



City and County of San Francisco
Meeting Minutes
Neighborhood Services and Safety Committee

City Hall
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Members: David Campos, Eric Mar, Norman Yee

Clerk: Derek Evans (415) 554-7702

Thursday, May 29, 2014

10:00 AM

City Hall, Legislative Chamber, Room 250

Special Meeting

Present: 2 - David Campos, and Norman Yee

Excused: 1 - Eric Mar

MEETING CONVENED

The meeting convened at 10:09 a.m.

REGULAR AGENDA

Supervisor Mar Excused from Attendance

Supervisor Yee moved to excuse Supervisor Mar from the May 29, 2014, special meeting of the Neighborhood Services and Safety Committee. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 2 - Campos, Yee

Excused: 1 - Mar

140317 [Administrative Code - Irrevocable Employer Health Care Expenditure Requirement]

Sponsors: Campos; Avalos, Kim, Mar and Yee

Ordinance revising the Health Care Security Ordinance to require all health care expenditures to be made irrevocably; to establish a City public benefit program known as the Health Care Access Assistance Program (HCAAP); to describe the public benefits available under each of HCAAP's three component programs, Healthy San Francisco, Covered San Francisco, and Health Care Access Accounts; to set certain eligibility requirements for program participants; and to set an operative date of October 1, 2014.

04/01/14; ASSIGNED UNDER 30 DAY RULE to Neighborhood Services and Safety Committee, expires on 5/1/2014.

05/15/14; CONTINUED TO CALL OF THE CHAIR. Heard in Committee. Speakers: Hillary Ronen (Office of Supervisor David Campos); Colleen Chawla (Department of Public Health); Ellen Love, and Donna Levitt, Manager (Office of Labor Standards Enforcement); presented information concerning the matter and answered questions raised throughout the hearing. Cecilia Tran (Office of Assemblymember Tom Ammiano); Tim Paulson, Executive Director (San Francisco Labor Council); Merrill Buice (SF Community Clinic Consortium); Dave Knego (Curry Senior Center); Deena Lahn (SF Community Clinic Consortium); Monica Berini; Roma Guy; Sid C (California Alliance for Retired Americans); Dennis Kelly, President (United Educators of San Francisco); Ian Lewis (Local 2); Barbara Cesana (Senior and Disability Action); Don Bechler (Single Payer Now); Sandra Mack (California Alliance for Retired Americans); Mukulla Godwin; Scott Ibister (California Nurses Association); Dana Vinicoff (SF Organizing Project); Rosa Guss (Health Access California); Conny Ford (SF CLOUT); John Stead Mendez (SEIU Local 1021); Female Speaker; Barry Hermanson (Green Party); Susan Fang (Local 2); Tiffany Ng (Chinese Progressive Association); Tony Kelly; Gus Feldman (California Nurses Association); Meybel Landaverde, and Elizabeth deYoung (Local 2); John Eller (SF Alliance of Californians for Community Empowerment); Brenda Barros (SEIU 1021); Amber Parrish Baur (SF Labor Council); Kathe Burick (AFT 2121); Catalino Calonsag Jr., and Greg Luna (National Union of Healthcare Workers); Female Speaker; Kim Tavaglione (National Union of Healthcare Workers); Larry Edmund Juicye; spoke in support of the hearing matter. Jim Lazarus (SF Chamber of Commerce); Ron Silberstein (Golden Gate Restaurants Association); Regina Dick-Endrizzi, Department Head (Office of Small Business); Male Speaker; Guy Carson (California Music and Culture Association); Gwynth Borden (Golden Gate Restaurant Association); Margherita Sagan; Pete Sittnick (Waterbar/Epic Roasthouse); Laurie Thomas (Rose Pistola, Rose's Café, Terzo); Betty Louie (Chinatown Merchants Association); Lara Trappelli (Chalet Restaurants); Paul Geffner (Escape from New York Pizza); spoke in opposition to the hearing matter. Walter Paulson; spoke neither in support nor against the hearing matter.

Supervisor Mar was noted absent at 11:27 a.m. and present at 11:42 a.m.

Heard in Committee. Speakers: Barbara Garcia, Director (Department of Public Health); presented information concerning the matter and answered questions raised throughout the hearing. Nadia Conrad-Huayta (District Office of Assemblymember Tom Ammiano); Mike Casey, President (SF Labor Council); Michael Paul Pulizzano (SF Organizing Project); Merrill Buice (SF Community Clinic Consortium); Dana Vinicoff (SF Organizing Project); Deena Lahn (SF Community Clinic Consortium); Carolyn Samoa (UCSF); Amber Parrish Baur (SF Labor Council); Brenda Barros, and Ariana Casanova (SEIU 1021); Maureen Dugan (California Nurses Association); Conny Ford (SF Labor Council); Kathe Burick, and Alisa Messer (AFT 2121); spoke in support of the hearing matter. Steve Sarver (SF Soup Company); Gwynth Borden, Executive Director (Golden Gate Restaurant Association); Scott Hauge, President (CAL Insurance & Associates, Inc.); spoke in opposition to the hearing matter.

AMENDED, AN AMENDMENT OF THE WHOLE BEARING NEW TITLE by the following vote:

Ayes: 2 - Campos, Yee

Excused: 1 - Mar

Ordinance revising the Health Care Security Ordinance to require all health care expenditures to be made irrevocably; to clarify that the existing City public benefit program known as the Health Access Program (HAP) has two component programs, Healthy San Francisco and Medical Reimbursement Accounts; to charge the Department of Public Health with creating a plan to maximize HAP participants' enrollment in the State health insurance exchange, Covered California, by plan year 2016; and to set an operative date of October 1, 2014.

Supervisor Yee requested to be added as a cosponsor.

RECOMMENDED AS AMENDED by the following vote:

Ayes: 2 - Campos, Yee

Excused: 1 - Mar

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 10:59 a.m.