



City and County of San Francisco
Meeting Minutes
Land Use and Transportation Committee

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Members: Aaron Peskin, Ahsha Safai, Dean Preston

Clerk: Erica Major (415) 554-4441

Monday, August 17, 2020

1:30 PM

Regular Meeting

The Land Use and Transportation Committee met in regular session through videoconferencing, and provided public comment through teleconferencing, on Monday, August 17, 2020, with Chair Aaron Peskin presiding. Chair Peskin called the meeting to order at 1:31 p.m.

Present: 3 - Aaron Peskin, Ahsha Safai, and Dean Preston

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: Erica.Major@sfgov.org; all comments received will be made a part of the official record. Regularly scheduled Land Use and Transportation Committee Meetings begin at 1:30 p.m. every Monday of each month. Committee agendas and their associated documents are available at <https://sfbos.org/committees>.

ROLL CALL AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

On the call of the roll, Chair Peskin and Member Preston were noted present. Vice Chair Safai was noted not present. A quorum was present.

Vice Chair Safai was noted present at 1:33 p.m.

AGENDA CHANGES

There were no agenda changes.

REGULAR AGENDA

200762 [Emergency Ordinance - Protections for Occupants of Residential Hotels During COVID-19 Pandemic]

Sponsors: Peskin; Ronen and Preston

Reenactment of emergency ordinance (Ordinance No. 84-20) to establish protections for occupants of residential hotels ("SRO Residents") during the COVID-19 pandemic by, among other things: making it City policy to place in solitary hotel rooms SRO residents who meet the criteria for isolation or quarantine established by the County Health Officer, and requiring the Department of Public Health to: develop a protocol to assist health care providers to identify SRO Residents who may require protection against or treatment for COVID-19; notify the operator of a residential hotel when an SRO Resident has tested positive for COVID-19, to facilitate contact tracing, testing for COVID-19, and cleaning; establish a telephone hotline for SRO Residents, to respond to questions about accessing COVID-19 health screenings, testing, and solitary hotel rooms; provide face coverings to SRO Residents and workers in residential hotels; and provide daily aggregate data concerning the incidence of COVID-19 among SRO Residents, access to quarantine rooms by such residents, and the number of such residents who have died due to complications from COVID-19.

(Pursuant to Charter, Section 2.107, this matter requires the affirmative vote of two-thirds of the Board of Supervisors (8 votes) for passage.)

07/14/20; ASSIGNED to Land Use and Transportation Committee. 7/16/20 - President Yee waived the 30-day rule pursuant to Board Rule No. 3.22.

07/22/20; REFERRED TO DEPARTMENT. Referred to the Department of Homelessness and Supportive Housing, Department of Public Health, and the Rent Board for informational purposes.

08/10/20; CONTINUED. Heard in Committee. Speaker: Theresa Flandric (Senior and Disability Action); spoke in support of the hearing matter.

Heard in Committee. Speakers: Stephanie Cohen and Jim Marks (Department of Public Health); presented information and answered questions raised throughout the discussion. Diana Flores, Director (Dolores Street Community Services); spoke in support of the hearing matter. Francisco Da Costa; Anastasia Yovanopoulos; Gen Fujioka (Chinatown Community Development Center); Speaker; Eric Marquo (Senior and Disability Action); spoke on various concerns relating to the hearing matter.

Member Preston requested to be added as a co-sponsor.

Chair Peskin moved that this Ordinance be CONTINUED TO CALL OF THE CHAIR. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 3 - Peskin, Safai, Preston

200763 [Emergency Ordinance - Building Code - Construction During COVID-19 Pandemic That Results in Temporary Suspension of Water or Electricity Service or Excessive Noise]

Sponsors: Peskin; Ronen, Walton, Preston, Fewer and Mandelman

Emergency ordinance to temporarily prohibit construction projects in buildings with any residential rental units that require the suspension of water or utility service to residential tenants without providing alternative sources of water and power, or reaching agreement with tenants, due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

(Pursuant to Charter, Section 2.107, this matter requires the affirmative vote of two-thirds of the Board of Supervisors (8 votes) for passage.)

07/14/20; ASSIGNED to Land Use and Transportation Committee. 8/5/2020 - President Yee waived the 30 Day Rule on this matter.

07/22/20; REFERRED TO DEPARTMENT. Referred to the Department of Building Inspection, Building Inspection Commission, Public Utilities Commission, and Rent Board for informational purposes; and Planning Department for environmental review.

08/05/20; RESPONSE RECEIVED. Not defined as a project under CEQA Guidelines Sections 15378 and 15060(c)(2) because it would not result in a direct or indirect physical change in the environment.

08/10/20; AMENDED, AN AMENDMENT OF THE WHOLE BEARING NEW TITLE. Heard in Committee. Speakers: Theresa Flandric (Senior and Disability Action); Speaker; spoke in support of the hearing matter. Dave Cunningham; Armin Braze; Ray Sullivan; Anastasia Yovanopoulos; Susan Marsh; Jonathan Randolph; Gary Fisher; Charlie Gause; Sean Kegan; Speaker; spoke on various concerns relating to the hearing matter.

08/10/20; CONTINUED AS AMENDED.

Heard in Committee. Speakers: Speaker; Speaker; spoke on various concerns relating to the hearing matter.

Chair Peskin moved that this Ordinance be RECOMMENDED AS COMMITTEE REPORT. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 3 - Peskin, Safai, Preston

200764 [Health Code - Cleaning and Disease Prevention Standards in Tourist Hotels and Large Commercial Office Buildings]

Sponsor: Peskin

Ordinance amending the Health Code to establish cleaning and disease prevention standards and practices in tourist hotels and large commercial office buildings to help contain COVID-19, or other contagious public health threats; to require training related to these standards for employees, provide certain protections to employees as they perform cleaning duties, and prohibit retaliation against employees for refusing to perform work under conditions they believe may be unsafe or for reporting such conditions or exercising rights protected by the Ordinance; authorizing the Office of Labor Standards Enforcement to enforce the employee rights and protections under the ordinance; and to provide for administrative enforcement by the Department of Public Health, and for financial penalties and civil actions as authorized by City and state law.

07/14/20; ASSIGNED UNDER 30 DAY RULE to Land Use and Transportation Committee, expires on 8/13/2020.

07/22/20; REFERRED TO DEPARTMENT. Referred to the Office of Labor Standards Enforcement, Rent Board, and Department of Public Health.

Heard in Committee. Speakers: None.

Chair Peskin moved that this Ordinance be CONTINUED TO CALL OF THE CHAIR. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 3 - Peskin, Safai, Preston

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the Land Use and Transportation Committee adjourned at the hour of 2:51 p.m.

N.B. The Minutes of this meeting set forth all actions taken by the Land Use and Transportation Committee on the matters stated, but not necessarily in the chronological sequence in which the matters were taken up.