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**MAYORAL NOMINEE SUE DIAMOND CONFIRMED AS  
SAN FRANCISCO PLANNING COMMISSIONER**

*Sue Diamond will bring years of experience working on complex land use and real estate law to Planning Commission*

**San Francisco, CA** — Mayor London N. Breed's nomination to appoint Sue Diamond to the San Francisco Planning Commission was approved today by the Board of Supervisors with a 9-2 vote. Diamond will fill the vacancy left by Richard Hillis, who resigned from his position on the Commission in September. Her first Commission meeting will be on Thursday, November 21st.

Diamond is an attorney with experience in land use and real estate law. She has her own law firm that works primarily with nonprofit organizations on issues at the nexus of real estate and their mission. Her clients have included Jewish Home of San Francisco, Family House, Camp Ramah of Northern California, Blood Centers of the Pacific, Temple Emanu-El, Jewish Community Center of San Francisco, and Brandeis School of San Francisco.

Before starting her own practice, she was a partner at Morgan Lewis & Bockius LLP and at

Brobeck, Phleger & Harrison LLP, where she managed the permitting process for some of the largest and most complex real estate projects in San Francisco and the Bay Area. She has served as Board Member for numerous organizations in San Francisco, including Mercy Housing California, Jewish Community Center of San Francisco, and the Jewish Community Federation of San Francisco. In addition, Diamond taught Land Use Law at Stanford Law School for many years.

“I am glad that the Board voted today to approve my nomination of Sue Diamond to serve on the Planning Commission,” said Mayor Breed. “I nominated her to the position because I believe she will be a great asset on the Commission, especially as we tackle complex planning decisions to make sure our City is livable and resilient for generations to come. She has a wide range of experience in land use and real estate matters, and will bring her 30-plus years as an attorney and strategic advisor to the Commission.”

“I want to thank Mayor Breed for this important opportunity to serve our City on the Planning Commission and to thank the Board of Supervisors for its vote of confidence and trusting me with this significant responsibility,” said Diamond. “I take very seriously my obligation as Planning Commissioner to represent all of San Francisco’s diverse communities and stakeholders, especially as we work to build more housing in all neighborhoods.”

Diamond has a J.D. from Harvard Law School, a Master of City Planning from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, and a B.S. from Stanford University. She lives in San Francisco.

The San Francisco Planning Commission consists of seven commissioners appointed by the Mayor and the President of the Board of Supervisors, and Commissioners serve four-year terms. The Commission oversees the Planning Department, which plays a central role in guiding the growth and development of the City. The Department works with other City agencies and the community to help balance the needs of residents, businesses, and civic leaders to protect the environment and historical resources, create inspiring and livable urban spaces, cultivate neighborhood resilience, and enforce good land use practices. The Commission is also responsible for the stewardship and maintenance of San Francisco’s General Plan.

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**MAYOR LONDON BREED AND CITY DEPARTMENTS  
LAUNCH LOVE OUR CITY HOLIDAY ECO BLITZ**

*As the holiday season begins, City agencies and community partners team up to keep busy shopping and dining corridors clean and inviting*

**San Francisco, CA** — Mayor London N. Breed today joined City officials and community partners to launch the inaugural Love Our City Holiday Eco Blitz in downtown San Francisco. San Francisco Public Works and partnering City agencies are collaborating with community and business improvement districts on the Holiday Eco Blitz as part of the City's Love Our City campaign. Leading up to and during the holiday season, the Love Our City team will increase efforts to keep the City's busiest downtown and waterfront corridors clean for residents and visitors.

"I take great pride in San Francisco, and I want to make sure that we all do our part to keep the City clean and beautiful," said Mayor Breed. "We want everyone to have a safe and pleasant experience in our city. The Holiday Eco Blitz will help us keep our busy downtown corridors safe, clean, and welcoming during the holiday season. When we all work together, we can make San Francisco shine even more."

The 2019 Love Our City Holiday Eco Blitz begins today and continues until the end of the year. Crews will be on the job every day of the week focusing on popular commercial corridors and adjacent alleyways, boosting the regularly scheduled cleaning services in those areas.

Mayor Breed kicked off the program at Hallidie Plaza in front of the famed cable car turnaround along with San Francisco Public Works, San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency, San Francisco Public Utilities Commission, the City Administrator's Office, San Francisco Recreation and Park Department, San Francisco Police Department, the Port of San Francisco, and the Office of Economic and Workforce Development. They were joined by their nonprofit partners, the Yerba Buena Community Benefit District (CBD), South Beach/Rincon Hill/Mission Bay CBD, East Cut CBD, Fisherman's Wharf CBD, and the Union Square Business Improvement District.

This program builds on the existing partnerships in the year-round Love Our City campaign. Community and business partners worked with Public Works to identify the Holiday Eco Blitz scope of work, which includes sweeping and steam cleaning sidewalks, clearing leaves and litter from catch basins, and removing illegal postings from poles. The program also includes pruning street trees and weeding basins, cleaning public trashcans and street furniture, sprucing up around bus stops, painting over graffiti, power washing roadways, and educating merchants and property owners about their responsibility to keep sidewalks clean.

In addition to the Holiday Eco Blitz, Public Works has been conducting a concentrated early-morning cleanup operation in the nearby Tenderloin and Mid-Market areas over the past several months, bringing a full contingent of crews to wash the streets and sidewalks.

"We know that when the holidays roll around, it's our City's time to shine and the Holiday Eco Blitz will help us do just that," said Public Works Director Mohammed Nuru. "Our cleaning crews already remove more than 20,000 tons of garbage off the sidewalks and streets every year and are serving the City 24/7. Keeping our city looking its best requires a true team effort and that's why I am so grateful to all of our community partners who are participating."

"We are looking forward to welcoming visitors to Union Square over the holiday season and are grateful to Mayor Breed, Public Works and all of the City departments for contributing the extra resources to make the area even cleaner and safer," said Karin Flood, Executive Director of the Union Square Business District.

"The Yerba Buena CBD is excited to participate in the Holiday Eco Blitz. As we do our part each day to keep Yerba Buena's sidewalks clean, partnerships and programs like Eco Blitz have a positive impact in creating an even more inviting place for shoppers, workers and residents to enjoy the holidays in Yerba Buena," said Cathy Maupin, Executive Director of the Yerba Buena Community Benefit District.

"We are looking forward to showing off our polished-up neighborhood to the thousands of visitors, workers, and residents who inhabit our area every day, especially during the holiday season," said Alice Rogers, President of the South Beach/Rincon/Mission Bay Neighborhood Association.

"Fisherman's Wharf is thankful for the continued support from all of our City partners and we



are looking forward to the Holiday Eco Blitz,” said Randall Scott, Executive Director of the Fisherman’s Wharf Community Benefit District.

