As amended in committee  
December 8, 2004  
FILE NO. 041621  
RESOLUTION NO. 781-04  

[Establishing an Arts Task Force to Advise Board of Supervisors and Mayor.]  

Resolution establishing an Arts Task Force to make recommendations to the Board of Supervisors and Mayor and setting forth the membership and duties of the Task Force.  

WHEREAS, San Francisco has a significant arts industry with an estimated annual economic impact of $1.4 Billion; and  

WHEREAS, three of the four leading candidates for Mayor of San Francisco in the 2003 election (including Mayor Newsom) ran on a platform that included reviewing the structure and priorities of San Francisco's not-for-profit arts industry upon attaining office; and,  

WHEREAS, in response to public requests, the Board of Supervisors' Rules Committee held a hearing on the issue of the Mayor's recommendation to merge Grants for the Arts and the Arts Commission, and much testimony was given in support of forming a task force to discuss the issue of arts infrastructure; and,  

WHEREAS, in response to the above listed conditions, a coalition of artists and not-for-profit arts organizations, has been meeting and has made recommendations urging the Board of Supervisors and the Mayor to create an Arts Task Force comprising of leaders of the artist community, including not-for-profit arts organizations and individual artists, community leaders and various city departments, to review the structure of San Francisco's not-for-profit arts industry as a means of updating and better coordinating San Francisco's arts infrastructure and priorities; and  

WHEREAS, a number of City or other governmental agencies have an impact on arts organizations and artists in San Francisco, including but not limited to, the Department of Administrative Services, the Mayor's Office of Economic and Workforce Development, the Mayor's Office of Community Development, the Mayor's Office of Neighborhood Services, the...
Planning Department, the Mayor’s Office of Housing, the Redevelopment Agency, the Port of
San Francisco, Department of Building Inspection, the Fire Department, the Entertainment
Commission, the San Francisco Unified School District, the Department of
Children/Youth/Families; and

now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San
Francisco hereby creates an advisory task force, which shall be called the Arts Task Force
and shall operate in accordance with the following terms and conditions:

(a) Establishment of Task Force. There is hereby established an Arts Task
Force.

(b) Task Force Membership. The Task Force shall consist of 21 voting members
drawn from the not-for-profit arts industry in San Francisco. The members shall consist of the
specified number of representatives from each of the following categories:

(1) two (2) voting members who are artists working the San Francisco Bay Area;

(2) Two (2) voting members who serve as a directors, staff members or board
members of non-profit arts organizations based in San Francisco with annual
budgets exceeding 5 million dollars;

(3) Two (2) voting members who serve as directors, staff members or board
members of non-profit arts organizations based in San Francisco with annual
budgets between 1 million dollars and 5 million dollars;

(4) Two (2) voting members who serve as a directors, staff members or board
members a non-profit arts organizations based in San Francisco with annual
budgets between $250,000 and 1 million dollars.

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(5) Two (2) voting members who serve as directors, staff members or board members of non-profit arts organizations based in San Francisco with annual budgets less than $250,000.

(6) Eleven (11) voting members who are residents of the City and County of San Francisco with a demonstrated interest in, and knowledge regarding, the non-profit arts industry in San Francisco and who are familiar with the arts industry and community within their respective Supervisorial District.

(7) Thirteen (13) non-voting members as follows:

(i) The Director of Cultural Affairs or his or her designee from the Arts Commission staff,

(ii) The Director of Grants for the Arts or his or her designee from the Grants staff,

(iii) A member of the staff of the Department of Administrative Services who is familiar with the City's arts community and arts industry and is appointed by the Director of Administrative Services;

(iv) A member of the staff of the Mayor's Office of Economic and Workforce who is familiar with the City's arts community and arts industry and is appointed by the Mayor;

(v) A member of the staff of the Mayor's Office of Community Development, who is familiar with the City's arts community and arts industry and is appointed by the Mayor,

(vi) A member of the staff of the Mayor's Office of Neighborhood Services who is familiar with the City's arts community and arts industry and is appointed by the Mayor.
(vii) the President of the Arts Commission, or his or her designee from the Commission;

(viii) A member of the Grants for the Arts Advisory Committee, appointed by the Director of Grants for the Arts

(ix) The Director of the Fine Arts Museums, or his or her designee from the Fine Arts Museums Board of Trustees or Fine Arts Museums staff.

(x) The Director of the Asian Art Museum, or his or her designee from the Asian Art Commission or Asian Art Museum staff.

(xi) The Managing Director of the War Memorial and Performing Arts Center, or his or her designee from the War Memorial Board of Trustees or War Memorial staff;

(xii) A representative from the Convention and Visitors Bureau Arts and Tourism Program, appointed by the director of the Convention and Visitors Bureau.

(xiii) A representative of a charitable foundation that provides funding for the arts, appointed by the Mayor.

