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Peskin plan: strict office-space limit | SACRAMENTO

heaval over the past few years as shopping has moved online, leaving stores with fewer cus-tomers. That has caused long-time tenants in Union Square, such as Macy's and Saks Fifth Avenue, to downsize in recent years.

years.
But some experts worry that banning office tenants on the lower floors would actually increase vacancies in the area.

Karin Flood, the executive director of the Union Square director of the Union Square Business Improvement District, said that while she agrees the ground-floor spaces in build-ings should be reserved for retailers, property owners should have flexibility in decid-ing how to fill the floors above. "We strive to have a very vibrant and dynamic district, but at the same time our proper-

but at the same time our proper ty owners would like some flexibility in use, as we know that retail is shrinking," she said. "In some cases it will be very hard to lease space, espe-cially on the edges of our dis-trict."

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Non-retail spaces are currently allowed on ground floors in Union Square buildings if they offer on-site services to the general public, such as nail and hair salons. All types of non-retail, such as office space, are allowed on the floors above and only requires a specific subtori.

allowed on the floors above and only requires a specific authori-zation from the Planning Com-mission if the space is larger than 5,000 square feet. Under Peskin's proposal, all types of new office space would be prohibited on the first three floors. Office space would be allowed only on floors four through six fifthe tenant occuthrough six if the tenant occu pies less than 5,000 square feet, and if the Planning Commisand if the Planning Commis-sion concludes that the space "does not detract from the retail environment" in Union Square. Offices would be allowed on floors seven and above. Existing non-retail on the first three floors would be grandfathered in, but would not



be able to expand.

The legislation would also add a one-time infrastructure impact fee of \$\$8\$, per square foot, which would provide funding to improve existing public spaces in the area, such as Hallidie Plaza.

Buildings such as 2022 Sutter.

Buildings such as 222 Sutter St., the former Britex Fabric

St., the former Britex Fabrics building at 46 Geary St. and the Macy's men's store were all seen as potential office spaces.

After a number of proposals to convert retail space into office use, Peskin proposed interim zoning controls, which put a halt on amplications to convert. halt on applications to convert retail. These controls were approved by the Board of Suapproved by the Board of Su-pervisors in May for 18 months or until permanent permitting controls are passed. While Peskin said retail is not dead, he agrees that it has certainly changed. "As the Amazon effect is becoming more pronounced.

becoming more pronounced, the nature of retail in a place like Union Square is changing to be more of an experiential retail experience," he said. He menexperience," he said. He men-tioned the Apple and Nike stores as examples where cus-tomers often go in to try a prod-uct before going home and buying it online. Even though some of the birgost nomes in retail.

biggest names in retail — such as Macy's, J.C. Penney and Sears

 have experienced sweeping closures in recent years, niche, online-only companies are increasingly seeing the value in opening up actual stores that mostly act as showrooms. Some recent examples include the eyewear company Warby Park-er in Union Square and online clothier Everlane in the Mis-

But Matt Holmes, a principal with the retail brokerage Retail West, said it is unrealistic to expect such retailers — who often prefer smaller, and som times temporary spaces — to fill up multiple floors in Union Square. "You've got retailers who are

"You've got retailers who are getting much more efficient on how they are operating brick and-mortar," Holmes said. "It's less of a shopping experience and more of an information showroom."

Instead, he said, office space could actually be a good way to liven up the area, as it would attract a consistent population of people who come in and out

of people who come in and out every day and add traffic to the streets during lunch and coffee

"Union Square would benefit "Union Square would benefit greatly from getting locals down there who work five days a week to mesh in with the tourists, and put more bodies on the streets," he said. Forcing retailers to space on Geary Street that was formerly the Britex while the

upper floors are being converted to offices. Supervisor Aaron Peskin wants a ban or lower-floor office uses.

occupy the first three floors is "force-feeding them into an operating matrix that is so out of vogue."

After walking through Union Square on Tuesday afternoon, Julie Taylor, the executive vice

Square of Irtesaya are noon, Julie Taylor, the executive vice president of Colliers Interna-tional real estate, said while there was a lot of foot traffic, the area's vacancies looked like they are nearing "recession levels." But she said that allowing only retailers to occupy the bottom floors is like holding "spaces hostage and preventing them from being occupied." Another factor hurting busi-ness in Union Square, she said, is the number of homeless peo-ple and amount of open-air ple and amount of open-air drug use. What the city should be fo-

What the city should be fo-cusing on, she said, is attracting retailers to the ground floors — and cleaning up the streets around them.
"You care about what you see through the storefront win-

dows; you don't care about who is on those upper floors," she said. "As long as it is a vibrant, clean and safe area ... that is what the city should be focusing

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Signature gatherer law vetoed

By Melody Gutierrez

SACRAMENTO — Gov. Jerry Brown vetoed a bill Tuesday meant to discourage aggressive or misleading tac-tics used by signature gatherers working to qualify an ini

tiative for the ballot.
AB1947 by Assemblyman
Evan Low, D-San Jose, would Evan Low, D-San Jose, would have prohibited signature gatherers from being paid for every signature they collect on petitions for an initiative, ref-erendum or recall. The bill would have allowed signature gatherers to be paid by the hour or daily. Low said paying by the

Low said paying by the signature creates an incentive to mislead voters or forge sig-

natures.