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**MAYOR LONDON BREED ANNOUNCES PLAN FOR NEW  
AFFORDABLE HOUSING DEVELOPMENT ON CITY-OWNED  
PROPERTY**

*Mayor Breed introduced an Exclusive Negotiation Agreement and resolution to allow The Kelsey and Mercy Housing to build a 102-unit 100% affordable housing development on City-owned property*

**San Francisco, CA** — Mayor London N. Breed today announced plans to lease City-owned property to The Kelsey and Mercy Housing for the development of 102 affordable housing units in the Civic Center neighborhood, across the street from City Hall. Mayor Breed introduced a resolution and an Exclusive Negotiation Agreement (ENA) at the Board of Supervisors on October 29th to allow for the lease of the land at 240 Van Ness Ave. and 155 and 165 Grove St. Supervisor Matt Haney co-sponsored the resolution.

“We need more housing in San Francisco for people to rent below market rate and, once built, this development will provide 102 new affordable homes right here in the heart of the city just across from City Hall,” said Mayor Breed. “Not only will this building add much-needed

affordable housing to the neighborhood, but it will also help us meet our climate goals, with bicycle parking, easy access to transit, and green space.”

The housing development proposal has been underway since 2017, as part of the [C40 Cities “Reinventing Cities”](#) competition. The competition sought proposals from international teams to transform challenging and unused municipal parcels in cities around the world to meet city priorities and the latest in sustainable building design. In San Francisco, the Department of Real Estate, Department of Environment, and the Planning Department led the search for a building proposal for the Grove St. and Van Ness Ave. properties.

The proposed housing development would have 102 rental units that would be 100% affordable up to 120% of Area Median Income (AMI). Thirty units will be for people with 80% of AMI. Twenty-one units would be set aside for people with disabilities, at both 50% and 13% AMI, which would add substantially to the City’s number of new units that are tailored specifically to this community. The building would have 90 studios, five one-bedroom apartments, four two-bedroom apartments, and two live-work units facing Van Ness for street-front activation.

The building will be designed to meet the City’s energy and sustainability targets, with wood and low-carbon concrete construction materials. The building will be fully electric and energy efficient, and will be able to offset 100% of its consumption with renewable electricity production systems. There will be extensive green areas and vertical planting to promote on-site biodiversity and natural cooling. The basement of the building will have electric vehicle charging stations and bike parking.

The City received three proposals for the use of the property in the Civic Center, and each proposal was reviewed by a team of ten international experts. The proposals were judged on three main criteria: carbon impact, resilience and sustainability, and architecture and social impact. The panel of experts selected the proposal put forth by The Kelsey and Common CoLiving, supported by Mercy Housing and the architectural firm WRNS.

The Kelsey creates mixed ability, mixed income housing communities where people of all abilities and backgrounds live, play, and serve together. They work to unlock new capital for disability and affordable housing; leverage existing public, private, and nonprofit partners; and create housing models that are sustainable and replicable.

“The Kelsey has been engaging San Francisco residents for the last two years on the very real need for housing for adults with developmental and other disabilities,” said Micaela Connery, Founder and CEO of The Kelsey. “Less than 12% of that population owns or rents their own home. We’re excited about the opportunity at Civic Center to put a housing project together fulfilling that need while achieving goals in affordability, accessibility, and inclusivity.”

“We are really excited to be working with The Kelsey and the City on such a groundbreaking project,” said Doug Shoemaker, CEO of Mercy Housing. “The vision for this community is unlike any other effort that we have seen to create real inclusion—income as well as ability—in new housing.”

If the Board of Supervisors approves the leasing of the City-owned property, the housing development will likely begin construction in late 2022, with full occupancy expected in early 2025. The C40 local competition required respondents to propose projects that did not require

city funds. The Kelsey and Mercy Housing pledged to fund the project through philanthropic sponsors, and possibly state and federal funds.

“We are so grateful to the City and County of San Francisco, The Kelsey, Mercy Housing and all the other partners for the opportunity to see this project demonstrate a replicable and scalable model, which allow individuals with intellectual and development disabilities the opportunity to have affordable and accessible housing completely integrated into the mainstream life of a larger development,” said Eric Zigman, Executive Director of Golden Gate Regional Center. “Golden Gate Regional Center serves over 10,000 individuals with disabilities, and our deepest desire is that The Kelsey and Mercy Housing project ‘light the way’ to a future where those with disabilities have a viable option to remain in their home communities and demonstrate their contributions and talents here in San Francisco.”

“The C40 Reinventing Cities competition recognizes global projects that feature low-carbon solutions and makes it possible for cities to turn these bold ideas into reality,” said David Miller, Director of International Diplomacy and Regional Director of North America at C40 Cities. “Through the integration of sustainable building materials, green mobility solutions, urban agriculture, inclusive green jobs, and an innovative co-housing model, San Francisco’s Kelsey Civic Center project is an amazing zero-carbon development that simultaneously addresses the impacts of climate change and two defining local issues: housing availability and social inclusion.”

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**MAYOR BREED ANNOUNCES TRANSITION PLAN FOR  
DISTRICT ATTORNEY**

*At the request of District Attorney-Elect Chesa Boudin, Interim District Attorney Suzy Loftus  
will serve until January 8<sup>th</sup>*

**San Francisco, CA** — Today Mayor London N. Breed announced that Interim District Attorney Suzy Loftus will stay in office until January 8th to complete the term vacated when District Attorney George Gascon vacated his post last month. DA-Elect Boudin requested that Loftus continue to serve until he's prepared to assume the post.

"I have met with DA-Elect Chesa Boudin and congratulated him on his election as San Francisco's next District Attorney," said Mayor Breed. "We discussed how we can work together to address the challenges facing our City, as well as to work out a transition plan. I'm supportive of his request to have Interim District Attorney Suzy Loftus stay to lead the office, which she has agreed to do. Suzy continues to demonstrate her commitment to serving our city and will provide much-needed leadership during this transition."

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**MAYOR LONDON BREED ANNOUNCES WINTER SHELTER  
SCHEDULE**

*The Winter Shelter Program will operate from November 24<sup>th</sup> through March 28<sup>th</sup>, providing additional shelter services to people experiencing homelessness during the winter months*

**San Francisco, CA** — Mayor London N. Breed, the Department of Homelessness and Supportive Housing (HSH), the San Francisco Interfaith Council, and Episcopal Community Services (ECS) today announced the schedule for the Winter Shelter Program and shelter site locations. The program will run from Sunday, November 24, 2019 through Saturday, March 28, 2020.

Now in its 31<sup>st</sup> year, the City and ECS have collaborated with the San Francisco Interfaith Council to provide additional shelter services to homeless San Franciscans during the winter months.

“The winter can be particularly difficult for people experiencing homelessness, which is why the Winter Shelter Program is so important,” said Mayor Breed. “It is our responsibility as a City to make sure that everyone has a safe place to sleep at night. We are grateful to our local faith organizations for opening their doors and making this program possible. Along with

providing additional shelter for the winter months, I am committed to opening 1,000 new shelter beds throughout San Francisco by the end of next year.”

