

Dear Members of the Rules Committee,

I am writing to express my enthusiastic support for Amy Campbell's nomination to the San Francisco Planning Commission. As the CEO of the San Francisco Gay Men's Chorus, I had the privilege of working closely with Amy for the last two+ years during her role leading the renovation of 170 Valencia, the new Chan National Queer Arts Center and home of the SFGMC in the Mission.

During our collaboration, Amy consistently demonstrated competence, integrity, and compassion. Her expertise in architecture was invaluable as she guided us through our difficult renovation project and permitting process and helped ensure that our vision for the Center was realized with great care.

Amy is not only a skilled professional but also an excellent communicator and listener ensuring that everyone was well-informed about what to anticipate and hearing our concerns along the way. Her collaborative nature and consensus building skills were evident throughout our project and helped keep us aligned and moving forward, particularly during challenging project obstacles.

Beyond her professional contributions, Amy has shown a commitment to our community and our organization. She consistently participated in fundraising events, led site tours, attended stake holder meetings and joined board meetings on her own time in support of our efforts to secure funding, raise awareness, and garner additional community support. Her dedication to advancing the arts and supporting LGBTQ+ initiatives is commendable and reflects her genuine care for the well-being of our diverse community.

I wholeheartedly believe that Amy Campbell's combination of professional expertise, communication skills, collaborative spirit, and commitment to community make her exceptionally well-suited to serve as a commissioner on the San Francisco Planning Commission. I urge you to consider her nomination favorably and am confident that she will contribute significantly to the continued progress and development of our city.

Sincerely,

Chris Verdugo

CEO, San Francisco Gay Men's Chorus & San Francisco Resident

From: Mr. Robert Vergara

To: Young, Victor (BOS)

Subject: Rules Committee Consideration of Mayoral Nominee Amy Campbell (Planning Commission)

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Dear Mr. Young,

It is with great enthusiasm that I write this letter of support for the nomination of Amy Campbell to the San Francisco Planning Commission. I have the pleasure of working with Amy as a colleague on the Historic Preservation Commission.

I am continually impressed with the knowledge and skills that Amy brings to her work. Immediately upon her seating on the Commission, Amy was appointed to the Architectural Review Committee, the body that gets into the nuts and bolts of proposed modifications to specific historic structures. The questions Amy asks and the observations she makes inspire me to almost begin taking notes, like a student learning from a professor! Her knowledge of architectural history and preservation, and her ability to clearly articulate that knowledge, is obvious.

It is also obvious that Amy believes in historic preservation, and importantly, she approaches cases not in the abstract, but with an understanding of circumstances, which is so important in a dynamic city like San Francisco, where it is critical to preserve our heritage while also maintaining progress.

Amy is a friendly, personable colleague; approachable and very easy to talk to. She always displays great tact in speaking with her fellow commissioners, with City staff, and with members of the public who come before the Commission. It is clear that Amy loves her City. She is a wonderful ambassador for San Francisco government.

I know that Amy Campbell will bring the same outstanding qualities to the Planning Commission that she exhibits on the Historic Preservation Commission. My only regret is that we on the HPC would be losing a valuable and most enjoyable colleague, but fortunately, our City will continue to benefit from her many gifts.

Sincerely,

Bob Vergara Seat 4, Historic Preservation Commission

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Dear Rules Committee Members,

I am writing in support of Amy Campbell's nomination to the San Francisco Planning Commission. As President of Agora Land Consulting and a former Planning Commissioner Chair, Elected official in the City of Tracy, Ca, and Founding board member and Chair of the Tri Valley – San Joaquin Valley Rail Authority, (Valley Link) I understand the pivotal role effective leadership plays in urban planning and development.

I have had the opportunity to collaborate closely with Amy since the beginning of this year on a unique development project in Woodlake, CA: a new 4,200 seat Mexican Rodeo Arena serving the Central Valley. Amy has been at the forefront of this effort, leading the team and design effort and her expertise in architecture, planning processes, and project execution has been instrumental in navigating the complexities and nuances of this special project.

Throughout our collaboration, Amy has demonstrated a strong character, and excellent communication skills. She has a remarkable aptitude for listening and seems highly effective at guiding team members, addressing stakeholder concerns and delivering results that exceed expectations. Her collaborative approach and prompt responsiveness have helped lead the effort and navigate unexpected project hurdles along the way.

Amy's ability to connect with diverse communities and her commitment to understanding the urban landscape and built environment make her exceptionally qualified for the Planning Commission. Her skill in building consensus and her clear, thoughtful communication style will undoubtedly contribute to impactful decision-making.

It has been a pleasure working alongside Amy, and I am confident that her leadership, integrity, and dedication will make her an asset to the San Francisco Planning Commission.

I wholeheartedly recommend Amy Campbell for this important role and urge you to support her nomination.

Sincerely,

Veronica Vargas

Veronica Vargas
Owner, Agora Land Consulting
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From: <u>Diane Matsuda</u>
To: <u>Young, Victor (BOS)</u>

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Dear Mr. Young:

This letter is written in support of Ms. Amy Campbell's nomination to the SF Planning Commission.

Amy and I served on the Historic Preservation Commission together where she played a very important and active role in sharing her architectural expertise on matters of great historic significance to our City. She was always well prepared for each Hearing; listened carefully and respectfully to public comment and offered thoughtful comments throughout her tenure on the Commission.

I am sure that she will be an excellent and critical member to the Planning Commission, particularly with all of the recent changes that the City and County of San Francisco will need to implement in the near future regarding additional housing.

I make this recommendation without any reservation.

Sincerely, Diane Matsuda