

File No. 240567

Committee Item No. 2

Board Item No. \_\_\_\_\_

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Completed by: Brent Jalipa Date August 29, 2024

Completed by: Brent Jalipa Date \_\_\_\_\_

1 [Police Commission - Statement of Purpose]

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3 **Resolution approving the Police Commission’s Statement of Purpose, pursuant to**  
4 **Charter, Section 4.102(2).**

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6 WHEREAS, Charter, Section 4.109, establishes and sets forth the composition,  
7 powers, and duties of the Police Commission (Commission) for the City and County of San  
8 Francisco; and

9 WHEREAS, Charter, Section 4.102(2), requires Charter commissions to develop and  
10 keep current a Statement of Purpose that outlines its areas of jurisdiction, authorities, purpose  
11 and goals, subject to review and approval by the Mayor and the Board of Supervisors; and

12 WHEREAS, Statements of Purpose, as required by Charter, Section 4.102(2), are  
13 typically incorporated into the annual budget appropriations ordinance, and approved by the  
14 Board of Supervisors as part of the budget process; and

15 WHEREAS, On May 8, 2024, the Commission approved Resolution No. 24-58, which  
16 directed the Commission’s Statement of Purpose be forwarded to the Mayor and Board of  
17 Supervisors for approval, on file with the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors in Board File  
18 No. 240567; now, therefore, be it

19 RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco  
20 hereby approves the Statement of Purpose submitted by the Police Commission, pursuant to  
21 Charter, Section 4.102(2).

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# The Police Commission

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## CITY AND COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO

May 9, 2024

Honorable Mayor Breed and Board of Supervisors  
City Hall  
#1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place  
San Francisco, CA 94102

CINDY ELIAS  
President

MAX CARTER-OBERSTONE  
Vice President

LARRY YEE  
Commissioner

JESUS YÁÑEZ  
Commissioner

KEVIN BENEDICTO  
Commissioner

Dear Honorable Mayor Breed and Supervisors:

At the meeting of the Police Commission on Wednesday, May 8, 2024, the following resolution was adopted:

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Sergeant Stacy Youngblood  
Secretary

**RESOLUTION NO. 24-58**

**APPROVAL TO FORWARD THE POLICE COMMISSION'S "STATEMENT OF PURPOSE" TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AND MAYOR FOR APPROVAL;**

RESOLVED, that pursuant to San Francisco Charter Section 4.102 the Police Commission hereby approves forwarding the Commission's "Statement of Purpose" to the Mayor and Board of Supervisors for approval.

AYES: Commissioners Benedicto, Yanez, Byrne, Vice President Carter-Oberstone and President Elias

NAY: Commissioner Yee

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Stacy Youngblood", is written over a blue horizontal line.

Sergeant Stacy Youngblood  
Secretary  
THE POLICE COMMISSION

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## **Statement of Purpose and Jurisdiction**

### **San Francisco Police Commission**

#### **Who We Are and What We Do**

The San Francisco Police Commission (Commission) is a seven-member volunteer citizen agency tasked with overseeing the San Francisco Police Department (SFPD) and the Department of Police Accountability (DPA). As to SFPD, the Commission has three main powers. The first is to promulgate regulations, known as Department General Orders (DGOs), that set forth policies governing the conduct of officers in the field as well as SFPD's institutional obligations. Second, it adjudicates cases of officer discipline. Third, it assesses the performance of the Chief of Police. As to this last power, the Commission may remove the Chief by majority vote (the Mayor, acting unilaterally, may also remove the Chief). In the case of a Chief of Police vacancy, the Commission proposes three potential candidates from which the Mayor may select a nominee for the job. The Commission does not have power over hiring decisions, officer deployment, or other day-to-day departmental operations. Those powers reside with the Chief of Police.

Four of the Commission's seven members are nominated by the Mayor, subject to confirmation by the Board of Supervisors, while three are selected by the Board of Supervisors. Commission meetings are open to the public and are generally held the first three Wednesdays of the month at City Hall.

#### **Our Goals & Principles**

1. To enhance the quality of life and level of public safety in San Francisco.
2. To enact policies that reflect evidence-based best practices as well as input from the community at large and the officers who will be tasked with carrying out the policy in question.
3. To promote accountability and transparency at SFPD, including by holding hearings on matters of public interest, and by requesting and reviewing documents and data from SFPD and DPA.
4. To ensure that DPA has access to the documents and data necessary to provide policy recommendations and to conduct audits of SFPD.
5. To educate the public about matters of public safety and police oversight, and to solicit public feedback and criticism.
6. To interpret the meaning of any DGO in the event that there is a need for clarity.
7. To serve the public interest with integrity, transparency, and independence.

8. To understand and balance the purported benefits of rules and policies against the cost of implementation.

### **Jurisdiction and Authority**

The Commission's general authority is set forth in Sec. 4.102, 4.104, and 4.109 of the City Charter. There, the Commission is authorized to set policies consistent with the overall objectives of the City and County (Sec. 4.102); and to adopt rules consistent with the City Charter (4.104) and rules necessary to provide for the efficiency of the Department (Sec.4.109). Sec. 4.136 of the City Charter establishes the Department of Police Accountability under the authority of the Police Commission.

**Introduction Form**

*(by a Member of the Board of Supervisors or the Mayor)*

I hereby submit the following item for introduction (select only one):

- 1. For reference to Committee (Ordinance, Resolution, Motion or Charter Amendment)
- 2. Request for next printed agenda (For Adoption Without Committee Reference)  
*(Routine, non-controversial and/or commendatory matters only)*
- 3. Request for Hearing on a subject matter at Committee
- 4. Request for Letter beginning with "Supervisor \_\_\_\_\_ inquiries..."
- 5. City Attorney Request
- 6. Call File No. \_\_\_\_\_ from Committee.
- 7. Budget and Legislative Analyst Request (attached written Motion)
- 8. Substitute Legislation File No. \_\_\_\_\_
- 9. Reactivate File No. \_\_\_\_\_
- 10. Topic submitted for Mayoral Appearance before the Board on \_\_\_\_\_

The proposed legislation should be forwarded to the following (please check all appropriate boxes):

- Small Business Commission     Youth Commission     Ethics Commission
- Planning Commission     Building Inspection Commission     Human Resources Department

General Plan Referral sent to the Planning Department (proposed legislation subject to Charter 4.105 & Admin 2A.53):

- Yes                       No

*(Note: For Imperative Agenda items (a Resolution not on the printed agenda), use the Imperative Agenda Form.)*

Sponsor(s):

Clerk of the Board

Subject:

Police Commission - Statement of Purpose

Long Title or text listed:

Resolution approving the Police Commission's Statement of Purpose, pursuant to Charter Section 4.102(2).

Signature of Requester:

