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Commissioners Streamlining Task Force,

Talking points- Land Use and Transportation 4.6.26

Good afternoon, Chair Melgar and members of the Land Use & Transportation Committee.

My name is Rosana, I live in the Dogpatch.

I am here in support of the proposed legislation to update and amend Chapter 9.

I want to thank Mayor Lurie and Board President Mandelman for sponsoring and co-sponsoring this ordinance.

This Chapter 9 update is the roadmap that San Francisco needs to continue moving towards a healthier and more resilient city with cleaner air, lower fossil fuel pollution, and a better quality of life for all its residents. With the rollback of environmental regulations across the country, now more than ever San Francisco needs to lead.

I appreciate the detailed work that the Environment Department has done to update the CAP as mandated, including the extensive stakeholder input solicited and considered. The 2026 update to the Climate Action Plan aligns climate goals with the latest science and lays out specific strategies assigned to specific City departments to implement, providing targets and accountability mechanisms to move the City towards its climate goals.

But implementing Chapter 9 and the Climate Action Plan won't be possible without the ongoing work and guidance of the Environment Department and the oversight of the Commission on the Environment.

To that end, the City must:

1. Adequately fund the Environment Department to enact the Climate Action Plan. SFE's Climate staff only do this specific work; they are the employees who have the experience and the expertise to guide the implementation of the CAP
2. Keep the Commission in the Charter and do not eliminate it. The Commission is the only citywide forum in which to discuss Chapter 9 issues, engage the public, and hold everyone accountable.
3. Solve these funding issues for the long-term. We need to support implementation of

Chapter 9 by finding the funding not only for the ongoing work of the Environment Department staff but also the strategies and solutions outlined in the Plan to meet our climate goals.

With that, I strongly urge the members of the Land Use & Transportation Committee to move this ordinance to the full board with a positive recommendation. Thank you.

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