



City and County of San Francisco
Meeting Minutes
Land Use and Transportation Committee

City Hall
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San Francisco, CA 94102-4689

Members: Aaron Peskin, Ahsha Safai, Dean Preston

Clerk: Erica Major (415) 554-4441

Monday, May 18, 2020

1:30 PM

Regular Meeting

Present: 3 - Aaron Peskin, Ahsha Safai, and Dean Preston

The Land Use and Transportation Committee met in remote regular session on Monday, May 18, 2020, with Chair Aaron Peskin presiding. Chair Peskin called the meeting to order at 1:33 p.m.

ROLL CALL AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

On the call of the roll, Chair Peskin, Vice Chair Safai, and Member Preston were noted present. A quorum was present.

AGENDA CHANGES

There were no agenda changes.

REGULAR AGENDA

200397 [Summary Street Vacation - 25th Street - Continued Operation of Temporary Navigation Center for Homeless Residents]

Sponsors: Mayor; Walton

Ordinance ordering the summary vacation of a portion of 25th Street, which is generally bounded by Assessor's Parcel Block No. 4241, Lot No. 002 to the north, Seawall Lot No. 355 (portions of Assessor's Parcel Block No. 4298, Lot No. 002, Assessor's Parcel Block No. 4299, Lot No. 001, and Assessor's Parcel Block No. 4300, Lot No. 001) to the south, Michigan Street to the west, and Seawall Lot No. 356 to the east, to enable extended operation of a temporary Navigation Center for homeless residents; affirming the Planning Department's determination under the California Environmental Quality Act; adopting findings that the actions contemplated in this legislation are consistent with the General Plan, and eight priority policies of Planning Code, Section 101.1; and authorizing official acts in furtherance of this Ordinance, as defined herein.

04/21/20; ASSIGNED to Land Use and Transportation Committee. 4/23/20 - President Yee waived the 30-day rule pursuant to Board Rule No. 3.22.

04/29/20; REFERRED TO DEPARTMENT. Referred to Public Works for informational purposes.

05/03/20; NOTICED. First 14 Day Notice for 5/18/2020 Land Use and Transportation Committee hearing published in the Examiner and posted pursuant to Streets and Highways Code Section 8322.

05/10/20; NOTICED. Second 14 Day Notice for 5/18/2020 Land Use and Transportation Committee hearing published in the Examiner and posted pursuant to Streets and Highways Code Section 8322.

Heard in Committee. Speakers: Emily Cohen (Department of Homelessness and Supportive Housing); presented information and answered questions raised throughout the discussion. Sarah Ogelby; spoke in support of the hearing matter. Speaker; spoke on various concerns relating to the hearing matter.

RECOMMENDED AS COMMITTEE REPORT by the following vote:

Ayes: 3 - Peskin, Safai, Preston

Chair Peskin requested that File Nos. 200456 and 200457 be called together.

200456 [Emergency Ordinance - Protections for Occupants of Residential Hotels During COVID-19 Pandemic]

Sponsors: Peskin; Haney and Ronen

Emergency ordinance to establish protections for occupants of residential hotels ("SRO Residents") during the COVID-19 pandemic by, among other things: making it City policy to place in solitary hotel rooms SRO residents who meet the criteria for isolation or quarantine established by the County Health Officer, and requiring the Department of Public Health to develop a protocol to assist health care providers to identify SRO Residents who may require protection against or treatment for COVID-19; notify the operator of a residential hotel when an SRO Resident has tested positive for COVID-19 to facilitate contact tracing, testing for COVID-19, and cleaning; establish a telephone hotline for SRO Residents to respond to questions about accessing COVID-19 health screenings, testing, and solitary hotel rooms; provide face coverings to SRO Residents and workers in residential hotels; and provide daily aggregate data concerning the incidence of COVID-19 among SRO Residents, access to quarantine rooms by such residents, and the number of such residents who have died due to complications from COVID-19.

(Pursuant to Charter, Section 2.107, this matter requires the affirmative vote of two-thirds of the Board of Supervisors (8 votes) for passage.)

05/05/20; ASSIGNED to Land Use and Transportation Committee. 5/6/20 - President Yee waived the 30-day rule pursuant to Board Rule No. 3.22.

05/08/20; REFERRED TO DEPARTMENT. Referred to the Department of Homelessness and Supportive Housing, Department of Public Health, and the Rent Board for informational purposes.

Heard in Committee. Speakers: Gen Fujioka (Chinatown Community Development Center); Anne Pearson (Office of the City Attorney); presented information and answered questions raised throughout the discussion. Kathy Limpscomb and Freddy Martin (Senior and Disability Action); Speaker (Tenderloin People's Garden); R.J. Sloan (Central City SRO Collaborative); Anakh Sul Rama; Jerome Benefacio (South of Market Community Action Network); Jennifer Friedenbach, Executive Director (Coalition on Homelessness); PJ Eugenio (South of Market Community Action Network); Lorraine Petty (Seniors and Disability Action); Linda Chapman (Nob Hill Neighborhood's Association); Theresa Flandrich; Matthias Mormino (Chinatown Community Development Center); Anastasia Yovanopoulos; Sara Shortt; Evan Radic; Colleen Rebecca; Alicia Smith; spoke in support of the hearing matter. Chelsea (Coalition on Homelessness); Sarah Ogelby (YIMBY Action); Kim Ostero; spoke on various concerns relating to the hearing matter.

