



# City and County of San Francisco

## Meeting Minutes

### Rules Committee

City Hall  
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San Francisco, CA 94102-4689

*Members: Matt Dorsey, Shamann Walton, Ahsha Safai*

*Clerk: Victor Young  
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**Monday, May 22, 2023**

**10:00 AM**

**City Hall, Legislative Chamber, Room 250**

### **Regular Meeting**

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**Present:** 3 - Matt Dorsey, Shamann Walton, and Ahsha Safai

*The Rules Committee met in regular session, in-person with remote access and public comment via telephone, on Monday, May 22, 2023, with Chair Matt Dorsey presiding. Chair Dorsey called the meeting to order at 10:01 a.m.*

### **Remote Access to Information and Participation**

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### **ROLL CALL AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

*On the call of the roll, Chair Dorsey, Vice-Chair Walton, and Member Safai were noted present. A quorum of the committee was present.*

### **COMMUNICATIONS**

*Victor Young, Rules Committee Clerk, instructed members of the public, that when general public comment is called, to contribute live comments in-person or by dialing the telephone number published on the agenda and scrolling across the screen. Clerk Young further announced that in-person public comment will be taken before remote public comment is called.*

*(Those who are providing public comment remotely must dial \*3 to be added to the remote queue to speak. Written comments may be submitted through email ([victor.young@sfgov.org](mailto: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

*Chair Dorsey requested that File Nos. 230444, 230445, and 230492 be called together.*

### **230444 [Mayoral Reappointment, City Hall Preservation Advisory Commission - Ellen Schumer]**

Motion approving/rejecting the Mayor's nomination for reappointment of Ellen Schumer to the City Hall Preservation Advisory Commission, term ending January 13, 2026. (Clerk of the Board) (Administrative Code, Section 5.241, provides that members shall be appointed by the Mayor subject to confirmation by the majority of the Board of Supervisors. There is no deadline for confirmation and the appointment is not effective until the Board takes actions. Transmittal date: April 15, 2023.)

Seat 1, succeeding Ellen Schumer, must be an expert in history of City Hall, for the unexpired portion of a four-year term ending January 13, 2026.

04/18/23; RECEIVED AND ASSIGNED to Rules Committee.

*Heard in Committee. Speakers: Ellen Schumer; Clarence Blanchard; spoke on their qualifications and answered questions raised throughout the discussion. Laurie Pennant; David Pilpel; spoke in support of the appointment of various applicants.*

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

Ayes: 3 - Dorsey, Walton, Safai

Motion approving the Mayor's nomination for reappointment of Ellen Schumer to the City Hall Preservation Advisory Commission, term ending January 13, 2026. (Clerk of the Board) (Administrative Code, Section 5.241, provides that members shall be appointed by the Mayor subject to confirmation by the majority of the Board of Supervisors. There is no deadline for confirmation and the appointment is not effective until the Board takes actions. Transmittal date: April 15, 2023.)

Ellen Schumer, seat 1, must be an expert in history of City Hall, for the unexpired portion of a four-year term ending January 13, 2026.

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

Ayes: 3 - Dorsey, Walton, Safai

**230445 [Mayoral Reappointment, City Hall Preservation Advisory Commission - Mae Woo]**

Motion approving/rejecting the Mayor's nomination for reappointment of Mae Woo to the City Hall Preservation Advisory Commission, term ending January 13, 2026. (Clerk of the Board) (Administrative Code, Section 5.241, provides that members shall be appointed by the Mayor subject to confirmation by the majority of the Board of Supervisors. There is no deadline for confirmation and the appointment is not effective until the Board takes actions. Transmittal date: April 15, 2023.)

Seat 2, succeeding Mae Woo, must be a member of the public, for the unexpired portion of a four-year term ending January 13, 2026.

04/18/23; RECEIVED AND ASSIGNED to Rules Committee.

*Heard in Committee. Speakers: Ellen Schumer; Clarence Blanchard; spoke on their qualifications and answered questions raised throughout the discussion. Laurie Pennant; David Pilpel; spoke in support of the appointment of various applicants.*

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

Ayes: 3 - Dorsey, Walton, Safai

Motion approving the Mayor's nomination for reappointment of Mae Woo to the City Hall Preservation Advisory Commission, term ending January 13, 2026. (Clerk of the Board) (Administrative Code, Section 5.241, provides that members shall be appointed by the Mayor subject to confirmation by the majority of the Board of Supervisors. There is no deadline for confirmation and the appointment is not effective until the Board takes actions. Transmittal date: April 15, 2023.)

