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**To:** [Young, Victor \(BOS\)](#)  
**Subject:** Confirmation of Kathrin Moore  
**Date:** Sunday, April 3, 2022 6:38:25 PM

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Let me add my support of re-appointing Kathrin Moore to the Planning Commission.

Commissioner Moore has been an extremely valuable member of the Planning Commission. As an architect, she brings a vast knowledge to the Commission.

She can read the plans, spot holes, and identify areas for improvement.

In addition, she has her many years of experience on the Planning Commission. Most Commissioners lack her depth of knowledge of planning code, history of projects approved/disapproved, impacts of public policy changes, the Housing Element, and San Francisco neighborhoods.

She is honest and serves the public well.

She is forthright, not reluctant to raise concerns, and also a good team player.

She is able to work well with others, even when they may disagree.

And she does her homework. It can take 20 hours or more each week to prepare for a Planning Commission meeting, and Kathrin Moore has always taken the time.

It is amazing that such a knowledgeable, valuable person is willing to do so much for the City of San Francisco and our residents!

I urge you to recommend her confirmation.

Cordially,

Tes Welborn  
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**From:** [T.Flandrich](#)  
**To:** [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Chan, Connie \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#)  
**Cc:** [Young, Victor \(BOS\)](#); [Moore, Kathrin \(CPC\)](#)  
**Subject:** Rules Cmte April 4, 2022 Item #1 220283 APPROVE Reappointment Planning Commissioner Kathrin Moore  
**Date:** Sunday, April 3, 2022 8:56:38 PM

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Dear Supervisors,

I am writing in support of the reappointment of Planning Commissioner Kathrin Moore. I can't tell you how relieved I am that Ms Moore is willing to continue serving us, all San Franciscans, especially at this crucial time.

I had been worried that if she were to step down, we would no longer have the "teacher" that she is, a teacher for her colleagues, the public, and for developers. Ms Moore applies and shares her institutional knowledge at each hearing, with each project, and always with an eye to equity.

In gratitude for your support,  
Theresa Flandrich

# Russian Hill Community Association

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April 3, 2022

President Shamann Walton  
Board of Supervisors  
City and County of San Francisco

Re: Reappointment of Kathrin Moore to the San Francisco Planning Commission

Greetings President Walton:

The Russian Hill Community Association thanks and commends you for initiating the reappointment of Kathrin Moore to the San Francisco Planning Commission.

Commissioner Moore has served San Francisco and the City's communities for over a decade. The time, energy and effort she invests in studying each project presented to the Planning Commission is legendary.

One particular situation RHCA members recount shows Commissioner Moore's handling of a challenging case – a garage planned on a particularly narrow alley. The Project Sponsor and the Project Sponsor's attorneys described the need the handicapped owner had for a garage which would facilitate access to the garage level apartment. The Planner supported the request and the Commission appeared ready to approve...UNTIL Commissioner Moore noted that a three-point turn would be required for a vehicle to enter the garage and that a handicapped individual would be unable to exit because the apartment access was not ADU compliant. The Commission voted unanimously to deny the permit.

It is that attention to detail and the unquestionable understanding of the Code, the Process and the Context that makes the difference in Kathrin Moore's service.

Commissioner Moore does not always agree with our requests to the Commission. But her explanations are always patiently given and always clear. She educates her colleagues on the Commission and all of us in the community.

The Russian Hill Community Association supports unequivocally the re-appointment of Commissioner Kathrin Moore to the San Francisco Planning Commission. We look forward to working with and learning from her for years to come.

Cordially,

*Kathleen Courtney*

Chair, Housing and Zoning Committee

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Cc: Supervisors Aaron Peskin, Rafael Mandelman, Connie Chan; PANA Robyn Tucker; RHCA Jamie Cherry, John Borruso, RHCA Leadership Team

**From:** [Stephanie Peek](#)  
**To:** [Young, Victor \(BOS\)](#)  
**Subject:** Re-appoint Kathrin Moore  
**Date:** Monday, April 4, 2022 9:55:33 AM

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Dear Mr. Young,

I urge you to reappoint Kathrin Moore to the Planning Commission. She is the only architect and the only urban designer on the Planning Commission. Very, very few architects are also trained in urban design so no replacement is going to have her qualifications.

In addition to studying and actually visiting the projects under review, she listens to everyone; she understands when projects will affect tenants -- often buried in the plans.

