



City and County of San Francisco

Meeting Minutes

Rules Committee

City Hall
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place
San Francisco, CA 94102-4689

Members: Hillary Ronen, Catherine Stefani, Gordon Mar

Clerk: Victor Young (415) 554-7723

Monday, September 21, 2020

10:00 AM

Regular Meeting

Present: 3 - Hillary Ronen, Catherine Stefani, and Gordon Mar

The Rules Committee met in regular session through videoconferencing on Monday, September 21, 2020, with Chair Hillary Ronen presiding. Chair Ronen called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

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>.

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ROLL CALL AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

On the call of the roll, Chair Ronen, Vice Chair Stefani, and Member Mar were noted present. A quorum was present.

AGENDA CHANGES

There were no agenda changes.

REGULAR AGENDA

Chair Ronen requested that File Nos. 201041 and 201040 be heard together.

201041 [Mayoral Appointment, Public Utilities Commission - Ed Harrington]

Motion approving/rejecting the Mayor's nomination for the appointment of Ed Harrington to the Public Utilities Commission, for a term ending August 1, 2024. (Clerk of the Board)
(Charter, Section 4.112, provides that the Board of Supervisors shall confirm the Mayor's appointment by a majority of the Board of Supervisors. There is no deadline for confirmation and the appointment is not effective until the Board takes action. Transmittal date: September 14, 2020.)

09/14/20; RECEIVED AND ASSIGNED to Rules Committee.

Heard in Committee. Speakers: Ed Harrington; Tim Paulson; spoke on their qualifications and answered questions raised throughout the discussion. Larry Mazzola, Jr. (San Francisco building Trades Council); spoke in support of the appointment of Tim Paulson.

Chair Ronen moved that this Motion be AMENDED, AN AMENDMENT OF THE WHOLE BEARING NEW TITLE, by striking the word 'rejecting' throughout the legislation and adding other clarifying and conforming changes. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 3 - Ronen, Stefani, Mar

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Supervisor Ronen RECOMMENDED AS AMENDED by the following vote:

Ayes: 3 - Ronen, Stefani, Mar

201040 [Mayoral Appointment, Public Utilities Commission - Tim Paulson]

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Chair Ronen moved that this Motion be RECOMMENDED AS AMENDED. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 3 - Ronen, Stefani, Mar

201044 [Appointments, Mental Health SF Implementation Working Group - Amy Wong, Philip Jones, Andrea Salinas, Sara Shortt, Steve Fields, and Monique LeSarre]

Hearing to consider appointing four members, terms ending June 1, 2021, and two members, terms ending June 1, 2022, to the Mental Health SF Implementation Working Group. (Rules Committee) Vacant Seat 1, new appointment, shall be held by a person with expertise working on behalf of healthcare workers, appointed by the Board of Supervisors, for the unexpired portion of a two-year term ending June 1, 2021.

Vacant Seat 3, new appointment, shall be held by a person who identifies as having a mental health condition or identifies as having both a mental health condition and substance use condition (“dual diagnosis”), and who has accessed mental health or substance use services in San Francisco, appointed by the Board of Supervisors; for the unexpired portion of a two-year term ending June 1, 2021.

Vacant Seat 6, new appointment, shall be held by a substance use treatment provider with expertise in mental health treatment and harm reduction, appointed by the Board of Supervisors, for the unexpired portion of a two-year term ending June 1, 2022.

Vacant Seat 7, new appointment, shall be held by a mental health or substance use treatment provider with experience working with criminal system-involved patients, appointed by the Board of Supervisors, for the unexpired portion of a two-year term ending June 1, 2021.

Vacant Seat 8, new appointment, shall be held by a psychiatrist or other behavioral health professional with expertise providing services to transitional age youth (ages 18-24) in San Francisco, appointed by the Board of Supervisors, for the unexpired portion of a two-year term ending June 1, 2022.

Vacant Seat 11, new appointment, shall be held by a person with experience providing supportive housing in San Francisco, appointed by the Board of Supervisors, for the unexpired portion of a two-year term ending June 1, 2021.

09/15/20; RECEIVED AND ASSIGNED to Rules Committee.

Heard in Committee. Speakers: Amy Wong; Lucretia Bolin; Shon Buford; Liza Murawski; Peter Thomas Murphy; Philip Jones; Kara Ka Wah Chien; Steve Fields; Monique LeSarre; Andrea Salinas; Kathleen Johnson-Silk; Veronica Forbes; Sara Shortt; spoke on their qualifications and answered questions raised throughout the discussion. Speaker; Mr. Wilson (Hospitality House); Curtis Frankford; Sara Shortt; spoke in support of the appointment of various applicants. Eric Jeters; spoke in support of the appointment of Philip Jones.

