[Public Financing for Mayoral Candidates.]

Ordinance amending the Campaign and Governmental Conduct Code by amending sections 1.104, 1.108, 1.130, 1.134, 1.136, 1.138, 1.140, 1.142, 1.144, 1.148, 1.150, 1.152, 1.154, 1.156 and 1.170 and adding sections 1.134.5, 1.138.5, 1.140.5, 1.144.5 and 1.146 to create a public financing program for mayoral candidates, appropriate funding for the program and make other changes to the Campaign Finance Reform Ordinance.

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

Section 1. The San Francisco Campaign and Governmental Conduct Code is hereby amended by amending Sections 1.104, 1.108, 1.130, 1.134, 1.136, 1.138, 1.140, 1.142, 1.144, 1.148, 1.150, 1.152, 1.154, 1.156 and 1.170 to read as follows:

SEC. 1.104. DEFINITIONS.

Whenever in this Chapter the following words or phrases are used, they shall mean:

(a) "Candidate" shall mean any individual listed on the ballot for election to any City elective office or who otherwise has taken affirmative action to seek nomination or election to such office. The term "candidate" shall also mean the candidate's campaign committee.

(b) "Charitable organization" shall mean an entity exempt from taxation pursuant to Title 26, Section 501 of the United State Code.

(c) "City elective office" shall mean the offices of Mayor, Member of the Board of Supervisors, City Attorney, District Attorney, Treasurer, Sheriff, Assessor, Public Defender, Member of the Board of Education of the San Francisco Unified School District and Member
of the Governing Board of the San Francisco Community College District. The Board of Supervisors shall be deemed to consist of eleven separate City elective offices, the San Francisco Community College District shall be deemed to consist of seven separate City elective offices, and the Board of Education of the San Francisco Unified School District shall be deemed to consist of seven separate City elective offices.

(d) "Committee" shall be defined as set forth in the Government Code of the State of California (commencing at Section 81000).

(e) "Contribution" shall be defined as set forth in Government Code of the State of California (commencing at Section 81000); provided, however, that "contribution" shall include loans of any kind or nature.

(f) "Election" shall mean any primary, general, or special municipal election held in the City and County of San Francisco for City elective office, regardless of whether the election is conducted by district or Citywide.

(g) "Enforcement authority" shall mean the District Attorney of the City and County of San Francisco for criminal enforcement, the City Attorney for civil enforcement, and the Ethics Commission for administrative enforcement. Nothing in this Chapter shall be construed as limiting the authority of any law enforcement agency or prosecuting attorney to enforce the provisions of this Chapter under any circumstances where such law enforcement agency or prosecuting attorney otherwise has lawful authority to do so.

(h) "Ethics Commission" shall mean the San Francisco Ethics Commission.

(i) "Executive Director" shall mean the Executive Director of the Ethics Commission, or the Executive Director's designee.
(i) "Individual Expenditure Ceiling" shall mean the expenditure ceiling established for each individual candidate for Mayor who has been certified by the Ethics Commission as eligible to receive public funds under this Chapter.

(k)(f) "Matching contribution" shall mean a contribution up to $500, that is made by an individual, other than the candidate, who is a resident of San Francisco. Matching contributions shall not include loans, contributions that are received more than 18 months before the date of the election, contributions made by the candidate’s immediate family or qualifying contributions, and must comply with all requirements of this Chapter. Matching contributions under $100 that are not made by written instrument must be accompanied by written documentation of the contributor’s name and address.

(l)(k) "Measure" shall mean any City referendum, recall or ballot proposition, whether or not it qualifies for the ballot.

(m)(l) "Person" shall mean any individual, partnership, corporation, association, firm, committee, club or other organization or group of persons, however organized.

(n)(m) "Qualified campaign expenditure" for candidates shall mean includes all of the following:

(1) Any expenditure made by a candidate, or by a committee controlled by the candidate, for the purpose of influencing or attempting to influence the actions of the voters for the election of the candidate to City elective office.

(2) A nonmonetary contribution provided to the candidate, officeholder or committee controlled by the candidate.

(3) The total cost actually paid or incurred by the candidate or controlled committee of the candidate for a slate mailing or other campaign literature produced or authorized by more than one candidate.
(4) Expenses incurred, but for which payment has not yet been made.
(5) Expenses associated with complying with applicable laws, including but not limited to the California Political Reform Act, Government Code Section 81000, et seq., and the provisions of this Chapter.
(6) "Qualified campaign expenditure" shall not include expenses incurred in connection with an administrative or judicial proceeding, payments for administrative, civil or criminal fines, including late filing fines, or for inaugural activities or officeholder expenses.

(a)(m) "Qualifying contribution" shall mean a contribution of not less than $10 and not more than $100 that is made by an individual who is a resident of San Francisco and that complies with all requirements of this Chapter. Qualifying contributions shall not include loans, contributions that are received more than 18 months before the date of the election or contributions made by the candidate or the candidate's immediate family. Qualifying contributions under $100 that are not made by written instrument must be accompanied by written documentation of the contributor's name and address.

(p)(p) "Recorded telephone message" shall mean a recorded audio message that expressly supports or opposes a candidate for City elective office that is distributed by telephone.

(q)(p) "Surplus funds" shall mean funds remaining in a candidate's campaign account at the time the candidate leaves City elective office, or at the end of the post-election reporting period following the defeat of the candidate for City elective office, whichever occurs last, and funds remaining in the campaign account of a committee primarily formed to support or oppose a measure at the end of the post-election reporting period following the election at which the measure appeared on the ballot.
(r) "Total Opposition Spending" shall mean the sum of any expenditures made or expenses incurred by any person or persons for the purpose of making independent expenditures, electioneering communications or member communications in opposition to a specific candidate for Mayor.

(s) "Total Supportive Funds" shall mean the sum of all contributions received by a candidate for Mayor other than any funds in the candidate's Campaign Contingency Account, plus the expenditures made or expenses incurred by any person or persons for the purpose of making independent expenditures, electioneering communications or member communications in support of that same candidate.

(t) "Trust Account Limit," shall mean the amount of funds in the Campaign Contribution Trust Account of a candidate for Mayor who has been certified by the Ethics Commission as eligible to receive public funds under this Chapter such that the expenditure of this amount would cause the candidate to reach, but not exceed, the candidate's Individual Expenditure Ceiling. The Trust Account Limit shall be reduced as the candidate spends money and shall be increased when his or her Individual Expenditure Ceiling increases.

(u) "Written instrument" means a check, credit card receipt, or record of electronic transfer of funds.

SEC. 1.108. CANDIDATE CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION TRUST ACCOUNTS AND CAMPAIGN CONTINGENCY ACCOUNTS—ESTABLISHMENT.

(a) Candidate Campaign Contribution Trust Accounts.

(l) Each treasurer for a candidate shall establish a campaign contribution trust account for the candidate at an office of a bank located in the City and County of San Francisco, the account number and branch identification of which shall be filed with the Ethics
Commission within 10 days of the establishment of the account. All of the expenditures by the
candidate for the City elective office sought shall be made from that account.

