City and County of San Francisco
Meeting Minutes
Rules Committee

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Members: Shamann Walton, Stephen Sherrill, Rafael Mandelman

Clerk: Victor Young
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Monday, July 20, 2026 | **10:00 AM** | **City Hall, Legislative Chamber, Room 250**

Regular Meeting

Present: 3 - Shamann Walton, Stephen Sherrill, and Rafael Mandelman

The Rules Committee met in regular session on Monday, July 20, 2026, with Chair Shamann Walton presiding. Chair Walton called the meeting to order at 10:02 a.m.

ROLL CALL AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

On the call of the roll, Chair Walton, Vice Chair Sherrill, and Member Mandelman were noted present. A quorum of the Committee was present.

COMMUNICATIONS

Victor Young, Rules Committee Clerk, instructed members of the public that public comment is taken on each item on the agenda. Alternatively, written comments may be submitted through email (victor.young@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

260666 **[Mayoral Reappointment, Public Utilities Commission - Joshua Arce]**

Motion approving/rejecting the Mayor's nomination for the reappointment of Joshua Arce to the Public Utilities Commission, for a term ending August 1, 2030. (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: June 5, 2026.)

06/05/26; RECEIVED AND ASSIGNED to Rules Committee.

Heard in Committee. Speaker(s): Joshua Arce; spoke on their qualifications and answered questions raised throughout the discussion. Boris; Andrea Medana; spoke in support of the appointment of Joshua Arce.

Chair Walton moved that this Motion be AMENDED, AN AMENDMENT OF THE WHOLE BEARING NEW TITLE, to approve the Mayor's nomination for reappointment and making clarifying and conforming changes. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 3 - Walton, Sherrill, Mandelman

Motion approving the Mayor's nomination for the reappointment of Joshua Arce to the Public Utilities Commission, term ending August 1, 2030. (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: June 5, 2026.)

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

Ayes: 3 - Walton, Sherrill, Mandelman

260768 **[Mayoral Reappointment, Planning Commission - Lydia So]**

Motion approving/rejecting the Mayor's nomination for the reappointment of Lydia So, term ending June 30, 2030, to the Planning Commission. (Clerk of the Board)
(Charter, Section 4.105, provides that this nomination is subject to approval by the Board of Supervisors and shall be the subject of a public hearing and vote within 60 days from the date the nomination is transmitted to the Clerk of the Board. If the Board fails to act on the nomination within 60 days from the date the nomination is transmitted to the Clerk, then the nominee shall be deemed approved. Transmittal date: June 30, 2026.)

06/30/26; RECEIVED AND ASSIGNED to Rules Committee.

Heard in Committee. Speaker(s): Lydia So; spoke on their qualifications and answered questions raised throughout the discussion. Boris; Bryan Quan; spoke in support of the appointment of Lydia So.

Chair Walton moved that this Motion be AMENDED, AN AMENDMENT OF THE WHOLE BEARING NEW TITLE, to approve the Mayor's nomination for reappointment and making clarifying and conforming changes. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 3 - Walton, Sherrill, Mandelman

Motion approving the Mayor's nomination for the reappointment of Lydia So to the Planning Commission, term ending June 30, 2030. (Clerk of the Board)
(Charter, Section 4.105, provides that this nomination is subject to approval by the Board of Supervisors and shall be the subject of a public hearing and vote within 60 days from the date the nomination is transmitted to the Clerk of the Board. If the Board fails to act on the nomination within 60 days from the date the nomination is transmitted to the Clerk, then the nominee shall be deemed approved. Transmittal date: June 30, 2026.)

Chair Walton moved that this Motion be RECOMMENDED AS AMENDED AS A COMMITTEE REPORT. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 3 - Walton, Sherrill, Mandelman

Chair Walton requested File Nos. 260694 and 260823 be called together.

260694 **[Initiative Ordinance - Administrative Code - Affordable Grocery Fund]**

Sponsors: Mahmood; Melgar, Sherrill and Walton

Motion ordering submitted to the voters at an election to be held on November 3, 2026, an Ordinance amending the Administrative Code to create a fund to receive and expend monies appropriated and any gifts, grants, or donations to be used to expand access to affordable, nutritious food for City residents.

06/09/26; ASSIGNED UNDER 30 DAY RULE to Rules Committee, expires on 7/9/2026.

06/18/26; REFERRED TO DEPARTMENT. Referred to the City Attorney, Ethics Commission, Dept. of Elections, Office of the Treasurer and Tax Collector, Mayor's Office for informational purposes. Referred to the Planning Department, Controller's Office, and Department of Human Resources for review and report.

06/25/26; RESPONSE RECEIVED. Not defined as a project under CEQA Guidelines Sections

07/09/26; RESPONSE RECEIVED. Meet and Confer not required.

07/09/26; RESPONSE RECEIVED. Costing letter recieved.

07/13/26; AMENDED, AN AMENDMENT OF THE WHOLE BEARING SAME TITLE. Heard in Committee. Speaker(s): Supervisor Bilal Mahmood (Board of Supervisors); provided an overview and responded to questions raised throughout the discussion.

