of this Chapter 118.**

22 **(b) To the extent consistent with Charter requirements, the Director of HSH may enter into**
23 **contracts or other agreements with other City departments, public agencies, and private entities to aid**
24 **in the administration of this Chapter 118.**

1 (c) All City officers and entities shall cooperate with the Director of HSH in the
2 implementation and administration of this Chapter 118.

3 (d) Within 60 days of the Effective Date, HSH shall submit to the Mayor and the Board of
4 Supervisors a plan to open enough Safe Sleeping Sites to serve 500 Unsheltered people within nine
5 months of the Effective Date, and enough Safe Sleeping Sites to meet the requirements set forth in
6 Section 118.3 within 18 months of the Effective Date (“Implementation Plan”). The Implementation
7 Plan shall include, but not necessarily be limited to:

8 (1) An estimate of the cost of implementing the Safe Sleeping Sites program during
9 the 18-month implementation period, and the annual cost of operating the Program once it is fully
10 operational. These estimates shall specify what portion of the costs, if any, can be paid for out of
11 money that has already been appropriated to HSH’s budget, and what portion of the costs would
12 require a new appropriation;

13 (2) An analysis of the cost-effectiveness of different Safe Sleeping Site models;

14 (3) A description of any services to be provided on the site of a Safe Sleeping Site,
15 including but not limited to case management, treatment referrals, and/or coordinated entry referrals;

16 (4) A description of any accommodations that may be provided at some or all of the
17 Safe Sleeping Sites, such as but not limited to cots, tents, pods, tuff sheds, and/or tiny homes.

18 (5) A description of the method by which HSH intends to select contractors or
19 grantees to implement and/or operate the Safe Sleeping Sites Program.

20 (e) Within two years of the Effective Date and annually thereafter, the Controller shall
21 submit to the Mayor and the Board of Supervisors, as well as HSH, a report evaluating the Program,
22 including an assessment of the number of Unsheltered persons served, the number of safe sleeping
23 spaces made available, the average nightly occupancy rate for each Safe Sleeping Site, and data
24 showing the number and percentage of exits from Safe Sleeping Sites that are made to permanent
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1 housing, shelter, the streets, or another location, and any programmatic recommendations, along with
2 a resolution to accept the report.

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4 Section 4. Effective Date. This ordinance shall become effective 30 days after
5 enactment. Enactment occurs when the Mayor signs the ordinance, the Mayor returns the
6 ordinance unsigned or does not sign the ordinance within ten days of receiving it, or the Board
7 of Supervisors overrides the Mayor's veto of the ordinance.

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9 Section 5. Undertaking for the General Welfare. In enacting and implementing this
10 ordinance, the City is assuming an undertaking only to promote the general welfare. It is not
11 assuming, nor is it imposing on its officers and employees, an obligation for breach of which it
12 is liable in money damages to any person who claims that such breach proximately caused
13 injury.

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15 APPROVED AS TO FORM:
16 DENNIS J. HERRERA, City Attorney

17 By: /s/
18 ANNE PEARSON
19 Deputy City Attorney

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LEGISLATIVE DIGEST

[Administrative Code - Safe Sleeping Sites Program]

Ordinance amending the Administrative Code to require the Department of Homelessness and Supportive Housing to establish a Safe Sleeping Sites Program to provide unsheltered persons with a safe place to sleep overnight; and affirming the Planning Department’s determination under the California Environmental Quality Act.

Existing Law

Currently, there is no law requiring the City to operate outdoor sites where unsheltered people may sleep overnight and receive access to services.

Amendments to Current Law

The proposed ordinance, known as the “A Place for All Ordinance,” would establish that it is the policy of the City and County of San Francisco (“City”) to expeditiously establish and operate a network of temporary Safe Sleeping Sites where individuals may safely take shelter for the night, and would require the Department of Homelessness and Supportive Housing (“HSH”) to establish a Safe Sleeping Sites Program.