Initiative proponents pay workers as much as \$10 per signature. Such payments "undermine direct democracy and encourage fraud," Low said in a statement after he introduced the bill in January. Brown wore in his veto message that he understands the potential abuses when a

the potential abuses when a person is paid by the signa-ture, but that eliminating the ture, but that eliminating the option would only drive up the cost of circulating a ballot measure and favor wealthy interests that can afford to pay workers by the hour or by the down

day.

Brown reiterated what he wrote when rejecting a nearly identical bill in 2011, that paying by the signature is "often the most cost-effective method for collecting the hundreds of thousands of signatures need-ed to qualify a ballot measure.

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Culinary jobs get family-friendly

the federal Family and Medical Leave Act of 1993. In California, six weeks of that leave is paid at 60 to 70 percent of the worker's salary, at least to employees who have paid into state disability insurance. The San Francisco Paid rental Leave Parental Leave
Ordinance requires that
employers supplement
the remaining 30 to 40
percent of pay for those
six weeks. The law rolled
out Jan. 1, 2017, for companies with 50 or more
employees employees. Thus far, the new ordi-

nance has encouraged more fathers to take leave after the birth of a child. In after the birth of a child. In the first six months of 2017, there was a 28 percent increase in the number of San Francisco men who took "bonding" leave, compared with the first half of 2016, according to a UC Berkeley analysis. The increase among San Fran-cisco women was 6 per-

cisco women was 6 per-cent. "That's a growing trend for us to see, and 1 think it's wonderful, being a mother myself," said Shelley Lindgren, owner of A16 in Oakland and San Francisco, where two employees are about to go on paternity leave. to go on paternity leave. "It didn't seem like it was always like that in restau-

A handful of promi-A handful of promi-nent restaurant compa-nies has begun to offer hourly workers paid parental leave in the past few years, including Mc-Donald's, Starbucks and New York's Union Square Hospitality Group If the Hospitality Group. If the trend continues, it will be trend continues, it will be quite a change of land-scape for an industry that has historically offered low-wage jobs with little predictability, late nights and discouragement from



Beverage director Haley Moore serves at Town Hall while wearing 4-month-old Miles in a carrier.

working through a pregnancy. As recently as October

2016, a former employee sued the Thomas Keller sued the Thomas Keller Restaurant Group for wrongful termination because of pregnancy discrimination. According to the suit, Vanessa Scott-Allen had been a head waiter at Thomas Keller's New

Thomas Keller's New York restaurant Per Se for five years when she re ceived an offer of a job ceived an offer of a job transfer to the French Laundry in Yountville. She informed her manag-ers of her pregnancy and moved to the Napa Valley, according to her attorney, Dustin Collier. She was then re-interviewed and was asked several pregnancy-related questions by the new manager, only to be told the position no longer existed, Collier said.

The Thomas Keller
Restaurant Group declined comment in response to questions about the lawsuit; a spokesman said the company does not comment on pending

litigation. While many suits like While many suits like these are settled out of court, Scott-Allen would prefer to go to trial, said Collier, with a goal of raising awareness within the industry. "Our client is more concerned with exposing them for what they've done here and making sure it doesn't

The trial date is expected to be set Wednesday.
Yet other Bay Area
restaurant workers say

they have gotten a more positive response when they made baby announce ments, such as A16 food runner Zenon Garcia, who runner Zenon Garcia, who will take three weeks off when his wife gives birth this month, and another three weeks later so he can spend his son's first Christmas with him.

Garcia is eager "just to be there to support my

be there to support my wife and anything she needs," he said.

Also a food runner at Also a food runner at San Francisco restaurant Cotogna, Garcia works most days from 11 a.m. to 10:15 p.m. and will get separate benefit checks from the state and from the restaurants; the latter will include estimated tip income and hourly wages based on his previous paychecks. paychecks.

Other restaurants are Other restaurants are going even further with parental friendliness. Carrie and Rupert Blease installed a nursery in the downstairs office of their San Francisco restaurant, Lord Stanley, after they had a baby last year. When their wine director, Louisa Smith, had a baby in March, she used the nursery, too. "We always laugh be-

cause whenever someone comes for wine tastings and deliveries, there are always babies every-where," said Carrie. She thinks, however,

She thinks, however, that if they didn't own their business it would be more difficult to have that kind of work-life balance. That was one reason Geoffrey Lee, chef-partner of the 12-seat sushi

restaurant Ju-Ni, spent years planning to open his own restaurant before starting a family. Earlier in his career, he

Earlier in his career, he worked at places like Sushi Ran in Sausalito that were open daily except for three holidays a year. That wasn't the life that he or his business partner Tan Truong wanted, so they clo ndays and major holi days. After Lee and his wife

After Lee and his wife had their daughter a year ago, he took a month off, and now works 4½ days a week. He said that so far, it's working out financially for him and Truong.

"We both value our family and it takes priori-

family, and it takes priori family, and it takes priori-ty over so many other things," said Lee, while taking his daughter for a walk in her stroller before heading into work. For employees like Town Hall's Moore, work-ing for the right owners makes a big difference. "Finding a company that

"Finding a company that is family-centric, that you know is going to support you, is key," she said.

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