Winter Shelter Program spaces are reserved on a first-come, first-served basis each Sunday starting next week on November 24<sup>th</sup>. The reservation ticket will allow the guest a seven-night stay. Two meals will be served to shelter guests each night. Those interested in a sleeping space on November 24<sup>th</sup> can go to Canon Kip Senior Center, 705 Natoma Street, at 6:00 pm, 30 minutes prior to the opening of the Winter Shelter Program to receive a ticket. These spaces are not reserved through the regular adult emergency shelter reservation system.

“Interfaith councils are naturally born out of response to local crises. The San Francisco Interfaith Council is no exception,” said Michael Pappas, Executive Director, San Francisco Interfaith Council. “The Interfaith Winter Shelter has annually hosted sixty to one hundred homeless men from the Sunday before Thanksgiving through the end of March. We are particularly grateful to our chief collaborating partner Episcopal Community Services for administering this critical City program, our host sites, St. Mark’s Lutheran Church, the Cathedral of St. Mary of the Assumption, First Unitarian Universalist Society of San Francisco and ECS’ Canon Kip Senior Facility, as well as the fifty-five congregations and affiliated organizations that prepare and serve meals, and the Night Ministry, which serves as adjunct on-site staff. At a time when San Francisco is calling for a City-wide response addressing the needs of homelessness in our midst, the Interfaith Winter Shelter distinguishes itself as a proven model, where those served feel safe, respected and enjoy lovingly prepared and served home-cooked meals.”

ECS is funded by HSH to provide the operational staff that sets up, manages and takes down the shelter every day in the host churches. The Interfaith Council works to identify the four host churches where the overnight shelter is located and to identify the church groups, congregations and community groups that sign up to provide the evening meals throughout the program.

“The Interfaith Winter Shelter Program plays a vital role in providing shelter for people experiencing homelessness during the winter months, particularly those who are unsheltered and vulnerable to exposure-related illnesses. Episcopal Community Services is proud to continue to offer our operational expertise to support it, including hosting the shelter at our Canon Kip Senior Center,” says Beth Stokes, Executive Director, Episcopal Community Services. “This year, Winter Shelter guests will have the option to engage with Problem Solvers, who take an innovative, highly personalized approach to help people experiencing homelessness find creative solutions and pathways to housing. Engaging with guests at the Winter Shelter is a key first step to bringing individuals experiencing homelessness inside, off the streets, and near the critical health services they need to stabilize and move into permanent housing.”

The Winter Shelter Program increases HSH’s sheltering capacity by 5% to 8% on any given night throughout the winter, not including Navigation Centers. During the winter, shelter need increases with the colder, wetter weather. The regular adult emergency shelter program which expands during wet and cold weather will operate parallel to the Winter Shelter Program. Access information is available on HSH’s website, shelter reservation and resource center sites, and by calling 311.

“I would like to thank the SF Interfaith Council, Episcopal Community Services and the faith



community for coming together, yet again, to provide shelter and warm meals each night this winter,” said Jeff Kositsky, Director of the Department of Homelessness and Supportive Housing. “Through this partnership we’re better able to meet the increased need for shelter as the temperature dips and the nights get longer; in addition to the safe places provided, the program also offers each guest dignity, warm meals and connection to the City’s larger Homelessness Response System.”

This effort is in addition to Mayor Breed’s plan to open 1,000 shelter beds by the end of next year, the largest expansion in San Francisco in the last 31 years. The City has added 366 new shelter beds toward that goal, with an additional 244 beds under construction and 200 beds in the pipeline.

For more information about the Winter Shelter Program and HSH’s Emergency Shelter Programs please visit: <http://hsh.sfgov.org/services/emergencysshelter/>

Winter Shelter Schedule for Single Adult Men:

**Canon Kip Senior Center, capacity 40 men**

705 Natoma Street

November 24 through December 21, and March 1 through March 28

**Cathedral of Saint Mary of the Assumption, capacity 100 men**

1111 Gough Street

December 22 through January 18

**St. Mark’s Lutheran Church, capacity 65 men**

1031 Franklin Street

January 19 through February 8

**First Unitarian Universalist Society, capacity 70 men**

1187 Franklin Street

February 9 through February 29

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Commissioners,  
Attached are your Calendars for November 20, 2019.

Also attached, are the DRAFT Minutes for November 6<sup>th</sup> which were inadvertently left out of your packets.

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**MAYOR BREED AND SUPERVISOR AARON PESKIN  
ANNOUNCE CONSTRUCTION MITIGATION MEASURES  
FOR COMMUNITY IMPACTED BY CENTRAL SUBWAY**

*Construction mitigation measures will support small businesses and include directed business support, public safety investments, and additional transportation resources*

**San Francisco, CA** — Mayor London N. Breed and Supervisor Aaron Peskin today announced mitigation measures to support small businesses impacted by construction of the Central Subway. The announcement was made in partnership with the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency (SFMTA) and the Office of Economic and Workforce Development (OEWD). The investments include business attraction, public safety, and traffic measures to support residents, merchants, and visitors during the continued construction of the project.

“We cannot afford to let our small business community bear the brunt of our construction delays and unintended impacts. This construction mitigation package for Chinatown builds on our ongoing efforts to support small businesses throughout the City, and provides specific

assistance to help those businesses most impacted by the Central Subway construction,” said Mayor Breed. “As we work to make our construction project delivery system more accountable, we are committed to improving transportation in Chinatown and making it easier for residents and visitors to get around.”

“I am happy to see the City taking Chinatown’s concerns seriously,” said Supervisor Aaron Peskin, who also serves as the Chair of the San Francisco County Transportation Authority Board. “They have long been some of the fiercest champions for equitable public transit and pedestrian safety—but certainly not at the cost of losing immigrant small businesses due to construction impacts and delays. These additional support measures, including access to our newly-formed Construction Mitigation Fund, are a direct response to the community’s requests.”

“Today’s announcement will help us move our transportation infrastructure forward while maintaining vibrant merchant corridors,” said Assemblymember David Chiu (D-San Francisco). “Thanks to Mayor Breed, Supervisor Peskin, and SFMTA for working to mitigate the impacts on our neighborhoods while the Central Subway is completed.”

The comprehensive Central Subway Construction Mitigation Package includes several programs the City has in place to support commercial districts undergoing large City-led infrastructure improvements. The measures are intended to mitigate and lessen the impacts of construction through the provision of financial and technical assistance and the implementation of marketing and related construction mitigation efforts. In Chinatown, the package includes:

#### **Advertising Campaign to Highlight Chinatown**

The SFMTA is working closely with Chinatown Community Development Center and local merchants on an advertising campaign to promote the neighborhood and celebrate Chinatown. The campaign is scheduled to launch at the end of the year to align with the upcoming 2020 Lunar New Year celebrations.

#### **Reestablishing Loading Zones on Stockton**

The loading zones and a third vehicle travel lane were returned to Stockton Street between Jackson and Washington Streets, near the subway construction zone. The additional street space will help reduce congestion and improve loading and transit reliability in the area.

