



City and County of San Francisco
Meeting Minutes
Rules Committee

City Hall
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Members: Aaron Peskin, Rafael Mandelman, Connie Chan

Clerk: Victor Young (415) 554-7723

Monday, March 1, 2021

10:00 AM

Regular Meeting

Present: 3 - Aaron Peskin, Rafael Mandelman, and Connie Chan

The Rules Committee met in regular session through videoconferencing on Monday, March 1, 2021, with Chair Aaron Peskin presiding. Chair Peskin called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

Remote Access to Information and Participation

In accordance with Governor Newsom's Executive Order No. N-33-20 declaring a State of Emergency regarding the COVID-19 outbreak and Mayor London N. Breed's Proclamation declaring a Local Emergency issued on February 25, 2020, including the guidance for gatherings issued by the San Francisco Department of Public Health Officer, aggressive directives were issued to reduce the spread of COVID-19. On March 17, 2020, the Board of Supervisors authorized their Board and Committee meetings to convene remotely (via Microsoft Teams) and will allow remote public comment via teleconference. Visit the SFGovTV website at (www.sfgovtv.org) to stream the live meetings, or to watch meetings on demand. Members of the public are encouraged to participate remotely via detailed instructions on participating via teleconference available at: <https://sfbos.org/remote-meeting-call>.

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ROLL CALL AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

AGENDA CHANGES

There were no agenda changes.

REGULAR AGENDA

210073 [Mayoral Appointment, Police Commission - Larry Yee]

Motion approving/rejecting the Mayor's nomination for the appointment of Larry Yee to the Police Commission, for a term ending April 30, 2022. (Clerk of the Board)
(Charter, Section 4.109, provides that this nomination is subject to approval by the Board of Supervisors and shall be the subject of a public hearing and vote within 60 days from the date the nomination is transmitted to the Clerk of the Board. If the Board fails to act on the nomination within 60 days from the date the nomination is transmitted to the Clerk, then the nominee shall be deemed approved. Transmittal date: January 25, 2021 and February 24, 2021.)

01/25/21; RECEIVED AND ASSIGNED to Rules Committee.

02/22/21; CONTINUED. Heard in Committee. Speakers: Larry Yee; spoke on their qualifications and answered questions raised throughout the discussion. Anne Pearson (Office of the City Attorney); provided an overview and responded to questions raised throughout the discussion. Hazel Lee; San Jen Yee; Harlon Wong (Chinese Chamber of Commerce); Speaker; Megan Shun; Ronald Yee; Francisco Da Costa; May Fang on behalf of Malcom Young; Robert Wong (Chinese Benevolent Association); Roland Anderson; Wolfren Shue; Norm Ten (Asian Pacific American Alliance); spoke in support of the appointment of Larry Yee.

02/25/21; SUBSTITUTED AND ASSIGNED to Rules Committee.

Heard in Committee. Speakers: Larry Yee; spoke on their qualifications and answered questions raised throughout the discussion. Francisco Da Costa; spoke neither in support nor against the appointment of Larry Yee.

Chair Peskin moved that this Motion be AMENDED, AN AMENDMENT OF THE WHOLE BEARING NEW TITLE, by striking the word 'rejecting' throughout the legislation and adding other clarifying and conforming changes. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 3 - Peskin, Mandelman, Chan

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(Charter, Section 4.109, provides that this nomination is subject to approval by the Board of Supervisors and shall be the subject of a public hearing and vote within 60 days from the date the nomination is transmitted to the Clerk of the Board. If the Board fails to act on the nomination within 60 days from the date the nomination is transmitted to the Clerk, then the nominee shall be deemed approved. Transmittal date: January 25, 2021 and February 24, 2021.)

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

Ayes: 3 - Peskin, Mandelman, Chan

Chair Peskin requested that File Nos. 210170, 210171, and 210172 be heard together.

210170 [Mayoral Reappointment, Historic Preservation Commission - Chris Foley]

Motion approving/rejecting the Mayor's nomination for reappointment of Chris Foley to the Historic Preservation Commission, for a four-year term ending December 31, 2024. (Clerk of the Board) (Charter, Section 4.135, provides that this nomination is subject to approval by the Board of Supervisors and shall be the subject of a public hearing and vote within 60 days from the date the nomination is transmitted to the Clerk of the Board. If the Board fails to act on the nomination within 60 days from the date the nomination is transmitted to the Clerk, the nominee shall be deemed approved. Transmittal date: February 18, 2021.)

02/18/21; RECEIVED AND ASSIGNED to Rules Committee.

Heard in Committee. Speakers: Chris Foley; Diane Matsuda; Ruchira Nageswaran; spoke on their qualifications and answered questions raised throughout the discussion.

