



**City and County of San Francisco**  
**Meeting Minutes**  
**Rules Committee**

City Hall  
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San Francisco, CA 94102-4689

*Members: Hillary Ronen, Shamann Walton, Gordon Mar*

*Clerk: Victor Young (415) 554-7723*

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Monday, September 9, 2019

10:00 AM

City Hall, Committee Room 263

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**Regular Meeting**

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**Present:** 3 - Hillary Ronen, Shamann Walton, and Gordon Mar

*The Rules Committee met in regular session on Monday, September 9, 2019, with Chair Hillary Ronen presiding. Chair Ronen called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m.*

## **ROLL CALL AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

*On the call of the roll, Chair Ronen, Vice Chair Walton, and Member Mar were noted present. A quorum was present.*

## **AGENDA CHANGES**

*There were no agenda changes.*

## **REGULAR AGENDA**

**190894 [Appointment, Association of Bay Area Governments, Executive Board Regional Planning Committee - Supervisor Rafael Mandelman]**

Motion appointing Supervisor Rafael Mandelman, for a two year term to be determined, to the Association of Bay Area Governments Executive Board Regional Planning Committee. (Clerk of the Board)

08/29/19; RECEIVED AND ASSIGNED to Rules Committee.

*Heard in Committee. Speaker: Mr. Wright; spoke in support of the appointment of Supervisor Rafael Mandelman.*

**Chair Ronen moved that this Motion be CONTINUED to the Rules Committee meeting of September 16, 2019. The motion carried by the following vote:**

Ayes: 3 - Ronen, Walton, Mar

**190678 [Appointments, Commission of Animal Control and Welfare - Russell Tenosky, Jane Tobin, and Michael Angelo Torres]**

Hearing to consider appointing three members, terms ending April 30, 2020, and four members, terms ending April 30, 2021, to the Commission of Animal Control and Welfare. (Clerk of the Board) Seat 4, succeeding Russell Tenofsky, term expiring April 30, 2019, must represent the general public and have interest and experience in animal matters, for a two-year term ending April 30, 2021.

Seat 5, succeeding Jane Tobin, term expiring April 30, 2019, must represent the general public and have interest and experience in animal matters, for a two-year term ending April 30, 2021.

Seat 6, succeeding Rachel Reis, term expiring April 30, 2019, must represent the general public and have interest and experience in animal matters, for a two-year term ending April 30, 2021.

06/11/19; RECEIVED AND ASSIGNED to Rules Committee.

*Heard in Committee. Speakers: Michael Angelo Torres; Cynthia Arnold; Russell Tenosky; Jane Tobin; spoke on their qualifications and answered questions raised throughout the discussion. Annemarie Fortier; spoke in support of the appointment of Russell Tenosky and Jane Tobin. Mr. Wright; spoke neither in support nor against the appointment applicant name.*

*Appointment of Russell Tenosky, seat 4, recommended.*

*Appointment of Jane Tobin, seat 5, recommended.*

*Appointment of Michael Angelo Torres, seat 6, recommended.*

**PREPARED IN COMMITTEE AS A MOTION**

Motion appointing Russell Tenosky, Jane Tobin, and Michael Angelo Torres, terms ending April 30, 2021, to the Commission of Animal Control and Welfare. (Clerk of the Board)

Russell Tenofsky , seat 4, succeeding themselves, term expired, must represent the general public and have interest and experience in animal matters, for the unexpired portion of a two-year term ending April 30, 2021.

Jane Tobin, seat 5, succeeding themselves, term expired, must represent the general public and have interest and experience in animal matters, for the unexpired portion of a two-year term ending April 30, 2021.

Michael Angelo Torres , seat 6, succeeding Rachel Reis, term expired, must represent the general public and have interest and experience in animal matters, for the unexpired portion of a two-year term ending April 30, 2021.

**Chair Ronen moved that this Motion be RECOMMENDED. The motion carried by the following vote:**

Ayes: 3 - Ronen, Walton, Mar

**190683 [Administrative Code - Conversion of Large Tourist Hotels]****Sponsor: Peskin**

Ordinance amending the Administrative Code to re-enact and revise the Tourist Hotel Conversion Ordinance, which restricted the conversion of hotel rooms in large tourist hotels to condominiums, by deleting the sunset provision and deleting the sections allowing conversion credits and a lottery; and affirming the Planning Department's determination under the California Environmental Quality Act.