#### **Creating a Temporary Bus Stop to Increase Business Access**

The SFMTA built a temporary bus stop and loading platform at Washington and Stockton to provide better access to local businesses near the construction impact area in Chinatown. Once the subway construction is completed, it will be permanently relocated to the front of the nearby station.

#### **Improving Safety**

Community ambassadors and additional construction inspectors or traffic flaggers will be stationed near work zones. They will help improve pedestrian safety and provide additional street monitoring for security and safety purposes. The ambassadors will be at the work zones Monday through Friday from 7:00am to 6:00pm.

#### **Additional Transportation Resources**

Wayfinding signs for the SFMTA’s successful “Park and Ride” program that serves Chinatown at the Golden Gateway Garage will be refreshed to highlight the program and location. In addition, the SFMTA is studying an expanded shuttle route that will connect Chinatown to Fisherman’s Wharf and North Beach. This shuttle route is designed to bring more visitors to the neighborhoods and will be implemented by the end of the year.

### **Directed Business Support**

Building upon services already provided by OEWD, qualifying merchants near construction zones within the project area will have access to funds to help make business improvements or investments. Funds will range from \$5,000 to \$10,000 per business, based on the level of construction impact and any previous awards. The directed business support is part of the Educational Revenue Augmentation Fund allocated by the Board of Supervisors earlier this year to create a Small Business Construction Mitigation Fund.

Merchants will continue to have access to one-on-one business consulting and City services. Informational sessions will be scheduled by December to assist merchants applying for construction mitigation funds. OEWD will also conduct door-to-door outreach to impacted small businesses located within the blocks listed below and offer details and instructions on the application process.

- Stockton St. between Sacramento St. and Jackson St.
- Washington St. between Grant Ave. and Powell St.
- Powell St. between Clay St. and Jackson St.
- Clay St. between Grant Ave. and Stockton St.

“While this project will ultimately be a great boon to the community, we know extended construction can be burdensome, especially for merchants,” said Malcolm Heinicke, Chair of the SFMTA Board of Directors. “We’re deeply grateful for the community’s patience and look forward to celebrating this transformational transit project once it opens.”

The launch of this program focused on Central Subway impacts serves as an example of how the City can help support small businesses through extended times of construction. OEWD and the SFMTA will develop criteria and mitigation programs for other major long-term infrastructure projects around the City in the coming months.

### **About Central Subway**

The Central Subway Project will improve public transportation in San Francisco by extending the Muni Metro T Third Line through SoMa, Union Square and Chinatown. By providing a direct, rapid transit link between downtown and the existing T Third Line route on 3<sup>rd</sup> Street, the Central Subway will vastly improve transportation to and from some of the city’s busiest, most densely populated areas. When the Central Subway is completed, T Third Line trains will travel mostly underground from the 4<sup>th</sup> Street Caltrain Station to Chinatown, bypassing traffic on 4<sup>th</sup> Street and Stockton Street. Four new stations will be built along the 1.7-mile alignment:

- 4<sup>th</sup> and Brannan Station at 4<sup>th</sup> and Brannan Streets (street level)
- Yerba Buena/Moscone Station at 4<sup>th</sup> and Folsom Streets (subway)
- Union Square/Market St. Station on Stockton St. at Union Square (subway)
- Chinatown Station at Stockton and Washington Streets (subway)

Construction is projected to be finished by summer 2020. Once construction is completed, the SFMTA will begin testing the new subway to make sure it is safe and ready for service. Testing is an intricate process and includes the full integration of complex systems that all need to synchronize and work together. This testing period will last approximately one year and train service is set to open to the public in summer 2021.

For more details about the Central Subway project, visit: [www.SFMTA.com/CentralSubway](http://www.SFMTA.com/CentralSubway)

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Commissioners,  
You are now enrolled and may complete the training...

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Hi Jonas,

I hope all is well. The Planning Commissioners and the Historic Preservation Commissioners are now enrolled in the mandatory online Implicit Bias training.

Could you kindly pass this training information along to the Commissioners?

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Thanks,  
-Michael

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Dear Commissioners:

[Ordinance 71-19](#), passed by the Board of Supervisors in March 2019, requires members of City boards and commissions ("Commissioners") to complete the Department of Human Resources' (DHR) online Implicit Bias training **by December 31, 2019**. Additionally, newly appointed members of City boards and commissions must complete this training within 60 days of assuming office.

DHR's 45-minute online Implicit Bias course is now available in the SF Learning Portal. To

access the training, please log into your account in the [SF Employee Portal](#) using your employee or Person of Interest account number. Please use the attached directions to help you find the training.

If you currently do not have access to the SF Employee Portal, our department will set you up with a Person of Interest account before the end of November, so that you can access the training in early December. Please look out for email communication from our IT Administrator with your User password to access the SF Employee Portal.

When you finish the online course, please print out the certificate of completion at the end and submit to your Commission Secretary. Beginning January 15, 2020, the Commission Secretary will update the Commission website with a list of Commissioners who have completed this training.

DHR's online course provides an overview of implicit bias, and discusses how bias can impact our decision making. In addition to Commissioners, all department heads, managers, and supervisors in the City are participating in implicit bias training.

If you have difficulty accessing this training, please contact [Anh.Tang@sfgov.org](mailto:Anh.Tang@sfgov.org) at DHR for assistance.

Thank you for your participation in this important program.

Regards,  
-Michael

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*Mayor Breed joins Lee family to dedicate the Mayor Edwin M. Lee International Departures  
Hall at the San Francisco International Airport*

**San Francisco, CA** — Mayor London N. Breed and the San Francisco International Airport (SFO) today dedicated the International Terminal Departures Hall for the late San Francisco Mayor Edwin M. Lee. Lee passed away suddenly on December 12, 2017 while in office. Mayor Breed joined the Lee family to dedicate the facility in his honor.

“Today we honor the late Mayor Ed Lee and his contributions to the City of San Francisco and the San Francisco International Airport,” said Mayor Breed. “Mayor Lee gave so much to this city, and we will be forever grateful for his service. With this dedication of the International Terminal Departures Hall residents and visitors alike will be reminded of Mayor Lee and his commitment to serve the city that he loved.”



The naming of the Mayor Edwin M. Lee International Terminal Departures Hall was adopted by an Airport Commission resolution in June 2019 to honor the late Mayor Lee for his extraordinary contributions to San Francisco and the Airport. Today, SFO unveiled several elements in the International Terminal Departures Hall to commemorate Mayor Lee. SFO has installed signage on the wood-paneled wall of the Departures Lobby that reads, “Mayor Edwin M. Lee International Terminal Departures Hall.” Additionally, the Airport will install a bas-relief plaque depicting Mayor Lee by the end of next year, and will provide a video link for passengers to connect to a video on his life. In the meantime, there is a temporary photo of Mayor Lee placed underneath the wood-paneled sign.

