



City and County of San Francisco

Meeting Minutes

Rules Committee

City Hall
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place
San Francisco, CA 94102-4689

Members: John Avalos, Katy Tang, Malia Cohen

Clerk: Derek Evans (415) 554-7702

Thursday, December 10, 2015

10:00 AM

Legislative Chamber, Room 250

Rescheduled Meeting

President London Breed appointed Supervisor Mark Farrell, in place of Supervisor Katy Tang, to the Rules Committee meeting of December 10, 2015.

The Rules Committee met in a rescheduled session on Thursday, December 10, 2015, with Chair John Avalos presiding.

Present: 4 - John Avalos, Malia Cohen, Mark Farrell, and Scott Wiener

Absent: 1 - Katy Tang

ROLL CALL AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Chair Avalos called the meeting to order at 10:13 a.m. On the call of the roll, Chair Avalos, Supervisor Cohen, and Supervisor Farrell were noted present. There was a quorum.

AGENDA CHANGES

There were no agenda changes.

REGULAR AGENDA

151249 [Appointments, Park, Recreation, and Open Space Advisory Committee - Patricia Delgado, Robert Brust, and Richard Rothman]

Hearing to consider appointing three members, terms ending February 1, 2017, to the Park, Recreation, and Open Space Advisory Committee. (Clerk of the Board)

Vacant seat 2, succeeding Patricia Delgado, term expired, must be nominated by the District 9

Supervisor and from District 9, for the unexpired portion of a two-year term ending February 1, 2017.

Vacant seat 8, succeeding Robert Brust, term expired, must be nominated by the District 8

Supervisor and from District 8, for the unexpired portion of a two-year term ending February 1, 2017.

Vacant seat 14, succeeding Richard Rothman, term expired, must be nominated by the District 1

Supervisor and from District 1, for the unexpired portion of a two-year term ending February 1, 2017.

12/03/15; RECEIVED AND ASSIGNED to Rules Committee.

Heard in Committee. Speakers: Robert Brust and Richard Rothman, Members (Park, Recreation and Open Space Advisory Committee); spoke on their qualifications. Linda D'Avirro; Phil Ginsburg, General Manager (Recreation and Park Department); spoke in support of the reappointment of the applicants. Walter Paulson; spoke neither in support nor against the applicants.

Appointment of Patricia Delgado, seat 2, recommended.

Appointment of Robert Brust, seat 8, recommended.

Appointment of Richard Rothman, seat 14, recommended.

PREPARED IN COMMITTEE AS A MOTION

Motion appointing Patricia Delgado, Robert Brust, and Richard Rothman, terms ending February 1, 2017, to the Park, Recreation, and Open Space Advisory Committee. (Clerk of the Board)

Patricia Delgado, seat 2, succeeding herself, term expired, must be nominated by the District 9

Supervisor and from District 9, for the unexpired portion of a two-year term ending February 1, 2017.

Robert Brust, seat 8, succeeding himself, term expired, must be nominated by the District 8

Supervisor and from District 8, for the unexpired portion of a two-year term ending February 1, 2017.

Richard Rothman, seat 14, succeeding himself, term expired, must be nominated by the District 1

Supervisor and from District 1, for the unexpired portion of a two-year term ending February 1, 2017.

Supervisor Cohen, seconded by Supervisor Farrell, moved that the Motion be RECOMMENDED... The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 3 - Avalos, Cohen, Farrell

Absent: 1 - Tang

150940 [Charter Amendment - Park, Recreation and Open Space Fund]**Sponsors: Farrell; Mar, Tang, Wiener, Yee, Breed and Cohen**

Charter Amendment (Second Draft) to amend the Charter of the City and County of San Francisco to require an annual baseline appropriation for the Park, Recreation and Open Space Fund based on City spending for park and recreation purposes in FY2015-2016, and modify the Recreation and Park Department's planning obligations, at an election to be held on June 7, 2016.

09/22/15; ASSIGNED UNDER 30 DAY RULE to Rules Committee, expires on 10/22/2015.