(2) A candidate for Mayor who has been certified by the Ethics Commission as eligible to
receive public funds under this Chapter shall not, at any time, have an amount of funds greater than the
candidate’s Trust Account Limit in his or her Campaign Contribution Trust Account.

(b) Campaign Contingency Accounts for Candidates for Mayor.

(1) Notwithstanding any other section of this Code, including section 1.200, a candidate for
Mayor who has been certified by the Ethics Commission as eligible to receive public funds under this
Chapter may maintain a Campaign Contingency Account separate from his or her Campaign
Contribution Trust Account into which he or she may deposit money contributions in anticipation of
the candidate’s Individual Expenditure Ceiling being raised. All money contributions deposited into
this account shall be reported as if it were deposited into the candidate’s Campaign Contribution Trust
Account.

(2) No expenditures shall be made from a Campaign Contingency Account established
pursuant to this section. Funds may be transferred between a candidate’s Campaign Contingency
Account and the candidate’s Campaign Contribution Trust Account, provided that the amount of funds
in the candidate’s Campaign Contribution Trust Account does not exceed the candidate’s Trust Account
Limit. All funds that qualify as matching contributions and are transferred from the Campaign
Contingency Account to the Campaign Contribution Trust Account shall be eligible to be matched with
public funds in accordance with the procedures set forth in this Chapter. Within 10 days after the date
of the election, the candidate shall turn over all funds in the Campaign Contingency Account to the
Mayoral Election Campaign Fund.
SEC. 1.130. AMOUNT OF EXPENDITURE CEILINGS.

(a) Any candidate for Assessor, Public Defender, City Attorney, District Attorney, Treasurer, or Sheriff who agrees to expenditure ceilings shall not make total qualified campaign expenditures exceeding $211,000.

(b) Any candidate for Mayor who agrees to expenditure ceilings shall not make total qualified campaign expenditures exceeding $1,375,000.

(c) Any candidate for the Board of Supervisors who agrees to expenditure ceilings shall not make total qualified campaign expenditures exceeding $83,000.

(d) Any candidate for the Board of Education of the San Francisco Unified School District or the Governing Board of the San Francisco Community College District who agrees to expenditure ceilings shall not make total qualified campaign expenditures exceeding $90,000.

(e) The Ethics Commission is authorized to adjust annually the expenditure ceilings imposed by this Section to reflect the change in the California Consumer Price Index for that year.

SEC. 1.134. EXPENDITURE CEILINGS LIFTED.

This Section shall apply only if at least one candidate for the City elective office has filed a statement with the Ethics Commission pursuant to Section 1.128 indicating acceptance of the applicable expenditure limits, and the applicable expenditure limit has not already been lifted.

(a) If a candidate who has filed a statement under Section 1.128 declining to accept expenditure ceilings receives contributions or makes qualified campaign expenditures in excess of 100 percent of the applicable expenditure ceiling, or if a person or persons make
expenditures or payments, or incur expenses for the purpose of making independent
expenditures, electioneering communications or member communications in support of or in
opposition to a candidate that total more than 100 percent of the applicable expenditure
ceiling, the applicable expenditure limit shall no longer be binding on any candidate seeking
election to the same City elective office. This subsection shall not apply to a candidate for Mayor
who has been certified by the Ethics Commission as eligible to receive public funds under this Chapter
and is therefore subject to an Individual Expenditure Ceiling.

(b) Any candidate who has not accepted the voluntary expenditure ceiling and who
receives contributions, makes expenditures, incurs expenses or has funds in his campaign
trust account that exceed 100 percent of the applicable expenditure ceiling shall, within 24
hours of exceeding 100 percent of the applicable expenditure ceiling, file a statement with the
Ethics Commission, on forms to be provided by the Ethics Commission, stating that fact and
any additional information required by the Ethics Commission. Within 24 hours after receiving
such notice, the Ethics Commission shall inform every other candidate for that office that the
expenditure ceiling has been lifted.

(c) Any person that makes expenditures or payments, or incurs expenses for the
purpose of making independent expenditures, electioneering communications or member
communications in support of or in opposition to any candidate in an amount of $5,000 or
more shall, within 24 hours of reaching this threshold, file a statement with the Ethics
Commission, on forms to be provided by the Ethics Commission, stating that fact and any
additional information required by the Ethics Commission. Thereafter, until such time as the
applicable expenditure ceiling is lifted, any such person shall file a supplemental statement
with the Ethics Commission each time the committee makes expenditures or payments or
incurs expenses for the purpose of making independent expenditures, electioneering
communications or member communications or incurs expenses in support of or in opposition to any candidate of an additional $5,000. The supplemental statements shall be filed within 24 hours of reaching these spending thresholds. This subsection shall not apply to any expenditures, payments, or expenses incurred for the purpose of making independent expenditures, electioneering communications or member communications in support of or in opposition to any candidate for Mayor if the Ethics Commission has certified that at least one candidate for Mayor is eligible to receive public funds under this Chapter.

SEC. 1.136. PUBLIC FINANCING OF ELECTION CAMPAIGNS.

Candidates for the Board of Supervisors or Mayor who are certified by the Ethics Commission as eligible to receive public financing of their election campaigns, and who comply with the applicable conditions and restrictions specified in Section 1.140 and 1.140.5 of this Chapter, may receive public funds as provided in this Chapter to defray the costs of their election campaigns.

SEC. 1.138. SUPERVISOR ELECTION CAMPAIGN FUND; APPROPRIATION OF FUNDS.

(a) ESTABLISHMENT of SUPERVISOR ELECTION CAMPAIGN fund. There is hereby established a special fund of the City and County of San Francisco called the Supervisor Election Campaign Fund. All money deposited in the Fund is hereby appropriated for use as specified in this Chapter and the implementing regulations.

(b) APPROPRIATION TO SUPERVISOR ELECTION CAMPAIGN FUND. Each fiscal year the City and County of San Francisco shall appropriate to the Supervisor Election Campaign Fund an amount sufficient to provide funding for election campaigns as authorized
by this Chapter for all candidates for the Board of Supervisors who may be eligible to receive such funds. The Ethics Commission shall assist the Mayor and Board of Supervisors in estimating the amount required. If at any time the amount appropriated is insufficient to fund all eligible candidates, the Ethics Commission shall notify the Mayor and Board of Supervisors, and the City and County shall appropriate additional funds. The Ethics Commission shall assist the Mayor and Board of Supervisors in estimating any additional funds required.

(c) APPROPRIATION TO ETHICS COMMISSION. Each fiscal year the City and County of San Francisco shall appropriate to the Ethics Commission an amount sufficient to pay for the costs of administration of the public financing program. This appropriation shall be in addition to and separate from the regular annual appropriation made to the Ethics Commission. The Ethics Commission shall assist the Mayor and Board of Supervisors in estimating the amount required.

