



CITY COUNCIL, CITY OF SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

ORDINANCE SUMMARY

AN ORDINANCE ADDING CHAPTER 8.78 TO THE SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO MUNICIPAL CODE TO PROVIDE REGULATIONS FOR MOORING IN THE CITY'S NAVIGABLE WATERWAYS

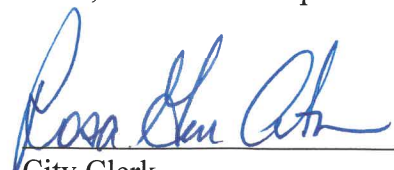
1. SUMMARY

The City Council of the City of South San Francisco ("City") has introduced, on August 28, 2024, and proposes to adopt, on September 11, 2024, an ordinance adding Chapter 8.78 in Title 8 of the South San Francisco Municipal Code to provide regulations for mooring and beaching in the City's navigable waterways. The ordinance would prohibit a person from mooring a vessel, other than those permitted to be within the harbor and marina facilities, in City waters for more than ten (10) hours without written permission of the Chief of Police. No person would be allowed to moor in the waters of Oyster Point. If moored for more than seventy two (72) hours, a person would be required to provide receipt or proof of proper sewage disposal, or have an inspection of an operable holding tank on the vessel. No person would be allowed to discharge into City waters any refuse, sewage, or any other noxious chemical or foreign matter of any kind. No person would be allowed to beach a vessel, other than those lawfully docked or during an emergency, in City waters. Additionally, the ordinance would limit the speed of any recreational vessel or personal watercraft to no more than five (5) miles per hour within five hundred (500) feet of any shoreline and prohibit any personal watercraft from landing or departing from any shoreline in any portion of the City. The ordinance would establish as a public nuisance any vessel or its part that constitutes a serious threat or a dangerous condition that is detrimental to public health, or safety; violates the City's building or fire code; or discharges refuse and/or other substances in violation of the South San Francisco Municipal Code, Section 14.08.210. Under the ordinance, mooring would mean fixing a vessel in one location while beaching would mean resting a vessel so it does not float freely at ordinary low tide. The ordinance would authorize the City Police Department to remove vessels moored or beached in City waters for seventy two (72) or more consecutive hours. The ordinance would also authorize the City to charge a person in violation of this chapter with a misdemeanor.

2. This Ordinance Summary was prepared pursuant to Government Code Section 36933. The City Council ordered preparation of this Ordinance Summary by the City Attorney.

3. The City Council introduced this Ordinance on August 28, 2024 and plans to adopt the Ordinance at its regular meeting on September 11, 2024 at 6:30 p.m., or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard, in the Library Parks and Recreation Center, 901 Civic Campus Way, South San Francisco, CA.

DATED: 9/3/2024



City Clerk