Subject to the budgetary and fiscal provisions of the Charter, and within 18 months of the effective date of the ordinance, HSH would be required to open as many Safe Sleeping Sites as are necessary to accommodate all of the unsheltered people in San Francisco who are willing to accept a referral to such sites, with such excess capacity as may be necessary to ensure that a space at a Safe Sleeping Site shall generally be available for anyone accepting such placement. HSH would conduct an annual estimate of the number of unsheltered people willing to accept referral to a site to inform the number of Safe Sleeping Sites that must be opened.

Once opened, Safe Sleeping Sites would be required to accommodate up to 150 unsheltered individuals; prepare and implement a safety plan, intake plan, and exit plan; provide access to clean and regularly-serviced bathrooms; and be open and available for use from at least 8:00 p.m. to 8:00 a.m. In addition, HSH would be required to provide private transportation between Safe Sleeping Sites and designated HSH shelter reservation sites, access points, and other designated pick-up/drop-off locations to persons who have been assigned a reservation at a Safe Sleeping Site.

Background Information

As of January 2019, more than 8,035 people in San Francisco were experiencing homelessness. 5,180 of these individuals were unsheltered, 86% of whom were sleeping outdoors in streets, parks or tents.

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Kiely Hosmon, Director, Youth Commission
FROM: John Carroll, Assistant Clerk, for Erica Major, Land Use and Transportation Committee
DATE: October 30, 2020
SUBJECT: LEGISLATIVE MATTER INTRODUCED

The Board of Supervisors' Land Use and Transportation Committee has received the following resolution, introduced by Supervisor Mar on October 27, 2020. This item is being referred for comment and recommendation.

File No. 201227

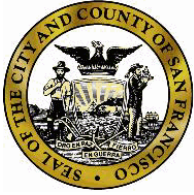
Resolution urging Governor Newsom and the California State Legislature to discontinue permitting for any new oil and gas extraction, fossil fuel infrastructure, or petrochemical projects in California; and urging Governor Newsom to set California on a path to phase out existing oil production in line with the Paris climate goals, with a just and equitable transition that protects workers, communities, and economies, and require a 2,500-foot health and safety buffer between fossil-fuel infrastructure and homes, schools, and other sensitive sites.

Please return this cover sheet with the Commission's response to John Carroll, Assistant Clerk, Public Safety and Neighborhood Services Committee.

RESPONSE FROM YOUTH COMMISSION Date: _____

___ No Comment
___ Recommendation Attached

Chairperson, Youth Commission



City and County of San Francisco

Master Report

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File Number: 201227 **File Type:** Resolution **Status:** Pending Committee Action

Enacted: _____ **Effective:** _____

Version: 1 **In Control:** Land Use and Transportation Committee

File Name: Urging a Just Transition to a Fossil Fuel-Free Future for California **Date Introduced:** 10/27/2020

Requester: _____ **Cost:** _____ **Final Action:** _____

Comment: _____ **Title:** Resolution urging Governor Newsom and the California State Legislature to discontinue permitting for any new oil and gas extraction, fossil fuel infrastructure, or petrochemical projects in California; and urging Governor Newsom to set California on a path to phase out existing oil production in line with the Paris climate goals, with a just and equitable transition that protects workers, communities, and economies, and require a 2,500-foot health and safety buffer between fossil-fuel infrastructure and homes, schools, and other sensitive sites.

Companion Files: 190222 **Sponsor:** Mar

History of Legislative File 201227

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8 **require a 2,500-foot health and safety buffer between fossil-fuel infrastructure and**
9 **homes, schools, and other sensitive sites.**

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11 WHEREAS, In December 2015, world governments signed onto the Paris Agreement,
12 which entered into force on November 4, 2016, and set an international goal to limit the global
13 average temperature rise to well below 2 degrees Celsius, and to strive to limit it to 1.5
14 degrees Celsius, in order to avert global climate catastrophe and incalculable losses of human
15 life, capital, and property; and

