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Mr. John Arntz
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RE: Proposition O – Supporting Reproductive Rights

Dear Mr. Arntz,

The cost of the proposed ordinance, should it be approved by the voters, is dependent on decisions that the Mayor and Board of Supervisors make through the budget process, as an ordinance cannot bind future Mayors and Boards of Supervisors to provide funding for this or any other purpose. In my opinion, the annual administrative cost to implement the program created in the proposed measure, should future policymakers do so, is likely to be minimal ranging up to approximately $8,000 for the maintenance of signage.

The proposed ordinance would amend the Administrative Code to create a Reproductive Freedom Fund that can receive private dollars and City appropriations to support reproductive rights and services (Fund). The ordinance would require DPH to maintain a website to provide information to the public on reproductive health and would authorize DPH to install signs outside limited services pregnancy centers.

To the extent that future City funds are appropriated to the Fund, it may impact the cost of government but at a level that cannot be determined at this time. Depending on future budget decisions made by the Mayor and the Board of Supervisors and operational decisions made by the Department of Public Health, there may be costs to install signage at two limited services pregnancy centers in the City of approximately $4,000, with annual maintenance costs ranging up to approximately $8,000.

Sincerely,

Greg Wagner
Controller

Note: This analysis reflects our understanding of the proposal as of the date shown. At times further information is provided to us which may result in revisions being made to this analysis before the final Controller's statement appears in the Voter Information Pamphlet.