Appointment of Amy Wong, seat 1, recommended.

Appointment of Philip Jones, seat 3, recommended. (residency requirement waived)

Appointment of Steve Fields, seat 6, recommended. (residency requirement waived)

Appointment of Andrea Salinas, seat 7, recommended.

Appointment of Monique LeSarre, seat 8, recommended.

Appointment of Sara Shortt, seat 11, recommended.

PREPARED IN COMMITTEE AS A MOTION

Motion appointing Amy Wong, Philip Jones (residency requirement waived), Andrea Salinas, and Sara Shortt, terms ending June 1, 2021, and Steve Fields (residency requirement waived) and Monique LeSarre, terms ending June 1, 2022, to the Mental Health SF Implementation Working Group. (Rules Committee)

Amy Wong, Seat 1, new appointment, shall be held by a person with expertise working on behalf of healthcare workers, appointed by the Board of Supervisors, for the unexpired portion of a two-year term ending June 1, 2021.

Philip Jones (residency requirement waived), Seat 3, new appointment, shall be held by a person who identifies as having a mental health condition or identifies as having both a mental health condition and substance use condition ("dual diagnosis"), and who has accessed mental health or substance use services in San Francisco, appointed by the Board of Supervisors; for the unexpired portion of a two-year term ending June 1, 2021.

Andrea Salinas, Seat 7, new appointment, shall be held by a mental health or substance use treatment provider with experience working with criminal system-involved patients, appointed by the Board of Supervisors, for the unexpired portion of a two-year term ending June 1, 2021.

Sara Shortt, Seat 11, new appointment, shall be held by a person with experience providing supportive housing in San Francisco, appointed by the Board of Supervisors, for the unexpired portion of a two-year term ending June 1, 2021.

Steve Fields (residency requirement waived), Seat 6, new appointment, shall be held by a substance use treatment provider with expertise in mental health treatment and harm reduction, appointed by the Board of Supervisors, for the unexpired portion of a two-year term ending June 1, 2022.

Monique LeSarre, Seat 8, new appointment, shall be held by a psychiatrist or other behavioral health professional with expertise providing services to transitional age youth (ages 18-24) in San Francisco, appointed by the Board of Supervisors, for the unexpired portion of a two-year term ending June 1, 2022.

Chair Ronen moved that this Motion be RECOMMENDED. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 3 - Ronen, Stefani, Mar

201031 [Appointment, California State Association of Counties - Supervisor Rafael Mandelman]

Motion appointing Supervisor Rafael Mandelman, term ending December 1, 2021, to the California State Association of Counties. (Clerk of the Board)

09/10/20; RECEIVED AND ASSIGNED to Rules Committee.

Heard in Committee. Speakers: None.

Chair Ronen moved that this Motion be RECOMMENDED. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 3 - Ronen, Stefani, Mar

201043 [Appointment, Food Security Task Force - Cissie Bonini]

Hearing to consider appointing one member, for indefinite term, to the Food Security Task Force. (Rules Committee)

Vacant Seat 9, Karen Gruneisen, resigned, must be a representative of community-based organizations that provide nutritional support and increase the food security of San Francisco residents, including but not limited to a representative from an organization serving food in the following program types: home-delivered meals, congregate meals for seniors, food bank, free dining room, multi-service agency serving families and youth, shelter meals, faith-based organizations, food retail (farmers markets, grocery stores), and hospital and health clinics - no organization shall have more than one representative; nominated by the Food Security Task Force and appointed by the Board of Supervisors, for an indefinite term.

09/15/20; RECEIVED AND ASSIGNED to Rules Committee.

Heard in Committee. Speakers: None.

Appointment of Cissie Bonini, seat 9, recommended.

PREPARED IN COMMITTEE AS A MOTION

Motion appointing Cissie Bonini, for an indefinite term, to the Food Security Task Force. (Rules Committee)

Cissie Bonini, Seat 9, succeeding Karen Gruneisen, resigned, must be a representative of community-based organizations that provide nutritional support and increase the food security of San Francisco residents, including but not limited to a representative from an organization serving food in the following program types: home-delivered meals, congregate meals for seniors, food bank, free dining room, multi-service agency serving families and youth, shelter meals, faith-based organizations, food retail (farmers markets, grocery stores), and hospital and health clinics - no organization shall have more than one representative; nominated by the Food Security Task Force and appointed by the Board of Supervisors, for an indefinite term.

Chair Ronen moved that this Motion be RECOMMENDED. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 3 - Ronen, Stefani, Mar

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the Rules Committee adjourned at the hour of 12:02 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.