



City and County of San Francisco
Meeting Minutes
Rules Committee

City Hall
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San Francisco, CA 94102-4689

Members: Hillary Ronen, Catherine Stefani, Gordon Mar

Clerk: Victor Young (415) 554-7723

Monday, July 6, 2020

10:00 AM

Regular Meeting

Present: 3 - Hillary Ronen, Catherine Stefani, and Gordon Mar

Remote Access to Information and Participation

The Rules Committee met in regular session through videoconferencing on Monday, July 6, 2020, with Chair Hillary Ronen presiding. Chair Ronen called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

In accordance with Governor Newsom's Executive Order No. N-33-20 declaring a State of Emergency regarding the COVID-19 outbreak and Mayor London N. Breed's Proclamation declaring a Local Emergency issued on February 25, 2020, including the guidance for gatherings issued by the San Francisco Department of Public Health Officer, aggressive directives were issued to reduce the spread of COVID-19. On March 17, 2020, the Board of Supervisors authorized their Board and Committee meetings to convene remotely (via Microsoft Teams) and will allow remote public comment via teleconference. Visit the SFGovTV website at (www.sfgovtv.org) to stream the live meetings, or to watch meetings on demand. Members of the public are encouraged to participate remotely via detailed instructions on participating via teleconference available at: <https://sfbos.org/remote-meeting-call>.

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ROLL CALL AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

AGENDA CHANGES

There were no agenda changes.

REGULAR AGENDA

200509 [Charter Amendment - Public Advocate]

Sponsors: Mar; Ronen and Haney

Charter Amendment (Second Draft) to amend the Charter of the City and County of San Francisco to: 1) create the Office of the Public Advocate; 2) set the Public Advocate's powers and duties; 3) authorize the Public Advocate to review the administration of City programs and services, including programs for transmitting information to the public and departments' customer service plans, and to receive, investigate, and attempt to resolve complaints regarding City services and programs; 4) authorize the Public Advocate to receive and investigate specified whistleblower complaints; and 5) provide for the Public Advocate's election, removal, and salary; at an election to be held on November 3, 2020.

05/19/20; ASSIGNED UNDER 30 DAY RULE to Rules Committee, expires on 6/18/2020.

05/27/20; REFERRED TO DEPARTMENT. Referred to Planning Department for environmental review; Office of the Controller for financial analysis report; and Mayor's Office, Office of the City Attorney, Department of Elections, Ethics Commission, and the Civil Service Commission for reports and/or comments, pursuant to Rules of Order 2.22.4.

06/17/20; RESPONSE RECEIVED. Not defined as a project under CEQA Guidelines Sections 15378 and 15060(c)(2).

06/29/20; AMENDED, AN AMENDMENT OF THE WHOLE BEARING NEW TITLE. Heard in Committee. Speakers: Anne Pearson (Office of the City Attorney); provided an overview and responded to questions raised throughout the discussion. Debra Garficle; Hope Williams; Linda Chapman; spoke in support of the matter.

06/29/20; CONTINUED TO CALL OF THE CHAIR AS AMENDED.

06/30/20; REFERRED TO DEPARTMENT. Referred to Planning Department for environmental review; Office of the Controller for financial analysis report; and Mayor's Office, Office of the City Attorney, Department of Elections, Ethics Commission, and the Civil Service Commission for reports and/or comments, pursuant to Rules of Order 2.22.4.

Heard in Committee. Speaker: Anne Pearson (Office of the City Attorney); provided an overview and responded to questions raised throughout the discussion.

Member Mar moved that this Charter Amendment be AMENDED, AN AMENDMENT OF THE WHOLE BEARING NEW TITLE. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 3 - Ronen, Stefani, Mar

Charter Amendment (Third Draft) to amend the Charter of the City and County of San Francisco to: 1) create the Office of the Public Advocate; 2) set the Public Advocate's powers and duties; 3) authorize the Public Advocate to review the administration of City programs and services, including programs for transmitting information to the public and departments' customer service plans, and to receive, investigate, and attempt to resolve complaints regarding City services and programs; 4) authorize the Public Advocate to receive and investigate specified whistleblower complaints; and 5) provide for the Public Advocate's election, removal, and salary; at an election to be held on November 3, 2020.

Chair Ronen moved that this Charter Amendment be CONTINUED AS AMENDED to the July 9, 2020, Rules Committee Special Meeting. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 3 - Ronen, Stefani, Mar

200510 [Charter Amendment - Department of Sanitation and Streets, Sanitation and Streets Commission, and Public Works Commission]**Sponsors: Haney; Walton, Preston, Ronen and Mar**

Charter Amendment (Second Draft) to amend the Charter of the City and County of San Francisco to create the Sanitation and Streets Department to succeed to specific duties currently performed by the Department of Public Works; to create a Sanitation and Streets Commission to oversee the Sanitation and Streets Department; to create a Public Works Commission to oversee the Department of Public Works; to require an annual performance audit and cost and waste analysis for both departments; and affirming the Planning Department's determination under the California Environmental Quality Act; at an election to be held on November 3, 2020.

05/19/20; ASSIGNED UNDER 30 DAY RULE to Rules Committee, expires on 6/18/2020.

05/27/20; REFERRED TO DEPARTMENT. Referred to Planning Department for environmental review; Office of the Controller for financial analysis report; and Mayor's Office, Office of the City Attorney, Department of Elections, Ethics Commission, Public Works and the Office of the City Administrator for reports and/or comments, pursuant to Rules of Order 2.22.4.

06/17/20; RESPONSE RECEIVED. Not defined as a project under CEQA Guidelines Sections 15378 and 15060(c)(2).