Supervisor Walton requested to be added as a co-sponsor.

07/13/26; CONTINUED AS AMENDED.

07/14/26; REFERRED TO DEPARTMENT. Referred to the City Attorney, Ethics Commission, Dept. of Elections, Office of the Treasurer and Tax Collector, Mayor's Office for informational purposes. Referred to the Planning Department, Controller's Office, and Department of Human Resources for review and report.

Heard in Committee. Speaker(s): Supervisor Bilal Mahmood (Board of Supervisors); provided an overview and responded to questions raised throughout the discussion. David Elliot; spoke in support of the matter. Speaker; spoke neither in support nor opposition on the matter

Chair Walton moved that this Motion be TABLED. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 3 - Walton, Sherrill, Mandelman

260829 **[Appointment, Sanitation and Streets Commission - Kimberlee Hartwig-Schulman]**

Hearing to consider appointing one member term ending July 1, 2030, to the Sanitation and Streets Commission. (Clerk of the Board)

Seat 2, succeeding Kimberlee Hartwig-Schulman, term expired, appointed by the Board of Supervisors, for a four-year term ending July 1, 2030.

07/15/26; RECEIVED AND ASSIGNED to Rules Committee.

Heard in Committee. Speaker(s): Kimberlee Hartwig-Schulman; spoke on their qualifications and answered questions raised throughout the discussion.

Kimberlee Hartwig-Schulman, seat 2, recommended.

PREPARED IN COMMITTEE AS A MOTION

Motion reappointing Kimberlee Hartwig-Schulman, term ending July 1, 2030, to the Sanitation and Streets Commission. (Clerk of the Board)
Kimberlee Hartwig-Schulman, seat 2, succeeding herself, appointed by the Board of Supervisors, for the unexpired portion of a four-year term ending July 1, 2030.

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

Ayes: 3 - Walton, Sherrill, Mandelman

260662 [Mayoral Reappointment, Building Inspection Commission - Lindsey Maclise]

Motion approving/rejecting the Mayor's nomination for the reappointment of Lindsey Maclise to the Building Inspection Commission, for a term ending July 1, 2028. (Clerk of the Board)
(Charter, Section 4.121, provides that this nomination is subject to approval by the Board of Supervisors and shall be the subject of a public hearing and vote within 60 days from the date the nomination is transmitted to the Clerk of the Board. If the Board fails to act on the nomination within 60 days from the date the nomination is transmitted to the Clerk, then the nominee shall be deemed approved. Transmittal date: June 5, 2026.)

06/05/26; RECEIVED AND ASSIGNED to Rules Committee.

Heard in Committee. Speaker(s): Lindsey Maclise; spoke on their qualifications and answered questions raised throughout the discussion.

Chair Walton moved that this Motion be AMENDED, AN AMENDMENT OF THE WHOLE BEARING NEW TITLE, to approve the Mayor's nomination for reappointment and making clarifying and conforming changes. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 3 - Walton, Sherrill, Mandelman

Motion approving the Mayor's nomination for the reappointment of Lindsey Maclise to the Building Inspection Commission, term ending July 1, 2028. (Clerk of the Board)
(Charter, Section 4.121, provides that this nomination is subject to approval by the Board of Supervisors and shall be the subject of a public hearing and vote within 60 days from the date the nomination is transmitted to the Clerk of the Board. If the Board fails to act on the nomination within 60 days from the date the nomination is transmitted to the Clerk, then the nominee shall be deemed approved. Transmittal date: June 5, 2026.)

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

Ayes: 3 - Walton, Sherrill, Mandelman

260663 [Mayoral Reappointment, Public Works Commission - Eleanor Blume]

Motion approving/rejecting the Mayor's nomination for the reappointment of Eleanor Blume to the Public Works Commission, for a term ending July 2, 2030. (Clerk of the Board)
(Charter, Section 4.141, provides that this nomination is subject to confirmation by the Board of Supervisors and shall be the subject of a public hearing and vote within 60 days from the date the nomination is transmitted to the Clerk of the Board. If the Board fails to act on the nomination within 60 days of the date the nomination is transmitted to the Clerk, then the nominee shall be deemed approved. Transmittal date: June 5, 2026.)

06/05/26; RECEIVED AND ASSIGNED to Rules Committee.

Heard in Committee. Speaker(s): None.

Chair Walton moved that this Motion be AMENDED, AN AMENDMENT OF THE WHOLE BEARING NEW TITLE, to approve the Mayor's nomination for reappointment and making clarifying and conforming changes. The motion carried by the following vote:

Motion approving the Mayor's nomination for the reappointment of Eleanor Blume to the Public Works Commission, term ending July 2, 2030. (Clerk of the Board)
(Charter, Section 4.141, provides that this nomination is subject to confirmation by the Board of Supervisors and shall be the subject of a public hearing and vote within 60 days from the date the nomination is transmitted to the Clerk of the Board. If the Board fails to act on the nomination within 60 days of the date the nomination is transmitted to the Clerk, then the nominee shall be deemed approved. Transmittal date: June 5, 2026.)

