



**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*

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**Monday, October 19, 2020**

**10:00 AM**

**Regular Meeting**

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

*The Rules Committee met in regular session through videoconferencing on Monday, October 19, 2020, with Chair Hillary Ronen presiding. Chair Ronen called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.*

**Remote Access to Information and Participation**

*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](http://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

### **201147 [Appointment, Public Utilities Revenue Bond Oversight Committee - Tim Cronin]**

Hearing to consider appointing one member, term ending November 12, 2020, to the Public Utilities Revenue Bond Oversight Committee. (Clerk of the Board)

Vacant Seat 2, succeeding Tim Cronin, must have expertise, skills and experience in economics, the environment, construction or project management, for the unexpired portion of a term ending November 12, 2020.

10/06/20; RECEIVED AND ASSIGNED to Rules Committee.

*Heard in Committee. Speaker: Tim Cronin; spoke on their qualifications and answered questions raised throughout the discussion.*

*Appointment of Tim Cronin, Seat 2, recommended. (Residency requirement waived).*

#### **PREPARED IN COMMITTEE AS A MOTION**

Motion appointing Tim Cronin (residency requirement waived), term ending November 12, 2020, to the Public Utilities Revenue Bond Oversight Committee. (Clerk of the Board)

Tim Cronin (residency requirement waived), Seat 2, succeeding themselves, must have expertise, skills and experience in economics, the environment, construction or project management, for the unexpired portion of a term ending November 12, 2020.

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

Ayes: 3 - Ronen, Stefani, Mar

### **201084 [Mayoral Appointment, Planning Commission - Rachael Tanner]**

Motion approving/rejecting the mayoral nomination for the appointment of Rachael Tanner to the Planning Commission, for a term ending June 30, 2022. (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: September 22, 2020.)

09/22/20; RECEIVED AND ASSIGNED to Rules Committee.

*Heard in Committee. Speakers: Rachael Tanner; spoke on their qualifications and answered questions raised throughout the discussion. Al Langstun; Speaker; Randy Sanders; Angela Mayham; Glendawein Brown; Erica Flag; Cathy MultiMeyer; spoke in support of the appointment of Rachel Tanner. Renne Curran; Gary Draftner (SF Land Use Coalition); Jennifer Fever; Aussie Realm; Tess Wellborn; spoke neither in support nor against the appointment Rachel Tanner.*

**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

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

Ayes: 3 - Ronen, Stefani, Mar

**200951 [Administrative Code - Department of Public Health - Providing Staff for the Behavioral Health Commission]**

**Sponsors: Stefani; Mar and Peskin**

Ordinance amending the Administrative Code to require the Department of Public Health to provide administrative staff to support the Behavioral Health Commission; to expand the membership criteria to conform to state law; and to reset all Commission member terms as of January 1, 2021, to be staggered so that no more than one-third of the members' terms expire at one time.

08/18/20; ASSIGNED UNDER 30 DAY RULE to Rules Committee, expires on 9/17/2020.

08/27/20; REFERRED TO DEPARTMENT. Referred to the Department of Public Health and the Behavioral Health Commission for informational purposes.

*Heard in Committee. Speakers: Dr. Hali Hammer; Anne Pearson (Office of the City Attorney): provided an overview and responded to questions raised throughout the discussion. Marilyn Tesconi; Judy Drummen; Tracy Bora; David Elliott Lewis; Richelle Slota; Dawson Cooper; David Pilpel; Carietta Jackson-Lane; spoke in support of the matter. Richard Hilliard; Wynship Hillier (see Addendum); spoke in opposition to the matter. Mr. Greer; spoke neither in support nor opposition to the matter.*

**Vice Chair Stefani moved that this Ordinance be AMENDED, AN AMENDMENT OF THE WHOLE BEARING SAME TITLE on Page 3, Line 6, to replace 'his or her' with 'the member's'; Page 4, Line 12, to replace 'he or she' with 'the member'; on Page 4, Lines 14-16, to insert 'Provided however, that a member whose term ends January 1, 2021, and who has served for six months or less, will not be deemed to have served a full term under this subsection (b)'; Page 4, Line 20, to replace 'he or she' with 'the members'; and adding other clarifying and conforming changes. The motion carried by the following vote:**

Ayes: 3 - Ronen, Stefani, Mar

**Vice Chair Stefani moved that this Ordinance be RECOMMENDED AS AMENDED. 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 1:02 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.*

## ADDENDUM

*The following information is provided by speaker(s), pursuant to Administrative Code, Section 67.16. The content is neither generated by, nor subject to approval or verification of accuracy by, the Clerk of the Board or the Board of Supervisors.*

*Wynship Hillier submitted the following additional informatio during Public Committe on File No. 200951 as follows: "I oppose this legislation because it would harm the Behavioral Health Commission. The former Executive Director of BHC told me recently, "Over the years, I have talked with a number of Board/Commission chairs who have had a lot of problems working with their county Department of Health. . . ." DPH staffing of BHC would hinder BHC's investigation of massive violations of patient's Constitutional rights. San Francisco is the worst county in the state, by a 50% margin, for long-term involuntary mental health treatment, gavelling 2,500 patients into it each year. This could only be done by abrogating these patients' Constitutional rights through ex parte proceedings in totally-sealed cases, immunized from all challenge. How will BHC investigate DPH's role in this if BHC is staffed by DPH?"*