She is also one of the few who have been around long enough to see exactly how Building and Planning function together. We need someone who understands the system they need to fix.

Ms. Moore has been awarded the ACIP by the Urban Land Institute, a lifetime award equivalent to the Pritzker.

San Francisco needs qualified commissioners on the Planning Commission. Ms. Moore's presence is especially important during this current period of increased home construction/demolition and rapidly escalating home prices.

Thank you,

Stephanie Peek,

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## Resume

**Kathrin Moore AICP, AIA**

**MooreUrban Design 2000- present, Principal**

**Skidmore, Owings & Merrill 1972 - 2000**

**Associate Partner Director Urban Design & Planning**

As architect, specializing in urban design Kathrin Moore has been in professional practice for thirty eight years+, including twenty seven years as director of SOM - Skidmore, Owings & Merrill's Urban Design Studio in San Francisco.

Educated as an architect in Europe and the US (M Arc Yale), Ms. Moore has led the design of major urban design and planning projects in the U.S. and abroad, with significant experience in all project types and scales.

Diverse experience includes the design of cities and new communities, mixed-use developments with residential, retail, business, and open space components, waterfront development, campus planning, transportation, open space and recreation projects.

Ms. Moore has led the design of many award-winning master plans; she has extensively written and lectured nationally and internationally on urban design and planning issues. Visiting Professor in urban design, Ms. Moore taught at the University of Stuttgart, Germany for 10 years. Ms. Moore has been a frequent juror of urban design competitions and awards. Beyond extensive experience in California and the US, Ms. Moore has worked on diverse large development master plans in Vietnam, China, Malaysia, Indonesia, Japan, Thailand, the Philippines, Brazil, Europe, Saudi Arabia, Iran and the United Arab Emirates.

Most recent projects include master plans for a resort and a residential project in the scenic mountains surrounding Dai Lai Lake, north of Hanoi, Vietnam. Other projects include master plans for sites along Halong Bay – Vietnam, a world heritage site of exceptional scenic qualities and focus of eco-friendly tourism development. For Da Nang, Vietnam Ms. Moore updated the General Plan and designed the Vision Plan for

Da Nang towards 2025.

Ms. Moore sits on a number of civic boards, including the California-Asia Business Council. She was acting 2004 Chair of the American Institute of Architects – AIA, National Regional and Urban Design Committee. Appointed by the Board of Supervisors in 2005, she sits on the San Francisco Waterfront Design Advisory Committee.

In July 2006 Ms. Moore was appointed by the Board of Supervisors as Commissioner to the San Francisco Planning Commission. In March 2008 Ms. Moore was appointed to the Advisory Board of Tri Viet University in Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam. In 2009 Ms. Moore was confirmed to sit on the Urban Design Advisory Board of the Vietnam Green Building Council – VNBC, in Hanoi.

In 2010, she was reappointed to the San Francisco Planning Commission for a second term; in 2014, she was reappointed for a third term. Since 2014 Ms. Moore serves on the San Francisco Civic Design Review Board.

**From:** [Kathleen Courtney](#)  
**To:** [Young, Victor \(BOS\)](#); [BOS-Appointments](#)  
**Cc:** [John Borruso](#)  
**Subject:** FW: In Support of the Reappointment of Kathrin Moore to the San Francisco Planning Commission  
**Date:** Monday, April 4, 2022 5:02:56 PM

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Victor, as Clerk of the Rules Committee, we request that you add John Borruso's statement to the Kathrin Moore file. Thank you, Kathleen

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-----Original Message-----

From: John Borruso [<mailto:borruso@mindspring.com>]  
Sent: Monday, April 04, 2022 10:08 AM  
To: President Shamann Walton  
Cc: Supervisor Aaron Peskin; Supervisor Connie Chan; Robyn Tucker; Jamie Cherry; Supervisor Rafael Mandelman; Kathleen Courtney  
Subject: In Support of the Reappointment of Kathrin Moore to the San Francisco Planning Commission

President Walton,

I am writing to express my strong support for the reappointment of Kathrin Moore to the San Francisco Planning Commission. Commissioner Moore's deep understanding of San Francisco's built environment and the needs of community members make her an essential member of the Commission. Her sensitivity and insight have guided many complex projects to successful outcomes, and I am grateful that she is willing to continue helping San Franciscans in this critical role.

