

RESOLUTION NUMBER R- 315969

DATE OF FINAL PASSAGE DEC 17 2024

A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO ADDING TEMPORARY RULE 6.11.3 TO THE RULES OF COUNCIL CREATING A SPECIAL ISSUES COMMITTEE NAMED SELECT COMMITTEE ON ADDRESSING COST OF LIVING.

RECITALS

The Council of the City of San Diego (Council) adopts this Resolution based on the following:

A. Rule 9 of the Rules of Council provides that the Council President may, at any time, place on the Adoption Agenda a resolution establishing a temporary rule that, for the time being, has the effect of a standing rule.

B. San Diego ranked Number 1 as the most expensive city in the nation in which to live, according to a 2023-2024 U.S. News analysis of the 150 largest metropolitan areas in the United States.

C. A report compiled by researchers from the Center for Demographics and Policy at Chapman University and the Frontier Centre for Public Policy listed San Diego as one of the ten "impossibly unaffordable" cities in the world.

D. As of 2022, San Diego has one of the worst housing and transportation cost burdens in the country, according to the Voice of San Diego.

E. According to the Massachusetts Institute of Technology Living Wage calculator, a single adult working full-time in San Diego County would need to earn \$29.52 an hour to support themselves, and a family of four with one working parent would need to earn \$51.82 an hour. The minimum wage in the city of San Diego in 2025 is \$17.25.

F. Addressing and decreasing the cost of living is essential for the stability of our community and for San Diegans to see a future for themselves in our city.

G. This Committee would focus on issues related to the cost of living in San Diego, including assessing which factors are driving the cost of living in the city, which factors the City of San Diego (City) can control or influence to lower the cost of living in San Diego, proposing legislative or policy changes, and engaging with impacted stakeholders.

H. If an item is proposed to be heard by this Committee that could overlap with the subject matter that is the responsibility of a Standing Committee, the Chair of this Committee on Addressing Cost of Living and the Chair of the applicable Standing Committee will decide which committee will hear the item.

I. This Committee will be composed of up to four Councilmembers. The Council President shall nominate a committee chair, vice chair, and committee members using the process set forth in Rules of Council Rule 6.2 and with appointment terms to last for one year, which may be renewed if the Council extends the Committee's work, or until a successor is duly appointed and confirmed.

J. The Committee will be authorized to meet beginning on January 8, 2025, through December 19, 2025, unless the objectives for which it was created are not complete, in which case the Council will have the option to extend the Committee's work for up to an additional two years.

K. The Council can establish the Committee as a temporary committee by adopting this Resolution under Rule 9 of the Rules of Council.

L. The Office of the City Attorney prepared this Resolution based on the information provided by City staff, with the understanding that this information is complete and accurate.

M. Under San Diego Charter section 280(a)(1), this resolution is not subject to veto by the Mayor because this matter is exclusively within the purview of the Council and does not affect the administrative service of the City under the control of the Mayor.

ACTION ITEMS

Be it resolved by the Council of the City of San Diego:

1. The following temporary Rule 6.11.3 shall be added to the Rules of Council until the special issues committee named the Select Committee on Addressing Cost of Living completes its objectives and is dissolved.

6.11.3 Select Committee on Addressing Cost of Living

(a) The Select Committee on Addressing Cost of Living shall be composed of up to four Councilmembers. The Council President shall nominate a committee chair, vice chair, and committee members using the process set forth in Rules of Council Rule 6.2 and with appointment terms to last for one year, which may be renewed if the Council extends the Committee's work, or until a successor is duly appointed and confirmed.

(b) The Committee shall focus on issues related to the cost of living in San Diego, including assessing which factors are driving the cost of living in the city, which factors the City of San Diego (City) can control or influence to lower the cost of living in San Diego, proposing legislative or policy changes, and engaging with impacted stakeholders.


(c) City staff shall not request the Committee docket, consider, or recommend approval of any proposed legislation or contracts that would otherwise be heard by a Standing Committee as delineated in Rules of Council Rule 6.10. If an item is proposed to be heard by this Committee that could overlap with the subject matter that is the responsibility of a Standing

Committee, the Chair of this Committee on Addressing Cost of Living and the Chair of the applicable Standing Committee will decide which committee will hear the item.

(d) The Committee will be assisted by Council Administration staff, with additional assistance from the Office of the Mayor, Office of the City Attorney, Council Administration, and Office of the Independent Budget Analyst.

(e) The Committee will be authorized to meet beginning on January 8, 2025, through December 19, 2025, unless the objectives for which it was created are not complete, in which case the Council will have the option to extend the Committee's work for up to an additional two years.

APPROVED: HEATHER FERBERT, City Attorney

By  for
Kathy J. Steinman
Interim Chief Deputy City Attorney

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December 13, 2024
Or.Dept: Council District 1
Doc. No. 3902908

I certify that the Council of the City of San Diego adopted this Resolution at a meeting held on
DEC 17 2024.

DIANA J.S. FUENTES
City Clerk

By 
Deputy City Clerk

Passed by the Council of The City of San Diego on DEC 17 2024, by the following vote:

Councilmembers	Yeas	Nays	Not Present	Recused
Joe LaCava	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Jennifer Campbell	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Stephen Whitburn	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Henry L. Foster III	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Marni von Wilpert	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Kent Lee	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Raul A. Campillo	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Vivian Moreno	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sean Elo-Rivera	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Date of final passage DEC 17 2024.

(Please note: When a resolution is approved by the Mayor, the date of final passage is the date the approved resolution was returned to the Office of the City Clerk.)

AUTHENTICATED BY:

TODD GLORIA
Mayor of The City of San Diego, California.

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DIANA J.S. FUENTES
City Clerk of The City of San Diego, California.

By Linda Krwin, Deputy
For Gilbert Sanchez

Office of the City Clerk, San Diego, California

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