(d) LIMITATION ON EXPENDITURE OF FUNDS. The annual appropriation to this public financing program, including the cost of administration, shall not exceed $2.00 per resident of the City and County of San Francisco. At the request of the Ethics Commission, the Controller shall estimate the number of residents of the City and County of San Francisco for purposes of this subsection.

SEC. 1.140. ELIGIBILITY TO RECEIVE PUBLIC FINANCING – CANDIDATES FOR THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS.

(a) REQUIREMENTS. To be eligible to receive public financing of campaign expenses under this Chapter, a candidate for the Board of Supervisors must:
(1) Be seeking election to the Board of Supervisors and be eligible to hold the office sought;
(2) Have filed a statement indicating that he or she intends to participate in the public financing program under Section 1.142(a) of this Chapter;
(3) Have received at least $5,000 in qualifying contributions from at least 75 contributors before the 70th day before the election;
(4) Be opposed by another candidate who has either established eligibility to receive public financing, or received contributions or made expenditures which in the aggregate equal or exceed $5,000;
(5) Agree to the following conditions:
  (A) The candidate bears the burden of proving that each contribution the candidate relies upon to establish eligibility is a qualifying contribution;
  (B) The candidate bears the burden of proving that expenditures made with public funds provided under this Chapter comply with Section 1.148 of this Chapter;
  (C) The candidate shall not make qualified campaign expenditures which in the aggregate exceed the expenditure limits specified in Section 1.130 of this Chapter, except as provided in Section 1.134 of this Chapter; and
  (D) The candidate shall agree to participate in at least one debate with the candidate's opponents.
(6) Have paid any outstanding late fines or penalties, owed to the City by the candidate or any of the candidate's previous campaign committees, which were imposed for violations of Chapters 1 through 5 of this Article, the campaign finance provisions of the California Political Reform Act (Government Code sections 84100-85704), Chapter 1 of Article
II of this Code or Chapters 1 or 2 of Article III of this Code, provided that the Ethics Commission had notified the candidate of such fines or penalties by the time of certification;

(7) Have filed any outstanding forms, owed to the City by the candidate or any of the candidate's previous campaign committees, which were required to be filed pursuant to Chapters 1 through 5 of this Article, the campaign finance provisions of the Political Reform Act (Government Code sections 84100-85704), or Chapter 1, Article III of this Code, provided that the Ethics Commission had notified the candidate of such outstanding forms by the time of certification;

(8) Have no finding by a court within the prior five years that the candidate knowingly, willfully, or intentionally violated Chapters 1 through 4 of this Article or the campaign finance provisions of the California Political Reform Act (Government Code sections 84100-85704).

For purposes of this section, a plea of nolo contendere shall be treated the same as a finding by a court of a willful violation.

(b) ADJUSTMENT OF EXPENDITURE LIMITS AND THRESHOLDS. Whenever the Ethics Commission pursuant to Section 1.130 adjusts the voluntary expenditure ceilings to reflect changes in the California Consumer Price Index, the Commission is authorized to adjust the threshold limits in subsections (a)(3) and (a)(4) of this Section, and Section 1.152, to reflect changes in the California Consumer Price Index.

SEC. 1.142. PROCESS FOR ESTABLISHING ELIGIBILITY; CERTIFICATION BY THE ETHICS COMMISSION.

(a) STATEMENT OF PARTICIPATION OR NON-PARTICIPATION. Each candidate for the Board of Supervisors or Mayor must sign and verify under penalty of perjury a Statement of Participation or Non-Participation in the public financing program. The
statement must be filed by the candidate with the Ethics Commission no later than the deadline for filing nomination papers. On the statement, each candidate shall indicate whether he or she intends to participate in the public financing program. A statement of participation or non-participation may not be amended after the deadline for filing nomination papers.

(b) DECLARATION BY CANDIDATE.

(1) Candidates for the Board of Supervisor. To become eligible to receive public financing of campaign expenses under this Chapter, a candidate for the Board of Supervisors shall declare, under penalty of perjury, that the candidate satisfies the requirements specified in Section 1.140. Candidates shall submit the declaration and any supporting material required by the Ethics Commission to the Ethics Commission on or after June 1 of the election year, but no later than the 70th day before the election. Once the declaration and supporting material are submitted, they may not be amended. The declaration and supporting material may be withdrawn and refiled, provided that the refiling is made no later than the 70th day before the election.

(2) Candidates for Mayor. To become eligible to receive public financing of campaign expenses under this Chapter, a candidate for Mayor shall declare, under penalty of perjury, that the candidate satisfies the requirements specified in Section 1.140.5. Candidates shall be permitted to submit the declaration and any supporting material required by the Ethics Commission to the Ethics Commission starting nine (9) months before the date of the election, but no later than the 70th day before the election. Once the declaration and supporting material are submitted, they may not be amended. The declaration and supporting material may be withdrawn and refiled, provided that the refiling is made no later than the 70th day before the election.
(3) **Extension of Deadlines.** If the any deadline imposed by this section falls on a Saturday, Sunday, or legal holiday, the deadline shall be the next business day.

(c) **DETERMINATION OF ELIGIBILITY.** The Executive Director of the Ethics Commission shall review the candidate's declaration and supporting material to determine whether the candidate is eligible to receive public funds under this Chapter. The Executive Director may audit the candidate's records, interview contributors and take whatever steps the Executive Director deems necessary to determine eligibility. At the request of the Executive Director, the Controller shall assist in this review process.

(d) **DETERMINATION OF OPPOSITION.** To determine whether a candidate for the Board of Supervisors is opposed as required under Section 1.140(a)(3) of this Chapter or a candidate for Mayor is opposed as required under Section 1.140.5(a)(4) of this Chapter, the Executive Director shall review the material filed pursuant to Section 1.152 of this Chapter, and may review any other material.

(e) **CERTIFICATION.** If the Executive Director determines that a candidate for the Board of Supervisors has satisfied the requirements of Section 1.140 or a candidate for Mayor has satisfied the requirements of Section 1.140.5, the Executive Director shall notify the candidate and certify to the Controller that the candidate is eligible to receive public financing under this Chapter. The Executive Director shall not certify that a candidate is eligible to receive public financing if the candidate's declaration or supporting material is incomplete or otherwise inadequate to establish eligibility. The Executive Director shall determine whether to certify a candidate no later than 30 days after the date the candidate submits his or her candidate declaration and supporting material, provided that the Executive Director shall make all determinations regarding whether to certify a candidate no later than the 60th 55th day before the election.
(f) RESUBMISSION. If the Executive Director declines to certify that a candidate is eligible to receive public financing under this Chapter, the Executive Director shall notify the candidate. Notwithstanding Section 1.142(b) of this Chapter, the candidate may, within five business days of the date of notification, resubmit the declaration and supporting material. If the candidate does not timely resubmit, the Executive Director's determination is final.

If, after viewing resubmitted material, the Executive Director declines to certify that a candidate is eligible to receive public financing under this Chapter, the Executive Director shall notify the candidate of this fact. Additional resubmissions may be permitted in the Executive Director's discretion. If the candidate fails to resubmit in the time specified by the Executive Director, or if no further resubmissions are permitted, the Executive Director's determination is final.