09/29/15; REFERRED TO DEPARTMENT. Referred to the Planning Department for environmental review; City Controller for a financial analysis (per Elections Code, Section 305(B)(2) and Rules of Order 2.22.3); and Mayor's Office, Office of the City Attorney, City Administrator, Ethics Commission, Department of Elections, Budget and Legislative Analyst, Recreation and Park Department/Commission, and Park, Recreation and Open Space Advisory Committee for informational purposes (per Rules of Order 2.22.4).

11/05/15; RESPONSE RECEIVED. Planning Department certifies this Charter Amendment is not defined as a project under CEQA Guidelines Sections 15378 and 15060(c)(2) because it does not result in a physical change in the environment.

11/10/15; REFERRED TO DEPARTMENT. Referred to the Youth Commission per Charter Section 4.124 for comment and recommendation.

11/12/15; RESPONSE RECEIVED. Controller's Office provided financial analysis supporting opinion that this Charter Amendment would have a significant impact on the cost of government.

11/12/15; AMENDED. Heard in Committee. Speakers: Supervisor Mark Farrell (Board of Supervisors); Phil Ginsburg, General Manager (Recreation and Park Department); presented information and answered questions raised throughout the discussion. Samantha; Linda D'Avirro, Chair (Park, Recreation and Open Space Advisory Committee); Phil Arnold (Parks Alliance); Kitty Teerling (Friends of Grattan Playground); Jacqueline Bos (Friends of Joe DiMaggio Playground); Rachel Norton; Denis Mosgofian (Park, Recreation and Open Space Advisory Committee); Jean Bogiages; Jessica Closson; Steffen Franz (Park, Recreation and Open Space Advisory Committee); Isabel Wade; Matt O'Grady, President (Parks Alliance); Tom Banks; Vince Courtney (L!UNA!); John Ware; June Fraps (Friends of Washington Square); Kate Eschelbach (Friends of Grattan Playground); Janet Gamble (Friends of Alta Plaza Park); Eric Brooks (Our City); Linda Newhouse Segal; Vanessa Banks (Friends of Youngblood Coleman Park); Linda Schaffer (Park, Recreation and Open Space Advisory Committee); spoke in support of the hearing matter. Nancy Wuerfel; Eileen Boken; spoke in opposition of the hearing matter. Ron Proctor, Anastasia Glikshtern, Dee Seligman, and Kathleen Hallinan (San Francisco Forest Alliance); spoke neither in support nor against the hearing matter.

11/12/15; CONTINUED AS AMENDED.

11/12/15; REFERRED TO DEPARTMENT. Re-referred to the Planning Department for environmental review; City Controller for a financial analysis (per Elections Code, Section 305(B)(2) and Rules of Order 2.22.3); and Mayor's Office, Office of the City Attorney, City Administrator, Ethics Commission, Department of Elections, Budget and Legislative Analyst, Recreation and Park Department/Commission, and Park, Recreation and Open Space Advisory Committee for informational purposes (per Rules of Order 2.22.4).

11/13/15; REFERRED TO DEPARTMENT. Re-referred to the Youth Commission per Charter Section 4.124 for comment and recommendation.

11/17/15; RESPONSE RECEIVED. Youth Commission voted to support File No. 150940, with comments.

12/01/15; RESPONSE RECEIVED. Controller's Office provided financial analysis supporting opinion that this Charter Amendment would have a significant impact on the cost of government.

12/07/15; RESPONSE RECEIVED. Planning Department certifies this Charter Amendment is not defined as a project under CEQA Guidelines Sections 15378 and 15060(c)(2) because it does not result in a physical change in the environment.

Heard in Committee. Speakers: Matt O'Grady, and Kelly Nice (San Francisco Parks Alliance); Denis Mosgofian, Commissioner (Park, Recreation, and Open Space Advisory Committee); Christine Raher (San Francisco Lawn Bowling Club); Lee Anne Weldon (San Francisco Parks Alliance); Linda D'Avirro, Chair (Park, Recreation, and Open Space Advisory Committee); Linda

Litehiser; Martha Ehrenfeld (Tennis Coalition of San Francisco); Jane Weil, Commissioner (Park, Recreation, and Open Space Advisory Committee); Bill Hancock (San Francisco Parks Alliance); Jenny Lan, Jackie O, and Kathleen Hallinan (San Francisco Parks Alliance); Kitty Teerling (Friends of Grattan Playground); Rosemary Cameron, Board Member (San Francisco Parks Alliance); Walter Paulson; Rachel Norton, Director of Policy and Communications (San Francisco Parks Alliance); spoke in support of the hearing matter. Ron Proctor (San Francisco Forest Alliance); Nancy Wuerfel; spoke neither in support nor against the hearing matter.

