The Public Safety and Neighborhood Services Committee met in regular session through videoconferencing, and provided public comment through teleconferencing, on Thursday, July 23, 2020, with Chair Rafael Mandelman presiding. Chair Mandelman called the meeting to order at 10:04 a.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.

Members of the public may participate by phone or may submit their comments by email to: john.carroll@sfgov.org; all comments received will be made a part of the official record. Regularly-scheduled Public Safety and Neighborhood Services Committee Meetings begin at 10:00 a.m. on the second and fourth Thursdays of each month. Committee agendas and their associated documents are available at https://sfbos.org/committees.

As the COVID-19 disease progresses, please visit the Board’s website (www.sfbos.org) regularly to be updated on the current situation as it affects the legislative process. For more information contact Assistant Clerk John Carroll at (415) 554-4445.

ROLL CALL AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

On the call of the roll, Chair Mandelman, Vice Chair Stefani, and Member Walton were noted present.

A quorum was present.
AGENDA CHANGES

There were no agenda changes.

REGULAR AGENDA

200075  [Liquor License Issuance - 706 Mission Street - 706 Mission Residences Owners Association]
Hearing to consider that the issuance of a Type-57 special on-sale general beer, wine, and distilled spirits liquor license to 706 Mission Residences Owners Association, to do business as the Four Seasons Private Residences on the 5th floor of 706 Mission Street (District 6), will serve the public convenience or necessity of the City and County of San Francisco. (Public Safety and Neighborhood Services Committee)

01/24/20; RECEIVED AND ASSIGNED to Public Safety and Neighborhood Services Committee.

01/28/20; REFERRED TO DEPARTMENT. Referred to the Planning and Police Departments for comment and recommendation.

02/07/20; RESPONSE RECEIVED. The Planning Department submitted their recommendation for approval; Establish accessory use as bar as retail sales and service use (DBA 706 Mission Residences Owners Association) on 5th Floor as principally permitted within the C-3-R Zoning District per Planning Code, Section 210.2.

03/05/20; RESPONSE RECEIVED. The Police Department submitted a response recommending approval with no additional conditions.

03/12/20; CONTINUED. Heard in Committee. Speakers: Officer Joel Salmonson (Police Department); Beth Aboulafia (Hinman and Carmichael, LLP): presented information and answered questions raised throughout the discussion.

Heard in Committee. Speakers: None.

A determination that the public convenience or necessity would be served was recommended by the committee.

Chair Mandelman moved that this Hearing be PREPARED IN COMMITTEE AS A RESOLUTION, making a determination that the issuance of a Type-57 special on-sale general beer, wine, and distilled spirits liquor license to the applicant will serve the public convenience or necessity. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 3 - Mandelman, Stefani, Walton

Resolution determining that the issuance of a Type-57 special on-sale general beer, wine, and distilled spirits liquor license to the 706 Mission Residences Owners Association, to do business as the Four Seasons Private Residences on the 5th floor of 706 Mission Street (District 6), will serve the public convenience or necessity of the City and County of San Francisco. (Public Safety and Neighborhood Services Committee)

Chair Mandelman moved that this Resolution be RECOMMENDED. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 3 - Mandelman, Stefani, Walton
[Declaring Anti-Black Racism as a Human Rights and Public Health Crisis]
Sponsors: Walton; Ronen, Haney, Stefani, Peskin, Mandelman, Safai, Fewer and Preston
Resolution declaring anti-Black racism as a human rights and public health crisis in San Francisco; requesting that City and County of San Francisco departments and agencies prioritize racial equity in all programs; and advocating for local, state, regional, and federal anti-racist policies that advance efforts to dismantle systemic racism.

06/30/20; RECEIVED AND ASSIGNED to Public Safety and Neighborhood Services Committee.

07/08/20; REFERRED TO DEPARTMENT. Referred to the Office of Racial Equity for informational purposes.

Heard in Committee. Speakers: Brittni Chicuata (Human Rights Commission); Nyisha Underwood (Department of Public Health); Lydia Kwarteng; Anne Pearson (Office of the City Attorney); presented information and answered questions raised throughout the discussion. Jennifer Esteen; Roma Guy (Taxpayers for Public Safety); Liz Diaz; Sam Blatt; spoke on various concerns related to the hearing matter.

Chair Mandelman moved that this Resolution be AMENDED, AN AMENDMENT OF THE WHOLE BEARING SAME TITLE, on Page 3, Line 6, by striking 'health' and inserting 'heart'; on Page 3, Lines 14-16, to read 'WHEREAS, COVID-19 is killing Black Americans at alarming rates and in San Francisco, Black residents make up 5% of the population, but represent 5% of the City's COVID-19 cases and 10% of COVID-19 deaths'; on Page 4, Line 5, by striking 'San Francisco Department of Public Health' and inserting 'The San Francisco Health Commission'; on Page 5, Line 5, by striking 'thirty one' and inserting '23'; on Page 6, Lines 6-7, by inserting 'including within the City and County of San Francisco system'; on Page 7, Lines 6-8, by inserting 'WHEREAS, On July 21, 2020, the San Francisco Health Commission, unanimously passed this Resolution declaring anti-Black racism as a human rights and public health crisis in San Francisco on their first reading'; and making other conforming and clerical changes. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 3 - Mandelman, Stefani, Walton