16 WHEREAS, On April 2, 2019, the San Francisco Board of Supervisors adopted a
17 resolution declaring a climate emergency in San Francisco and requesting immediate and
18 accelerated action to address the climate crisis and limit global warming to 1.5 degrees
19 Celsius, on file with the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors in File No. 190222, which is hereby
20 declared to be a part of this Resolution as if set forth fully herein; and

21 WHEREAS, Without large-scale policy intervention, existing fossil fuel production will
22 push us far past 2 degrees of warming, into a world which will displace more than a billion
23 humans and likely result in food insecurity worldwide; and

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1 WHEREAS, Continued extraction of the reserves in currently operating oil and gas
2 fields alone would take the world beyond 1.5°C of warming and exacerbate ongoing climate
3 catastrophe; and

4 WHEREAS, California extracts 250 billion cubic feet of natural gas per year and is the
5 nation’s seventh-largest oil-producing state, producing about 200 million barrels of oil per year
6 accounting for 8% of all oil extraction in the United States, and California is estimated to
7 contain nearly one-half of the country’s heavy oil; and

8 WHEREAS, California cannot be a true climate leader without addressing the dirty oil
9 and gas production within our borders; and

10 WHEREAS, California’s oil and gas industry directly employs over 150,000 workers
11 statewide, and indirectly supports more than 200,000 additional jobs, and workers will require
12 a full set of Just Transition policies to support them as the industry contracts, including job
13 retraining opportunities; and

14 WHEREAS, There is ample opportunity to create new, green jobs as part of the
15 necessary transition away from fossil fuels, with the potential for 725,000 jobs generated per
16 year with a public initiative to lower the state’s CO2 emissions by 45 percent by 2030; and

17 WHEREAS, California’s dirty oil and gas production not only fuels climate change but
18 also releases pollutants to the air, water, and soil that endanger surrounding communities;
19 and

20 WHEREAS, Harmful pollutants emitted by oil and gas production include known
21 cancer-causing chemicals like benzene, formaldehyde, and cadmium; smog-forming
22 chemicals like nitrogen oxides, volatile organic compounds, and methane; and particulate
23 matter including diesel exhaust and silica dust that cause lung and heart problems; and

1 WHEREAS, Research has found that people living near drilling sites have a higher risk
2 for developing cancer, increased asthma attacks, higher hospitalization rates, and more upper
3 respiratory problems and rashes; and

4 WHEREAS, A recent study published by the National Institutes of Health found that
5 living near oil and gas wells caused significant adverse health effects to pregnant mothers and
6 newborn babies; and

7 WHEREAS, New research shows living near oil and gas development in California is a
8 risk factor for preterm birth, the leading cause of infant death in the United States; and

9 WHEREAS, As California continues to contend with the COVID-19 pandemic, recent
10 research by the Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health shows that exposure to air
11 pollution, such as that created by oil and gas extraction, leads to a large increase in the
12 COVID-19 death rate; and

13 WHEREAS, New analysis of oil and gas development in California shows that, already,
14 approximately 5.4 million people, or 14 percent of the state's population, live within a mile of
15 one, or more, of more than 84,000 existing oil and gas wells; and

16 WHEREAS, More than a third of these people also live in areas most burdened by
17 environmental pollution as identified by California EPA's tool, CalEnviroScreen 2.0; and

18 WHEREAS, 92% of the 1.8 million Californians living near oil and gas development in
19 areas already burdened by environmental pollution are people of color; and

20 WHEREAS, Therefore, fossil fuel extraction is a form of environmental racism that
21 exacerbates existing disparities in health outcomes for people of color; and

22 WHEREAS, The 2020 Policy Platform of The Movement for Black Lives calls for an
23 immediate halt to permits for all energy and petrochemical infrastructure building as part of
24 any declaration of a state of emergency, and the Vision for Black Lives includes divestment
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1 from industrial multinational use of fossil fuels and investments in community based
2 sustainable energy solutions as a core policy demand; and

3 WHEREAS, Recent studies show the significant water footprint of hydraulic fracking, a
4 grave concern for a state with high risk of drought and where careful water management is
5 essential, with shale-gas wells using up to 6.27 million gallons of water per well, while shale-
6 oil wells use up 2 million gallons of water per well; and

