



City and County of San Francisco
Meeting Minutes
Land Use and Transportation Committee

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Members: Myrna Melgar, Dean Preston, Aaron Peskin

Clerk: Erica Major (415) 554-4441

Monday, May 17, 2021

1:30 PM

Regular Meeting

Present: 3 - Myrna Melgar, Dean Preston, and Aaron Peskin

The Land Use and Transportation Committee met in regular session through videoconferencing, and provided public comment through teleconferencing, on Monday, May 17, 2021, with Chair Myrna Melgar presiding. Chair Melgar called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m.

Remote Access to Information and Participation

In accordance with Governor Newsom's Executive Order No. N-33-20 declaring a State of Emergency regarding the COVID-19 outbreak and Mayor London N. Breed's Proclamation declaring a Local Emergency issued on February 25, 2020, including the guidance for gatherings issued by the San Francisco Department of Public Health Officer, aggressive directives were issued to reduce the spread of COVID-19. On March 17, 2020, the Board of Supervisors authorized their Board and Committee meetings to convene remotely (via Microsoft Teams) and will allow remote public comment via teleconference. Visit the SFGovTV website at (www.sfgovtv.org) to stream the live meetings, or to watch meetings on demand. Members of the public are encouraged to participate remotely via detailed instructions on participating via teleconference available at: <https://sfbos.org/remote-meeting-call>.

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ROLL CALL AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

On the call of the roll, Chair Melgar, Vice Chair Preston, and Member Peskin were noted present. A quorum was present.

AGENDA CHANGES

There were no agenda changes.

REGULAR AGENDA

210287 [Planning Code - Temporary Closure of Liquor Stores in Polk Street Neighborhood Commercial District]

Sponsor: Peskin

Ordinance amending the Planning Code to provide that temporary closure of liquor stores in the Polk Street Neighborhood Commercial District (NCD) as a result of a major capital improvement project is not an abandonment of such use, and that relocation of such use to another location in the Polk Street NCD does not require a new Conditional Use permit; affirming the Planning Department's determination under the California Environmental Quality Act; and making findings of consistency with the General Plan, and the eight priority policies of Planning Code, Section 101.1, and findings of public convenience, necessity, and welfare under Planning Code, Section 302.

03/16/21; ASSIGNED UNDER 30 DAY RULE to Land Use and Transportation Committee, expires on 4/15/2021.

03/24/21; REFERRED TO DEPARTMENT. Referred to the Planning Commission pursuant to Planning Code Section 302, for public hearing and recommendation and the Planning Department for environmental review; referred to the Police Department and Office of Economic and Workforce Development for informational purposes.

03/30/21; RESPONSE RECEIVED. Not defined as a project under CEQA Guidelines Sections 15378 and 15060(c)(2) because it would not result in a direct or indirect physical change in the

DUPLICATED

Heard in Committee. Speakers: Audrey Merlone (Planning Department); presented information and answered questions raised throughout the discussion. Linda Chapman; Chris Schulman; spoke on various concerns relating to the hearing matter.

See Duplicate File No. 210562.

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

Ayes: 3 - Melgar, Preston, Peskin

210562 [Planning Code - Temporary Closure of Liquor Stores in Polk Street Neighborhood Commercial District]

Sponsor: Peskin

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Duplicated from File No. 210287.

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

Ayes: 3 - Melgar, Preston, Peskin

210088 [Urging the Recreation and Park Department and other City Departments to Develop a Long-Term Plan to Re-Imagine Twin Peaks]**Sponsors: Melgar; Mandelman and Walton**

Resolution urging the Recreation and Park Department, Municipal Transportation Agency, Real Estate Division, and Public Works to work collaboratively on a long-term Recovery and Revitalization Plan, involving immediate neighbors and community stakeholders, to re-imagine Twin Peaks and identify resources to improve accessibility, safety, cleanliness, environmental sustainability, and the ability to build upon a welcoming environment for residents and tourists alike.

01/26/21; RECEIVED AND ASSIGNED to Land Use and Transportation Committee.

02/02/21; REFERRED TO DEPARTMENT. Referred to the Municipal Transportation Agency, Real Estate Division, Public Works, Recreation and Parks Department and the Mayor's Office for informational purposes.

Heard in Committee. Speakers: Phil Ginsburg, General Manager, and Beverly Ng (Recreation and Parks Department); Matt Lasky (Municipal Transportation Agency); presented information and answered questions raised throughout the discussion. Linda Chapman; Sing; Denise La Point; spoke on various concerns relating to the hearing matter.

Chair Melgar moved that this Resolution be CONTINUED to the Land Use and Transportation Committee meeting of May 24, 2021. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 3 - Melgar, Preston, Peskin

201284 [Administrative Code - CEQA Appeals]**Sponsors: Mayor; Haney**

Ordinance amending the Administrative Code to allow certain projects to proceed while an appeal of the project's determination under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) is pending before the Board of Supervisors, and modifying requirements for appeals to the Board of Supervisors for certain projects under CEQA.

11/10/20; ASSIGNED UNDER 30 DAY RULE to Land Use and Transportation Committee, expires on 12/10/2020.

11/18/20; REFERRED TO DEPARTMENT. Referred to the Planning Commission for comment and recommendation; Municipal Transportation Agency, Department of Public Health, Public Works, Department of Building Inspection, Fire Department, Port Department, Port Commission, Public Utilities Commission, and Recreation and Parks Department for informational purposes.

02/16/21; RESPONSE RECEIVED. Not defined as a project under CEQA Guidelines Sections 15378 and 15060(c)(2) because it would not result in a direct or indirect physical changes in the environment.

03/11/21; RESPONSE RECEIVED. On February 25, 2021, the Commission met and held a duly noticed public hearing and recommended approval of the proposed legislation.

Heard in Committee. Speakers: Supervisor Matt Haney (Board of Supervisors); Sarah Jones (Municipal Transportation Agency); Veronica Flores (Planning Department); Anne Pearson (Office of the City Attorney); presented information and answered questions raised throughout the discussion. Zack; Jody Madeiras; Kenneth Russell; Martin Munos; Cliff Barter; Speaker; Janice Lee (San Francisco Bicycle Coalition); Scott; Brett Parallon; Matthew Sacard; Sam Dutch; Adam Buckem; Alex; spoke in support of the hearing matter. Ozzie Rohm (San Francisco Housing Coalition); Maureen Petty; Jeff Rigo (Speak Sunset Parkside Education); Scott Haney; Katherine Howard (Sierra Club); Stephanie Peet; spoke in opposition of the hearing matter. Richard Drury; Alice Rodgers; David Alexander (Richmond District Neighborhood Center); Anastasia Yovanopoulos; Peter Belkin; Linda Schaffer; Speaker; Larissa Petronelli; Susan Grant; Eric (Caya Vente Quatro); Ana Illadisho; John Bay (Urban Environmentalist); Robert Fruckman; spoke on various concerns relating to the hearing matter.

Member Peskin moved that this Ordinance be TABLED. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 2 - Preston, Peskin

Noes: 1 - Melgar

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the Land Use and Transportation Committee adjourned at the hour of 5:05 p.m.

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