



City and County of San Francisco

Meeting Minutes

Government Audit and Oversight Committee

City Hall
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Members: Jane Kim, Aaron Peskin, London Breed

Clerk: John Carroll (415) 554-4445

Wednesday, December 6, 2017

10:00 AM

City Hall, Legislative Chamber, Room 250

Regular Meeting

Present: 4 - Jane Kim, Aaron Peskin, London Breed, and Sandra Lee Fewer

The Government Audit and Oversight Committee met in regular session on December 6, 2017, with Chair Jane Kim presiding.

ROLL CALL AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Chair Kim called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m. On the call of the roll, Chair Kim, Vice Chair Peskin, and Member Breed were noted present. There was a quorum.

AGENDA CHANGES

There were no agenda changes.

REGULAR AGENDA

171016 [North of Market/Tenderloin Community Benefit District - Annual Reports to the City - FY2015-2016]

Sponsor: Kim

Resolution receiving and approving the annual reports for the North of Market/Tenderloin Community Benefit District for FY2015-2016, submitted as required by the Property and Business Improvement District Law of 1994 (California Streets and Highways Code, Sections 36600, et seq.), Section 36650, and the District's management agreement with the City, Section 3.4. (Department of Economic and Workforce Development)

09/19/17; RECEIVED AND ASSIGNED to Government Audit and Oversight Committee.

09/22/17; REFERRED TO DEPARTMENT. Referred to the Office of the Controller and the Office of Economic and Workforce Development for informational purposes.

Heard in Committee. Speakers: Chris Corgas (Office of Economic and Workforce Development); Steve Gibson, Executive Director (North of Market/Tenderloin Community Benefit District); presented information and answered questions raised throughout the discussion.

Member Breed moved that this Resolution be RECOMMENDED. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 3 - Kim, Peskin, Breed

171198 [Agreement - Owners' Association - Administration/Management of Japantown Community Benefit District]**Sponsor: Breed**

Resolution approving an agreement with the nonprofit Owners' Association for administration/management of the established property-based Community Benefit District known as the "Japantown Community Benefit District," pursuant to the California Streets and Highways Code, Section 36651, for a period commencing upon Board approval, through June 30, 2027.

11/14/17; RECEIVED AND ASSIGNED to Government Audit and Oversight Committee.

11/20/17; REFERRED TO DEPARTMENT. Referred to the Planning Department for environmental review.

11/29/17; RESPONSE RECEIVED. Not defined as a project under CEQA Guidelines Section 15378 and 15060(c)(2) because it does not result in a physical change in the environment.

Heard in Committee. Speaker: Helen Mar (Office of Economic and Workforce Development); presented information and answered questions raised throughout the discussion.

Member Breed moved that this Resolution be RECOMMENDED. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 3 - Kim, Peskin, Breed

171112 [Grant Acceptance Agreement and Permit to Enter - Asian Art Museum Foundation - Indemnification for Claims Related to Construction Improvements to Asian Art Museum]**Sponsors: Mayor; Kim**

Resolution authorizing the Asian Art Commission to execute a Grant Acceptance Agreement and Permit to Enter with the Asian Art Museum Foundation, whereby the City would indemnify Asian Art Museum Foundation trustees, officers, and employees for claims related to construction improvements to the Asian Art Museum.

10/17/17; RECEIVED AND ASSIGNED to Government Audit and Oversight Committee.

Heard in Committee. Speaker: Dr. Jay Xu, Director and CEO (Asian Art Museum); presented information and answered questions raised throughout the discussion.

Member Breed, seconded by Vice Chair Peskin, moved that this Resolution be RECOMMENDED. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 3 - Kim, Peskin, Breed

Chair Kim requested that File Nos. 171098 and 171104 be called together.

171098 [Mills Act Historical Property Contract - 215 and 229 Haight Street, Formerly 55 Laguna Street]

Resolution approving an historical property contract between Alta Laguna, LLC, the owners of 215 and 229 Haight Street, formerly 55 Laguna Street, and the City and County of San Francisco, under Administrative Code, Chapter 71; and authorizing the Planning Director and the Assessor-Recorder to execute the historical property contract. (Historic Preservation Commission)

10/11/17; RECEIVED FROM DEPARTMENT.

10/24/17; RECEIVED AND ASSIGNED to Government Audit and Oversight Committee.

11/01/17; CONTINUED TO CALL OF THE CHAIR. Heard in Committee. Speakers: Tim Frye (Planning Department); Jon Givner (Office of the City Attorney); Eddie McCaffrey (Office of the Assessor-Recorder); Shannon Ferguson (Planning Department); and Michael Jine (Office of the Assessor-Recorder); presented information and answered questions raised throughout the discussion. John Hjelmstad; spoke on various concerns relating to the hearing matter.

