



City and County of San Francisco

Meeting Minutes

Rules Committee

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Members: Shamann Walton, Stephen Sherrill, Rafael Mandelman

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Monday, October 27, 2025 10:00 AM City Hall, Legislative Chamber, Room 250

Regular Meeting

President Mandelman appointed Supervisor Dorsey in place of Supervisor Walton to the Rules Committee for the regular meeting of October 27, 2025.

Present: 3 - Stephen Sherrill, Rafael Mandelman, and Matt Dorsey
Excused: 1 - Shamann Walton

The Rules Committee met in regular session on Monday, October 27, 2025, with Vice Chair Stephen Sherrill presiding. Vice Chair Sherrill called the meeting to order at 10:03 a.m.

ROLL CALL AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

On the call of the roll, Vice Chair Sherrill, Member Mandelman and Member Dorsey were noted present. Chair Walton was noted not present. A quorum of the Committee was present.

COMMUNICATIONS

Victor Young, Rules Committee Clerk, instructed members of the public that public comment is taken on each item on the agenda. Alternatively, written comments may be submitted through email (victor.young@sfgov.org) or the U.S. Postal Service at City Hall, 1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place, Room 244, San Francisco, CA 94102.

AGENDA CHANGES

There were no agenda changes.

Supervisor Sherrill Excused from Attendance

Vice-Chair Sherrill moved that Member Walton be excused from attending the Rules Committee meeting of October 27, 2025. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 3 - Sherrill, Mandelman, Dorsey
Excused: 1 - Walton

REGULAR AGENDA

250812 [Administrative Code - Artist Housing Certification Program]

Sponsors: Mandelman; Dorsey and Sherrill

Ordinance amending the Administrative Code to require the Arts Commission to develop and administer a certification process to identify artists in San Francisco who may be eligible for affordable housing for artists.

07/29/25; ASSIGNED UNDER 30 DAY RULE to Rules Committee, expires on 8/28/2025.

08/07/25; REFERRED TO DEPARTMENT. Referred to the Arts Commission for informational purposes.

Heard in Committee. Speaker(s): Ralph Remington, Director of Cultural Affairs (Arts Commission); provided an overview and responded to questions raised throughout the discussion. Speaker; Marcus Shelby; Virasian Vigot; Caroline Choi; Rainy Deer; Randall Cline; spoke in support of the matter.

Supervisor Sherrill requested to be added as a co-sponsor.

Member Mandelman moved that this Ordinance be AMENDED, AN AMENDMENT OF THE WHOLE BEARING SAME TITLE, on Page 2, Lines 4-5, to strike 'creative identity as a hub of creativity and cultural diversity'; Page 2, Line 21, to strike 'totaling over 1,700 residential units'; Page 3, Lines 18-19, to insert 'Arts' before 'Commission'; Page 4, Lines 10-18, to strike '(4) The Commission may enter into contracts with individuals and/or entities to assist with the creation and administration of the Artist Housing Certification program. And, the Commission, and any of the Commission's contracted entities, may charge an administrative fee to applicants seeking certification, to entities seeking access to the Artist Housing Certification program registry for the purpose of marketing and leasing affordable housing units to artists, and to owners of affordable housing for certifying or re-certifying artists. Such administrative fees shall not exceed the estimated costs to cover the administrative expenses in connection with administering the Artist Housing Certification program and registry'; Page 4, Lines 18-22, to insert 'Rules and' before 'Regulations; Page 4, Line 18-19, to replace 'and/or guidance to interpret this' with 'to effectuate the intent of this ordinance, including expanding or modifying the eligibility criteria in subsection (c), and to'; Page 4, Line 22, to replace 'help' with 'assist the Commission develop and'; Page 5, Lines 4-5, to replace 'is intended to cover' with 'shall include, but is not limited to'; Page 5, Lines 3, 5, 7, 9, 11, 13, and 16 to replace 'including' with 'such as'; Page 5, Lines 15-19, to insert '(G) Any other discipline the Commission inculudes or modifies in the rules and regulations'; Page 6, Line 10, to replace 'effective' with 'Operative', Page 6, Line 13, after Effective to insert 'and Operative'; Page 6, Lines 16-17, to insert 'The operative date of the ordinance is no later than May 31, 2026'; and making clarify and conforming changes. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 3 - Sherrill, Mandelman, Dorsey

Excused: 1 - Walton

Member Mandelman moved that this Ordinance be RECOMMENDED AS AMENDED. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 3 - Sherrill, Mandelman, Dorsey

Excused: 1 - Walton

250981 [Labor and Employment Code - Health Service System - Exemption for Life and Long-Term Disability Insurance Contract]**Sponsor: Dorsey**

Ordinance exempting the Health Service System's Life and Long-Term Disability Insurance services contract from the requirements of Article 111 (Minimum Compensation) and Article 121 (Health Care Accountability) of the Labor and Employment Code.

(Meet and Confer obligations not applicable.)

09/30/25; ASSIGNED to Government Audit and Oversight Committee. 10/15/2025 - President Mandelman waived the 30-day rule pursuant to Board Rule No. 3.22.

10/16/25; TRANSFERRED to Rules Committee. President Mandelman transferred this ordinance from the Government Audit and Oversight committee to the Rules committee.

Heard in Committee. Speaker(s): Rey Guillen, Executive Director, and Michael Visconti (Health Service System); provided an overview and responded to questions raised throughout the discussion.

Member Dorsey moved that this Ordinance be RECOMMENDED. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 3 - Sherrill, Mandelman, Dorsey

Excused: 1 - Walton

251040 [Appointment, Immigrant Rights Commission - Jessie Ruiz Navarro]

Hearing to consider appointing one member, term ending June 6, 2026, to the Immigrant Rights Commission. (Rules Committee)

Seat 1, succeeding Jessie Ruiz Navarro, term expired, must 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, 2026.

