



**City and County of San Francisco**  
**Meeting Minutes**  
**Rules Committee**

City Hall  
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San Francisco, CA 94102-4689

*Members: John Avalos, Katy Tang, Malia Cohen*

*Clerk: Derek Evans (415) 554-7702*

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Thursday, November 12, 2015

11:00 AM

City Hall, Committee Room 263

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**Regular Meeting**

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**Present:** 3 - John Avalos, Katy Tang, and Malia Cohen

## **ROLL CALL AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

*Chair John Avalos called the meeting to order at 11:07 a.m. On the call of the roll, Chair Avalos, Vice Chair Tang, and Member Cohen were noted present. There was a quorum.*

## **AGENDA CHANGES**

*There were no agenda changes.*

## **REGULAR AGENDA**

### **151157 [Appointment, Small Business Commission - Miriam Zouzounis]**

Hearing to consider appointing one member, term ending January 6, 2020, to the Small Business Commission. (Clerk of the Board)

Vacant seat 1, succeeding Monetta White, resigned, must be an owner, operator, or officer of a San Francisco small business and appointed by Board of Supervisors, for a four-year term ending January 6, 2020.

11/06/15; ASSIGNED to Rules Committee.

*Heard in Committee. Speakers: Miriam Zouzounis; spoke on her qualifications. David Zouzounis; Davi Lang (Office of Supervisor Jane Kim); Jusly Manolo; Michael Mau; Henry Kanilowicz; spoke in support of the applicant.*

*Appointment of Miriam Zouzounis, seat 1, recommended.*

#### **PREPARED IN COMMITTEE AS A MOTION**

Motion appointing Miriam Zouzounis, term ending January 6, 2020, to the Small Business Commission. (Clerk of the Board)

Miriam Zouzounis, seat 1, succeeding Monetta White, resigned, must be an owner, operator, or officer of a San Francisco small business and appointed by Board of Supervisors, for a four-year term ending January 6, 2020.

**Vice Chair Tang, seconded by Chair Avalos, moved that the Motion be RECOMMENDED... The motion carried by the following vote:**

Ayes: 3 - Avalos, Tang, Cohen

**151160 [Appointment, Park, Recreation and Open Space Advisory Committee - Steffan Franz]**

Hearing to consider appointing one member, term ending February 1, 2017, to the Park, Recreation and Open Space Advisory Committee. (Clerk of the Board)

Vacant seat 6, succeeding Steffan Franz, term expired, must be nominated by the District 2 Supervisor and from District 2, for the unexpired portion of a two-year term ending February 1, 2017.

11/06/15; ASSIGNED to Rules Committee.

*Heard in Committee. Speakers: Steffan Franz; spoke on his qualifications. Dennis Mosgofian; Mae; Linda D'Avirro, Chair (Park, Recreation and Open Space Advisory Committee); spoke in support of the applicant.*

*Appointment of Steffan Franz, seat 6, recommended.*

**PREPARED IN COMMITTEE AS A MOTION**

Motion appointing Steffan Franz, term ending February 1, 2017, to the Park, Recreation and Open Space Advisory Committee. (Clerk of the Board)

Steffan Franz, seat 6, succeeding himself, term expired, must be nominated by the District 2 Supervisor and from District 2, for the unexpired portion of a two-year term ending February 1, 2017.

**Member Cohen, seconded by Vice Chair Tang, moved that the Motion be RECOMMENDED... The motion carried by the following vote:**

Ayes: 3 - Avalos, Tang, Cohen

**150940 [Charter Amendment - Park, Recreation and Open Space Fund]****Sponsors: Farrell; Christensen, Mar, Tang, Wiener, Yee, Breed and Cohen**

Charter Amendment (First Draft) to amend the Charter of the City and County of San Francisco to require an annual baseline appropriation for the Park, Recreation and Open Space Fund based on City spending for park and recreation purposes in FY2015-2016, and modify the Recreation and Park Department's planning obligations, at an election to be held on June 7, 2016.