06/11/19; ASSIGNED UNDER 30 DAY RULE to Rules Committee, expires on 7/11/2019.

06/20/19; REFERRED TO DEPARTMENT. Referred to the Planning Department for informational purposes and environmental review.

09/04/19; RESPONSE RECEIVED. Not defined as a project under CEQA Guidelines Sections 15278 and 15060(c)(2) because it would not result in a direct or indirect physical change in the environment.

*Heard in Committee. Speakers: None.*

**Chair Ronen moved that this Ordinance be CONTINUED TO CALL OF THE CHAIR. The motion carried by the following vote:**

Ayes: 3 - Ronen, Walton, Mar

*Chair Ronen request that File Nos. 190863 and 190864 be called together.*

**190863 [Mayoral Appointment, Historic Preservation Commission - Chris Foley]**

Motion approving/rejecting the Mayor's nomination for appointment of Chris Foley to the Historic Preservation Commission, for a term ending December 31, 2020. (Clerk of the Board) (Charter, Section 4.135, provides that this nomination is subject to approval by the Board of Supervisors and shall be the subject of a public hearing and vote within 60 days from the date the nomination is transmitted to the Clerk of the Board. If the Board fails to act on the nomination within 60 days from the date the nomination is transmitted to the Clerk, the nominee shall be deemed approved. Transmittal date: August 16, 2019.)

08/21/19; RECEIVED AND ASSIGNED to Rules Committee.

*Heard in Committee. Speakers: Chris Foley; Lydia So; spoke on their qualifications and answered questions raised throughout the discussion. Mr. Wright; Preston Turner; Dave Lessing; Carlos Quan; spoke in support of the appointment of Chris Foley and Lydia So. Mike Bueller (Heritage); spoke in support of the appointment of Chris Foley and opposition of the appointment of Lydia So. Rudy C.; Joy McDonald; spoke in support of the appointment of Chris Foley. Maria Jensen; Sara White; Darlene Jang; Doug Chan; Andrew Shen; spoke in support of the appointment of Lydia So.*

**Vice Chair Walton moved that this Motion be AMENDED, AN AMENDMENT OF THE WHOLE BEARING NEW TITLE, by striking the word 'rejecting' throughout the legislation and adding other clarifying and confirming changes. The motion carried by the following vote:**

Ayes: 2 - Walton, Mar

Noes: 1 - Ronen

Motion approving the Mayor's nomination for appointment of Chris Foley to the Historic Preservation Commission, for a term ending December 31, 2020. (Clerk of the Board)  
(Charter, Section 4.135, provides that this nomination is subject to approval by the Board of Supervisors and shall be the subject of a public hearing and vote within 60 days from the date the nomination is transmitted to the Clerk of the Board. If the Board fails to act on the nomination within 60 days from the date the nomination is transmitted to the Clerk, the nominee shall be deemed approved. Transmittal date: August 16, 2019.)

(Supervisor Ronen dissented in committee.)

**Vice Chair Walton moved that this Motion be RECOMMENDED AS AMENDED. The motion carried by the following vote:**

Ayes: 2 - Walton, Mar

Noes: 1 - Ronen

**190864 [Mayoral Appointment, Historic Preservation Commission - Lydia So]**

Motion approving/rejecting the Mayor's nomination for appointment of Lydia So to the Historic Preservation Commission, for a term ending December 31, 2022. (Clerk of the Board)  
(Charter, Section 4.135, provides that this nomination is subject to approval by the Board of Supervisors and shall be the subject of a public hearing and vote within 60 days from the date the nomination is transmitted to the Clerk of the Board. If the Board fails to act on the nomination within 60 days from the date the nomination is transmitted to the Clerk, the nominee shall be deemed approved. Transmittal date: August 16, 2019.)

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(Supervisor Ronen dissented in committee.)

**Vice Chair Walton moved that this Motion be RECOMMENDED AS AMENDED. The motion carried by the following vote:**

Ayes: 2 - Walton, Mar

Noes: 1 - Ronen

## ADJOURNMENT

*There being no further business, the Rules Committee adjourned at the hour of 11:30 a.m.*

*N.B. The Minutes of this meeting set forth all actions taken by the Rules Committee on the matters stated, but not necessarily in the chronological sequence in which the matters were taken up.*