Mae Woo, seat 2, must be a member of the public, for the unexpired portion of a four-year term ending January 13, 2026.

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

Ayes: 3 - Dorsey, Walton, Safai

**230492 [Mayoral Appointment, City Hall Preservation Advisory Commission - Clarence Blanchard]**

Motion approving/rejecting the Mayor's nomination for appointment of Clarence Blanchard to the City Hall Preservation Advisory Commission, term ending January 13, 2024. (Clerk of the Board) (Administrative Code, Section 5.241, provides that members shall be appointed by the Mayor subject to confirmation by the majority of the Board of Supervisors. There is no deadline for confirmation and the appointment is not effective until the Board takes actions. Transmittal date: April 26, 2023.)

Seat 5, succeeding Patrick Carney, resigned, must be an expert on building maintenance and repair, for the unexpired portion of a four-year term ending January 13, 2024.

04/25/23; RECEIVED AND ASSIGNED to Rules Committee.

*Heard in Committee. Speakers: Ellen Schumer; Clarence Blanchard; spoke on their qualifications and answered questions raised throughout the discussion. Laurie Pennant; David Pilpel; spoke in support of the appointment of various applicants.*

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

Ayes: 3 - Dorsey, Walton, Safai

Motion approving the Mayor's nomination for appointment of Clarence Blanchard to the City Hall Preservation Advisory Commission, term ending January 13, 2024. (Clerk of the Board) (Administrative Code, Section 5.241, provides that members shall be appointed by the Mayor subject to confirmation by the majority of the Board of Supervisors. There is no deadline for confirmation and the appointment is not effective until the Board takes actions. Transmittal date: April 26, 2023.)

Clarence Blanchard, seat 5, must be an expert on building maintenance and repair, for the unexpired portion of a four-year term ending January 13, 2024.

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

Ayes: 3 - Dorsey, Walton, Safai

**230528 [Appointments, Cannabis Oversight Committee - Ali Jamalian, Adam Hayes, Apollo Wallace, Drakari Donaldson, David Nogales Talley, Shay Aaron Gilmore, and Antoinette Mobley]**

Hearing to consider appointing nine members, terms ending December 3, 2024, to the Cannabis Oversight Committee. (Rules Committee)

Seat 8, succeeding Ali Jamalian, term expired, must be held by an Owner of a Cannabis Business permitted through the Equity Program, for the unexpired portion of a two-year term ending December 3, 2024.

Seat 9, succeeding Aaron Flynn, term expired, must be held by the operator of a Cannabis cultivation, manufacturing, or distribution business with fewer than 20 employees at the time of appointment, for the unexpired portion of a two-year term ending December 3, 2024.

Seat 10, succeeding Ryan McGilley, term expired, must be held by a representative of organized labor who works with the Cannabis business labor force, for the unexpired portion of a two-year term ending December 3, 2024.

Seat 11, succeeding Doug Bloch, term expired, must be held by a representative of organized labor who works with the Cannabis delivery service labor force, for the unexpired portion of a two-year term ending December 3, 2024.

Seat 12, succeeding Shawn Richard, term expired, must be held by an owner of a storefront Cannabis retailer, for the unexpired portion of a two-year term ending December 3, 2024.

Seat 13, succeeding Leah 'Nina Parks' Weitz, term expired, must be held by a person who, at the time of the appointment, is an Equity Applicant, as that term is defined in Police Code, Subsection 1604(b), for the unexpired portion of a two-year term ending December 3, 2024.

Seat 14, succeeding Brendan Hallinan, term expired, must be held by a person with demonstrated subject matter expertise on the State of California's Cannabis laws and regulations, for the unexpired portion of a two-year term ending December 3, 2024.

Seat 15, succeeding Theresa Foglio-Ramirez, term expired, new appointment, must be held by a person with significant experience in workforce and economic development, for the unexpired portion of a two-year term ending December 3, 2024.