09/22/15; ASSIGNED UNDER 30 DAY RULE to Rules Committee, expires on 10/22/2015.

09/29/15; REFERRED TO DEPARTMENT. Referred to the Planning Department for environmental review; City Controller for a financial analysis (per Elections Code, Section 305(B)(2) and Rules of Order 2.22.3); and Mayor's Office, Office of the City Attorney, City Administrator, Ethics Commission, Department of Elections, Budget and Legislative Analyst, Recreation and Park Department/Commission, and Park, Recreation and Open Space Advisory Committee for informational purposes (per Rules of Order 2.22.4).

11/10/15; REFERRED TO DEPARTMENT. Referred to the Youth Commission per Charter Section 4.124 for comment and recommendation.

*Heard in Committee. Speakers: Supervisor Mark Farrell (Board of Supervisors); Phil Ginsburg, General Manager (Recreation and Park Department); presented information and answered questions raised throughout the discussion. Samantha; Linda D'Avirro, Chair (Park, Recreation and Open Space Advisory Committee); Phil Arnold (Parks Alliance); Kitty Teerling (Friends of Grattan Playground); Jacqueline Bos (Friends of Joe DiMaggio Playground); Rachel Norton; Denis Mosgofian (Park, Recreation and Open Space Advisory Committee), Jean Bogiages; Jessica Closson; Steffen Franz (Park, Recreation and Open Space Advisory Committee); Isabel Wade; Matt O'Grady, President (Parks Alliance); Tom Banks; Vince Courtney (L!UNA!); John Ware; June Fraps (Friends of Washington Square); Kate Eschelbach (Friends of Grattan Playground); Janet Gamble (Friends of Alta Plaza Park); Eric Brooks (Our City); Linda Newhouse Segal; Vanessa Banks (Friends of Youngblood Coleman Park); Linda Schaffer (Park, Recreation and Open Space Advisory Committee); spoke in support of the hearing matter. Nancy Wuerfel; Eileen Boken; spoke in opposition of the hearing matter. Ron Proctor, Anastasia Glikshtern, Dee Seligman, and Kathleen Hallinan (San Francisco Forest Alliance); spoke neither in support nor against the hearing matter.*

**Vice Chair Tang, seconded by Member Cohen, moved that the Charter Amendment be AMENDED on Page 1, Line 21, by adding "The Department embraces socio-economic and geographic equity as a guiding principle and commits to expending the funds across its open space and recreational programs to provide park and recreational access to all of San Francisco's diverse neighborhoods and communities." on Pages 7, Line 1, by adding "The Capital Expenditure Plan shall include the deferred maintenance plan, which takes into consideration the following: a) Physical condition of Department assets; b) needs that, if continued to be left unaddressed, would result in additional costs and hazards in the future; c) prioritization of highly utilized assets; d) citywide community input; e) geographic equity; and f) socio-economic equity." on Page 7, Line 1, by adding "also" between "shall address"; and on Page 8, Line 1, by adding "The Operational Plan shall include an equity analysis of Recreation and Park Department programs and resources. The analysis shall compare existing and proposed programs and resources for low income neighborhoods and disadvantaged communities with programs and resources available to the City as a whole." by the following vote:**

Ayes: 3 - Avalos, Tang, Cohen

Charter Amendment (Second Draft) to amend the Charter of the City and County of San Francisco to require an annual baseline appropriation for the Park, Recreation and Open Space Fund based on City spending for park and recreation purposes in FY2015-2016, and modify the Recreation and Park Department's planning obligations, at an election to be held on June 7, 2016.

**Vice Chair Tang, seconded by Member Cohen, moved that the Charter Amendment be CONTINUED AS AMENDED to the December 10, 2015, Rules Committee meeting. The motion carried by the following vote:**

Ayes: 3 - Avalos, Tang, Cohen

## ADJOURNMENT

*There being no further business, the Rules Committee adjourned at the hour of 1:24 p.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.*