Ordinance amending the Administrative Code to authorize the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors to modify deadlines for submission of question topics by Supervisors in advance of the Mayor's appearance at the Board of Supervisors for a question-and-answer session.

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

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

Section 1. Article II of Chapter 2 of the Administrative Code is hereby amended by revising Section 2.11, to read as follows:

SEC. 2.11. MAYOR'S MONTHLY APPEARANCE AT THE BOARD FOR FORMAL POLICY DISCUSSIONS.

(a) Scheduling Mayor's Appearance. Pursuant to Section 3.100(7) of the Charter, the Mayor shall appear at the second regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Supervisors each month. The Mayor may, due to conflict, arrange with the President to reschedule his or her monthly appearance. The President, in consultation with the Mayor, may also reschedule the Mayor's appearance where the second regularly scheduled meeting does not occur. In those instances, the President shall communicate to the Clerk of the Board the rescheduling of the Mayor's appearance date.
(b) **Submission of Question Topics.**

(1) Supervisors’ eligibility to ask questions shall be determined in order of Supervisorial District on a rotating basis each month. Supervisors from Districts One, Two, Three, and Four each may ask a question at the Mayor’s first appearance after May 1, 2018. At the Mayor’s second appearance after May 1, 2018, Supervisors from Districts Five, Six, Seven, and Eight each may ask a question. At the Mayor’s third appearance after May 1, 2018, Supervisors from Districts Nine, Ten, and Eleven each may ask a question. Thereafter, Supervisors’ eligibility to ask questions shall continue to rotate in this same three-month cycle.

(2) A Supervisor eligible to ask a question shall submit the general topic of the question to the Clerk of the Board and the Mayor by noon the Wednesday prior to the Mayor’s appearance. *If this deadline occurs in a week during which (A) there is not a regularly scheduled Board meeting, (B) there is a City, State, or federal holiday, or (C) the Board holds an inaugural meeting under Charter Section 2.103, the Clerk may extend the deadline by up to 24 hours by informing the eligible Supervisors and the Mayor in writing of such extension.*

(3) The Clerk shall forward the submitted topics to the City Attorney to determine whether the topics provide legally adequate notice of the topic of discussion under State and local public meeting laws. If the City Attorney determines that the topics are legally adequate, the Clerk shall include the submitted topics on the Board agenda.

(43) The Board may, by oral motion approved by affirmative vote of at least eight members, allow an eligible Board member to ask a question that is not related to a topic submitted by noon on a Wednesday where that question relates to a sudden or unexpected incident or occurrence raising formal, time-sensitive policy questions that the Supervisor could not have anticipated prior to the noon Wednesday deadline and that cannot be adequately addressed at the next scheduled question time. An eligible Supervisor who asks such a question following approval of a motion shall not have the opportunity to ask any additional
questions, even if the Supervisor submitted a question topic to the Clerk under subsection (b)(2).

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Section 2. Effective Date. This ordinance shall become effective 30 days after enactment. Enactment occurs when the Mayor signs the ordinance, the Mayor returns the ordinance unsigned or does not sign the ordinance within ten days of receiving it, or the Board of Supervisors overrides the Mayor's veto of the ordinance.

Section 3. Scope of Ordinance. In enacting this ordinance, the Board of Supervisors intends to amend only those words, phrases, paragraphs, subsections, sections, articles, numbers, punctuation marks, charts, diagrams, or any other constituent parts of the Municipal Code that are explicitly shown in this ordinance as additions, deletions, Board amendment additions, and Board amendment deletions in accordance with the "Note" that appears under the official title of the ordinance.

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

By:
JON GIVNER
Deputy City Attorney
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April 22, 2019 Rules Committee - RECOMMENDED

April 30, 2019 Board of Supervisors - PASSED ON FIRST READING
Ayes: 11 - Brown, Fewer, Haney, Mandelman, Mar, Peskin, Ronen, Safai, Stefani, Walton and Yee

May 07, 2019 Board of Supervisors - FINALLY PASSED
Ayes: 11 - Brown, Fewer, Haney, Mandelman, Mar, Peskin, Ronen, Safai, Stefani, Walton and Yee

I hereby certify that the foregoing Ordinance was FINALLY PASSED on 5/7/2019 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

Angela Calvillo
Clerk of the Board

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Mayor

Date Approved