(g) RECONSIDERATION. A candidate may request that the Executive Director reconsider a final determination that the candidate is ineligible to receive public funds under this Chapter. The candidate must request reconsideration in writing within five days of the date of notification of ineligibility.

(h) APPEAL TO THE ETHICS COMMISSION. If, after reconsideration, the Executive Director declines to certify that a candidate is eligible to receive public financing under this Chapter, the candidate may appeal the Executive Director's final determination to the Ethics Commission. The candidate must deliver the written appeal to the Ethics Commission within five days of the date of notification of the Executive Director's determination following reconsideration.
SEC. 1.144. DISBURSEMENT OF PUBLIC FUNDS—CANDIDATES FOR THE BOARD OF
SUPERVISORS.

(a) PAYMENT BY CONTROLLER. Upon certifying that a candidate for the Board of
Supervisors is eligible to receive public financing under this Chapter, the Executive Director
shall forward the certification to the Controller and the Controller shall disburse payments to
the candidate from the Supervisor Election Campaign Fund in accordance with the certification
and this Section.

(b) TIME OF PAYMENTS. The Controller shall not make any payments under this
Chapter to a candidate for the Board of Supervisors until the day following the deadline for filing
nomination papers with the Director of Elections.

(c) PAYMENTS FOR ELECTION EXPENSES. Upon certification of
eligibility, and in accordance with subsection (b) of this Section, the candidate shall receive a
payment of $5,000 from the Supervisor Election Campaign Fund. Thereafter, for each of the
first $5,000 dollars of matching contributions raised by the candidate, the candidate shall
receive four dollars from the Supervisor Election Campaign Fund. Thereafter, for each
additional dollar of matching contributions raised by the candidate, the candidate shall receive
one dollar from the Supervisor Election Campaign Fund. The maximum amount of public
funds a candidate for the Board of Supervisors may receive to defray election expenses under
this Chapter is $43,750. The amount of public funds paid to a candidate for the Board of
Supervisors under this Section shall not be affected by the lifting of expenditure limits under
Section 1.134.

(d) PRORATION OF FUNDS. Notwithstanding Subsections (c) and (d) of this
Section, if the Executive Director makes an initial or the Ethics Commission makes a final
determination, pursuant to Section 1.154(b) of this Chapter, that funds in the Supervisor
Election Campaign Fund are insufficient, the Executive Director or the Commission shall
distribute the money in the Fund on a pro rata basis to all candidates who are certified as
eligible to receive public funds.

(e) DEPOSIT IN CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION TRUST ACCOUNT. Candidates
must deposit all payments received from the Supervisor Election Campaign Fund in the
candidate's Campaign Contribution Trust Account.

(f) TERMINATION OF PAYMENTS. The Controller shall terminate all payments to a
candidate who is otherwise eligible to receive public financing if the candidate:

(1) withdraws or fails to qualify to have his or her name printed on the ballot for the
election for which the candidate applied for public financing;

(2) fails to comply with the conditions specified in Section 1.140 of this Chapter; or

(3) fails to comply with any of the reporting requirements imposed by this Chapter
or the Political Reform Act, California Government Code Section 81000, et seq.

SEC. 1.148. RESTRICTIONS ON USE OF PUBLIC FUNDS; UNEXPENDED PUBLIC
FUNDS.

(a) USE FOR QUALIFIED CAMPAIGN EXPENDITURES ONLY. Candidates who
receive public financing may use the public funds solely to pay for qualified campaign
expenditures, as defined by Section 1.104 of this Chapter, and to repay loans used to pay for
qualified campaign expenditures. Candidates may not use public funds to pay for expenses
incurred in connection with an administrative or judicial proceeding. Candidates may not use
public funds to pay administrative, civil or criminal fines, including late filing fines, or to pay for
inaugural activities or officeholder expenses.
(b) PURCHASE OF EQUIPMENT. Any equipment purchased by a candidate with public funds provided under this Chapter that has a useful life beyond the election campaign for which the funds were provided, and a fair market value exceeding $100, becomes City and County property on the day following the date the candidate is elected or not elected to office.

(c) WITHDRAWAL OR FAILURE TO QUALIFY. Any candidate who receives public financing but who withdraws or fails to qualify to have his or her name printed on the ballot in the election for which the public funds were provided shall repay the Supervisor Election Campaign Fund if the candidate was a candidate for the Board of Supervisors or to the Mayoral Election Campaign Fund if the candidate was a candidate for Mayor, the full sum received from the Fund.

(d) UNEXPENDED PUBLIC FUNDS.

(i) General. Any candidate who receives public financing and who has unexpended public funds shall pay to the City and County of San Francisco and deliver to the Ethics Commission those funds for deposit in the Supervisor Election Campaign Fund if the candidate was a candidate for the Board of Supervisors or to the Mayoral Election Campaign Fund if the candidate was a candidate for Mayor, no later than 30 days after the Ethics Commission completes its audit of the candidate. Unexpended funds may be used to pay for qualified campaign expenditures until the Ethics Commission completes its audit of the candidate.

(ii) Definition. For purposes of this section, unexpended public funds shall mean all funds remaining in the candidate’s account on the 30th day after the candidate is elected or not elected to office, regardless of the source of the funds, but shall not exceed the amount of public funds provided to the candidate. Funds raised after this date do not constitute unexpended funds and may be used for any lawful purpose.
SEC. 1.150. AUDIT; REPAYMENT; AND TERMINATION OF COMMITTEES.

(a) AUDIT. The Ethics Commission shall audit all candidates who receive public financing under this Chapter. The audit of candidates for Mayor conducted under this subsection shall begin within 60 days after the date the candidates' first post-election campaign disclosure report is required to be filed pursuant to Section 1.106 of this Chapter. At the request of the Executive Director, the Controller shall assist in conducting these audits.

(b) REPAYMENT.

(1) If the Ethics Commission determines that any portion of the payments made to a candidate from the Supervisor Election Campaign Fund or the Mayoral Election Campaign Fund exceeded the aggregate amount of payments to which the candidate was entitled under this Chapter, the Commission shall notify the Controller and the candidate. In addition to any other penalties, the candidate shall pay to the City and County of San Francisco, and deliver to the Ethics Commission an amount equal to the amount of the excess payments, and if the Commission determines that any amount of any payment made to a candidate from the Supervisor Election Campaign Fund or the Mayoral Election Campaign Fund was used for something other than qualified campaign expenditures, the candidate shall pay to the Ethics Commission an amount equal to the improper expenditure.

(2) Any candidate for Mayor who receives public funds under this Chapter and exceeds his or her Individual Expenditure Ceiling by ten percent or more shall, in addition to any other penalties, pay to the Ethics Commission an amount equal to the amount of public funds the candidate received under this Chapter.