Supervisor Farrell was noted absent at 10:52 a.m. and again present at 10:54 a.m.

Supervisor Farrell, seconded by Supervisor Cohen, moved that the Charter Amendment be CONTINUED to the January 14, 2016, Rules Committee meeting. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 3 - Avalos, Cohen, Farrell

Absent: 1 - Tang

President London Breed appointed Supervisor Scott Wiener, in place of Supervisor Mark Farrell, to the Rules Committee meeting of December 10, 2015.

Supervisor Farrell was noted absent at 11:04 a.m. and for the remainder of the meeting.
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The Rules Committee recessed from 11:04 a.m. to 11:09 a.m.

151248 [Appointments, Cannabis State Legalization Task Force - Jesse Stout, Erich Pearson, Michelle Aldrich, Sara Payan, Jon Ballesteros, Barbara Fugate, Tom McElroy, Laura Thomas, Terrance Alan, Sarah Shrader, and Daisy Ozim]

Hearing to consider appointing 14 members, terms ending August 31, 2016, to the Cannabis State Legalization Task Force. (Clerk of the Board)

Vacant seat 9, new appointment, must be an individual with at least two years of experience working in the cannabis industry, for a one-year term ending August 31, 2016.

Vacant seat 10, new appointment, must be an owner or operator of a medical cannabis dispensary, for a one-year term ending August 31, 2016.

Vacant seat 11, new appointment, must be an individual who uses cannabis for medicinal purposes and has at least two years of cannabis legalization advocacy experience, for a one-year term ending August 31, 2016.

Vacant seat 12, new appointment, must be an individual who uses cannabis and has at least two years of cannabis legalization advocacy experience, for a one-year term ending August 31, 2016.

Vacant seat 13, new appointment, must be an owner of a small business in San Francisco, for a one-year term ending August 31, 2016.

Vacant seat 14, new appointment, must be an individual with experience working for, or on behalf of, the interests of businesses in San Francisco, for a one-year term ending August 31, 2016.

Vacant seat 15, new appointment, must be an individual with experience working to advance the tourism or hospitality industry in San Francisco, for a one-year term ending August 31, 2016.

Vacant seat 16, new appointment, must be an individual who represents a neighborhood association, for a one-year term ending August 31, 2016.

Vacant seat 17, new appointment, must be an individual who represents a neighborhood association, for a one-year term ending August 31, 2016.

Vacant seat 18, new appointment, must be an individual with experience in public health advocacy focusing on drug policy, for a one-year term ending August 31, 2016.

Vacant seat 19, new appointment, must be an individual working in the entertainment or nightlife industry, for a one-year term ending August 31, 2016.

Vacant seat 20, new appointment, must be a representative of a labor union that represents employees working in the cannabis industry, for a one-year term ending August 31, 2016.

Vacant seat 21, new appointment, must be a public policy expert working for an organization focused on the formulation of good public policy, for a one-year term ending August 31, 2016.

Vacant seat 22, new appointment, must be an individual between the ages of 21 and 30 at the time of appointment, for a one-year term ending August 31, 2016.

12/03/15; ASSIGNED to Rules Committee.

