



# City and County of San Francisco

## Meeting Minutes

### Rules Committee

City Hall  
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place  
San Francisco, CA 94102-4689

*Members: Hillary Ronen, Catherine Stefani, Gordon Mar*

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

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Monday, November 9, 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, November 9, 2020, with Chair Hillary Ronen presiding. Chair Ronen called the meeting to order at 10:01 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

## AGENDA CHANGES

*There were no agenda changes.*

## REGULAR AGENDA

### 201030 [Reappointment, Commission on the Aging Advisory Council - Patricia Spaniak]

Hearing to consider appointing one member, term ending March 31, 2021, to the Commission on Aging Advisory Council. (Rules Committee)

Seat 9, Patricia Spaniak, term expired, must be a nominee of the District 11 Supervisor, for the unexpired portion of a two-year term ending March 31, 2021.

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

*Appointment of Patricia Spaniak, seat 9, recommended.*

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

Motion reappointing Patricia Spaniak, terms ending March 31, 2021, to the Commission on the Aging Advisory Council. (Rules Committee)

Patricia Spaniak, Seat 9, succeeding herself, must be a nominee of the District 11 Supervisor, for the unexpired portion of a two-year term ending March 31, 2021.

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

Ayes: 3 - Ronen, Stefani, Mar

### 201252 [Reappointment, Park, Recreation, and Open Space Advisory Committee - Steven Currier]

Hearing to consider appointing one member, term ending February 1, 2022, to the Park, Recreation and Open Space Advisory Committee. (Rules Committee)

Seat 22, succeeding Steven Currier, term expired, must be nominated by the District 11 Supervisor and from District 11, for the unexpired portion of a two-year term ending February 1, 2022.

11/03/20; RECEIVED AND ASSIGNED to Clerk of the Board.

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

*Appointment of Steven Currier, seat 22, recommended.*

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

Motion reappointing Steven Currier, term ending February 1, 2022, to the Park, Recreation and Open Space Advisory Committee. (Rules Committee)

Steven Currier, Seat 22, succeeding himself, term expired, must be nominated by the District 11 Supervisor and from District 11, for the unexpired portion of a two-year term ending February 1, 2022.

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

Ayes: 3 - Ronen, Stefani, Mar

**201253 [Appointment, Sugary Drinks Distributor Tax Advisory Committee - Kiana Sezawar Keshavarz]**

Hearing to consider appointing one member, terms ending December 31, 2022, to the Sugary Drinks Distributor Tax Advisory Committee. (Rules Committee)

Seat 6, succeeding Aaron Kunz, term expiring December 31, 2020, must be a person who is under 19 years old at the time of appointment and who may be a member of the Youth Commission, nominated by the Youth Commission and appointed by the Board of Supervisors, for a two-year term ending December 31, 2022. (Note: If the person is under legal voting age and unable to be an elector for that reason, the person may hold this seat, but upon reaching legal voting age, the person shall relinquish the seat unless he or she becomes an elector, in which case the person shall retain the seat.)

11/03/20; RECEIVED AND ASSIGNED to Rules Committee.

*Heard in Committee. Speakers: Kiana Sezawar Keshavarz; spoke on their qualifications and answered questions raised throughout the discussion. Austin Truong (Youth Commission); Joi Jackson-Morgan; spoke in support of the appointment of Kiana Sezawar Keshavarz.*

*Appointment of Kiana Sezawar Keshavarz, seat 6, recommended.*

**PREPARED IN COMMITTEE AS A MOTION**

Motion appointing Kiana Sezawar Keshavarz, term ending December 31, 2022, to the Sugary Drinks Distributor Tax Advisory Committee. (Rules Committee)

Kiana Sezawar Keshavarz, Seat 6, succeeding Aaron Kunz, resigned, must be a person who is under 19 years old at the time of appointment and who may be a member of the Youth Commission, nominated by the Youth Commission and appointed by the Board of Supervisors, for a two-year term ending December 31, 2022. (Note: If the person is under legal voting age and unable to be an elector for that reason, the person may hold this seat, but upon reaching legal voting age, the person shall relinquish the seat unless he or she becomes an elector, in which case the person shall retain the seat.)

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

Ayes: 3 - Ronen, Stefani, Mar

**201254 [Reappointments, Immigrant Rights Commission - Mario Paz, Celine Kennelly, and Nima Rahimi]**

Hearing to consider appointing three members, terms ending June 6, 2021, to the Immigrant Rights Commission. (Clerk of the Board)

Seat 6, succeeding Mario Paz, term expired, must be an immigrant to the United States, appointed in accordance with Charter, Section 4.101, and have a demonstrated knowledge of and interest in the health, human service, educational, or employment issues that affect immigrants residing in San Francisco and shall reflect the geographic, ethnic, and sexual orientation population of San Francisco, for the unexpired portion of a two-year term ending June 6, 2021.

Seat 7, succeeding Celine Kennelly, term expired, must be an immigrant to the United States, appointed in accordance with Charter, Section 4.101, and have a demonstrated knowledge of and interest in the health, human service, educational, or employment issues that affect immigrants residing in San Francisco and shall reflect the geographic, ethnic, and sexual orientation population of San Francisco, for the unexpired portion of a two-year term ending June 6, 2021.

Seat 8, succeeding Nima Rahimi, term expired, must be an immigrant to the United States, appointed in accordance with Charter, Section 4.101, and have a demonstrated knowledge of and interest in the health, human service, educational, or employment issues that affect immigrants residing in San Francisco and shall reflect the geographic, ethnic, and sexual orientation population of San Francisco, for the unexpired portion of a two-year term ending June 6, 2021.

11/03/20; RECEIVED AND ASSIGNED to Rules Committee.

*Heard in Committee. Speakers: Mario Paz; Celine Kennelly; Nima Rahimi; spoke on their qualifications and answered questions raised throughout the discussion. Celine Kennelly; spoke in support of the reappointment of Mario Paz and Nima Rahimi.*

**PREPARED IN COMMITTEE AS A MOTION**

Motion reappointing Mario Paz (residency requirement waived), Celine Kennelly, and Nima Rahimi, terms ending June 6, 2021, to the Immigrant Rights Commission. (Clerk of the Board)

Mario Paz (residency requirement waived), Seat 6, succeeding himself, term expired, must be an immigrant to the United States, appointed in accordance with Charter, Section 4.101, and have a demonstrated knowledge of and interest in the health, human service, educational, or employment issues that affect immigrants residing in San Francisco and shall reflect the geographic, ethnic, and sexual orientation population of San Francisco, for the unexpired portion of a two-year term ending June 6, 2021.

Celine Kennelly, Seat 7, succeeding herself, term expired, must be an immigrant to the United States, appointed in accordance with Charter, Section 4.101, and have a demonstrated knowledge of and interest in the health, human service, educational, or employment issues that affect immigrants residing in San Francisco and shall reflect the geographic, ethnic, and sexual orientation population of San Francisco, for the unexpired portion of a two-year term ending June 6, 2021.

Nima Rahimi, Seat 8, succeeding themselves, term expired, must be an immigrant to the United States, appointed in accordance with Charter, Section 4.101, and have a demonstrated knowledge of and interest in the health, human service, educational, or employment issues that affect immigrants residing in San Francisco and shall reflect the geographic, ethnic, and sexual orientation population of San Francisco, for the unexpired portion of a two-year term ending June 6, 2021.

**Chair Ronen moved that this Motion be RECOMMENDED. 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 10:35 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.*