“Mayor Lee’s sudden death nearly two years ago left us heartbroken, and we lost one of our airport’s extraordinary champions,” said Airport Director Ivar C. Satero. “SFO is proud to dedicate the Mayor Edwin M. Lee International Departures Hall so that Mayor Lee’s life and legacy will be remembered by those who pass underneath the lettering that bears his name.”

Mayor Lee was the 43rd Mayor of San Francisco and served from 2011 until 2017. He was the first Asian-American mayor in San Francisco’s history. Under Mayor Lee’s leadership, San Francisco further became one of the most innovative cities in the world. He focused on balancing the budget, creating jobs, boosting San Francisco’s economy, building housing, housing the homeless, creating a cleaner and safer city, addressing affordability challenges and fighting for civil rights, equity and inclusion. He was a champion for the community and was dedicated to the people he served. Mayor Lee passed away while in office nearly two years ago on December 12, 2017.

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DIRECTOR OF TRANSPORTATION**

*Tumlin, who previously served as Interim Director of the Oakland Department of Transportation, has over twenty years of experience in transportation planning and management*

**San Francisco, CA** — Mayor London N. Breed and the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency (SFMTA) Board of Directors today announced that Jeffrey Tumlin will serve as the next SFMTA Director of Transportation. Tumlin has spent his career improving city transportation and previously served as Interim Director of Transportation at the Oakland Department of Transportation. The SFMTA Board of Directors will formally appoint him as Director at its meeting on November 19<sup>th</sup>, and he will begin officially on Monday December 16<sup>th</sup>.

Tumlin is a renowned transportation expert with 25 years of experience working in cities around the world. Tumlin is currently the Director of Strategy at Nelson\Nygaard Consulting

Associates, a San Francisco-based transportation planning and engineering firm that focuses on sustainable mobility. In that role, he has worked to help cities achieve their broader goals through transportation, such as livability, economic growth, and equity. During his time as Oakland Department of Transportation, he guided the newly restructured department to institute a data-driven and equity-based approach, while streamlining a bureaucratic system that had historically delayed project implementation. He is a longtime resident of San Francisco and lives with his immigrant, artist husband of 25 years in Noe Valley. He has a Bachelor's degree in Urban Studies from Stanford University.

"Jeffrey Tumlin is exactly the type of forward thinking, results oriented leader that the SFMTA needs and I am excited to announce his new role as Director of Transportation," said Mayor Breed. "I believe Jeffrey is the right person to improve our public transportation, continue making our streets safer, and ensure that our approach is equitable and serves all of our residents across San Francisco. The SFMTA is an agency that requires a balance between managing an enormous day-to-day operation and developing the vision to help our City continue to grow without increasing gridlock. I know Jeffrey is ready to lead this agency."

"San Francisco is unlike any place in the world and I'm incredibly excited to help build a transportation system that serves all of our residents," said Jeffrey Tumlin, incoming SFMTA Director of Transportation. "I'm focused on putting people first and implementing solutions that work best for a diverse and ever-growing world class city."

In April 2019, Mayor Breed sent a letter to the SFMTA Board of Directors Chair Malcom Heinicke outlining the ongoing challenges at the SFMTA and calling upon the SFMTA Board to launch a search for a new Director who could help deliver a world-class transportation system for San Francisco. A subcommittee of SFMTA Board Members led the candidate search process and the full SFMTA Board will take the final action to appoint Jeffrey Tumlin as the next Director of Transportation.

"With over twenty years' experience, Jeffrey has earned a reputation as a renowned asset to the global transportation space," said Malcolm Heinicke, Chair of the SFMTA Board of Directors. "We were lucky to have found him right here in our own backyard, and are thrilled for Jeffrey to lead our City's goals and values in the realm of mobility and street space."

"Jeffrey is a deep thinker invested in values-based solutions," said Gwyneth Borden, Vice Chair of the SFMTA Board of Directors. "We are grateful to have his expertise at the SFMTA and look forward to utilizing his experience balancing transportation modes and reimagining our streetscapes."

In June, Mayor Breed, along with Supervisors Rafael Mandelman and Aaron Peskin, created a Transit Performance Working Group tasked with reviewing the performance of the City's current bus and rail system and recommending actionable steps that the City can take to improve service for riders. The working group includes transit experts who have operated large systems throughout the country, labor leaders representing the City's transit workers, and transit advocates pushing for improvements in Muni service. This group has been meeting regularly and will provide the new Director of Transportation with a roadmap to address challenges facing the City's transit system.

Upon his start in December, Tumlin will begin by assessing the state of the agency and taking action on some of the city's most pressing transportation needs. This includes focusing on

public transportation and taking steps to implement the recommendations of the Transit Performance Working Group. In parallel, he will reinforce the early successes of the “quick-build” safety program and take additional steps to accelerate the pace of delivering safer streets for all users. Finally, 2020 will be a significant year for major capital transportation projects around the city and Tumlin will focus on improved project delivery and ensuring proactive communication around these transformational efforts.

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**MAYOR LONDON BREED, SUPERVISORS HILLARY RONEN  
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WITH MENTAL HEALTH SF**

*Mayor and Supervisors to withdraw their respective ballot measures and instead introduce legislation creating compromise version of Mental Health SF, a comprehensive plan to address the mental health and substance use challenges in San Francisco*

**San Francisco, CA** — Mayor London N. Breed and Supervisors Hillary Ronen and Matt Haney announced today that they have reached an agreement on a comprehensive plan for reforming San Francisco's mental health care system. After months of negotiations, Mayor Breed is co-sponsoring Mental Health SF, which overhauls the City's challenged mental health system and guarantees mental health care to all San Franciscans who lack insurance or who are experiencing homelessness. As part of the agreement, Mayor Breed and the Supervisors will withdraw their respective ballot initiatives intended for the March 2020 ballot and will instead introduce Mental Health SF legislation at today's Board of Supervisors meeting.

"We all agree we need to work immediately to address the serious mental health and substance

use challenges on our city's streets," said Mayor Breed. "By collaborating and doing the work in City Hall, we can make real and effective solutions to improve our system of behavioral health care. As we work to reform our entire mental health system, we'll continue prioritizing the most vulnerable people, and providing targeted services to those who are experiencing homelessness, mental illness, and substance use disorder."

Prior to reaching this agreement, Mayor Breed and Supervisors Ronen and Haney had submitted separate initiatives for the March 2020 ballot—UrgentCareSF and Mental Health SF. UrgentCareSF focused on delivering services for the 4,000 people who are homeless and have both mental health and substance use disorders, while Mental Health SF created a universal mental health care system providing mental health care to any San Franciscan with serious mental illness.

"All you have to do is walk outside City Hall for a few blocks to see the shocking mental health crisis that now a daily part of all of our lives. It's the biggest crisis facing our city and working together is the only way we're going to solve it," said Supervisor Ronen. "I'm proud that we've been able to take our differing viewpoints and found ways to make this legislation even better. With the Mayor's support, Mental Health SF will change how San Francisco deals with severe mental illness and addiction."

