

[Administrative Code - Veterans' Affairs Commission]

Ordinance amending the Administrative Code to decrease from 17 to 13 the number of members of the Veterans' Affairs Commission, and make corresponding revisions to qualifications and appointing authorities for members.

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Be it ordained by the People of the City and County of San Francisco:

Section 1. The Administrative Code is hereby amended by revising Article XI of Chapter 5, and sections 5.102 and 5.103, to read as follows:

SEC. 5.102. MEMBERSHIP.

The Commission shall consist of ~~17~~13 members. ~~Twelve~~Nine of the members shall be appointed by the Board of Supervisors to hold seats 1 through 9 and ~~five~~four of the members shall be appointed by the Mayor to hold seats 10 through 13. Members of the Commission shall have the following qualifications as follows:

(a) ~~At least three women veterans. The Board of Supervisors shall appoint at least two members pursuant to this subsection; the Mayor shall appoint at least one member pursuant to this Subsection. Seat 1: shall must be held by a spouse, registered/certified domestic partner, or a widow/widower of a veteran who served in the Armed Forces of the United States of America;~~

(b) ~~Seats 2 and 10: shall must be held by women veterans; At least two members who served in the Armed Forces of the United States of America and who have a physical disability arising from~~

1 ~~that service, in accordance with the definitions applied in such cases by the Veterans' Administration.~~
2 ~~The Mayor and Board of Supervisors shall each appoint at least one member pursuant to this~~
3 ~~Subsection.~~

4 (c) ~~All members shall reside in the City and County of San Francisco, effective on the operative~~
5 ~~date of this section. The Board of Supervisors may only waive this requirement by ordinance~~ Seats 3
6 and 11; shall mustbe held by members individuals who served in the Armed Forces of the United
7 States of America and who have a physical disability arising from that service, in accordance with the
8 definitions applied in such cases by the Veterans' Administration;

9 (d) Seats 4-9 and 12-13 are not subject to the requirements set forth in subsections (a) through
10 (c) above.

12 **SEC. 5.103. ORGANIZATION AND TERMS OF OFFICE**

13 (a) ~~The term of each member of the Commission shall be four years; provided, however,~~
14 ~~that the members first appointed shall, by lot, classify their terms so that three members shall serve a~~
15 ~~one-year term, four members shall serve a two-year term, four members shall serve a three-year term~~
16 ~~and four members shall serve a four-year term. On the expiration of these and successive terms, their~~
17 ~~successors shall be appointed for a four-year term in a manner similar to that described for the initial~~
18 ~~members.~~

19 (b) In the event a vacancy occurs during the term of office of any member, a
20 successor shall be appointed for the unexpired term of the office vacated in a manner similar
21 to that described for the initial members.

22 (c) The Commission shall elect a chairperson from among its appointed members.
23 The term of office as chairperson shall be for the calendar year or for the portion thereof
24 remaining after each such chairperson is elected.

1 (d) Services of the members of the Commission shall be voluntary and members will
2 serve without compensation.

3 (e) Continuing Membership on the Commission. The clerk of the Commission, in consultation
4 with the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors, shall, upon the effective date of the ordinance in Board File
5 No. 221269, changing the number of the seats on the Commission, assign existing Commission
6 members, including members with expired terms serving as holdover appointees, to Seats 1-13 in
7 accord with the requirements of Section 5.102. Their terms of office shall be aligned with the terms of
8 office extant prior to the effective date of the aforementioned ordinance; with the understanding that
9 holdover appointees shall not thereby acquire any permanent or other special status. New
10 appointments made to Commission Seats 1 through 13 following the effective date of the
11 aforementioned ordinance shall be made in accordance with Section 5.102.

12 (f) Each appointing authority may remove any of its appointees at any time with or
13 without cause. Additionally, any member, including the Chairperson, who misses three regular
14 meetings of the Commission within a six-month period without the express approval of the
15 Commission at or before each missed meeting shall be deemed to have resigned from the
16 Commission 10 days after the third unapproved absence. The Commission shall inform the
17 member's appointing authority of any such resignation.

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19 Section 2. Effective Date. This ordinance shall become effective 30 days after
20 enactment. Enactment occurs when the Mayor signs the ordinance, the Mayor returns the
21 ordinance unsigned or does not sign the ordinance within ten days of receiving it, or the Board
22 of Supervisors overrides the Mayor's veto of the ordinance.

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24 Section 3. Scope of Ordinance. In enacting this ordinance, the Board of Supervisors
25 intends to amend only those words, phrases, paragraphs, subsections, sections, articles,

1 numbers, punctuation marks, charts, diagrams, or any other constituent parts of the Municipal
2 Code that are explicitly shown in this ordinance as additions, deletions, Board amendment
3 additions, and Board amendment deletions in accordance with the “Note” that appears under
4 the official title of the ordinance.

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