



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

City Hall
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Members: London Breed, Katy Tang, David Chiu

Clerk: Erica Major (415) 554-4441

Thursday, January 23, 2014

10:30 AM

City Hall, Committee Room 263

Regular Meeting

Present: 3 - London Breed, Katy Tang, and David Chiu

MEETING CONVENED

The meeting convened at 10:37 a.m.

REGULAR AGENDA

130462 [Business and Tax Regulations Code - Public Realm Landscaping, Improvement, and Maintenance Assessment Districts]**Sponsor: Cohen**

Ordinance amending the Business and Tax Regulations Code, by adding Article 15A "Public Realm Landscaping, Improvement and Maintenance Assessment Districts" (Green Benefit Districts), to provide for establishment of assessment districts to finance landscaping, improvements, and maintenance of public realm areas (outdoor spaces open to the public), including parks, parklets, sidewalks, unimproved areas, landscaped areas, plazas, and gardens; to authorize the purchase of real property with assessment funds, where property will be a public realm area and the district will provide landscaping, improvements and/or maintenance; and making environmental findings.

05/14/13; ASSIGNED UNDER 30 DAY RULE to Government Audit and Oversight Committee, expires on 6/13/2013.

05/31/13; REFERRED TO DEPARTMENT. Referred to the Planning Department for environmental review; Small Business Commission for review and recommendation; and Planning Department, Department of Public Works, and Recreation and Park Department for informational purposes.

06/04/13; SUBSTITUTED AND ASSIGNED to Government Audit and Oversight Committee.

06/13/13; CONTINUED TO CALL OF THE CHAIR. Heard in Committee. Speakers: None.

12/09/13; REMAIN ACTIVE. (12/9/2013 - Supervisor Cohen requested that the item remain open for an additional six months; 6/9/2014)

(1/16/2014 - Budget and Legislative Analyst removed fiscal impact determination.)

Heard in Committee. Speakers: Supervisor Malia Cohen (Board of Supervisors); Crezia Tano (Office of Economic and Workforce Development); Sarah Ballard (Recreation and Park Department); presented information and answered questions raised throughout the discussion. Female Speaker; Alicia Holloway; Bruce Hewey; Tony Kelly; Ron Miguel (Green Benefit District Steering Committee); spoke in support of the hearing matter. Douglas Yep; spoke neither in support nor against the hearing matter.

AMENDED, AN AMENDMENT OF THE WHOLE BEARING NEW TITLE by the following vote:

Ayes: 3 - Breed, Tang, Chiu

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RECOMMENDED AS AMENDED by the following vote:

Ayes: 3 - Breed, Tang, Chiu

140045 [Hearing - Budget and Legislative Analyst's Performance Audit - Fire Department]**Sponsors: Cohen; Breed**

Hearing on the Budget and Legislative Analyst's Performance Audit of the Fire Department.

01/14/14; RECEIVED AND ASSIGNED to Government Audit and Oversight Committee.

Heard in Committee. Speakers: Supervisor Malia Cohen (Board of Supervisors); Severin Campbell and Amanda Guma (Budget and Legislative Analyst's Office); Micki Callahan, Director (Department of Human Resources); John Kraus (Department of Human Resources); Chief Joanne Hayes-White (Fire Department); Kevin Smith, President (San Francisco Black Fire Fighters); Jared Cooper, President (San Francisco Paramedic Association); presented information and answered questions raised throughout the discussion.

CONTINUED TO CALL OF THE CHAIR by the following vote:

Ayes: 3 - Breed, Tang, Chiu

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 1:19 p.m.