



City and County of San Francisco
Meeting Minutes
Rules Committee

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Members: Hillary Ronen, Catherine Stefani, Gordon Mar

Clerk: Victor Young (415) 554-7723

Monday, August 17, 2020

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Regular Meeting

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

The Rules Committee met in regular session through videoconferencing on Monday, August 17, 2020, with Chair Hillary Ronen presiding. Chair Ronen called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

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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

200672 [Administrative Code - Sunshine Ordinance Task Force Member Nominations]

Sponsor: Peskin

Ordinance amending the Administrative Code to designate the Northern California Chapter of the Society of Professional Journalists as the nominating body with authority to recommend nominees to the Board of Supervisors to hold the seat on the Sunshine Ordinance Task Force designated for a journalist from a racial/ethnic-minority-owned news organization, and to modify the qualifications for that seat.

06/23/20; ASSIGNED UNDER 30 DAY RULE to Rules Committee, expires on 7/23/2020.

07/07/20; REFERRED TO DEPARTMENT. Referred to the Sunshine Ordinance Task Force for informational purposes.

08/10/20; AMENDED, AN AMENDMENT OF THE WHOLE BEARING NEW TITLE. Heard in Committee. Speakers: Lee Hepner (Office Supervisor Peskin, Board of Supervisors); provided an overview and responded to questions raised throughout the discussion. Allison Washburn; Richard Knee; David Pilpel; Matt Drange, Laurin Smilely, Dr. Derrick Kerr and Christine Peak (Society of Professional Journalists Norcal); Bruce Wolfe, Chair (Sunshine Ordinance Task Force); Bruce Brugman; spoke in support of the matter.

08/10/20; CONTINUED TO CALL OF THE CHAIR AS AMENDED.

Heard in Committee. Speakers: None.

RECOMMENDED

Ayes: 3 - Ronen, Stefani, Mar

Chair Ronen requested that File Nos. 200718, 200719 and 200722 be called together.

200718 [Mayoral Reappointment, Planning Commission - Susan Diamond]

Motion approving/rejecting the Mayoral nomination for the reappointment of Susan Diamond to the Planning Commission, for a four-year term ending July 1, 2024. (Clerk of the Board)
(Charter, Section 4.105, 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, then the nominee shall be deemed approved. Transmittal date: July 1, 2020.)

07/01/20; RECEIVED AND ASSIGNED to Rules Committee.

Heard in Committee. Speakers: Susan Diamond; Joel Koppel; Maria Theresa Imperial; spoke on their qualifications and answered questions raised throughout the discussion. Rudy Corpus; Speaker; spoke in support of the reappointment of various applicants. Melisa Johnson; spoke in support of the reappointment of applicant Susan Diamond. Matius Romero; David Lewis; Gabriel Medina; spoke in support of the reappointment of Maria Theresa Imperial. Alex Lansburg; Francisco Da Costa; spoke neither in support nor against the appointment of various applicants.

Vice Chair Stefani 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 conforming changes. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 3 - Ronen, Stefani, Mar

Motion approving the Mayoral nomination for the reappointment of Susan Diamond to the Planning Commission, for a four-year term ending July 1, 2024. (Clerk of the Board)
(Charter, Section 4.105, 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, then the nominee shall be deemed approved. Transmittal date: July 1, 2020.)

RECOMMENDED AS AMENDED

Ayes: 3 - Ronen, Stefani, Mar

200719 [Mayoral Reappointment, Planning Commission - Joel Koppel]

Motion approving/rejecting the Mayoral nomination for the reappointment of Joel Koppel to the Planning Commission, for a four-year term ending July 1, 2024. (Clerk of the Board)
(Charter, Section 4.105, 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, then the nominee shall be deemed approved. Transmittal date: July 1, 2020.)

07/01/20; RECEIVED AND ASSIGNED to Rules Committee.

Heard in Committee. Speakers: Susan Diamond; Joel Koppel; Maria Theresa Imperial; spoke on their qualifications and answered questions raised throughout the discussion. Rudy Corpus; Speaker; spoke in support of the reappointment of various applicants. Melisa Johnson; spoke in support of the reappointment of applicant Susan Diamond. Matius Romero; David Lewis; Gabriel Medina; spoke in support of the reappointment of Maria Theresa Imperial. Alex Lansburg; Francisco Da Costa; spoke neither in support nor against the appointment of various applicants.