The voting members in Categories 1 through 5, above, shall be appointed by the Board of Supervisors and the Mayor. The Board of Supervisors shall appoint one member in each of these categories and the Mayor shall appoint one member in each of these categories. With respect to the voting members in Category 6, each member of the Board of Supervisors shall appoint one member to the Task Force and may give preference to individuals residing in his or her respective Supervisorial District. The non-voting members shall be appointed as specified above. All appointments shall be made within thirty days after the effective date of
this Resolution and thereafter, as provided in Subparagraph (c) "Term of Office." Each Task
Force member shall serve at the pleasure of the appointing authority.

In making appointments, the appointing officials shall take into consideration City policy
that the members of all boards, commissions and committees be broadly representative of the
diversity in ethnicity, race, age and sexual orientation of the City and County and have
representation of both sexes.

(c) **Term of Office.** Members shall serve a term of six months. The first six month
term for all members shall begin upon the date the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors certifies
to the President of the Board of Supervisors that all members of the Task Force have been
appointed following the adoption of this Ordinance. Members shall conduct the first meeting
of the Task Force within thirty days of the appointment of a quorum of (eleven of) the 21
voting members. In the event a vacancy in Task Force membership occurs, the successor to
the vacant position shall be appointed to complete the unexpired term of the office vacated in
the same manner used to select the previous occupant of that position, consistent with
subparagraph (b).

(d) **Removal of Members.** Any member whom the Task Force certifies to have
missed three regularly scheduled meetings of the Task Force in any six-month period without
prior authorization of the Task Force shall be deemed to have resigned from the Task Force
effective on the date of the written certification from the Task Force.

(e) **Compensation.** Members of the Task Force shall not be compensated, nor
shall they be reimbursed for expenses.

(f) **Purposes and Duties of Task Force.** The Task Force shall publicly discuss,
investigate and make recommendations to the Board of Supervisors and Mayor whether and
how to update or restructure the various elements of the City's agencies, programs and policies concerning the arts in San Francisco to better achieve the goals of:

1. Sustaining and stabilizing community-based not-for-profit arts organizations serving, celebrating and supporting San Francisco's many diverse neighborhoods;

2. Building upon the City's strong creative workforce and existing substantial arts economy to increase employment and leverage new economic opportunities;

3. Expanding City resources for low and moderate income housing and affordable studios and workspaces, to help retain artists in San Francisco;

In developing recommendations for the Board of Supervisors regarding whether and how to update or restructure various elements of the City's agencies, programs and policies concerning the arts, the Arts Task Force shall hold public meetings, solicit suggestions from the not-for-profit arts community and make use of existing studies, analyses and data compiled by City agencies and other organizations.

(g) Reporting Requirements. The Task Force shall submit to the Board of Supervisors initial written report by April 1, 2005, summarizing its preliminary findings and recommendations regarding whether and how to update or restructure various elements of the City's agencies, programs and policies concerning the arts in light of the three primary goals specified herein in subsection (f), and shall submit a final written report containing such recommendations and suggested methods of implementation within six months of the initial meeting of the Task Force. The Task Force shall also submit copies of its approved, official **Supervisor Ammiano**

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meeting minutes to the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors within 10 days of Task Force approval.

(h) **Officers.** At the initial meeting of the Task Force, the Task Force members shall select such officers as it deems necessary.

(i) **Staff Support.** The Department of Administrative Services Arts Commission shall provide staff support and resources for the Task Force.

(j) **Meetings.** The Task Force shall meet at least monthly. All meetings of the Task Force, except as provided by applicable laws, shall be open to the public.

(k) **Establishment of Rules and Regulations.** The Task Force, which qualifies as a Policy Body under San Francisco Administrative Code Chapter 67 (the “Sunshine Ordinance”), shall establish rules and regulations for its own organization and procedure that are consistent with the Sunshine Ordinance and other laws governing the conduct of public meetings.

(l) **Sunset Clause.** The provisions of this Resolution and the operation of the Task Force shall expire on July 1, 2005 unless otherwise amended by the Board of Supervisors; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That within 60 days following the Board of Supervisors' receipt of the final report of the Arts Task Force, the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors, shall calendar a public hearing on such report.
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December 14, 2004   Board of Supervisors — ADOPTED
Ayes: 9 - Alioto-Pier, Ammiano, Daly, Dufty, Gonzalez, Maxwell, McGoldrick, Peskin, Sandoval
Noes: 2 - Elsbernd, Ma
I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on December 14, 2004 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

Gloria L. Young
Clerk of the Board

Date Approved

Mayor Gavin Newsom

Date: December 24, 2004

I hereby certify that the foregoing resolution, not being signed by the Mayor within the time limit as set forth in Section 3.103 of the Charter, became effective without his approval in accordance with the provision of said Section 3.103 of the Charter.

Clerk of the Board

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