



City and County of San Francisco
Meeting Minutes
Government Audit and Oversight Committee

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Members: London Breed, Katy Tang, David Chiu

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Thursday, April 24, 2014

10:30 AM

City Hall, Committee Room 263

Regular Meeting

Present: 4 - London Breed, Katy Tang, David Chiu, and John Avalos

MEETING CONVENED

The meeting convened at 10:39 a.m.

REGULAR AGENDA

140261 [Park, Police, Public Works Codes - Graffiti Prevention and Abatement]

Sponsors: Breed; Farrell, Wiener, Tang and Chiu

Ordinance amending the Park and Police Codes to ban convicted graffiti offenders from bringing graffiti and etching tools, etching cream, and slap tags into parks or on Municipal Transportation Agency vehicles; amending the Public Works Code to extend the administrative process and potential administrative remedies to graffiti offenses committed on public property; amending the Public Works Code to permit the City to pursue civil remedies, including injunctive relief, civil penalties, attorney's fees, and repayment of abatement costs, against graffiti offenders; and making uncodified findings.

03/18/14; ASSIGNED UNDER 30 DAY RULE to Government Audit and Oversight Committee, expires on 4/17/2014.

03/27/14; REFERRED TO DEPARTMENT. Referred to the Sheriff's Department, Police Department, District Attorney, Department of Public Works, Municipal Transportation Agency, Recreation and Park Department, Public Utilities Commission, and Graffiti Advisory Board for informational purposes.

04/16/14; RESPONSE RECEIVED. The Graffiti Advisory Board offered its full support of the proposed legislation.

Heard in Committee. Speakers: Phil Ginsburg, General Manager (Recreation and Park Department); Officer Martin Ferreira (Police Department); Female Speaker; Larry Stringer (Department of Public Works); John Haley (Municipal Transportation Agency); Allison Cummings (Arts Commission); Jon Givner (City Attorney's Office); presented information and answered questions raised throughout the discussion. Dee Dee Workman (Chamber of Commerce); Kearstin Krehbiel (SF Beautiful); Stephanie Greenberg and Rebecca Delgado Rottman (Graffiti Advisory Board); spoke in support of the hearing matter.

AMENDED on Page 1, Line 3, by deleting 'Park and' and 's' after 'Code', and Lines 5-6, by adding 'amending the Park Code to ban possession of graffiti and etching tools, etching cream, and slap tags in parks;'; Page 8, Lines 7, 9, and 16, by deleting 'or other inscribed material'; and Page 11, Line 10, by deleting 'or other inscribed material', by the following vote:

Ayes: 3 - Breed, Tang, Chiu

Ordinance amending the Police Code to ban convicted graffiti offenders from bringing graffiti and etching tools, etching cream, and slap tags into parks or on Municipal Transportation Agency vehicles; amending the Park Code to ban possession of graffiti and etching tools, etching cream, and slap tags in parks; amending the Public Works Code to extend the administrative process and potential administrative remedies to graffiti offenses committed on public property; amending the Public Works Code to permit the City to pursue civil remedies, including injunctive relief, civil penalties, attorney's fees, and repayment of abatement costs, against graffiti offenders; and making uncodified findings.

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

RECOMMENDED AS AMENDED by the following vote:

Ayes: 3 - Breed, Tang, Chiu

140401 [Hearing - Implementation of Audit Recommendations]

Sponsor: Breed

Hearing to receive an update from the City Services Auditor on the status of audit recommendations.

04/22/14; RECEIVED AND ASSIGNED to Government Audit and Oversight Committee.

Heard in Committee. Speakers: Tonia Lediju, Director of City Audits (Office of the Controller); Nancy Hom Rizal Viaril (Public Utilities Commission); Male Speaker (Department of Public Health); Kat Scoggin (Office of the Controller); Dave Curto (Human Services Agency); presented information and answered questions raised throughout the discussion. Ace on the Case; spoke on various concerns relating to the hearing matter.

CONTINUED TO CALL OF THE CHAIR by the following vote:

Ayes: 3 - Breed, Tang, Chiu

140162 [Hearing - Services for Victims of Violent Crimes, Including Domestic Violence, Whose Perpetrators are Directly Supervised by the Adult Probation Department]

Sponsor: Chiu

Hearing to understand the needs for services for victims of violent crimes, including domestic violence, whose perpetrators are directly supervised by the Adult Probation Department.

02/25/14; RECEIVED AND ASSIGNED to Government Audit and Oversight Committee.

Heard in Committee. Speakers: Chief Wendy Still (Adult Probation Department); Delia (Sheriff's Department); Female Speaker (District Attorney's Office); Carol Sacco (Department on the Status of Women); presented information and answered questions raised throughout the discussion. Kathy Black (La Casa de las Madres); Female Speaker; Beverly Upton (SF Domestic Violence Consortium); Larry Juicye Edmond; spoke on various concerns relating to the hearing matter.

FILED by the following vote:

Ayes: 3 - Breed, Tang, Chiu

President David Chiu appointed Supervisor John Avalos, in place of himself, to the April 24, 2014, Government Audit and Oversight Committee meeting for Item No. 4 (File No. 140131).

Supervisors Tang and Chiu were noted absent at 12:46 p.m. and for the remainder of the meeting.

The meeting was recessed at 1:55 p.m. and reconvened at 2:01 p.m.

140131 [Hearing - Department of Housing and Urban Development's Rental Assistance Demonstration Program for Public Housing]

Sponsors: Breed; Avalos and Cohen

Hearing directed to the Housing Authority and Mayor's Office of Housing and Community Development to discuss the US Department of Housing and Urban Development's recent approval of a Rental Assistance Demonstration (RAD) program for public housing in San Francisco, specifically: How will RAD impact the 4,500 public housing units involved? What is the impetus for, and the advantages and disadvantages of, the public-private approach? What does this approval mean for current and future residents? What are the maintenance plans for these developments? How will these changes improve the quality of life and job opportunities for San Francisco's public housing residents?

02/11/14; RECEIVED AND ASSIGNED to Government Audit and Oversight Committee.

Heard in Committee. Speakers: Barbara Smith, Executive Director (Housing Authority); Female Speaker (US Department of Housing and Urban Development); Olson Lee, Director (Mayor's Office of Housing and Community Development); Joaquin Torres, Commissioner (Housing Authority); presented information and answered questions raised throughout the discussion. Charlie Walker; Michael Brown (Inner City Youth Community Org.); Omar Hamilton; Daniel Landry; Larry Juicye Edmond; Ace on the Case; Renita Mason, SaBrena Cheek, Teresa Lee (SF Housing Authority/SEIU Member); Robert Woods (Black Human Rights Leadership Council of SF); Dr. Espanola Jackson; Adam Aguayo; Grace Martinez (ACCE); L'Tanya Harris and Will Daniels (SF Housing Authority/SEIU Member); Caitlin Prendiville (SEIU 1021); Joyce Armstrong (PHTA); Ariana Casanova (SEIU 1021); Candy Smallwood (HRCFSF); Ed Donaldson (ACCE); James Doxey (Doxey & Associates); Irina Nadukovskaya (Bay Area Legal Aid); Nancy Cross; Sara Shortt (Housing Rights Committee); spoke on various concerns relating to the hearing matter.

CONTINUED TO CALL OF THE CHAIR by the following vote:

Ayes: 2 - Breed, Avalos

Excused: 1 - Chiu

Absent: 1 - Tang

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned 3:15 p.m.

N.B. The Minutes of this meeting set forth all actions taken by the Government Audit and Oversight Committee on the matters stated, but not necessarily in the chronological sequence in which the matters were taken up.