06/22/20; CONTINUED TO CALL OF THE CHAIR. Heard in Committee. Speaker: Supervisor Matt Haney (Board of Supervisors); provided an overview and responded to questions raised throughout the discussion.

06/29/20; AMENDED, AN AMENDMENT OF THE WHOLE BEARING NEW TITLE. Heard in Committee. Speakers: Supervisors Matt Haney and Shamann Walton (Board of Supervisors); Alaric Degrafinried, Interim Director (Public Works); provided an overview and responded to questions raised throughout the discussion. Speaker: Gabi Rubensen; Ms. Romeres (Local 241); Mary Wilkay; David Elliott Lewis; Rena Colorado; Linda Chapman; Curtis Bradford; Casey Ashburry; John McCormick; Rachael Redondiez; Gem; Lorenzo Lorenzo; Lila Moreski; spoke in support of the matter.

Supervisors Ronen and Mar requested to be added as a co-sponsor.

06/29/20; CONTINUED TO CALL OF THE CHAIR AS AMENDED.

06/30/20; RESPONSE RECEIVED.

06/30/20; REFERRED TO DEPARTMENT. Referred to Planning Department for environmental review; Office of the Controller for financial analysis report; and Mayor's Office, Office of the City Attorney, Department of Elections, Ethics Commission, Public Works and the Office of the City Administrator for reports and/or comments, pursuant to Rules of Order 2.22

Heard in Committee. Speakers: Supervisor Matt Haney (Board of Supervisors); Natasha Mihal (Controller's Office); Alaric Degrafinried, Acting Director (Public Works); provided an overview and responded to questions raised throughout the discussion. Julia Summers; Daryl Mitchell; Ms. Smith; David Elliot Lewis; Amis Cogery; Mr. McCormick; L. June; Roy; Bruce Jeron; Ann Davinthaw; Mr. Hermenez; Miguel Hernandez; Reanne Colorado; Joc; spoke in support of the matter. Miguel Larus; Jordan Davis; Carolyn Ward; spoke in opposition of the matter.

Chair Ronen moved that this Charter Amendment be AMENDED, AN AMENDMENT OF THE WHOLE BEARING NEW TITLE. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 3 - Ronen, Stefani, Mar

Charter Amendment (Third Draft) to amend the Charter of the City and County of San Francisco to create the Department of Sanitation and Streets to succeed to specific duties currently performed by the Department of Public Works; to create a Sanitation and Streets Commission to oversee the Department of Sanitation and Streets; to create a Public Works Commission to oversee the Department of Public Works; and to require an annual performance audit and cost and waste analysis for both departments; and affirming the Planning Department's determination under the California Environmental Quality Act; at an election to be held on November 3, 2020.

Vice Chair Stefani moved that this Charter Amendment be AMENDED, AN AMENDMENT OF THE WHOLE BEARING NEW TITLE, to strike language regarding the creation of the Sanitation and Streets Department and the Sanitation and Streets Commission from the Charter Amendment. The motion FAILED by the following vote:

Ayes: 1 - Stefani

Noes: 2 - Ronen, Mar

Chair Ronen moved that this Charter Amendment be CONTINUED TO CALL OF THE CHAIR AS AMENDED. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 3 - Ronen, Stefani, Mar

200514 [Charter Amendment - Sheriff Department Oversight Board and Inspector General]**Sponsors: Walton; Haney, Ronen, Preston and Yee**

Charter Amendment (Second Draft) to amend the Charter of the City and County of San Francisco to create the Sheriff's Department Oversight Board to advise and report findings and recommendations to the Sheriff and the Board of Supervisors regarding Sheriff's Department operations; to create the Sheriff's Department Office of Inspector General, under the direction of an Inspector General appointed by the Oversight Board, to investigate complaints of non-criminal misconduct by employees and contractors of the Sheriff's Department and in-custody deaths, develop policy recommendations for the Sheriff's Department, and report quarterly its findings, results, and recommendations to the Sheriff and the Oversight Board; at an election to be held on November 3, 2020.

05/19/20; ASSIGNED UNDER 30 DAY RULE to Rules Committee, expires on 6/18/2020.

05/27/20; REFERRED TO DEPARTMENT. Referred to Planning Department for environmental review; Office of the Controller for financial analysis report; and Mayor's Office, Office of the City Attorney, Department of Elections, Ethics Commission and the Sheriff's Department for reports and/or comments, pursuant to Rules of Order 2.22.4.

06/17/20; RESPONSE RECEIVED. Not defined as a project under CEQA Guidelines Sections 15378 and 15060(c)(2).

06/29/20; AMENDED, AN AMENDMENT OF THE WHOLE BEARING NEW TITLE. Heard in Committee. Speakers: Supervisor Shamann Walton (Board of Supervisors); Severine Campbell (Office of the Budget and Legislative Analyst); Sheriff Paul Miyamota (Office of the Sheriff); Chesa Boudin, District Attorney (Office of the District Attorney); Manohar Raju (Office of the Public Defender); Anne Pearson (Office of the City Attorney); provided an overview and responded to questions raised throughout the discussion. Barbara Atar; spoke in support of the matter.

06/29/20; CONTINUED TO CALL OF THE CHAIR AS AMENDED.

06/30/20; RESPONSE RECEIVED.

06/30/20; REFERRED TO DEPARTMENT. Referred to Planning Department for environmental review; Office of the Controller for financial analysis report; and Mayor's Office, Office of the City Attorney, Department of Elections, Ethics Commission and the Sheriff's Department for reports and/or comments, pursuant to Rules of Order 2.22.4.

Heard in Committee. Speakers: None.

Chair Ronen moved that this Charter Amendment be CONTINUED to the July 9, 2020, Rules Committee Special Meeting. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 3 - Ronen, Stefani, Mar

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the Rules Committee adjourned at the hour of 11:43 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.