

# BUDGET AND APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE CITY AND COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO

## MEETING MINUTES - DRAFT

Wednesday, May 11, 2022 - 1:00 PM

IN-PERSON MEETING

City Hall, Legislative Chamber, Room 250

(remote access provided)

remote public comment provided via teleconference)

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Special Meeting

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Members: Hillary Ronen, Ahsha Safai, Gordon Mar, Connie Chan, Shamann Walton

Clerk: Brent Jalipa (415) 554-7712

*Angela Calvillo, Clerk of the Board*

### BOARD COMMITTEES

#### Committee Membership

**Budget and Appropriations Committee**

Supervisors Ronen, Safai, Mar, Chan, Walton

**Budget and Finance Committee**

Supervisors Ronen, Safai, Mar

**Government Audit and Oversight Committee**

Supervisors Preston, Chan, Mandelman

**Land Use and Transportation Committee**

Supervisors Melgar, Preston, Peskin

**Public Safety and Neighborhood Services Committee**

Supervisors Mar, Stefani

**Rules Committee**

Supervisors Peskin, Mandelman, Chan

**Youth, Young Adult, and Families Committee**

Supervisors Ronen, Safai, Melgar

#### Meeting Days

Wednesday  
1:00 PM

Wednesday  
10:30 AM

1st and 3rd Thursday  
10:00 AM

Monday  
1:30 PM

2nd and 4th Thursday  
10:00 AM

Monday  
10:00 AM

2nd Friday  
10:00 AM

**Members Present:** Hillary Ronen, Ahsha Safai, Gordon Mar, Connie Chan, and Shamann Walton

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*The Budget and Appropriations Committee met in a regular session, in-person with remote access and public comment via telephone, on Wednesday, May 11, 2022, with Chair Hillary Ronen presiding. Chair Ronen called the meeting to order at 1:53 p.m.*

### **Remote Access to Information and Participation**

*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](http://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: [brent.jalipa@sfgov.org](mailto:brent.jalipa@sfgov.org); all comments received will be made a part of the official record. Regularly-scheduled Budget and Appropriations Committee Meetings begin at 1:00 p.m. every Wednesday of each month. Committee agendas and their associated documents are available at <https://sfbos.org/committees>.*

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### **ROLL CALL AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

*On the call of the roll, Chair Ronen, Vice Chair Safai, and Members Chan, Mar, and Walton were noted present. A quorum of the Committee was present.*

### **COMMUNICATIONS**

*Brent Jalipa, Budget and Appropriations Clerk, instructed members of the public, when general public comment is called, to contribute live comments for up to two minutes in-person or by dialing the provided telephone number. In-person public comment will be taken before remote public comment is called. Those who are providing public comment remotely must dial \* 3 to be added to the remote queue to speak. Written comments may be submitted through email to the Budget and Appropriations Committee Clerk ([brent.jalipa@sfgov.org](mailto:brent.jalipa@sfgov.org)) or the U.S. Postal Service at City Hall, 1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place, Room 244, San Francisco, CA 94102.*

### **AGENDA CHANGES**

*There were no agenda changes.*

## REGULAR AGENDA

### *SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS*

*Supervisor Peskin was noted present at 1:53 p.m.; thereby constituting a quorum of the Board of Supervisors. A special meeting of the Board of Supervisors was convened at 1:53 p.m.; although, the meeting was conducted in all respects as a committee meeting for items on the agenda and any substantive decisions constitute a recommendation of the committee and not action taken by the board.*

*Present: Supervisors Ronen, Safai, Mar, Chan, Walton, and Peskin.*

### *ADJOURNMENT OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS*

*At the hour of 2:57 p.m. Supervisor Mar was noted not present, thereby adjourning the Special Meeting of the Board of Supervisors.*

*Vice Chair Safai was noted not present at 3:15 p.m.*

## Supervisor Mar Excused from Attendance

**Chair Ronen moved to excuse Supervisor Mar from attending the Budget and Appropriations Committee meeting on May 11, 2022, from 2:57 p.m. and for the remainder of the meeting. The motion carried by the following vote:**

Ayes: 3 - Ronen, Chan, Walton

Excused: 1 - Mar

Absent: 1 - Safai

## **210350 [Hearing - Direct Small Business Relief Update and OEWD Equity Plan for Recovery]**

### **Sponsor: Peskin**

Hearing to receive presentations on the various direct small business relief programs currently supporting small businesses, their eligibility requirements and data on how many grants have been allocated, in which neighborhoods and demographic data on small businesses who have successfully acquired relief, and to present an equity plan for addressing small business recovery in the Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Budget; and requesting the Director of Office of Economic and Workforce Development (OEWD) and Office of Small Business to report.

*Heard in Committee. Speakers: Supervisor Aaron Peskin (Board of Supervisors); Kate Sofis, Director, Katy Tang, and Diana Ponce De Leon (Office of Economic and Workforce Development); provided an overview and responded to questions raised throughout the discussion. William Ortiz-Cartagena and Ivan Corado-Vega (Latino Task Force); Jenny Leung (Chinese Culture Foundation); Claire Lau (Chinese Progressive Association); shared various concerns regarding the hearing matter.*

**Chair Ronen, seconded by Member Chan, moved that this Hearing be CONTINUED TO CALL OF THE CHAIR. The motion carried by the following vote:**

Ayes: 3 - Ronen, Chan, Walton

Excused: 1 - Mar

Absent: 1 - Safai

Vice Chair Safai noted present at 3:24 p.m.

**220472 [Hearing - Racial Equity in City Employment]**

**Sponsors: Ronen; Walton**

Hearing on departmental hiring patterns with regard to racial equity and progress towards the goal of equitable diversity in City employment; and requesting the Office of the Budget and Legislative Analyst to report.

*Heard in Committee. Speakers: None.*

**Chair Ronen, seconded by Member Walton, moved that this Hearing be CONTINUED TO CALL OF THE CHAIR. The motion carried by the following vote:**

Ayes: 4 - Ronen, Safai, Chan, Walton

Excused: 1 - Mar

Vice Chair Safai noted not present at 4:10 p.m. and for the remainder of the meeting.

**220437 [Hearing - City Budget Reserves]**

**Sponsors: Safai; Ronen**

Hearing to consider the City's budget reserves, including current balances, legal requirements and known obligations; and requesting the Office of the Controller and Mayor's Office of Budget to report.

*Heard in Committee. Speakers: Ben Rosenfield, Controller, and Michelle Allersma (Office of the Controller); Ashley Groffenberger, Budget Director (Mayor's Office of Public Policy and Finance); provided an overview and responded to questions raised throughout the discussion.*

**Chair Ronen, seconded by Member Walton, moved that this Hearing be HEARD AND FILED. The motion carried by the following vote:**

Ayes: 3 - Ronen, Chan, Walton

Excused: 1 - Mar

Absent: 1 - Safai

## ADJOURNMENT

*There being no further business, the Budget and Appropriations Committee adjourned at the hour of 4:15 p.m.*

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

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Angela Calvillo, Clerk of the Board