7 WHEREAS, Another study found huge increases in both water use and wastewater at
8 fracking sites in the years spanning 2011 to 2016, with water use per well rising by up to 770
9 percent while wastewater volumes increased by a high of 1,440 percent within one year one
10 of production; and

11 WHEREAS, Recent polling shows that Californians overwhelmingly want more action
12 from their elected officials to protect them from the negative health impacts of oil operations;
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14 WHEREAS, 79% of Californians support a 2,500-foot safety buffer zone around oil
15 operations; and

16 WHEREAS, Californians support funding for community colleges and universities to
17 offer programs to retrain oil and gas workers for renewable energy jobs by a 75-25 margin;
18 and

19 WHEREAS, Californians support a Just Transition policy, defined as a policy to
20 transition people in the oil industry to clean energy jobs with family-sustaining wages and
21 benefits, by a 2-1 margin; and

22 WHEREAS, The Last Chance Alliance, an alliance of more than 750 public health,
23 environmental justice, climate, and labor organizations, has united to urge Governor Gavin
24 Newsom to stop new fossil fuel permits, drop existing oil drilling, and roll out health and safety
25 buffers; now, therefore, be it

1 RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Board of Supervisors urges Governor Gavin
2 Newsom to discontinue permitting for any new oil and gas extraction, fossil fuel infrastructure,
3 or petrochemical projects in California; and urges the California State Legislature to enact
4 legislation prohibiting new permits for oil and gas extraction in California; and, be it

5 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Board of Supervisors urges Governor
6 Gavin Newsom to set California on a path to phase out existing oil production in line with the
7 Paris climate goals, with a just and equitable transition that protects workers, communities,
8 and economies; and, be it

9 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Board of Supervisors urges Governor
10 Gavin Newsom to establish requirements for a 2,500-foot health and safety buffer between
11 existing fossil-fuel infrastructure and homes, schools, and other sensitive sites; and, be it

12 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Board of Supervisors hereby directs
13 the Clerk of the Board to transmit copies to the Honorable Governor Gavin Newsom and to
14 San Francisco’s representatives in the State Legislature with a request to take all action
15 necessary to achieve the objectives of this Resolution.

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Introduction Form

By a Member of the Board of Supervisors or Mayor

Time stamp
or meeting date

I hereby submit the following item for introduction (select only one):

- 1. For reference to Committee. (An Ordinance, Resolution, Motion or Charter Amendment).
- 2. Request for next printed agenda Without Reference to Committee.
- 3. Request for hearing on a subject matter at Committee.
- 4. Request for letter beginning : "Supervisor inquiries"
- 5. City Attorney Request.
- 6. Call File No. from Committee.
- 7. Budget Analyst request (attached written motion).
- 8. Substitute Legislation File No.
- 9. Reactivate File No.
- 10. Topic submitted for Mayoral Appearance before the BOS on

Please check the appropriate boxes. The proposed legislation should be forwarded to the following:

- Small Business Commission
- Youth Commission
- Ethics Commission
- Planning Commission
- Building Inspection Commission

Note: For the Imperative Agenda (a resolution not on the printed agenda), use the Imperative Form.

Sponsor(s):

Mar

Subject:

Urging a Just Transition to a Fossil Fuel-Free Future for California

The text is listed:

Resolution urging Governor Newsom and the California State Legislature to discontinue permitting for any new oil and gas extraction, fossil fuel infrastructure, or petrochemical projects in California; and urging Governor Newsom to set California on a path to phase out existing oil production in line with the Paris climate goals, with a just and equitable transition that protects workers, communities, and economies, and require a 2,500-foot health and safety buffer between fossil-fuel infrastructure and homes, schools, and other sensitive sites.

Signature of Sponsoring Supervisor: /s/ Gordon Mar

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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.

RESPONSE FROM YOUTH COMMISSION Date: _____

- _____ **No Comment**
- _____ **Recommendation Attached**

Chairperson, Youth Commission