(3) All payments delivered to the Ethics Commission under this Section shall be deposited in the Supervisor Election Campaign Fund if made by a candidate for the Board of Supervisors or in the Mayoral Election Campaign Fund if made by a candidate for Mayor.
(e) TERMINATION OF COMMITTEES. All candidates for Mayor who receive public funds under this Chapter shall terminate their campaign committees within 30 days of the date the Ethics Commission completes an audit of the committee as required by this Section.

SEC. 1.152. SUPPLEMENTAL REPORTING IN ELECTIONS FOR BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AND MAYOR.

(a) Candidates for the Board of Supervisors. In addition to the campaign disclosure requirements imposed by the California Political Reform Act and other provisions of this Chapter, each candidate for the Board of Supervisors who has filed a statement indicating that he or she does not intend to participate in the public financing program under Section 1.142(a) of this Chapter or who has received notice under Section 1.142 that the candidate is ineligible to receive public funds under this Chapter shall, no later than the deadline for filing nomination papers, file a statement with the Ethics Commission indicating whether the nonparticipating candidate has received contributions, made expenditures or has funds in his or her campaign trust account that in the aggregate equal or exceed $5,000. If the nonparticipating candidate first reaches or exceeds the $5,000 threshold after the deadline for filing nomination papers, or receives notice of ineligibility to receive public funds after that date, the nonparticipating candidate shall, within 24 hours of reaching or exceeding the threshold or receiving notice of ineligibility, file a statement indicating this fact with the Ethics Commission. The supplemental reports are not required if no candidate in a race seeks public financing or if the Executive Director of the Ethics Commission has determined that at least two candidates in a race have received contributions or have funds in their campaign trust account that equal or exceed $5,000.
(b) Candidates for Mayor.

(1) In addition to the campaign disclosure requirements imposed by the California Political Reform Act and other provisions of this Chapter, each candidate for Mayor shall file a statement with the Ethics Commission indicating when the candidate has received contributions, made expenditures or has funds in his or her Campaign Contribution Trust Account that in the aggregate equal or exceed $50,000 within 24 hours of reaching or exceeding that amount.

(2) In addition to the supplemental report in subsection (b)(1) of this Section, each candidate for Mayor who has not been certified as eligible to receive public funds under this Chapter shall file a statement with the Ethics Commission disclosing when the candidate has received contributions, made expenditures or has funds in his or her Campaign Contribution Trust Account that in the aggregate equal or exceed $1,000,000. The candidate shall file this report within 24 hours of reaching or exceeding the threshold. Thereafter, the candidate shall file an additional supplemental report within 24 hours of every time the candidate receives additional contributions, makes additional expenditures or has additional funds in his or her campaign trust account that in the aggregate equal or exceed $50,000.

(3) Any person that makes independent expenditures, electioneering communications, or member communications in support of or in opposition to that clearly identify any candidate for Mayor in an amount that in the aggregate equals or exceeds $5,000, shall, within 24 hours of reaching or exceeding the spending threshold, provide an original copy of the communication to the Ethics Commission and file a statement with the Ethics Commission disclosing the cost of each communication. Every person who is required to file a statement with the Ethics Commission pursuant to this subsection shall indicate on the statement which candidate or candidates for Mayor the independent expenditures, electioneering communications, or member communications disclosed on the statement are intended to support or oppose, or whether they are intended to be neutral, provided that...
an independent expenditure may not be neutral. For the purposes of this subsection, the costs of a
communication that supports or opposes more than one candidate or ballot measure shall be
apportioned among each candidate and measure in the communication.

Thereafter, any such person shall file a supplemental statement with the Ethics Commission
each time the person makes independent expenditures, electioneering communications or member
communications in support of or in opposition to any candidate for Mayor in an amount that in the
aggregate equals or exceeds an additional $5,000. The supplemental statements shall be filed within
24 hours of reaching or exceeding the spending threshold.

The Executive Director shall post the information disclosed on statements required by this
subsection on the web page of the Ethics Commission within one two business days of the statement
being filed.

(4) The supplemental statements required by subsections (b)(2) and (b)(3) are not required
until the Ethics Commission has certified that at least one candidate for Mayor is eligible to receive
public funds under this Chapter, provided that within 48 hours two days of the date that the
Ethics Commission's provides notice under this subsection that it has certified certification that a
candidate for Mayor is eligible to receive public funds under this Chapter any report that would be
required under (b)(2) or (b)(3) must be filed. Within 24 hours two business days of certifying that at
least one candidate for Mayor is eligible to receive public financing under this Chapter, the Ethics
Commission shall post a notice on its web page, send out a press release and send written notice by
regular or electronic mail to any person who has requested such notice.
SEC. 1.154. INSUFFICIENT FUNDS IN SUPERVISOR ELECTION CAMPAIGN

FUND.

(a) REPORT BY CONTROLLER. At the request of the Ethics Commission, the Controller shall provide a statement of the total amount of funds in the Supervisor Election Campaign Fund.

(b) DETERMINATION. Within 24 hours of the deadline for filing nomination papers, the Executive Director shall notify the Controller whether the amount in the Supervisor Election Campaign Fund is sufficient to fund all candidates who have filed a notice of intent to participate in the public financing program and who may be eligible to receive public financing. No later than 60 days before the election, the Ethics Commission shall make a final determination whether the amount in the Supervisor Election Campaign Fund is sufficient to fund all candidates for the Board of Supervisors who may be eligible to receive public financing for their election campaigns under this Chapter. If the Executive Director's initial or the Commission's final determination is that the amount in the Fund is insufficient, the Executive Director or the Commission shall distribute the money in the Fund on a pro rata basis to all candidates who are certified as eligible to receive public funds. Notwithstanding an initial determination that the funds are insufficient and the distribution of some funds on a pro rata basis, if the Commission makes a final determination that there are sufficient funds for all eligible candidates, the Commission may distribute the full amount of funds to eligible candidates.

SEC. 1.156. REPORT TO THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF SUPERVISORS.

(a) Following each election at which the Mayor or members of the Board of Supervisors are elected, the Ethics Commission shall submit a report to the Mayor and Board of Supervisors.
of Supervisors. The report shall state the amount of public funds used to pay for election
campaigns in that election and such other information as the Ethics Commission deems
useful, including the number of candidates who received public funds; the number of
nonparticipating candidates; the amount of qualified campaign expenditures made by all
candidates in that election; and the amount of independent expenditures made in connection
with the election.

(b) Following the November 2007 municipal election, the Ethics Commission shall
conduct a study and submit a report to the Mayor and Board of Supervisors regarding the
feasibility and costs of converting the partial public financing program for Mayoral candidates
into a full public financing program.

SEC. 1.170. PENALTIES.

(a) CRIMINAL.

Any person who knowingly or willfully violates any provision of this Chapter shall be
guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be punished by a fine of not more
than $5,000 for each violation or by imprisonment in the County jail for a period of not more
than six months or by both such fine and imprisonment; provided, however, that any willful or
knowing failure to report contributions or expenditures done with intent to mislead or deceive
or any willful or knowing violation of the provisions of Section 1.114 of this Chapter shall be
punishable by a fine of not less than $5,000 for each violation or three times the amount not
reported or the amount received in excess of the amount allowable pursuant to Section 1.114
of this Chapter, or three times the amount expended in excess of the amount allowable
pursuant to Section 1.130 or 1.140.5, whichever is greater.
(b) CIVIL.