Talks between the Mayor's office, the Supervisors, community stakeholders, and union leaders representing front-line workers led to three major changes to Mental Health SF that have allowed Mayor Breed to co-sponsor the measure.

### **Prioritizing People Experiencing Homelessness**

The new Mental Health SF will now focus first on serving people who are homeless with serious mental illness or substance use disorders and will prioritize getting people off the street and in to care. Resources will be especially focused on people experiencing homelessness, serious mental illness, and substance use disorders.

### **Behavioral Health Access Center (BHAC) to become Mental Health Center**

Mental Health SF calls for the creation of a 24/7 Mental Health Center that would serve as an access portal for uninsured and homeless San Franciscans seeking access to mental health care. As part of the compromise, rather than building a new facility, the existing BHAC building located on Howard Street will become the site of the new Mental Health Center. Planning for the new center will begin immediately, with rehabilitation work following as funding is identified.

### **Office of Private Insurance Accountability**

As it was initially drafted, Mental Health SF provided mental health care to all San Franciscans who needed it—including people with mental illness who had insurance but were not able to access mental health care through their providers because of barriers such as high deductibles and long wait lists. Rather than the City paying for services for these individuals, the compromise creates an Office of Private Insurance Accountability that will advocate for insured people with mental illness to make sure that they receive the care to which they are legally entitled.

"Mental Health SF will make San Francisco the first city in the country to provide universal access to coordinated mental health care and substance use treatment. If you are homeless, uninsured, and diagnosed with a serious mental illness or substance use disorder, Mental Health SF will ensure that you get the medical treatment you need, and if you are insured but not getting the care you are entitled to, the City will help advocate on your behalf," said Supervisor Haney. "Every day, people who are mentally ill or severely addicted are abandoned on the streets, cycling in and out of emergency rooms, leaving our residents and neighborhoods to deal with the consequences. I will not stop fighting until Mental Health SF is fully implemented, funded, and effectively gets people off the streets and into treatment."

Under the new agreement, Mental Health SF will move forward as legislation in City Hall rather than at the ballot, allowing for more expedited implementation of the initiative. Mayor Breed has committed to fast tracking implementation when the legislation passes and will prioritize the hiring of a new Director of Mental Health SF by next summer. Additionally, an implementation working group will be impaneled to begin the process of developing recommendations on how best to reform and expand the City's mental health services.

Mayor Breed and Supervisors Ronen and Haney have also committed to working together to secure the approximately \$100 million annually needed for Mental Health SF's implementation. The City will continue making investments immediately and in the upcoming budget to meet the goals of Mental Health SF, however, several elements of Mental Health SF will be dependent on identifying new revenue sources. Mayor Breed and Board of Supervisors President Norman Yee have asked the Controller to convene a process to reform the City's business tax, which could provide a new revenue stream for Mental Health SF. The City Administrator and the Capital Planning Committee are also looking at moving up a Public Health Bond for the November 2020 election to help pay for capital improvements.

As the Mayor and Supervisors work to identify funding for the longer-term elements of Mental Health SF, the City will continue providing mental health and substance use treatment services to as many homeless individuals as possible.

This immediate action includes continuing to prioritize healthcare and housing for the most vulnerable of the 4,000 who are experiencing homelessness, and have both a mental illness and a substance use disorder, as identified by the Department of Public Health. As part of the compromise agreement, the City will continue to expand treatment capacity and reduce administrative barriers to eliminate wait times for services. This will include adding new behavioral health treatment beds, creating new meth sobering centers and managed alcohol facilities, expanding access to existing City services, and ensuring there are navigators and case managers to help people get into care. These improvements will be folded into Mental Health SF as the new program becomes operational.

"The Department of Public Health thanks Mayor Breed and Supervisors Ronen and Haney for reaching this agreement that unifies the City and reinforces our ongoing work to serve the San Franciscans in greatest need," said Dr. Grant Colfax, Director of Health. "With transformative investments in our workforce, evidence-based solutions, and our community partners, we will help our neighbors experiencing homelessness, mental illness and substance use disorders to achieve wellness and recovery."

"Anyone who lives in or visits our city knows the condition of our streets is unacceptable," said Assemblymember Phil Ting, an early supporter of Mental Health SF. "Making a real difference will take all of San Francisco's leaders working together to help those struggling with mental health challenges in public and behind closed doors. That's why I am encouraged by today's partnership, which will ensure every San Francisco resident who needs it has access to affordable, quality mental health services and treatment."

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Hello Presidents Melgar and Hyland and Members of the Planning and Historic Preservation Commissions,

Over the last few days you received case packets for your November 20 and 21 hearings on the Academy of Art University. As you know, these hearings are significant milestones in the City's efforts to achieve full compliance and resolve pending litigation involving the Academy. Also as you know, these case packets are extraordinarily lengthy.

To help you and the public digest these voluminous materials and the project itself, we've developed two resources that we wanted to bring to your attention:



**The first is a [web page](#)** on which all planning-related Academy information can be found. This includes not only your case packets, but also all plans, legal agreements, CEQA materials, the IMP and so forth.

**The second is a two-page fact sheet** (attached to this email and also [linked here](#)) that provides a very high-level overview of the tentative agreement that you are being asked to approve through your actions on the 20<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup>.

As with anything, we're happy to answer questions and/or provide briefings in advance of your hearings later this month.

All the best.

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**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:**

Sunday, November 10, 2019

Contact: Mayor's Office of Communications, 415-554-6131

**\*\*\* STATEMENT \*\*\***  
**MAYOR LONDON BREED ON PASSING OF BERNARD TYSON**

**San Francisco, CA** — “I am shocked and saddened by Bernard Tyson’s sudden passing. He was a visionary in the healthcare industry, a civic leader who cared deeply about the issues impacting our communities especially homelessness, and a kind and generous friend. He led with his values and his heart, and he will be missed. My thoughts and prayers are with his family and the community he worked with at Kaiser Permanente.”

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Monday, November 11, 2019

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**\*\*\* PRESS RELEASE \*\*\***  
**MAYOR LONDON BREED ANNOUNCES 300 NEW TECH APPRENTICESHIPS FOR UNDERREPRESENTED SAN FRANCISCANS**

*San Francisco celebrates National Apprenticeship Week from November 11<sup>th</sup> through the 17<sup>th</sup>*

**San Francisco, CA** — Mayor London N. Breed and the Office of Economic and Workforce Development (OEWD) today announced the expansion of the City's TechSF Apprenticeship Initiative. Through a partnership with Twilio, the initiative includes a new, innovative pathway for software engineers. TechSF's nationally recognized model supports pathways for Information Technology Administrators, Salesforce Analysts, and Cybersecurity Analysts, with an emphasis on creating a more diverse and inclusive workforce by removing barriers to the tech industry and providing apprenticeship opportunities for people of color, women, people with disabilities, and veterans.