Chair Mandelman moved that this Resolution be RECOMMENDED AS AMENDED. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 3 - Mandelman, Stefani, Walton

Chair Mandelman moved to RESCIND the previous vote. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 3 - Mandelman, Stefani, Walton

Chair Mandelman moved that this Resolution be RECOMMENDED AS AMENDED. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 3 - Mandelman, Stefani, Walton
200133  [Hearing - San Francisco Housing Conservatorship Preliminary Evaluation Report]  
Sponsor: Mandelman  
Hearing to discuss the San Francisco Housing Conservatorship Preliminary Evaluation Report; and requesting the Department of Public Health and Office of the Public Conservator to report.

02/04/20; RECEIVED AND ASSIGNED to Public Safety and Neighborhood Services Committee.

02/12/20; REFERRED TO DEPARTMENT. Referred to the Department of Public Health and the Office of the Public Conservator, care of the Human Services Agency, for informational purposes.

06/25/20; CONTINUED. Heard in Committee. Speakers: Dr. Angelica Almeida (Department of Public Health); Jill Nielsen (Department of Aging and Adult Services); Anne Pearson (Office of the City Attorney); presented information and answered questions raised throughout the discussion. Jennifer Esteen (Housing Conservatorship Working Group); Gabby Ruiz (Tenderloin Community Development Corporation); Zach Carlson; Michael Lyon (Senior and Disability Action); Juliana Morris (Do No Harm Coalition); Sherry Park; Tom Metz; Carolyn Kennedy; Chelsea (Coalition on Homelessness); Lauren; Dr. Allen Cooper; Ashley; Raia Small (Senior and Disability Action); Gracie; Rachel Rodriguez (Housing Conservatorship Working Group); David Brighton; Fred Winograd; Carolyn Thomas; David Mauroff (San Francisco Pretrial Diversion Project); Jennifer; Jessica Lehman, Executive Director (Senior and Disability Action); spoke on various concerns related to the hearing matter.

Heard in Committee. Speakers: Dr. Angelica Almeida (Department of Public Health); Jill Nielsen (Human Services Agency); presented information and answered questions raised throughout the discussion. Paulina Fayer; Michael Lyon (Senior and Disability Action); Justin; Michael Godwin; Reya Small; Linda Chapman; Carolyn Thomas; Darby Morris; Carolyn Kennedy; Marlayne Morgan (Cathedral Hill Neighborhood Association); Ben Bleiman (Discover Polk Community Benefit District); Jennifer; Curtis Bradford (Tenderloin People’s Congress); Cheryl Travers (Rescue SF); Gabby Ruiz (Tenderloin Community Development Corporation); Francis Gorman (Rescue SF); Anakh Sul Rama (Community Housing Partnership); George Wooding; Lauren; Raul de la Rosa; spoke on various concerns related to the hearing matter.

Chair Mandelman moved that this Hearing be CONTINUED to the September 10, 2020, Regular Meeting of the Public Safety and Neighborhood Services Committee. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 3 - Mandelman, Stefani, Walton
[Hearing - Impacts of COVID-19 on the City’s Response to Behavioral Health Needs of Unhoused San Franciscans]

Sponsor: Mandelman

Hearing to discuss and analyze the impacts of COVID-19 on the City’s response to the behavioral health needs of unhoused San Franciscans; and requesting the Department of Public Health to report.

06/02/20; RECEIVED AND ASSIGNED to Public Safety and Neighborhood Services Committee.

06/10/20; REFERRED TO DEPARTMENT. Referred to the Department of Public Health for informational purposes.

06/25/20; CONTINUED TO CALL OF THE CHAIR. Heard in Committee. Speakers: Dr. Hali Hammer, Dr. Marlo Simmons, Dr. Angelica Almeida, and Dr. Anton Nigusse Bland (Department of Public Health); presented information and answered questions raised throughout the discussion. Javier Bremond (Treatment on Demand Coalition); Francisco Da Costa; Mary Kate Bacalao (Compas Family Services); Carolyn Kennedy; Molly Brown; spoke on various concerns related to the hearing matter.

Heard in Committee. Speakers: Dr. Hali Hammer, Dr. Marlo Simmons and Dr. Anton Nigusse Bland (Department of Public Health); presented information and answered questions raised throughout the discussion. Ozzie Rohm; Javier Bremond; Fred Winograd; Francis Gorman and Cheryl Travers (Rescue SF); Ms. Thomas; Linda Chapman; Carolyn Kennedy; Raul de la Rosa; Paulina Fayer; Francisco Da Costa; Marlayne Morgan (Cathedral Hill Neighborhood Association); Victor Dresser; Speaker; spoke on various concerns related to the hearing matter.

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

Ayes: 3 - Mandelman, Stefani, Walton

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the Public Safety and Neighborhood Services Committee adjourned at the hour of 1:21 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.