Any person who intentionally or negligently violates any of the provisions of this Chapter shall be liable in a civil action brought by the civil prosecutor for an amount up to $5,000 for each violation or three times the amount not reported or the amount received in excess of the amount allowable pursuant to Section 1.114 or three times the amount expended in excess of the amount allowable pursuant to Section 1.130 or 1.140.5, whichever is greater.

(c) ADMINISTRATIVE.

Any person who intentionally or negligently violates any of the provisions of this Chapter shall be liable in an administrative proceeding before the Ethics Commission held pursuant to the Charter for an amount up to $5,000 for each violation, or three times the amount not reported or the amount received in excess of the amount allowable pursuant to Section 1.114 or three times the amount expended in excess of the amount allowable pursuant to Section 1.130 or 1.140.5, whichever is greater.

(d) PENALTIES FOR LATE ELECTRONIC FILINGS.

Any person who files an electronic copy of a statement or report required by this Chapter after the deadline imposed by the California Political Reform Act (Government Code Section 81000 et seq.) for filing the written copy of the statement or report shall be liable in the amount of twenty-five dollars ($25) per day after the deadline until the electronic copy is filed.

(e) MISUSE OF PUBLIC FUNDS.

Any person who willfully or knowingly uses public funds, paid pursuant to this Chapter, for any purpose other than the purposes authorized by this Chapter shall be subject to the penalties provided in this section.
(f) PROVISION OF FALSE OR MISLEADING INFORMATION TO THE ETHICS COMMISSION; WITHHOLDING OF INFORMATION.

Any person who knowingly or willfully furnishes false or fraudulent evidence, documents, or information to the Ethics Commission under this Chapter, or misrepresents any material fact, or conceals any evidence, documents, or information, or fails to furnish to the Ethics Commission any records, documents, or other information required to be provided under this Chapter shall be subject to the penalties provided in this section.

(g) PERSONAL LIABILITY.

Candidates and treasurers are responsible for complying with this Chapter and may be held personally liable for violations by their committees.

(h) JOINT AND SEVERAL LIABILITY.

If two or more persons are responsible for any violation of this Chapter, they shall be jointly and severally liable.

(i) EFFECT OF VIOLATION ON OUTCOME OF ELECTION.

(i) If a candidate is convicted of a violation of this Chapter at any time prior to his or her election, his or her candidacy shall be terminated immediately and he or she shall be no longer eligible for election, unless the court at the time of sentencing specifically determines that this provision shall not be applicable. No person convicted of a misdemeanor under this Chapter after his or her election shall be a candidate for any other City elective office for a period of five years following the date of the conviction unless the court shall at the time of sentencing specifically determine that this provision shall not be applicable. A plea of nolo contendere shall be deemed a conviction for purposes of this Section.

(2) If a candidate for Mayor is found by a court to have exceeded the Individual Expenditure Ceiling in this Chapter by ten percent or more at any time prior to his or her election, he...
or she is ineligible for election, unless the court specifically determines that this provision shall not be
applicable. If feasible, the candidate’s name shall be removed from the ballot. No candidate for
Mayor who is found by a court to have exceeded the Individual Expenditure Ceiling in this Chapter by
ten percent or more after his or her election shall be a candidate for any City elective office for a
period of 5 years following the court’s determination unless the court specifically determines that this
provision shall not be applicable. The Ethics Commission may make a recommendation to the Board of
Supervisors that a candidate found by a court to have exceeded the Individual Expenditure Ceiling in
this Chapter by ten percent or more should be removed from office.

(3) A plea of nolo contendere shall be deemed a conviction for purposes of this Section.

Section 2. The San Francisco Campaign and Governmental Conduct Code is hereby
amended by adding Sections 1.134.5, 1.138.5, 1.140.5, 1.144.5, and 1.146 to read as follows:

**SEC. 1.134.5. LIFTING OF INDIVIDUAL EXPENDITURE CEILINGS.**

This Section shall apply only if the Ethics Commission has certified that at least one candidate
for Mayor is eligible to receive public funds under this Chapter.

(a) The Executive Director shall lift the Individual Expenditure Ceiling of a candidate for
Mayor to an amount equal to the highest level of the Total Supportive Funds of any other candidate
seeking election to the same office if such amount is greater than $1,375,000, provided that the
Executive Director may lift a candidate’s Individual Expenditure Ceilings only in increments of
$100,000.

(b) The Executive Director shall lift the Individual Expenditure Ceiling of a candidate for
Mayor by an amount equal to the candidate’s Total Opposition Spending, provided that the Executive
Director may lift a candidate’s Individual Expenditure Ceiling only in increments of $100,000.
(c) On the fourth business day after a statement is filed pursuant to Section 1.152(b)(3) of this Chapter, the Executive Director shall determine whether to lift the Individual Expenditure Ceilings of each candidate for Mayor pursuant to subsections (a) and (b) of this Section based on the information in the statement unless pursuant to subsection (d) a candidate for Mayor requests that the Executive Director make a determination regarding which candidate or candidates the communication filed with the statement supports or opposes or whether the Communication is neutral. Ethics Commission review the statement pursuant to subsection (d) of this Section.

(d) Any candidate for Mayor may request that the Executive Director Ethics Commission review a statement the original or copy of a communication filed pursuant to Section 1.152(b)(3) of this Chapter to make an independent determination regarding which candidate or candidates for Mayor the communication, independent expenditures, electioneering communications, or member communications disclosed on the statement actually supports or opposes or whether they are the communication is neutral. Such requests must be filed with the Executive Director Ethics Commission within three business days from the date the original or copy of the communication statement is filed. Factors the Executive Director Commission shall use to determine whether the independent expenditure, electioneering communication or membership communication supports or opposes one or more candidates include the following:

1. the communication clearly identifies one or more mayoral candidates;
2. the timing of the communication coincides with the mayoral campaign;
3. the communication targets voters in a particular election;
4. the communication identifies one or more candidate’s position on a public policy issue and urges the reader or viewer to take action, including calling the candidate to support or oppose the candidate’s position;
(5) the position of one or more candidates on the public policy issue has been raised as distinguishing these candidates from others in the campaign, either in the communication itself or in other public communications;

(6) the communication is not part of an ongoing series of substantially similar advocacy communications by the organization on the same issue; and

(7) any other factors the Executive Director Ethics Commission deems relevant.

The Ethics Commission Within three business days of the date the request for a determination is received, the Executive Director shall make his or her initial determination requested by this subsection within 96 hours of the date the request for a determination is received. If for any reason the Commission does not make a final determination within this timeframe, the Executive Director shall do so within 120 hours of the date the request for a determination is received.

Within one business day of the date that the Executive Director makes an initial determination, any candidate for Mayor may submit to the Executive Director a request that the Ethics Commission review the Executive Director's initial determination.