This announcement comes at the beginning of the U.S. Department of Labor's National Apprenticeship Week (NAW), which takes place from November 11<sup>th</sup> through November 17<sup>th</sup>. TechSF will host a series of events throughout the week that focus on creating more opportunities for people in underserved communities.

“TechSF was created to close the skills gap in the tech sector by developing talent right here in San Francisco,” said Mayor Breed. “This partnership with Twilio allows us to provide additional opportunities for San Franciscans and gives people a chance to learn and grow in a career they might not otherwise have access to. With TechSF and our other apprenticeship programs, we can make our city more equitable and ensure that all San Franciscans benefit from economic growth—no matter their background or their zip code.”

Apprenticeships provide career pathways in industries that are difficult to enter without experience and a formal education, while creating an industry standard recognized by employers in partnership with training and labor organizations. The highly competitive tech industry is especially difficult to enter, and the average cost of a computer science degree is approximately \$150,000. In contrast, TechSF apprentices earn a living wage while they learn technical skills, gain experience, and receive placement assistance.

Over 90% of TechSF apprentices remain employed with their company after their apprenticeship, with many receiving promotions to higher, management-level positions. TechSF apprenticeships also lower barriers to employment by not requiring a college degree in computer science, allowing curriculums to be adjusted to meet employers’ needs, and getting apprentices job-ready in eight to 12 months.

“TechSF apprenticeships create pathways to success for San Franciscans of all backgrounds, many of whom have not been given a chance to participate in this historically strong economy,” said Joaquín Torres, Director of the Office of Economic and Workforce Development. “Key partners like Twilio have helped us create a comprehensive model that thoroughly prepares apprentices to succeed in technology jobs, ensures a high return on investment for employers, and creates diverse talent pipelines that advance racial equity and support economic mobility.”

OEWD’s TechSF Apprenticeship Initiative aims to close the skills gap by tapping new talent for the industry from underserved communities through training and work-based opportunities. TechSF will develop pathways approved by the California Division of Apprenticeship Standards and U.S. Department of Labor for 300 apprentices by 2021 with community and tech partners including City College of San Francisco and Twilio. TechSF also registers apprentice participants in Twilio’s Hatch Program, a software engineering apprenticeship that provides access to career opportunities for persons with non-traditional backgrounds.

“At Twilio, we aim to remove barriers and find talent where other companies may not be looking. Partnering with TechSF’s Apprenticeship Initiative is critical for us to identify and harness a pipeline of applicants who not only have the technical skills, but also the diverse professional and life experiences that truly add value to our workforce,” said Vivek Nair, head of Twilio’s Hatch Apprenticeship Program. “At Twilio, we are looking for apprentices who will add new ideas and contribute to Twilio’s culture, instead of assimilating to it.”

“It’s hard to sell your potential to an industry where you’re older than the average engineer, where only 3% of the people look like you, where academic pedigree is often seen as the be-all, end-all for ability,” said Omar Contreras, TechSF participant and full-time Twilio employee. “Twilio’s Hatch program recognized my differences as strengths. Thanks to the training I got at Twilio and the workshops at TechSF, I wake up every day grateful for the team I work with and the amazing Hatch community that helped me break into tech.”

The apprenticeship model is part of California Governor Gavin Newsom’s “Cradle-to-Career” education plan that encourages businesses to become creators of talent by establishing earn-and-learn apprenticeships and creating a pipeline of highly skilled workers. To meet this goal, San Francisco’s Office of Economic and Workforce Development is working to expand

TechSF apprenticeship opportunities, while also cultivating apprenticeship career pathways in construction, hospitality and health care.

National Apprenticeship Week is a nationwide celebration between companies, trade and industry groups, nonprofit organizations, unions, labor-management organizations, and educational institutions to highlight how apprenticeships prepare American workers for the jobs of today and the future. TechSF is hosting events as part of NAW's 2,000 apprenticeship events by more than 200,000 participants across the country. In addition to expanding TechSF, OEWD is cultivating apprenticeship pipelines in construction, hospitality, and health care.

For more information about TechSF, visit: <https://oewd.org/tech-sf>.

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[HPC Draft Resolution and Exhibits 2019-012970PCADVA.pdf](#)

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Commissioners,

Attached please find the following additional documents required for the Academy of Art items before the HPC on 11/20:

1. The Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program (MMRP) exhibit referenced in the COA, PTA and CEQA findings motions, and
2. A Draft Resolution and recommendation to the Board of Supervisors regarding the proposed Planning Code amendments and Development Agreement.

I apologize these documents were not included in the larger packets you received previously. Please let me know if you would like to receive paper copies of the attachments.

Please respond back to me individually in advance of the hearing with any detailed questions or comments regarding the Academy of Art items - if possible, by Thursday, 11/14 - so that we can prepare or amend materials as needed.

Thank you,  
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**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:**

Thursday, November 7, 2019

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**\*\*\* PRESS RELEASE \*\*\***

**MAYOR LONDON BREED AND SUPERVISOR MATT HANEY  
ANNOUNCE PLAN TO EXPAND HOUSING PRIORITY TO  
CURRENT TREASURE ISLAND RESIDENTS**

*Relocation and transition benefits will be extended to all income-qualified residents currently living on Treasure Island, even if they moved there after the Development Agreement was enacted in 2011*

**San Francisco, CA** — Mayor London N. Breed and Supervisor Matt Haney today announced a plan to expand housing benefits to all current income-qualified Treasure Island residents. This plan would ensure that all current Treasure Island residents have access to relocation and transition benefits. Currently, only those who were living there prior to June 2011 have access to these benefits.

In June 2011, the Treasure Island Development Authority approved a “Development and Disposition Agreement” (DDA) that gave certain benefits to households that had leases on Treasure Island as part of the project Development Agreement. Mayor Breed and Supervisor Haney will move forward a plan to extend those benefits to residents of Treasure Island who

began their leases after June 29, 2011. Many households who are considered “post-DDA” have lived on Treasure Island for eight years, and by the time the last of the Treasure Island residents are relocated, they may have lived there for 20 years or more. Supervisor Haney introduced a resolution urging the Treasure Island Development Authority to implement these changes, which was approved this week by the Board of Supervisors.

“The housing being built on Treasure Island will provide thousands of badly needed new homes in our City, but it’s important that we make sure that residents who live there now have access to these new homes,” said Mayor Breed. “By extending these benefits to all income-qualified Treasure Island residents, we can ensure that as this important project moves forward and this incredible new neighborhood is created, people can take every opportunity to remain on Treasure Island, if they wish to do so.”

“There is a large group of Treasure Island residents who are completely excluded from replacement housing opportunities in the future development,” said Supervisor Matt Haney. “It is our obligation to provide benefits for these residents who are being told to move by no fault of their own. Some people have lived there for eight years now and the development won’t be complete for another 10+ years. It is critical that we make changes to ensure that these residents have priority access to the future development.”

The current Development Agreement gives households that have been on Treasure Island since 2011 the right to several different housing options in response to the development projects that are underway. Households have the choice between:

1. Renting a newly constructed unit in a building and receiving moving assistance when the move into the new unit;
2. Receiving down payment assistance to purchase a newly constructed unit on the Island on the open market; or
3. Receiving an in-lieu payment and moving off the Island.

