



City and County of San Francisco
Meeting Minutes
Rules Committee

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Members: Ahsha Safai, Sandra Lee Fewer, Norman Yee

Clerk: Derek Evans (415) 554-7702

Wednesday, July 12, 2017

1:00 PM

City Hall, Legislative Chamber, Room 250

Regular Meeting

Present: 3 - Ahsha Safai, Sandra Lee Fewer, and Norman Yee

The Rules Committee met in regular session on Wednesday, July 12, 2017, with Chair Ahsha Safai presiding.

ROLL CALL AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Chair Safai called the meeting to order at 1:06 p.m. On the call of the roll, Chair Safai, Vice Chair Fewer, and Member Yee were noted present. There was a quorum.

AGENDA CHANGES

There were no agenda changes.

REGULAR AGENDA

170275 [Administrative Code - Establishing an Office of Cannabis and Extending the Term of the Cannabis State Legalization Task Force]**Sponsors: Sheehy; Cohen**

Ordinance amending the Administrative Code to establish an Office of Cannabis.
(Fiscal Impact; No Budget and Legislative Analyst Report.)

03/14/17; ASSIGNED UNDER 30 DAY RULE to Rules Committee, expires on 4/13/2017.

03/22/17; REFERRED TO DEPARTMENT. Referred to Department of Public Health for informational purposes.

06/06/17; SUBSTITUTED AND ASSIGNED to Rules Committee.

06/08/17; REFERRED TO DEPARTMENT. Referred to Department of Public Health for informational purposes.

Heard in Committee. Speakers: Supervisor Jeff Sheehy (Board of Supervisors); Adam Nguyen (City Administrator's Office); provided an overview and responded to questions raised throughout the discussion.

Member Yee, seconded by Vice Chair Fewer, moved that this Ordinance be AMENDED, AN AMENDMENT OF THE WHOLE BEARING NEW TITLE, to authorize the Director of the Office of Cannabis to issue permits and collect permit application and license fees following the enactment of a subsequent ordinance to establish amounts of those fees, as well as to extend the term of the Cannabis State Legalization Task Force until December 31, 2017. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 3 - Safai, Fewer, Yee

Ordinance amending the Administrative Code to establish an Office of Cannabis; to authorize the Director of the Office of Cannabis to issue permits to cannabis-related businesses; to direct the Director of the Office of Cannabis to collect permit application and annual license fees following the enactment of a subsequent ordinance establishing the amounts of those fees; and to extend the term of the Cannabis State Legalization Task Force.
(Fiscal Impact)

Member Yee moved that this Ordinance be REFERRED AS AMENDED to the Budget and Finance Sub-Committee. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 3 - Safai, Fewer, Yee

170816 [Appointment, Immigrant Rights Commission - Ruslan Gurvits]

Hearing to consider appointing one member, term ending June 6, 2019, to the Immigrant Rights Commission. (Rules Committee)

Seat 10, succeeding Melba Maldonado, term expired, must be appointed in accordance with Charter, Section 4.101, and have a demonstrated knowledge of and interest in the health, human service, educational, or employment issues that affect immigrants residing in San Francisco and shall reflect the geographic, ethnic, and sexual orientation population of San Francisco, for the unexpired portion of a two-year term ending June 6, 2019.

07/06/17; RECEIVED AND ASSIGNED to Rules Committee.

Heard in Committee. Speakers: Ruslan Gurvits; spoke on their qualifications. Isis Fernandez-Sykes, Deputy Director (Office of Civic Engagement and Immigrant Affairs); presented information and responded to questions raised throughout the hearing and further spoke in support of Ruslan Gurvits.

Appointment of Ruslan Gurvits (residency requirement waived), seat 10, recommended.

PREPARED IN COMMITTEE AS A MOTION

Motion appointing Ruslan Gurvits (residency requirement waived), term ending June 6, 2019, to the Immigrant Rights Commission. (Rules Committee)

Ruslan Gurvits (residency requirement waived), seat 10, succeeding Melba Maldonado, term expired, must be appointed in accordance with Charter, Section 4.101, and have a demonstrated knowledge of and interest in the health, human service, educational, or employment issues that affect immigrants residing in San Francisco and shall reflect the geographic, ethnic, and sexual orientation population of San Francisco, for the unexpired portion of a two-year term ending June 6, 2019.

Member Yee moved that this Motion be RECOMMENDED. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 3 - Safai, Fewer, Yee

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the Rules Committee adjourned at the hour of 1:49 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.