Within one business day of receiving the request, the Executive Director shall notify each Commissioner of the candidate's request.

If within one business day of the Executive Director's notice, two or more members of the Commission inform the Executive Director that they would like to review the initial determination, the Executive Director shall schedule a meeting of the Commission on a date that occurs within one week of the Commissioners' requests. If three members of the Commission vote to overrule the Executive Director's initial determination, the Commission shall make a final determination based on the factors set forth above.
Within 24 hours of a final determination and based on that determination, the if no candidate requests review of the Executive Director's initial determination, if a request is made and two or more members of the Commission do not request to review the initial determination, or within one week of two members of the Commission requesting to review the initial determination, at least three members of the Commission do not vote to overrule the Executive Director's initial determination, the Executive Director's determination shall become final.

The Executive Director shall determine whether to lift the Individual Expenditure Ceilings of each candidate for Mayor pursuant to subsections (a) and (b) of this Section within one business day of a final determination.

SEC. 1.138.5 MAYORAL ELECTION CAMPAIGN FUND: APPROPRIATION OF FUNDS.

(a) ESTABLISHMENT OF MAYORAL ELECTION CAMPAIGN FUND. There is established a special fund of the City and County of San Francisco called the Mayoral Election Campaign Fund. All money deposited in the Fund is appropriated for use as specified in this Chapter and the implementing regulations. This special fund is separate from the Election Campaign Fund established in Section 1.138(a) of this Chapter.

(b) APPROPRIATION TO MAYORAL ELECTION CAMPAIGN FUND. Except as provided in subsections (b)(3) and (b)(4), each fiscal year the City and County of San Francisco shall appropriate $2.00 per resident of the City and County of San Francisco to the Mayoral Election Campaign Fund to provide funding for election campaigns as authorized by this Chapter for all candidates for Mayor who may be eligible to receive such funds. At the request of the Ethics Commission, the Controller shall estimate the number of residents of the City and County of San Francisco for purposes of this subsection.
(1) Any funds in the Mayoral Election Campaign Fund not used in one election shall be carried over for use in the following election, provided that at no time shall the total amount in the Mayoral Election Campaign Fund exceed $12 million. Any funds in the Mayoral Election Campaign Fund in excess of $12 million shall be returned to the General Fund.

(2) Funds necessary for the Ethics Commission to administer the public financing program for candidates for Mayor authorized under section 1.136 of this Chapter shall be taken from the Mayoral Election Campaign Fund. The Commission's administrative expenses for such public financing program for any election shall not exceed 40% of the total amount of funds in the Mayoral Election Campaign Fund for that election.

(3) In order to ensure that four years worth of appropriations under this subsection are available to provide public financing to candidates seeking election at the next mayoral election, the City and County of San Francisco shall appropriate $8.00 per resident of the City and County of San Francisco to the Mayoral Election Campaign Fund by July 1, 2006.

(4) If the Office of Mayor becomes vacant and an election is held to fill the vacancy for the remainder of the term, the City and County of San Francisco shall appropriate additional funds to the Mayoral Election Campaign Fund in an amount that ensures that at least $8.00 per resident is available in the Mayoral Election Campaign Fund for that election and the next regularly scheduled mayoral election.

SEC. 1.140.5. ELIGIBILITY TO RECEIVE PUBLIC FINANCING – CANDIDATES FOR MAYOR.

(a) REQUIREMENTS FOR CANDIDATES. To be eligible to receive public financing of campaign expenses under this Chapter, a candidate for Mayor must:

(1) Be seeking election to the office of Mayor and be eligible to hold the office sought;
(2) Have submitted a declaration under Section 1.142(b) of this Chapter indicating that the
candidate meets the eligibility criteria of this section;

(3) Have received at least $25,000 in qualifying contributions from at least 250 contributors
by the 70th day before the election.

(4) Be opposed by another candidate who has either established eligibility to receive public
financing, or received contributions or made expenditures that in the aggregate equal or exceed
$50,000;

(5) Agree to the following conditions.

(i) The candidate shall not spend on the candidate's campaign more than the candidate's
Individual Expenditure Ceiling of $1,375,000, or as adjusted under Section 1.134.5 of this Chapter;

(ii) The candidate bears the burden of proving that each contribution the candidate relies
upoun to establish eligibility is a qualifying contribution and that all contributions comply with the
requirements set forth in this Chapter;

(iii) The candidate bears the burden of proving that expenditures made with public funds
provided under this Chapter comply with Section 1.148 of this Chapter;

(iv) The candidate will not make any payments to a contractor or vendor in return for the
contractor or vendor making a campaign contribution to the candidate or make more than a total of 50
payments, other than the return of a contribution, to contractors or vendors that have made
contributions to the candidate;

(v) Notwithstanding Sections 1.114 and 1.116, the candidate shall not loan or donate more
than $5,000 of his or her own money to the campaign;

(vi) The candidate shall not accept any loans to his or her campaign with the exception of a
candidate's loan to his or her own campaign as permitted by this section; and
(vii) The candidate shall agree to participate in at least three (3) debates with the candidate's opponents.

(6) Have paid any outstanding late fines or penalties, owed to the City by the candidate or any of the candidate's previous campaign committees, which were imposed for violations of Chapters 1 through 5 of this Article, the campaign finance provisions of the California Political Reform Act (Government Code sections 84100-85704), or Chapter 1, Article III of this Code, provided that the Ethics Commission had notified the candidate of such fines or penalties by the time of certification;

(7) Have filed any outstanding forms, owed to the City by the candidate or any of the candidate's previous campaign committees, which were required to be filed pursuant to Chapters 1 through 5 of this Article, the campaign finance provisions of the Political Reform Act (Government Code sections 84100-85704), or Chapter 1, Article III of this Code, provided that the Ethics Commission had notified the candidate of such outstanding forms by the time of certification;

(8) Have no finding by a court within the prior five years that the candidate knowingly, willfully, or intentionally violated Chapters 1 through 4 of this Article or the campaign finance provisions of the California Political Reform Act (Government Code sections 84100-85704). For purposes of this section, a plea of nolo contendre shall be treated the same as a finding by a court of a willful violation.

(b) ADJUSTMENT OF EXPENDITURE LIMITS AND THRESHOLDS

The Ethics Commission shall adjust:

(1) the figures in subsections (a)(3), (a)(4), and (a)(5) of this Section to reflect changes in the California Consumer Price Index, provided that such adjustments shall be rounded off to the nearest $5,000; and
(2) the maximum amount of a contribution that constitutes a qualifying contribution for mayoral candidates pursuant to section 1.104 to reflect changes in the California Consumer Price Index, provided that such adjustments shall be rounded off to the nearest $10.

SEC. 1.144.5. DISBURSEMENT OF PUBLIC FUNDS – CANDIDATES FOR MAYOR.

