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## MEMORANDUM

# LAND USE AND TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE SAN FRANCISCO BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

TO: Supervisor Myrna Melgar, Chair, Land Use and Transportation Committee

FROM: Erica Major, Assistant Clerk, Land Use and Transportation Committee

DATE: February 15, 2022

SUBJECT: COMMITTEE REPORT, BOARD MEETING

Tuesday, February 15, 2022

The following file should be presented as a **COMMITTEE REPORT** at the Board meeting, Tuesday, February 15, 2022. This item was acted upon at the Committee Meeting on Monday, February 14, 2022, at 1:30 p.m., by the votes indicated.

## Item No. 32 File No. 220046

Resolution adding the commemorative street name "Sister Vish-Knew Way" to the 000 Block of Alert Alley in recognition of activist Sister Vish-Knew, co-founder of the Sisters of Perpetual Indulgence, and her dedication to and lasting impact on San Francisco and the global LGBTQ+ community.

## RECOMMENDED AS A COMMITTEE REPORT

Vote:

Supervisor Myrna Melgar - Aye Supervisor Dean Preston - Aye Supervisor Aaron Peskin - Aye

c: Board of Supervisors
Angela Calvillo, Clerk of the Board
Alisa Somera, Legislative Deputy
Anne Pearson, Deputy City Attorney
Kristen Jensen, Deputy City Attorney

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## **COMMITTEE/BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

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1	[Commemorative Street Name Designation - "Sister Vish-Knew Way" - 000 Block of Alert Alley]
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3	Resolution adding the commemorative street name "Sister Vish-Knew Way" to the 000
4	Block of Alert Alley in recognition of activist Sister Vish-Knew, co-founder of the
5	Sisters of Perpetual Indulgence, and her dedication to and lasting impact on San
6	Francisco and the global LGBTQ+ community.
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8	WHEREAS, Sister Vish-Knew, aka Ken Bunch, has made significant contributions to
9	San Francisco as a founder in 1979 of The Sisters of Perpetual Indulgence, which has grown
10	from its home base in San Francisco into a worldwide spiritual, community service, activist,
11	and artist organization offering sanctuary to its communities with houses in 60 U.S. cities and
12	14 countries; and
13	WHEREAS, Sister Vish-Knew is a pioneer for LGBTQ+ rights and a long-time advocate
14	through her work for marginalized and often overlooked members of society; and
15	WHEREAS, On Easter weekend in 1979 Sister Vish-Knew and two friends donned
16	nun's habits and took to the streets of San Francisco, playing and posing for photos in the
17	first-ever appearance of a group of "drag nuns" that has since grown into a unique LGBTQ+
18	organization with global reach; and
19	WHEREAS, Sister Vish-Knew and the Sisters of Perpetual Indulgence have been
20	fierce activists and fundraisers of millions of dollars for queer and transgender rights, LBGTQ
21	youth, HIV/AIDS advocacy and education, prison reform, immigration, and the environment;
22	and
23	WHEREAS, In 1982 Sister Vish-Knew and the Sisters produced a dog show in the
24	Castro which was one of the first ever fundraisers for people with HIV/AIDS; and
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1	WHEREAS, Sister Vish-Knew produced the first Halloween in the Castro in 1990 with
2	The Sisters and event partner Community United Against Violence (CUAV), which became a
3	world-famous celebration, attracting as many as 100,000 attendees, and raising hundreds of
4	thousands of dollars for HIV/AIDS charities and under-funded LGBTQ organizations; and
5	WHEREAS, In 1993 at the "Creating Change Conference", Sister Vish-Knew made the
6	first ever demand for inclusion of transgender issues and speakers at the March on
7	Washington and Stonewall 25th anniversary; and
8	WHEREAS, Sister Vish-Knew has represented the Sisters and San Francisco across
9	the globe, participating in the LifeBall in Vienna, Austria, leading an international contingent of
10	Sisters to Shanghai, China for Shanghai's 6th annual Pride celebration and receiving the
11	honor of Grand Marshall of Prague Pride in the Czech Republic along with Sister Roma; and
12	WHEREAS, Sister Vish-Knew was an activist prior to the founding of the Sisters,
13	producing the first Midwest Gay Pride Conferences at the University of Iowa in 1974,
14	becoming the second person in the United States to apply for a same-sex marriage license in
15	1976 and attending the White Night Riots in San Francisco following the murder of Harvey
16	Milk in 1979; and
17	WHEREAS, In addition to producing the Sisters' famous Easter Sunday celebrations in
18	Dolores Park, Sister Vish-Knew is also a longtime resident of the Mission Dolores
19	neighborhood; now, therefore, be it
20	RESOLVED, That in order to celebrate the life of Sister Vish-Knew and her many
21	contributions to the City and County of San Francisco and LGBTQ+ people around the world,
22	there shall be an honorary naming of "Sister Vish-Knew Way" on Alert Alley between Dolores
23	Street and Landers Street; and, be it
24	FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors requests the Municipal
25	Transportation Agency to erect street signs on Alert Alley between Dolores and Landers

1	Streets indicating both the honorary and the existing names of the street, either on a single
2	sign or on separate signs, with the honorary name "Sister Vish-Knew Way" in smaller letters
3	above or beneath the existing name; and, be it
4	FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Department of Public Works is directed to add the
5	honorary street name to its official list of Commemorative Street Names in accordance with
6	Public Works Code, Section 789 et seq.
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## **MYRNA MELGAR**

DATE: February 10, 2022

TO: Angela Calvillo

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

FROM: Supervisor Myrna Melgar, Chair, Land Use and Transportation Committee WW

RE: Land Use and Transportation Committee

**COMMITTEE REPORTS** 

Pursuant to Board Rule 4.20, as Chair of the Land Use and Transportation Committee, I have deemed the following matters are of urgent nature and request them to be considered by the full Board on Tuesday, February 15, 2022, as Committee Reports:

File No. 220046 Commemorative Street Name Designation - "Sister Vish-Knew Way" - 000

**Block of Alert Alley** Sponsor: Mandelman

File No. 220131 Administrative Code - COVID-19 Tenant Protections

Sponsors: Preston, Chan, Peskin, Ronen, and Walton

These matters will be heard in the Land Use and Transportation Committee at a Regular Meeting on Monday, February 14, 2022, at 1:30pm.