Chair Ronen 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 conforming changes. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 3 - Ronen, Stefani, Mar

Motion approving the Mayoral nomination for the reappointment of Joel Koppel to the Planning Commission, for a four-year term ending July 1, 2024. (Clerk of the Board)
(Charter, Section 4.105, 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, then the nominee shall be deemed approved. Transmittal date: July 1, 2020.)

RECOMMENDED AS AMENDED

Ayes: 3 - Ronen, Stefani, Mar

200722 [Presidential Reappointment, Planning Commission - Maria Theresa Imperial]

Motion approving/rejecting the President of the Board of Supervisors Norman Yee's nomination for the reappointment of Maria Theresa Imperial to the Planning Commission, for a four-year term ending July 1, 2024. (Clerk of the Board)
(Charter, Section 4.105, 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, then the nominee shall be deemed approved. Transmittal date: July 1, 2020.)

07/01/20; RECEIVED AND ASSIGNED to Rules Committee.

Heard in Committee. Speakers: Susan Diamond; Joel Koppel; Maria Theresa Imperial; spoke on their qualifications and answered questions raised throughout the discussion. Rudy Corpus; Speaker; spoke in support of the reappointment of various applicants. Melisa Johnson; spoke in support of the reappointment of applicant Susan Diamond. Matius Romero; David Lewis; Gabriel Medina; spoke in support of the reappointment of Maria Theresa Imperial. Alex Lansburg; Francisco Da Costa; spoke neither in support nor against the appointment of various applicants.

Member Mar 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 conforming changes. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 3 - Ronen, Stefani, Mar

Motion approving the President of the Board of Supervisors Norman Yee's nomination for the reappointment of Maria Theresa Imperial to the Planning Commission, for a four-year term ending July 1, 2024. (Clerk of the Board)

(Charter, Section 4.105, 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, then the nominee shall be deemed approved. Transmittal date: July 1, 2020.)

RECOMMENDED AS AMENDED

Ayes: 3 - Ronen, Stefani, Mar

200731 [Mayoral Appointment, Police Commission - Malia Cohen]

Motion approving/rejecting the Mayor's nomination for the appointment of Malia Cohen to the Police Commission, for a term ending April 30, 2024. (Clerk of the Board)

(Charter, Section 4.109, 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, then the nominee shall be deemed approved. Transmittal date: July 7, 2020.)

07/07/20; RECEIVED AND ASSIGNED to Rules Committee.

Heard in Committee. Speakers: Malia Cohen; spoke on their qualifications and answered questions raised throughout the discussion. Rudy Corpus; Angela Jenkins; Chris; Speaker; Britney Chicata; Micha Olivas; spoke in support of the appointment of Malia Cohen. Francisco Da Costa; Ed Paralon; spoke neither in support nor against the appointment Malia Cohen.

Chair Ronen 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 conforming changes. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 3 - Ronen, Stefani, Mar

Motion approving the Mayor's nomination for the appointment of Malia Cohen to the Police Commission, for a term ending April 30, 2024. (Clerk of the Board)

(Charter, Section 4.109, 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, then the nominee shall be deemed approved. Transmittal date: July 7, 2020.)

RECOMMENDED AS AMENDED

Ayes: 3 - Ronen, Stefani, Mar

200733 [Emergency Ordinance - Public Health Emergency Leave]**Sponsor: Mar**

Reenactment of emergency ordinance (Ordinance No. 59-20) to temporarily require private employers with 500 or more employees to provide public health emergency leave during the public health emergency related to COVID-19.

(Pursuant to Charter, Section 2.107, this matter requires the affirmative vote of two-thirds of the Board of Supervisors (8 votes) for passage.)

07/07/20; ASSIGNED UNDER 30 DAY RULE to Rules Committee, expires on 8/6/2020.

07/22/20; REFERRED TO DEPARTMENT. Referred to the Mayor's Office for informational purposes.

Heard in Committee. Speaker: Speaker; spoke neither in support nor opposition on the matter.

Member Mar moved that this Ordinance be AMENDED, AN AMENDMENT OF THE WHOLE BEARING SAME TITLE to make the Ordinance retroactive. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 3 - Ronen, Stefani, Mar

RECOMMENDED AS AMENDED AS A COMMITTEE REPORT

Ayes: 3 - Ronen, Stefani, Mar

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the Rules Committee adjourned at the hour of 12:18 p.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.