(a) PAYMENT BY CONTROLLER. Upon certifying that a candidate for Mayor is eligible to receive public financing under this Chapter, the Executive Director shall forward the certification to the Controller, and the Controller shall disburse payments to the candidate from the Mayoral Election Campaign Fund in accordance with the certification and this Section.

(b) TIME OF PAYMENTS. The Controller shall not make any payments under this Chapter to any candidate for Mayor more than nine (9) months before the date of the election. Payments from the Controller shall be disbursed to eligible candidates within 48 hours of the Controller receiving notification from the Ethics Commission regarding the amount of the disbursement, except that within 60 calendar days before the election, such payments shall be made within 24 hours.

(c) PAYMENTS FOR ELECTION EXPENSES.

(1) Until the Per Candidate Available Disbursement Limit has been determined, candidates for Mayor who have been certified by the Ethics Commission as eligible to receive public financing for their election campaigns will have access to up to $850,000 in funds from the Mayoral Election Campaign Fund on a first come, first served basis according to the formula set forth in subsection (c)(3) of this Section.

(2) Once the Per Candidate Available Disbursement Limit has been determined, candidates for Mayor who have been certified by the Ethics Commission as eligible to receive public financing for their election campaigns shall have access to funds from the Mayoral Election Campaign Fund as follows:
(A) If the Executive Director determines that the Per Candidate Available Disbursement Limit is greater than $850,000, each participating candidate shall have access to the amount of the Per Candidate Disbursement, subject to the limitations set forth under subsection (c)(3)(D) and (c)(3)(E) of this Section.

(B) If the Executive Director determines the Per Candidate Available Disbursement Limit is less than or equal to $850,000, participating candidates shall have access to funds from the Mayoral Election Campaign Fund on a first come, first served basis up to a maximum per candidate of $850,000.

(C) A candidate for Mayor who is certified as eligible to receive public financing under this Chapter shall receive payments for eligible matching contributions according to the following formula:

1. Upon qualification the candidate shall receive a one-time payment of $50,000 from the Mayoral Election Campaign Fund.
2. After the initial payment under subsection (c)(3)(A), for the first $100,000 in matching contributions raised by the candidate, the candidate shall receive four dollars from the Mayoral Election Campaign Fund for each dollar raised.
3. After the payments under subsection (c)(3)(B), for the next $400,000 in matching contributions raised by the candidate, the candidate shall receive one dollar from the Mayoral Election Campaign Fund for each dollar raised.
4. The maximum amount of public funds a mayoral candidate may receive is $850,000, unless the candidate’s Individual Expenditure Ceiling is lifted according to the rules set forth under Section 1.134.5. The amount of public funds paid under this Section shall not be affected by the lifting of expenditure limits under Section 1.134.
5. If the Per Candidate Available Disbursement Limit has been determined to be an amount greater than $850,000, a candidate who has already received at least $850,000 in
disbursements from the City shall continue to be eligible to receive public funds from the City at the
rate of one dollar for each dollar of a matching contribution raised up to the Per Candidate Disbursement Limit, provided that no funds shall be disbursed if disbursement of the funds would result in the candidate exceeding his or her Trust Account Limit.

(d) PER CANDIDATE AVAILABLE DISBURSEMENT LIMIT. On the 59th day before the election, the Executive Director shall divide the total amount of non-administrative funds in the Mayoral Election Campaign Fund by the number of qualified candidates. This number shall be deemed the Per Candidate Available Disbursement Limit. For the purposes of this section, the total amount of non-administrative funds in the Mayoral Election Campaign Fund shall be the total amount of funds that existed in the Fund nine months before the date of election plus any funds deposited into the Fund between that date and the 59th day before the election minus any funds necessary to cover the administrative costs associated with implementing the mayoral public financing program.

If there are candidates who have submitted a Declaration of Qualification but whose eligibility has not been determined as of the 59th day before the election, the Executive Director shall assume that they are qualified for the purposes of determining the Per Candidate Available Disbursement Limit. The Per Candidate Available Disbursement Limit shall be revised upward according to the formula above if and when it is determined that the candidate or candidates in question did not qualify to receive public financing.

Immediately upon calculating the Per Candidate Available Disbursement Limit, the Executive Director shall inform the Controller of the initial determination of the Per Candidate Available Disbursement Limit. Thereafter, the Executive Director shall immediately inform the Controller of any subsequent changes in the Per Candidate Available Disbursement Limit due to a determination that a candidate has not qualified to receive public financing.
(e) SUBMISSION OF CLAIMS FOR PUBLIC FUNDS. The Ethics Commission shall determine the information needed to submit a claim for payment of public funds. The Executive Director shall certify each request for payment of public funds within four business calendar days of the request, except that within 14 calendar days before the election, when the certification of a request for public funds shall be made within two business days of the request. Any submission of a claim for public funds must include a minimum of $5,000 of matching contributions; provided that in the 14 calendar days preceding an election, a claim must include a minimum of $1,000 of matching contributions. All claims for public funds must be submitted no later than 5:00 P.M. on the 30th day following the date of the election.

(f) DEPOSIT IN CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION TRUST ACCOUNT. Candidates must deposit all payments received from the Mayoral Election Campaign Fund in the candidate’s Campaign Contribution Trust Account.

SEC. 1.146 – TERMINATION OF PAYMENTS.

The Controller shall terminate all payments to a candidate who is otherwise eligible to receive public financing if the candidate:

(a) withdraws or fails to qualify to have his or her name printed on the ballot for the election for which the candidate applied for public financing;

(b) fails to comply with the conditions specified in Section 1.140 of this Chapter if a candidate for the Board of Supervisors or Section 1.140.5 if a candidate for Mayor; or

(c) knowingly or willfully fails to comply with any of the reporting requirements imposed by this Chapter or the Political Reform Act, California Government Code Section 81000, et seq.
APPROVED AS TO FORM:
DENNIS J. HERRERA, City Attorney

By: CHAD A. JACOBS
Deputy City Attorney
Ordinance amending the Campaign and Governmental Conduct Code by amending sections 1.104, 1.108, 1.130, 1.134, 1.136, 1.138, 1.140, 1.142, 1.144, 1.148, 1.150, 1.152, 1.154, 1.156 and 1.170 and adding sections 1.134.5, 1.138.5, 1.140.5, 1.144.5 and 1.146 to create a public financing program for mayoral candidates, appropriate funding for the program and make other changes to the Campaign Finance Reform Ordinance.

February 7, 2006 Board of Supervisors — PASSED ON FIRST READING
Ayes: 9 - Ammiano, Daly, Dufty, Ma, Maxwell, McGoldrick, Mirkarimi, Peskin, Sandoval
Noes: 2 - Alioto-Pier, Elsbernd

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Ayes: 9 - Ammiano, Daly, Dufty, Ma, Maxwell, McGoldrick, Mirkarimi, Peskin, Sandoval
Noes: 2 - Alioto-Pier, Elsbernd
I hereby certify that the foregoing Ordinance was FINALLY PASSED on February 14, 2006 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

Gloria L. Young
Clerk of the Board

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Date Approved

Mayor Gavin Newsom