Sincerely,  
John Borruso

**From:** [Kathleen Courtney](#)  
**To:** [BOS-Appointments; Young, Victor \(BOS\)](#)  
**Cc:** [Ader Gandhi](#)  
**Subject:** FW: Congratulations on the reappointment of Kathrine Moore to the Planning Commission  
**Date:** Monday, April 4, 2022 5:08:37 PM

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Victor, as Clerk of the Rules Committee, we're asking you to add Mr. Gandhi's email to the file for Kathrin Moore.

Many thanks, Kathleen

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Chair, Housing & Zoning Committee  
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**From:** agandi@aol.com [mailto:agandi@aol.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, April 04, 2022 10:21 AM  
**To:** Shamann.Walton@sfgov.org  
**Subject:** Congratulations on the reappointment of Kathrine Moore to the Planning Commission

Dear Shamann Walton,

I would like to congratulate you and Kathrine Moore on her reappointment to the Planning Commission.

She has been a stalwart advocate of sane neighborhood development over the years and I appreciate her perseverance and dedication to her duties.

Thank you.

Ader Gandhi  
Russian Hill Resident  
Member of the Russian Hill Community Association.



April 3, 2022

Dear Honorable members:

I strongly support the reappointment of Vice President Commissioner Kathrin Moore to the Planning Commission. It has been a great honor and privilege to work with Commissioner Moore in the last two years since I took a position as Commissioner, and this letter alone cannot fully express my gratitude and admiration as her colleague in this very important body. Yes, her extensive knowledge in urban planning and architecture serves a very important factor; however it's more than that, she brings necessary insights in every items from policy recommendations to discretionary reviews that is presented in Planning Commission. Her insights goes beyond the aesthetics of planning and architecture, and in effect challenges the Commission and the Department to think and imagine differently for a better quality of life in San Francisco.

But most of all, what makes her remarkable is her ability to listen to the community intently and to listen to the most vulnerable. She is an important ally and advocate for racial and social equity in Planning. In the jargon of the planning codes language, she's able to articulate the needs of people of color community and why those matter in the decision that we are about to make.

Commissioner Moore is a force and I admire her tenacity and endurance to serve the people of San Francisco. San Francisco is very lucky to have a commissioner that has the wealth of skill and knowledge; and embodies the duty to public service in all essence. And I'm very honored to work with her every week in the Planning Commission. Please re-appoint Vice Commissioner Moore in the Planning Commission.

Sincerely,



Theresa Imperial

**From:** [Sasha Gala](#)  
**To:** [Moore, Kathrin \(CPC\)](#)  
**Cc:** [Chan, Connie \(BOS\)](#); [Young, Victor \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [raphael.mandelman@sfgov.org](mailto:raphael.mandelman@sfgov.org)  
**Subject:** Support for Kathrin Moore - a commissioner for the people!  
**Date:** Wednesday, March 30, 2022 3:01:58 PM

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Dear Commissioner Moore,

cc: Rules Committee + Victor Young

**THANK YOU** for offering to serve 4 more years as a Commissioner. **You are the only one on the Commission who votes against the destruction of affordable housing and stands with neighborhoods, tenants and POC on a regular basis** (besides Commissioner Imperial).

While other Commissioners are either shamelessly supporting unscrupulous developers and un-housing the working class, appear comatose during hearings, or are just pretending to care for show, you are the voice of reason during the agonizing merry-go-round hearings.

**Thank you for being you, for not being a sellout, and for offering to serve our beautiful San Francisco for 4 more years.**

Gratefully,

Sasha Gala

**From:** [Matthew Boden](#)  
**To:** [Moore, Kathrin \(CPC\)](#)  
**Cc:** [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Chan, Connie \(BOS\)](#); [Young, Victor \(BOS\)](#); [raphael.mandelman@sfgov.org](mailto:raphael.mandelman@sfgov.org)  
**Subject:** affirmation and gratitude for Kathrin Moore  
**Date:** Wednesday, March 30, 2022 8:41:42 AM

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Commissioner Moore,

To our great relief and joy, I learned that you are accepting another 4 year term on the Planning Commission. The vast majority of the Commission is disengaged or simply looking out for developers and the wealthy while you continue to advocate for the middle and working class, people of color, tenants and affordable housing.

Your thoughtful questions and analysis each week at the hearings make clear how hard you work and how much you care. Thanks for all you do!

Matt Boden