Seat 16, Sara Payan, term expired, must be held by a person who has been a Medicinal Cannabis patient or Medicinal Cannabis consumer for at least five years, with an extensive history advocating for Medicinal Cannabis patients or involvement in implementing and running a Cannabis compassionate use program in compliance with the Compassionate Use Act of 1996, for the unexpired portion of a two-year term ending December 3, 2024.

05/08/23; RECEIVED AND ASSIGNED to Rules Committee.

*Heard in Committee. Speakers: Ali Jamalian; Alexander Asfeaw; DeShawn Davis; Drakari Donaldson; Joshua Malcolm Weitz; Adam Hayes; Apollo Wallace; Perry Jones; Wyatt Lin; David Nogales Talley; Walter Redding Jr.; William Dolan; Romwald Connolly; Rubin Sorrell II; Luis Alejandro Rodriguez; Shay Aaron Gilmore; Antoinette Mobley; Bram Goodwin; spoke on their qualifications and answered questions raised throughout the discussion. Andre Torres; Joyce Hicks; Ben Bleiman; David Goldman; Speaker; Joe Trios; Llyod Smith; Ms. Moffett; Antoinette White; Michael Cohen (San Francisco Democratic Club); spoke in support of the appointment of various applicants. Nina Parks; spoke on various concerns relating to the hearing matter.*

*Ali Jamalian, seat 8, recommended.*

*Adam Hayes, seat 9, recommended.*

*Apollo Wallace, seat 11, recommended (residency requirement waived).*

*Drakari Donaldson, seat 12, recommended.*

*David Nogales Talley, seat 13, recommended (residency requirement waived).*

*Shay Aaron Gilmore, seat 14, recommended.*

*Antoinette Mobley, seat 16, recommended.*

#### **PREPARED IN COMMITTEE AS A MOTION**

Motion appointing Ali Jamalian, Adam Hayes, Apollo Wallace (residency requirement waived), Drakari Donaldson, David Nogales Talley (residency requirement waived), Shay Aaron Gilmore, and Antoinette Mobley, terms ending December 3, 2024, to the Cannabis Oversight Committee. (Rules Committee)

Ali Jamalian, seat 8, succeeding themselves, must be held by an Owner of a Cannabis Business permitted through the Equity Program, for the unexpired portion of a two-year term ending December 3, 2024.

Adam Hayes, seat 9, succeeding Aaron Flynn, term expired, must be held by the operator of a Cannabis cultivation, manufacturing, or distribution business with fewer than 20 employees at the time of appointment, for the unexpired portion of a two-year term ending December 3, 2024.

Apollo Wallace (residency requirement waived), seat 11, succeeding Doug Bloch, term expired, must be held by a representative of organized labor who works with the Cannabis delivery service labor force, for the unexpired portion of a two-year term ending December 3, 2024.

Drakari Donaldson, seat 12, succeeding Shawn Richard, term expired, must be held by an owner of a storefront Cannabis retailer, for the unexpired portion of a two-year term ending December 3, 2024.

David Nogales Talley (residency requirement waived), seat 13, succeeding Leah 'Nina Parks' Weitz, term expired, must be held by a person who, at the time of the appointment, is an Equity Applicant, as that term is defined in Police Code, Subsection 1604(b), for the unexpired portion of a two-year term ending December 3, 2024;

Shay Aaron Gilmore, seat 14, succeeding Brendan Hallinan, term expired, must be held by a person with demonstrated subject matter expertise on the State of California's Cannabis laws and regulations, for the unexpired portion of a two-year term ending December 3, 2024.

Antoinette Mobley, seat 16, succeeding Sara Payan, term expired, must be held by a person who has been a Medicinal Cannabis patient or Medicinal Cannabis consumer for at least five years, with an extensive history advocating for Medicinal Cannabis patients or involvement in implementing and running a Cannabis compassionate use program in compliance with the Compassionate Use Act of 1996, for the unexpired portion of a two-year term ending December 3, 2024.

**Chair Dorsey moved that this Motion be RECOMMENDED. The motion carried by the following vote:**

Ayes: 3 - Dorsey, Walton, Safai

## **ADJOURNMENT**

*There being no further business, the Rules Committee adjourned at the hour of 11:24 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.*