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## MEMORANDUM

TO: Jeffrey Tumlin, Executive Director, Municipal Transportation Agency

Carla Short, Interim Director, Public Works Jeanine Nicholson, Chief, Fire Department William Scott, Police Chief, Police Department

Mary Ellen Carroll, Executive Director, Department of Emergency

Management

FROM: Erica Major, Assistant Clerk, Land Use and Transportation Committee

DATE: January 19, 2022

SUBJECT: LEGISLATION INTRODUCED

The Board of Supervisors' Land Use and Transportation Committee has received the following proposed legislation, introduced by Supervisor Mandelman on January 11, 2022:

## File No. 220046

Resolution adding the commemorative street name "Sister Vish-Knew Way" to the 000 Block of Alert Alley in recognition of activist Sister Vish-Knew, co-founder of the Sisters of Perpetual Indulgence, and her dedication to and lasting impact on San Francisco and the global LGBTQ+community.

If you have comments or reports to be included with the file, please forward them to me at the Board of Supervisors, City Hall, Room 244, 1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place, San Francisco, CA 94102 or by email at: <a href="mailto:erica.major@sfgov.org">erica.major@sfgov.org</a>.

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cc: Kate Breen, San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency
Janet Martinsen, San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency
Joel Ramos, San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency
David Steinberg, Public Works
Bryan Dahl, Public Works
John Thomas, Public Works
Lena Liu, Public Works
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Lisa Ortiz, Police Department
Lili Gamero, Police Department
Diana Oliva-Aroche, Police Department
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# NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING LAND USE AND TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the Land Use and Transportation Committee of the City and County of San Francisco will hold a remote public hearing to consider the following hearing matter and said public hearing will be held as follows, at which time all interested parties may attend and be heard:

Date: Monday, February 14, 2022

Time: 1:30 p.m.

Location: REMOTE MEETING VIA VIDEOCONFERENCE

Watch: www.sfgovtv.org

Watch: SF Cable Channel 26, 78, or 99 (depending on your provider) once the meeting starts, the telephone number and Meeting ID will

be displayed on the screen.

Public Comment Call-In: https://sfbos.org/remote-meeting-call

**Subject:** File No. 220046. Resolution adding the commemorative street name

"Sister Vish-Knew Way" to the 000 Block of Alert Alley in recognition of activist Sister Vish-Knew, co-founder of the Sisters of Perpetual Indulgence, and her dedication to and lasting impact on San

Francisco and the global LGBTQ+ community.

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Please visit the Board's website (https://sfbos.org/city-board-response-covid-19) regularly to be updated on the City's response to COVID-19 and how the legislative process may be impacted.

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In accordance with Administrative Code, Section 67.7-1, persons who are unable to attend the hearing on this matter may submit written comments prior to the time the hearing begins. These comments will be made as part of the official public record in this matter and shall be brought to the attention of the Board of Supervisors. Written comments should be addressed to Angela Calvillo, Clerk of the Board, City Hall, 1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place, Room 244, San Francisco, CA, 94102 or sent via email (board.of.supervisors@sfgov.org). Information relating to this matter is available in the Office of the Clerk of the Board or the Board of Supervisors' Legislative Research Center (https://sfbos.org/legislative-research-center-lrc). Agenda information relating to this matter will be available for public review on Friday, February 11, 2022.

For any questions about this hearing, please contact the Assistant Clerk for the Land Use and Transportation Committee:

Erica Major (Erica.Major@sfgov.org ~ (415) 554-4441)

**Please Note:** The Department is open for business, but employees are working from home. Please allow 48 hours for us to return your call or email.

Angela Calvillo

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors City and County of San Francisco

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(220046) Commemorative Street Name Designation - "Sister Vish-Knew Way" - 000 Block of Alert Alley

Description of Items:

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to be affected at least te Section 789, et seq.):	en (10) days in advance of the hearing (per Public Works Code
Date:	02/04/2022
Time:	10:00 am
Location:	Alert Alley
Signature:	wellaken Tanolo

Instructions: Upon completion, original must be filed in the above referenced file.

**Print Form** 

## **Introduction Form**

By a Member of the Board of Supervisors or Mayor

Time stamp or meeting date

I hereby submit the following item for introduction (select only one):	or meeting date		
a notice) business are noticed and noticed (control care).			
✓ 1. For reference to Committee. (An Ordinance, Resolution, Motion or Charter	Amendment).		
2. Request for next printed agenda Without Reference to Committee.			
3. Request for hearing on a subject matter at Committee.			
4. Request for letter beginning:"Supervisor	inquiries"		
5. City Attorney Request.			
6. Call File No. from Committee.			
7. Budget Analyst request (attached written motion).			
8. Substitute Legislation File No.			
9. Reactivate File No.			
10. Topic submitted for Mayoral Appearance before the BOS on			
Please check the appropriate boxes. The proposed legislation should be forwarded	d to the following:		
☐ Small Business Commission ☐ Youth Commission	Ethics Commission		
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Note: For the Imperative Agenda (a resolution not on the printed agenda), use	the Imperative Form.		
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Signature of Sponsoring Supervisor:			

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