



City and County of San Francisco

Meeting Minutes

Rules Committee

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Members: Shamann Walton, Stephen Sherrill, Rafael Mandelman

*Clerk: Victor Young
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Monday, April 6, 2026

10:00 AM

City Hall, Legislative Chamber, Room 250

Regular Meeting

Present: 3 - Shamann Walton, Stephen Sherrill, and Rafael Mandelman

The Rules Committee met in regular session on Monday, April 6, 2026, with Chair Shamann Walton presiding. Chair Walton called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

ROLL CALL AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

On the call of the roll, Chair Walton, Vice Chair Sherrill and Member Mandelman were noted 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.

REGULAR AGENDA

260333 [Presidential Appointment, Board of Appeals - Lily Wong]

Motion approving/rejecting the President of the Board of Supervisors Rafael Mandelman's nomination for the appointment of Lily Wong to the Board of Appeals, for a term ending July 1, 2028. (Clerk of the Board)

(Charter, Section 4.106, 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 of the date the nomination is transmitted to the Clerk then the nominee shall be deemed approved. Transmittal date: March 25, 2026.)

03/24/26; RECEIVED AND ASSIGNED to Rules Committee.

Heard in Committee. Speaker(s): Lily Wong; spoke on their qualifications and answered questions raised throughout the discussion. John Trezvino, President (Board of Appeals); spoke in support of the appointment of Lily Wong.

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

Ayes: 3 - Walton, Sherrill, Mandelman

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Chair Walton moved that this Motion be RECOMMENDED AS AMENDED AS A COMMITTEE REPORT. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 3 - Walton, Sherrill, Mandelman

260288 [Affirming the Importance of Independent Civilian Oversight of the San Francisco Police Commission]

Sponsors: Walton; Fielder, Chen and Chan

Resolution affirming the importance of keeping the independent civilian oversight of the San Francisco Police Commission.

03/17/26; RECEIVED AND ASSIGNED to Rules Committee.

03/24/26; REFERRED TO DEPARTMENT. referred to the Police Department and Police Commission for informational purposes.

Heard in Committee. Speaker(s): Sana Rojas; spoke in support of the matter. Griffin Lee; spoke neither in support nor opposition on the matter.

Member Mandelman moved that this Resolution be CONTINUED to the April 13, 2026, Rules Committee meeting. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 3 - Walton, Sherrill, Mandelman

260216 [Administrative Code - Fire Code Technical Advisory Council]**Sponsors: Sherrill; Sauter and Mandelman**

Ordinance amending the Administrative Code to establish the Fire Code Technical Advisory Council to evaluate and advise the Board of Supervisors, the Mayor, and the Fire Department, on the criteria and types of evidence the Fire Marshal should consider in determining whether to waive, modify, or delay certain compliance requirements under the Fire Code that certain existing high-rise residential buildings have sprinkler systems; and to set forth the membership and duties of the Fire Code Technical Advisory Council.

Supervisor Walton dissented in committee.

03/03/26; ASSIGNED UNDER 30 DAY RULE to Rules Committee, expires on 4/2/2026.

03/16/26; REFERRED TO DEPARTMENT. Referred to the Fire Department and the Fire Commission for informational purposes.

Heard in Committee. Speaker(s): Supervisor Danny Sauter (Board of Supervisors); Chief Dean Crispin (Fire Department); provided an overview and responded to questions raised throughout the discussion. Bob Cosman; Ellen Foley; Dan Rabinowitz; spoke in support of the matter. Ed Fish; spoke in opposition of the matter. Joyce Lick; Griffin Lee (Connect SF); Max Issacson; Gail Geary; Joe Evan; Jeff Lyons; Victoria Palds; Jennifer Galdhart; Zelma Dean; Neil Bardeck; Mr. Merican; Sunny Petersen; Speaker; Speaker; Ms. Kerry; Speaker; provided information on the matter.

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

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

Ayes: 2 - Sherrill, Mandelman

Noes: 1 - Walton

ADJOURNMENT

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