Mayor Breed and Supervisor Haney’s proposal would expand the arrangement to post-DDA residents who income qualify into affordable housing that is newly constructed on Treasure Island. Post-DDA residents would be prioritized after pre-DDA residents and ahead of members of the public with no connection to the island. The new proposed agreement would include those households on pre-marketing notice lists so they have the opportunity to purchase units before they go to the general market.

Treasure Island is currently in the process of a 20-year development project to create 8,000 units of housing, including over 2,000 units of affordable housing, with the first new building scheduled to open in 2022. Approximately 1,800 residents in more than 600 households currently live on Treasure Island, of which:

- Approximately 250 households live in supportive housing;
- 200 households currently fall under the existing TIDA agreement;
- 150 are considered post-DDA households.

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Commissioners –

The master packet for AAU's November 20<sup>th</sup> HPC hearing has been messengered to you today. This is also available on the SF Planning website under [supporting documents](#).

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Wednesday, November 6, 2019

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**\*\*\* PRESS RELEASE \*\*\***

**SAN FRANCISCO MOVES FORWARD WITH NEW SYSTEM  
TO REPLACE PRE-ARRAIGNMENT CASH BAIL**

*Board of Supervisors Budget Committee approves \$2.2 million to replace pre-arraignment cash bail system with an expedited assessment of a person's public safety and court appearance risks in order to quickly determine if a person should or should not be released while awaiting arraignment*

**San Francisco, CA** — Mayor London N. Breed, along with Sheriff Vicki Hennessy, City Attorney Dennis Herrera, and Interim District Attorney Suzy Loftus, today announced that starting early next year San Francisco will no longer have a pre-arraignment cash bail system. As part of a recent court settlement, San Francisco, in collaboration with community and criminal justice partners, will implement an expedited system to assess and make recommendations to the Superior Court regarding a person's public safety risk. The new system will facilitate release determinations within 18 hours of a person's arrest.

This expansion of San Francisco's existing pretrial diversion program will eliminate the Superior Court's pre-arraignment bail schedule. A faster system of review upholds public  
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safety while protecting arrested persons' constitutional rights. On October 22, Mayor Breed introduced a supplemental budget appropriation at the Board of Supervisors to ensure that City departments will have the necessary resources and staffing to implement this new system. The Board of Supervisors Budget and Finance Committee today approved the \$2.2 million budget appropriation. The budget appropriation will go before the full Board of Supervisors on Tuesday, November 12<sup>th</sup>.

"Everyone should be treated equally under the law—not based on their ability to afford bail," said Mayor Breed. "Every hour or day that someone is in jail waiting to go before a judge can have a significant negative impact on their life. Not being able to afford bail can mean lost wages and the risk of unemployment, and can pose major difficulties for childcare and even child custody. Our hope is that with this new, expedited system and by funding the San Francisco Pretrial Diversion Project appropriately, we can make our system more just and fair."

In 2015, two plaintiffs brought a lawsuit against the San Francisco Sheriff claiming that the pre-arraignment bail schedule required by state law deprives defendants of their constitutional right to freedom before appearing in court if they are unable to afford bail. The lawsuit, *Buffin v. City and County of San Francisco*, argued that cash bail without judicial review limited personal liberty primarily based on their ability to pay, and kept poor people detained in prison for a longer amount of time than people who could afford to post bail. In 2016, Sheriff Hennessy and City Attorney Herrera agreed that cash bail was unfair and took the groundbreaking step of declining to defend the constitutionality of the pre-arraignment cash bail system.

In March 2019, a U.S. District Judge found that the bail schedule perpetuates inequity between people who can afford to pay bail and those who cannot. Sheriff Hennessy, the City Attorney's Office, the federal magistrate, and the plaintiffs forged a settlement agreement to cease San Francisco's use of the bail schedule, and developed a proposal to replace it with a more expedient pre-trial assessment program. This change to the bail system is specifically for pre-arraignment bail, meaning before a person goes before a judge. There is still a bail system in place for post-arraignment.

Under the new system, the San Francisco will expedite pre-arraignment release decisions. These decisions are informed by a risk assessment tool, called a Public Safety Assessment (PSA), which evaluates an arrestee's risk factors. The tool was first implemented in San Francisco in 2016 and measures risk factors like whether the current offense is violent, whether the person has prior violent convictions, and whether the person has failed to appear at a pretrial hearing. The PSA is an objective, research-based tool designed to reduce bias in the release determination process.

The Pretrial Diversion Project must convey its release recommendation and other available information to the court within eight hours of booking, beginning at the time the person's identity is confirmed in the jail. If the Court does not make a release determination within 18 hours of booking, then the recommendation of the Public Safety Assessment takes effect, requiring the Sheriff's Department to release or detain the defendant as indicated. Law enforcement may request a 12-hour extension if there are public safety concerns with releasing the individual. People arrested on suspicion of a serious or violent felony will not be entitled to pre-arraignment release without a court decision.

On October 22<sup>nd</sup>, Mayor Breed introduced a supplemental budget appropriation at the Board of Supervisors to fund the implementation period for the new system of release determinations, and the Budget Committee voted today to approve \$2.2 million in funding. If approved by the full Board of Supervisors, the funding will allow the San Francisco Police Department, Sheriff's Department, the San Francisco Pretrial Diversion Project, and the District Attorney's Office to hire additional staff and fund additional staff time and technology upgrades to implement the new program. The Mayor's Office will work with the City Controller and departments to evaluate the implementation of the program and inform the next budget cycle.

"We worked tirelessly with the plaintiffs and federal court to devise a system that protects the rights of arrested individuals, ensures an expedited review of each case, and protects public safety," said Sheriff Hennessy. "I am pleased that Mayor Breed is moving forward with the next phase to fund this reform."

"One system of justice for the rich and another for everyone else isn't justice at all," said City Attorney Dennis Herrera. "We refused to defend an unconstitutional bail system that allowed the wealthy to pay their way out of jail, even if they posed a danger to the public. This new system takes money out of the equation. Justice is better served when decisions are based on the facts, not on the size of someone's bank account."

"Release decisions should be based on the public safety risk posed and not by how much money someone has in their bank account," said Interim District Attorney Suzy Loftus. "Money bail does not make us safer and moving away from it is simply the right thing to do."

"A fundamental presumption of our criminal justice system is that individuals are innocent until proven guilty. For over four decades, SF Pretrial has protected that right through pretrial diversion and release in collaboration with the Courts and our community and criminal justice partners," said David Mauroff, CEO of the San Francisco Pretrial Diversion Project. "It has been proven that time in jail results in an increased likelihood to commit a crime and hardship, which disproportionately impacts innocent people of color. Public safety is a priority, and a 96% rate of people not picking up a new case while under our supervision is the perfect complement to a speedy and equitable release."

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