Chair Peskin moved that this Ordinance be AMENDED, AMENDMENT OF THE WHOLE BEARING SAME TITLE, on Page 6, Lines 14-15, by inserting 'As soon as feasible but not more than 12 hours after receiving such confirmation,'; on Page 6-7, Lines 24-25 and Lines 1-3, by inserting '(4) As soon as feasible but not more than 12 hours after receiving such confirmation, provide necessary face coverings to all SRO Residents who occupy or access parts of the Residential Hotel that have been occupied or accessed by people who may have had exposure to COVID-19 within the prior 14 days, and to all workers who access the same areas to provide services on-site.'; and Page 7, Lines 19-20, by striking 'The City shall provide face coverings to all SRO Residents and Residential Hotel employees who lack face coverings.'. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 3 - Peskin, Safai, Preston

(Pursuant to Charter, Section 2.107, this matter requires the affirmative vote of two-thirds of the Board of Supervisors (8 votes) for passage.)

Chair Peskin moved that this Ordinance be RECOMMENDED AS AMENDED AS A COMMITTEE REPORT. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 3 - Peskin, Safai, Preston

200457 [Administrative Code - COVID-19 Tenant Protections For SRO Residents]**Sponsors: Peskin; Safai**

Ordinance amending the Administrative Code to prohibit landlords of residential hotel units (SROs) from evicting tenants for non-payment of rent that was not paid due to the COVID-19 pandemic, and from imposing late fees, penalties, or similar charges on such tenants; to establish a COVID-19 SRO Relief Fund to cover such rent payments; and making findings as required by the California Tenant Protection Act of 2019.

05/05/20; ASSIGNED to Land Use and Transportation Committee. 5/6/20 - President Yee waived the 30-day rule pursuant to Board Rule No. 3.22.

05/08/20; REFERRED TO DEPARTMENT. Referred to the Department of Homelessness and Supportive Housing, Department of Public Health, and the Rent Board for informational purposes.

Heard in Committee. Speakers: Gen Fujioka (Chinatown Community Development Center); Anne Pearson (Office of the City Attorney); presented information and answered questions raised throughout the discussion. Kathy Limpscomb and Freddy Martin (Senior and Disability Action); Speaker (Tenderloin People's Garden); R.J. Sloan (Central City SRO Collaborative); Anakh Sul Rama; Jerome Benefacio (South of Market Community Action Network); Jennifer Friedenbach, Executive Director (Coalition on Homelessness); PJ Eugenio (South of Market Community Action Network); Lorraine Petty (Seniors and Disability Action); Linda Chapman (Nob Hill Neighborhood's Association); Theresa Flandrich; Matthias Mormino (Chinatown Community Development Center); Anastasia Yovanopoulos; Sara Shortt; Evan Radic; Colleen Rebecca; Alicia Smith; spoke in support of the hearing matter. Chelsea (Coalition on Homelessness); Sarah Ogelby (YIMBY Action); Kim Ostero; spoke on various concerns relating to the hearing matter.

Chair Peskin moved that this Ordinance be RECOMMENDED AS COMMITTEE REPORT. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 3 - Peskin, Safai, Preston

200453 [Emergency Ordinance - Emergency Response In Parks]**Sponsors: Fewer; Mar**

Emergency ordinance authorizing the use of park property for temporary shelter and other measures in response to the COVID-19 pandemic; directing the Recreation and Park Department to report to the Board of Supervisors with a list of potential locations for such uses; and waiving contrary provisions in Administrative Code, Chapters 79 and 79A, and Charter, Section 4.113, if and to the extent applicable.

(Pursuant to Charter, Section 2.107, this matter requires the affirmative vote of two-thirds of the Board of Supervisors (8 votes) for passage.)

05/05/20; ASSIGNED to Land Use and Transportation Committee. 5/6/20 - President Yee waived the 30-day rule pursuant to Board Rule No. 3.22.

05/08/20; REFERRED TO DEPARTMENT. Referred to the Recreation and Parks Department, Department of Homelessness and Supportive Housing, and the Department of Public Health for informational purposes.

Heard in Committee. Speakers: Supervisor Sandra Lee Fewer (Board of Supervisors); Phil Ginsburg, General Manager (Recreation and Parks Department); Andrico Penick, Director (Real Estate Division); Supervisor Gordon Mar (Board of Supervisors); presented information and answered questions raised throughout the discussion. Sarah Harris; Theo Gordon (YIMBY Action); Kurt Bradford; Sarah Olgeby (YIMBY Action); Joe Wilson (Hospitality House); Brandy Markman; Corey Smith (San Francisco Housing Action Coalition); Flo Kelly; June; Nancy Bestafonous; Robert Funcman; Kelly Putman (Coalition on Homelessness); spoke in support of the hearing matter. Margaret Sullivan; Speaker; Mark; Denise Donaldson; Diane Mason; spoke in opposition of the hearing matter. Trish Robinson; Alice Savior; Martha Aaronfield; Zeke Lorredo; Katherine Howard; Linda Chapman; Cynthia; Kim Rostero; Speaker; Mark; Speaker; Fanta Centilis; Michael Chen; Melanie; Martin; R.J. Sloan; Dell Maxwell; spoke on various concerns relating to the hearing matter.

Chair Peskin moved that this Ordinance be TABLED. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 3 - Peskin, Safai, Preston

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the Land Use and Transportation Committee adjourned at the hour of 4:31 p.m.

N.B. The Minutes of this meeting set forth all actions taken by the Land Use and Transportation Committee on the matters stated, but not necessarily in the chronological sequence in which the matters were taken up.