10/20/25; RECEIVED AND ASSIGNED to Rules Committee.

Heard in Committee. Speaker(s): Jessie Ruiz Navarro; spoke on their qualifications and answered questions raised throughout the discussion. Sarah Souza; spoke in support of the appointment of Jessie Ruiz Navarro.

Jessy Ruiz Navarro, seat 1, recommended.

PREPARED IN COMMITTEE AS A MOTION

Motion appointing Jessie Ruiz Navarro, term ending June 6, 2026, to the Immigrant Rights Commission. (Rules Committee)

Jessy Ruiz Navarro, seat 1, succeeding themselves, term expired, must 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, 2026.

Member Mandelman moved that this Motion be RECOMMENDED AS COMMITTEE REPORT. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 3 - Sherrill, Mandelman, Dorsey

Excused: 1 - Walton

251022 [Appointment, Homelessness Oversight Commission - Thomas James Rocca]

Hearing to consider appointing one member, term ending May 1, 2029, to the Homelessness Oversight Commission. (Rules Committee)

Vacant Seat 6, succeeding Christin Evans, term expired, shall be held by a person with significant experience providing services to or engaging in advocacy on behalf of persons experiencing homelessness, for the unexpired portion of a four-year term ending May 1, 2029.

10/09/25; RECEIVED AND ASSIGNED to Rules Committee.

Heard in Committee. Speaker(s): Erica Moseley; Rey Emmanuel Javier; Thomas James Rocca; Vinia Ramos-Castro; spoke on their qualifications and answered questions raised throughout the discussion. Mr. Bono; Al Bones; Percy Anders; spoke in support of the appointment of various applicant(s). Kristin Evans; spoke neither in support nor against the appointment various applicant(s).

Thomas James Rocca, seat 6, recommended.

PREPARED IN COMMITTEE AS A MOTION

Motion appointing Thomas James Rocca, term ending May 1, 2029, to the Homelessness Oversight Commission. (Rules Committee)

Thomas James Rocca, seat 6, succeeding Christin Evans, term expired, shall be held by a person with significant experience providing services to or engaging in advocacy on behalf of persons experiencing homelessness, for the unexpired portion of a four-year term ending May 1, 2029.

Member Dorsey moved that this Motion be RECOMMENDED. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 3 - Sherrill, Mandelman, Dorsey

Excused: 1 - Walton

Vice-Chair Sherrill requested that File Nos. 251028 and 251029 be heard together.

251028 [Mayoral Appointment, Homelessness Oversight Commission - Obai Rambo]

Motion approving/rejecting the Mayor's nomination for the appointment of Obai Rambo to the Homelessness Oversight Commission, term ending May 1, 2027. (Clerk of the Board)

(Charter, Section 4.133, provides that this nomination is subject to approval by the Board of Supervisors within 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: October 10, 2025.)

10/21/25; RECEIVED AND ASSIGNED to Rules Committee.

Heard in Committee. Speaker(s): Obai Rambo; Dontaye Ball; spoke on their qualifications and answered questions raised throughout the discussion. Speaker; Sarah Souza; Russel Marine; J. R. Dutler; Mori Hayes; Marcus Tara; Tari Kahn; Speaker; Alimais; Christin Evans; spoke in support of the appointment of various applicant(s).

Vice Chair Sherrill moved that this Motion be AMENDED, AN AMENDMENT OF THE WHOLE BEARING NEW TITLE, to approve the Mayor's nomination for appointment and making clarifying and conforming changes. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 3 - Sherrill, Mandelman, Dorsey

Excused: 1 - Walton

Motion approving the Mayor's nomination for the appointment of Obai Rambo to the Homelessness Oversight Commission, term ending May 1, 2027. (Clerk of the Board)
(Charter, Section 4.133, provides that this nomination is subject to approval by the Board of Supervisors within 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: October 10, 2025.)

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

Ayes: 3 - Sherrill, Mandelman, Dorsey

Excused: 1 - Walton

251029 [Mayoral Appointment, Homelessness Oversight Commission - Dontaye Ball]

Motion approving/rejecting the Mayor's nomination for the appointment of Dontaye Ball to the Homelessness Oversight Commission, term ending May 1, 2029. (Clerk of the Board)
(Charter, Section 4.133, provides that this nomination is subject to approval by the Board of Supervisors within 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: October 10, 2025.)

10/21/25; RECEIVED AND ASSIGNED to Rules Committee.

Heard in Committee. Speaker(s): Obai Rambo; Dontaye Ball; spoke on their qualifications and answered questions raised throughout the discussion. Speaker; Sarah Souza; Russel Marine; J. R. Dutler; Mori Hayes; Marcus Tara; Tari Kahn; Speaker; Alimais; Christin Evans; spoke in support of the appointment of various applicant(s).

Vice Chair Sherrill moved that this Motion be AMENDED, AN AMENDMENT OF THE WHOLE BEARING NEW TITLE, to approve the Mayor's nomination for appointment and making clarifying and conforming changes. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 3 - Sherrill, Mandelman, Dorsey

Excused: 1 - Walton

Motion approving the Mayor's nomination for the appointment of Dontaye Ball to the Homelessness Oversight Commission, term ending May 1, 2029. (Clerk of the Board)
(Charter, Section 4.133, provides that this nomination is subject to approval by the Board of Supervisors within 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: October 10, 2025.)

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

Ayes: 3 - Sherrill, Mandelman, Dorsey

Excused: 1 - Walton

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the Rules Committee adjourned at the hour of 11:32 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.