Heard in Committee. Speakers: Eric Pearson; Michael Barbita; Jesse Stout; Michael Caruso; Brent Saupe; Nicholas Smilgys; Chase Chambers; Wayne Justmann; Sara Payan; Kevin Reed; Penelope Devries; Benjamin Manton; Sarah Shrader; Paul Anthony Camilleri; Peter Maxwell; Michael Nolin; James Asher; Alejandro del Calvo; Stewart Rhoads; Shona Gochenaur; Michelle Aldrich; Sabrina Matlin; Janet Griggs; Duncan Talento Ley; David Hua; Kelton Finney; Alex Aquino; Brian Wallace; Jacob Cross; Barbara Fugate; Henry Karnilowicz; Daisy Ozim; Tom McElroy; Laura Thomas; Terrance Alan; Elliot Beckelman; spoke on their qualifications. Jennifer Garcia (UFCW Local 648; Sylvia Johnson; Gilbert Canedo; Nathan DeSomber; Mike Nichol spoke on various concerns relating to the hearing matter. Amber Perishbaur (UFCW Western States Council); spoke in support of James Araby and Jennifer Garcia. Ross Gordon; spoke in support of Spencer Williams. Trevor Martin; spoke in support of Michael Caruso. Holli Bert; spoke in support of Kevin Reed. Michael Aldrich; spoke in support of Michelle Aldrich. Shay Gilmore; Steven Pyka; spoke in support of Tom McElroy. Stewart Rhoads; spoke in support of Nickolas Lemos. Tahirih Khademi; Amanda Maisel; spoke in support of Jesse Stout. John Glenn; John Stone; Dan Manilla; Jon Martinelli; spoke in support of Shona Gochenaur and Daisy Ozim. Shona Gochenaur; spoke in support of Daisy Ozim, Kelton Finney, and Michelle Aldrich. Denise Dorey; spoke in support of Shona Gochenaur. Love Lee Day; spoke in support of Michael Caruso, Daisy Ozim and Eric Pearson.

Appointment of Jesse Stout, seat 9, recommended.

Appointment of Erich Pearson, seat 10, recommended.

Appointment of Michelle Aldrich, seat 11, recommended.
Appointment of Sara Payan, seat 12, recommended.
Appointment of Jon Ballesteros, seat 15, recommended.
Appointment of Barbara Fugate, seat 16, recommended.
Appointment of Tom McElroy, seat 17, recommended.
Appointment of Laura Thomas, seat 18, recommended.
Appointment of Terrance Alan, seat 19, recommended.
Appointment of Sarah Shrader, seat 21, recommended.
Appointment of Daisy Ozim, seat 22, recommended.

PREPARED IN COMMITTEE AS A MOTION

Motion appointing Jesse Stout, Erich Pearson, Michelle Aldrich, Sara Payan, Jon Ballesteros, Barbara Fugate, Tom McElroy, Laura Thomas, Terrance Alan, Sarah Shrader, and Daisy Ozim, terms ending August 31, 2016, to the Cannabis State Legalization Task Force. (Clerk of the Board)

Jesse Stout, seat 9, new appointment, must be an individual with at least two years of experience working in the cannabis industry, for a one-year term ending August 31, 2016.

Erich Pearson, seat 10, new appointment, must be an owner or operator of a medical cannabis dispensary, for a one-year term ending August 31, 2016.

Michelle Aldrich, seat 11, new appointment, must be an individual who uses cannabis for medicinal purposes and has at least two years of cannabis legalization advocacy experience, for a one-year term ending August 31, 2016.

Sara Payan, seat 12, new appointment, must be an individual who uses cannabis and has at least two years of cannabis legalization advocacy experience, for a one-year term ending August 31, 2016.

Jon Ballesteros, seat 15, new appointment, must be an individual with experience working to advance the tourism or hospitality industry in San Francisco, for a one-year term ending August 31, 2016.

Barbara Fugate, seat 16, new appointment, must be an individual who represents a neighborhood association, for a one-year term ending August 31, 2016.

Tom McElroy, seat 17, new appointment, must be an individual who represents a neighborhood association, for a one-year term ending August 31, 2016.

Laura Thomas, seat 18, new appointment, must be an individual with experience in public health advocacy focusing on drug policy, for a one-year term ending August 31, 2016.

Terrance Alan, seat 19, new appointment, must be an individual working in the entertainment or nightlife industry, for a one-year term ending August 31, 2016.

Sarah Shrader, seat 21, new appointment, must be a public policy expert working for an organization focused on the formulation of good public policy, for a one-year term ending August 31, 2016.

Daisy Ozim, seat 22, new appointment, must be an individual between the ages of 21 and 30 at the time of appointment, for a one-year term ending August 31, 2016.

RECOMMENDED AS COMMITTEE REPORT by the following vote:

Ayes: 3 - Avalos, Cohen, Wiener

Absent: 2 - Tang, Farrell

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 4:02 p.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.