



City and County of San Francisco

Meeting Minutes

Public Safety and Neighborhood Services Committee

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Members: Hillary Ronen, Jeff Sheehy, Sandra Lee Fewer

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Wednesday, February 8, 2017

10:30 AM

City Hall, Committee Room 263

Regular Meeting

Present: 3 - Hillary Ronen, Jeff Sheehy, and Sandra Lee Fewer

The Public Safety and Neighborhood Services Committee met in a regular session on Thursday, February 8, 2017, with Chair Hillary Ronen presiding.

ROLL CALL AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Chair Ronen called the meeting to order at 10:32 a.m. On the call of the roll Chair Ronen, Vice Chair Sheehy, and Member Fewer were noted present. There was a quorum.

AGENDA CHANGES

There were no agenda changes.

REGULAR AGENDA

161268 [Liquor License Transfer - 616 Divisadero Street]

Hearing to consider the transfer of a Type 48 on-sale general public premises license to Emporium SF, LLC, dba Emporium San Francisco, located at 616 Divisadero Street (District 5), will serve the public convenience or necessity of the City and County of San Francisco. (Public Safety and Neighborhood Services Committee)

11/17/16; RECEIVED AND ASSIGNED to Public Safety and Neighborhood Services Committee.

11/21/16; REFERRED TO DEPARTMENT. Referred to the Planning and Police Department for comment and recommendation.

12/19/16; RESPONSE RECEIVED. The Planning Department submitted their approval noting that the conditional use was approved by Planning Commission in Motion No. 19512.

01/31/17; RESPONSE RECEIVED. Response received from the Police Department's Alcohol Liaison Unit recommending approval with conditions.

Heard in Committee. Speakers: Doug Marks (Emporium SF, LLC); Sgt. Patrick Kennedy (Police Department); Conor Johnston (Office of President London Breed); presented information and answered questions raised throughout the discussion.

PREPARED IN COMMITTEE AS A RESOLUTION

Resolution determining that the transfer of a Type 64 general theatre license to Emporium SF, LLC, dba Emporium San Francisco, located at 616 Divisadero Street (District 5), will serve the public convenience or necessity of City and County of San Francisco in accordance with California Business and Professions Code, Section 23958.4, and recommending that the California Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control impose conditions on the issuance of the license. (Public Safety and Neighborhood Services Committee)

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

Ayes: 3 - Ronen, Sheehy, Fewer

170092 [Administrative Code - Non-Cooperation with Identity-Based Registry]

Sponsors: Mayor; Cohen, Safai, Farrell, Kim, Ronen, Sheehy and Fewer

Ordinance amending the Administrative Code to prohibit the City from using resources to create, implement, provide investigation or information for, enforce, or otherwise assist or support any government program requiring the registration of individuals on the basis of religion, or creating a database of individuals on the basis of religion.

01/24/17; ASSIGNED to Public Safety and Neighborhood Services Committee.

01/30/17; REFERRED TO DEPARTMENT. Referred to the Human Rights Commission, Department of Human Resources, Department of Public Health, Police Department, Police Commission, Sheriff's Department, Office of the City Attorney, and the Office of the District Attorney for informational purposes.

Heard in Committee. Speakers: Mawuli Tugbenyoh (Mayor's Office); Brittni Chicuata (Office of Supervisor Malia Cohen); Barbara Lopez (Office of Supervisor Jane Kim); Jon Givner (Office of the City Attorney); presented information and answered questions raised throughout the discussion. Jehan Hakim (Asian Law Caucus); Kesali Keswali (Arab Resource and Organizing Center); Anirvan Chatterjee (Alliance of South Asians Taking Action); Hashem Awnallah (Yemeni-American Muslim Community Pure Hands, Inc.); Amina; Dave Fullah; Rabbi Jason Rodich (Congregation Emanu-El); Sallah Holodi; Joe Goldman (Jewish Community Relations Council); Rabbi Jessica Kirschner (Religion Action Center of Reform Judaism); Christine Cordero (Arab Mothers ESL Program); Rachel Antelabin; Bushra Tanarka Alabsi (Cross Cultural Family Center); Clementine Intikolo; Sohab Du; Elica Vafaie and Christina Sinha (Asian Americans Advancing Justice Asian Law Caucus); Britney Rose (Council on American-Islamic Relations, San Francisco Bay Area Chapter); David Cross (Faith in Action); Joyce Shee, Mohsin Mirza, and Miya Sommers (Asian Americans Advancing Justice Asian Law Caucus); Yalla Kari; Hassi Dukalam; Harir Waini; Female Speaker; Male Speaker; Male Speaker; spoke in support of the hearing matter. Dante Cano; spoke in opposition of the hearing matter.

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

Vice Chair Sheehy, seconded by Member Fewer, moved that this Ordinance be AMENDED, AMENDMENT OF THE WHOLE BEARING NEW TITLE, on Page 1, Line 1, by striking 'Religion' and adding 'Identity-Based'; by adding references to national origin and ethnicity where religion is referenced; requiring an annual report out to the Board of Supervisors; clarifying that the prohibition on sharing personal information for purposes of creating a registry applies to City databases maintained by vendors contracting with the City; adding language in relation to compliance with the United States Code, Section 1373 of Title 8; and adding other clarifying verbiage. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 3 - Ronen, Sheehy, Fewer

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Member Fewer, seconded by Vice Chair Sheehy, moved the Ordinance be AMENDED, on Page 2, Line 2, by striking 'its citizens'; and on Page 2, Lines 3-4 by striking 'Many of the early settlers from Europe came to America to escape religious persecution, and subsequent waves of immigrants included many refugees from religious oppression.' The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 3 - Ronen, Sheehy, Fewer

Chair Ronen moved that this Ordinance be CONTINUED AS AMENDED to the February 22, 2017, Public Safety and Neighborhood Services Committee meeting. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 3 - Ronen, Sheehy, Fewer

Supervisor Sheehy was noted absent at 10:51 a.m. and noted present at 11:31 a.m.

161352 [Health Code - Sale of Domestic Dogs and Cats]

Sponsor: Tang

Ordinance amending the Health Code to prohibit pet stores from selling dogs or cats not obtained from animal rescue organizations or shelters, and prohibiting the sale of puppies or kittens under eight weeks old.

12/13/16; ASSIGNED UNDER 30 DAY RULE to Public Safety and Neighborhood Services Committee, expires on 1/12/2016.

12/20/16; REFERRED TO DEPARTMENT. Referred to the Police Department, Department of Public Health, and the Department of Animal Care and Control for informational purposes; Small Business Commission for comment and recommendation.

01/20/17; RESPONSE RECEIVED. The Small Business Commission submitted their recommendation to approval the Ordinance.

Heard in Committee. Speakers: Amy Jesse (Humane Society of the United States); Ashley Summers (Office of Supervisor Katy Tang); Virginia Donohue, Director (San Francisco Animal Care & Control); presented information and answered questions raised throughout the discussion. Elizabeth Evans (San Francisco SPCA); Elizabeth Oreck (Best Friends Animal Society); Mary Beth D'Alonzo (Humane Society of the United States); spoke in support of the hearing matter.

Member Fewer moved that this Ordinance be RECOMMENDED. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 2 - Ronen, Fewer

Absent: 1 - Sheehy

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the Public Safety and Neighborhood Services Committee adjourned at the hour of 12:34 p.m.

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