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

Ayes: 3 - Walton, Sherrill, Mandelman

260665 **[Mayoral Reappointment, Board of Appeals - John Trasvina]**

Motion approving/rejecting the Mayoral nomination for the reappointment of John Trasvina to the Board of Appeals, for a term ending July 1, 2030. (Clerk of the Board)
(Charter, Section 4.106, provides that this nomination is subject to approval by the Board of Supervisors and shall be the subject of a public hearing and vote within 60 days from the date the nomination is transmitted to the Clerk of the Board. If the Board fails to act on the nomination within 60 days from the date the nomination is transmitted to the Clerk, then the nominee shall be deemed approved. Transmittal date: June 5, 2026.)

06/05/26; RECEIVED AND ASSIGNED to Rules Committee.

Heard in Committee. Speaker(s): John Trasvina; spoke on their qualifications and answered questions raised throughout the discussion. Rebecca Saroyan, Vice-President (Board of Appeals); Speaker; spoke in support of the appointment of various applicant(s).

Chair Walton moved that this Motion be AMENDED, AN AMENDMENT OF THE WHOLE BEARING NEW TITLE, to approve the Mayor's nomination for reappointment and making clarifying and conforming changes. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 3 - Walton, Sherrill, Mandelman

Motion approving the Mayoral nomination for the reappointment of John Trasvina to the Board of Appeals, term ending July 1, 2030. (Clerk of the Board)
(Charter, Section 4.106, provides that this nomination is subject to approval by the Board of Supervisors and shall be the subject of a public hearing and vote within 60 days from the date the nomination is transmitted to the Clerk of the Board. If the Board fails to act on the nomination within 60 days from the date the nomination is transmitted to the Clerk, then the nominee shall be deemed approved. Transmittal date: June 5, 2026.)

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

Ayes: 3 - Walton, Sherrill, Mandelman

260827 **[Presidential Reappointment, Board of Appeals - Robin Abad Ocubillo]**

Motion approving/rejecting the President of the Board of Supervisors Rafael Mandelman's nomination of Robin Abad Ocubillo for reappointment to the Board of Appeals, term ending July 1, 2030. (Clerk of the Board)
(Charter, Section 4.106, provides that this nomination is subject to approval by the Board of Supervisors and shall be the subject of a public hearing and vote within 60 days from the date the nomination is transmitted to the Clerk of the Board. If the Board fails to act on the nomination within 60 days of the date the nomination is transmitted to the Clerk then the nominee shall be deemed approved. Transmittal date: July 9, 2026.)

07/15/26; RECEIVED AND ASSIGNED to Rules Committee.

Heard in Committee. Speaker(s): Robin Abad Ocubillo; spoke on their qualifications and answered questions raised throughout the discussion. John Trasvina, President and Rebecca Saroyan, Vice-President (Board of Appeals); spoke in support of the appointment of Robin Abad Ocubillo.

Chair Walton moved that this Motion be AMENDED, AN AMENDMENT OF THE WHOLE BEARING NEW TITLE, to approve the President's nomination for reappointment and making clarifying and conforming changes. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 3 - Walton, Sherrill, Mandelman

Motion approving the President of the Board of Supervisors Rafael Mandelman's nomination for the reappointment of Robin Abad Ocubillo to the Board of Appeals, term ending July 1, 2030. (Clerk of the Board)
(Charter, Section 4.106, provides that this nomination is subject to approval by the Board of Supervisors and shall be the subject of a public hearing and vote within 60 days from the date the nomination is transmitted to the Clerk of the Board. If the Board fails to act on the nomination within 60 days of the date the nomination is transmitted to the Clerk then the nominee shall be deemed approved. Transmittal date: July 9, 2026.)

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

Ayes: 3 - Walton, Sherrill, Mandelman

260823 **[Calling from Committee - Committee of the Whole - Initiative Ordinance - Business and Tax Regulations Code - Excise Tax on Keeping Parcels Last Used as Grocery Stores or Pharmacies Vacant or Using Them Differently - July 21, 2026]**

Sponsors: Mahmood; Chen, Dorsey and Fielder

Motion calling from the Budget and Finance Committee, pursuant to Board Rule 3.38, the proposed Initiative Ordinance (File No. 260693) to impose an excise tax, commencing in tax year 2027, on persons keeping vacant or using differently parcels last used, in whole or in part, as formula retail grocery stores or formula retail pharmacies on or after January 1, 2017; and scheduling the Board of Supervisors to sit as a Committee of the Whole at the meeting on July 21, 2026, at 3:00 p.m. to hold a public hearing to consider the proposed Initiative Ordinance.

07/14/26; RECEIVED AND ASSIGNED to Rules Committee.

Heard in Committee. Speaker(s): Supervisor Bilal Mahmood (Board of Supervisors); provided an overview and responded to questions raised throughout the discussion. David Elliot; spoke in support of the matter. Speaker; spoke neither in support nor opposition on the matter

Chair Walton moved that this Motion be TABLED. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 3 - Walton, Sherrill, Mandelman

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the Rules Committee adjourned at the hour of 10:50 a.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.