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**VETERANS AFFAIRS COMMISSION**

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Administrative Code, Section 5.100 et seq. (Added by Ord. 449-82, amended by Ordinance Nos. 33-94, 224-94, 97-97, and 245-09).

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**Board Qualifications:**

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The Veterans Affairs Commission consists of a total of seventeen (17) members, twelve (12) of whom are appointed by the Board of Supervisors and five (5) of whom are appointed by the Mayor as follows:

- At least three (3) must be women veterans (at least two (2) members shall be appointed by the Board);
- Two (2) members who served in the Armed Forces of the United States and who have a physical disability arising from that service (the Mayor and Board of Supervisors shall each appoint at least one (1) member), in accordance with the definitions applied in such cases by the Veterans' Administration; and
- All members shall reside in the City and County of San Francisco. The Board of Supervisors may only waive this requirement by Ordinance.

The term of each member of the Commission shall be four (4) years; provided, however, that the members first appointed shall, by lot, classify their terms so that three (3) members shall serve a one-year term, four (4) members shall serve a two-year term, four (4) members shall serve a three-year term and four (4) members shall serve a four-year term. On the expiration of these and all successive terms, their successors shall be appointed for a four-year term in a manner similar to that described for the initial members. In the event a vacancy occurs during the term of office of any member, a successor shall be appointed for the unexpired portion of the term of the office vacated in a manner similar to that described for the initial members.

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The Commission shall directly advise the Mayor and the Board of Supervisors on all matters affecting veterans of the Armed Forces of the United States of America, on the problems, interests and needs of veterans who are residents of the City and County of San Francisco and on the coordination of economic development, health care, and social services programs as they relate to veterans who are residents of the City and County of San Francisco.

The Commission shall have the power and duty to:

- Hold hearings and submit recommendations to the Board of Supervisors and the Mayor regarding the problems, interests, and needs of veterans; and
- Make recommendations to the Board of Supervisors and the Mayor concerning the coordination of economic development health care and social services programs as they relate to veterans who are residents of the City and County of San Francisco.

Reports: The Commission shall render an annual written report of its activities to the Board of Supervisors and the Mayor.

Sunset Date: None referenced.