Lynne Newhouse Segal

Bio

Lynne Newhouse Segal is an experienced public official, having served as a member of the Board of Directors of the Golden Gate Bridge, Highway, and Transportation District; San Francisco Recreation and Parks Commissioner, San Francisco Film Commissioner, and Rockland County, NY, Human Rights Commsssioner. Currently retired, she had a career as an attorney in public and private practice, and as a public affairs and fundraising professional for clients including the Democratic National Committee and University of California Hastings College of the Law. She served as Staff Attorney for U.S. Congressman Tom Lantos, General Counsel for Metron Technology Corporaton, and in private practice specializing in municipal law.

Newhouse Segal is a life-long activist for social and political justice. From early adulthood she was a feminist leader and advocate for women's, minority, and LGBTQ political, social, privacy, health, and economic rights having served as a Human Rights Commissioner, and her work with NWPC, NAACP, National Council of Jewish Women, NOW, NARAL, AIDS Foundation, and the Democratic Party.

As a result of her appointment to the SF Recreation and Parks Commission, Newhouse Segal became a dedicated Parks and Open Space activist, bringing parks advocates and neighbors together with public officials and philanthropists to create beautiful and safe playgrounds, recreation areas, and open space throughout San Francisco, and to appreciate how they interact with all aspects of urban life. Long after her tenure as a public official, Newhouse Segal's love of San Francisco and commitment to citizen involvement and localism is evidenced in her advocacy and activism on the boards of Pacific Heights Residents Association and Friends of Lafayette Park, and as an enthusiastic community representative and advocate.

As a former distance runner, and now a retiree and active senior jogger, walker, and grandparent, Newhouse Segal has the opportunity to regularly observe and use San Francisco parks, trails, playgrounds, streets, transportation, commercial areas, and interact with fellow users. She appreciates their importance as the threads that connect and define our dynamic urban life together.