Heard in Committee. Speakers: Shannon Ferguson (Planning Department); Bill Barnes (Office of Supervisor Jeff Sheehy); Jason Check, property owner (973 Market Street); Tim Frye (Planning Department); and Jon Givner (Office of the City Attorney); presented information and answered questions raised throughout the discussion.

Member Breed, seconded by Vice Chair Peskin, moved that this Resolution be RECOMMENDED. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 3 - Kim, Peskin, Breed

171104 [Mills Act Historical Property Contract - 973 Market Street]

Resolution approving an historical property contract between Raintree 973 Market Newco LLC, the owners of 973 Market Street, and the City and County of San Francisco, under Administrative Code, Chapter 71; and authorizing the Planning Director and the Assessor-Recorder to execute the historical property contract. (Historic Preservation Commission)

10/11/17; RECEIVED FROM DEPARTMENT.

10/24/17; RECEIVED AND ASSIGNED to Government Audit and Oversight Committee.

Heard in Committee. Speakers: Shannon Ferguson (Planning Department); Bill Barnes (Office of Supervisor Jeff Sheehy); Jason Check, property owner (973 Market Street); Tim Frye (Planning Department); and Jon Givner (Office of the City Attorney); presented information and answered questions raised throughout the discussion.

Member Breed, seconded by Vice Chair Peskin, moved that this Resolution be RECOMMENDED. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 3 - Kim, Peskin, Breed

President Breed appointed Supervisor Fewer, in place of herself, to the Government Audit and Oversight Committee meeting of December 6, 2017, beginning at 12:39 p.m.

Member Breed was noted absent at 12:39 p.m., and for the remainder of the meeting.

Supervisor Fewer was noted absent at 12:51 p.m., and for the remainder of the meeting.

171072 [Hearing - Update on Recreation and Parks Department's Strategic, Operational, and Capital Plans]

Sponsor: Kim

Hearing on the progress the Recreation and Parks Department has made in reviewing and updating its Strategic, Operational, and Capital Plans; and requesting the Recreation and Parks Department to report.

10/03/17; RECEIVED AND ASSIGNED to Government Audit and Oversight Committee.

10/10/17; REFERRED TO DEPARTMENT. Referred to the Recreation and Parks Department for informational purposes.

Heard in Committee. Speakers: Phil Ginsburg, General Manager (Recreation and Park Department); Supervisor Sandra Lee Fewer (Board of Supervisors); Toks Ajike (Recreation and Park Department); presented information and answered questions raised throughout the discussion. Jane Weil (Park, Recreation, and Open Space Advisory Committee); Mark Eliot; Chad Houston (Laborers International Union, Local 261); Kasey Asberry; Will Douglas (Tenderloin Health Improvement Partnership); Patricia Zamora (Boys and Girls Clubs of San Francisco); Leslie Truong (Shih Yu-Lang Central YMCA); Patrick Roddy (Boys and Girls Clubs of San Francisco); Drew Becher (San Francisco Parks Alliance); Phyllis Deets; spoke on various concerns relating to the hearing matter.

Chair Kim moved that this Hearing be HEARD AND FILED. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 3 - Kim, Peskin

Absent: 1 - Fewer

170660 [Hearing - Civil Grand Jury Report - Accelerating SF Government Performance - Taking Accountability and Transparency to the Next Level]

Hearing on the recently-published 2016-2017 Civil Grand Jury report, entitled "Accelerating SF Government Performance - Taking Accountability and Transparency to the Next Level." (Clerk of the Board)

06/05/17; RECEIVED AND ASSIGNED to Government Audit and Oversight Committee.

07/28/17; RESPONSE RECEIVED. The Office of the Controller submitted a response to the Civil Grand Jury Report.

08/03/17; RESPONSE RECEIVED. The Office of the Mayor submitted a response to the Civil Grand Jury Report.

09/06/17; CONTINUED TO CALL OF THE CHAIR. Heard in Committee. Speakers: Kathie Lowry and Lawrence Groo (2016-2017 Civil Grand Jury); Melissa Whitehouse (Office of the Mayor); Peg Stevenson and Natasha Mihal (Office of the Controller); presented information and answered questions raised throughout the discussion. Richard Knee (Californians Aware); spoke on various concerns relating to the hearing matter.

Heard in Committee. Speakers: None.

Vice Chair Peskin moved that this Hearing be CONTINUED TO CALL OF THE CHAIR. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 3 - Kim, Peskin, Breed

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the Government Audit and Oversight Committee adjourned at the hour of 1:04 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.