Chair Peskin moved that this Motion be AMENDED, AN AMENDMENT OF THE WHOLE BEARING NEW TITLE, by striking the word 'rejecting' throughout the legislation and adding other clarifying and conforming changes. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 3 - Peskin, Mandelman, Chan

Motion approving the Mayor's nomination for reappointment of Chris Foley to the Historic Preservation Commission, for a four-year term ending December 31, 2024. (Clerk of the Board) (Charter, Section 4.135, provides that this nomination is subject to approval by the Board of Supervisors and shall be the subject of a public hearing and vote within 60 days from the date the nomination is transmitted to the Clerk of the Board. If the Board fails to act on the nomination within 60 days from the date the nomination is transmitted to the Clerk, the nominee shall be deemed approved. Transmittal date: February 18, 2021.)

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

Ayes: 3 - Peskin, Mandelman, Chan

210171 [Mayoral Reappointment, Historic Preservation Commission - Diane Matsuda]

Motion approving/rejecting the Mayor's nomination for reappointment of Diane Matsuda to the Historic Preservation Commission, for a four-year term ending December 31, 2024. (Clerk of the Board) (Charter, Section 4.135, provides that this nomination is subject to approval by the Board of Supervisors and shall be the subject of a public hearing and vote within 60 days from the date the nomination is transmitted to the Clerk of the Board. If the Board fails to act on the nomination within 60 days of the date the nomination is transmitted to the Clerk, then the nominee shall be deemed approved. Transmittal date: February 18, 2021.)

02/18/21; RECEIVED AND ASSIGNED to Rules Committee.

Heard in Committee. Speakers: Chris Foley; Diane Matsuda; Ruchira Nageswaran; spoke on their qualifications and answered questions raised throughout the discussion.

Chair Peskin moved that this Motion be AMENDED, AN AMENDMENT OF THE WHOLE BEARING NEW TITLE, by striking the word 'rejecting' throughout the legislation and adding other clarifying and conforming changes. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 3 - Peskin, Mandelman, Chan

Motion approving the Mayor's nomination for reappointment of Diane Matsuda to the Historic Preservation Commission, for a four-year term ending December 31, 2024. (Clerk of the Board) (Charter, Section 4.135, provides that this nomination is subject to approval by the Board of Supervisors and shall be the subject of a public hearing and vote within 60 days from the date the nomination is transmitted to the Clerk of the Board. If the Board fails to act on the nomination within 60 days of the date the nomination is transmitted to the Clerk, then the nominee shall be deemed approved. Transmittal date: February 18, 2021.)

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

Ayes: 3 - Peskin, Mandelman, Chan

210172 [Mayoral Appointment, Historic Preservation Commission - Ruchira Nageswaran]

Motion approving/rejecting the Mayor's nomination for appointment of Ruchira Nageswaran to the Historic Preservation Commission, for a four-year term ending December 31, 2024. (Clerk of the Board)

(Charter, Section 4.135, provides that this nomination is subject to approval by the Board of Supervisors and shall be the subject of a public hearing and vote within 60 days from the date the nomination is transmitted to the Clerk of the Board. If the Board fails to act on the nomination within 60 days of the date the nomination is transmitted to the Clerk, then the nominee shall be deemed approved. Transmittal date: February 18, 2021.)

02/18/21; RECEIVED AND ASSIGNED to Rules Committee.

Heard in Committee. Speakers: Chris Foley; Diane Matsuda; Ruchira Nageswaran; spoke on their qualifications and answered questions raised throughout the discussion.

Chair Peskin moved that this Motion be AMENDED, AN AMENDMENT OF THE WHOLE BEARING NEW TITLE, by striking the word 'rejecting' throughout the legislation and adding other clarifying and conforming changes. The motion carried by the following vote:LE

Ayes: 3 - Peskin, Mandelman, Chan

Motion approving the Mayor's nomination for appointment of Ruchira Nageswaran to the Historic Preservation Commission, for a four-year term ending December 31, 2024. (Clerk of the Board) (Charter, Section 4.135, provides that this nomination is subject to approval by the Board of Supervisors and shall be the subject of a public hearing and vote within 60 days from the date the nomination is transmitted to the Clerk of the Board. If the Board fails to act on the nomination within 60 days of the date the nomination is transmitted to the Clerk, then the nominee shall be deemed approved. Transmittal date: February 18, 2021.)

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

Ayes: 3 - Peskin, Mandelman, Chan

Supervisor Peskin Excused from Voting

Vice Chair Mandelman moved that Supervisor Peskin be excused from voting on File No. 210013. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 2 - Mandelman, Chan

Excused: 1 - Peskin

210013 [Appointments, Immigrant Rights Commission – Sarah Souza, Lucia Obregon Matzer, Jessy Ruiz Navarro, Haregu Gaime, Ryan Khojasteh, Luis Zamora, and Elahe Enssani]

Hearing to consider appointing two members, terms ending June 6, 2021, and five members, terms ending June 6, 2022, to the Immigrant Rights Commission. (Rules Committee)

Seat 1, succeeding Jessy Ruiz Navarro, term expired June 6, 2020, must have a demonstrated knowledge of and interest in the health, human service, educational, or employment issues that affect immigrants residing in San Francisco and shall reflect the geographic, ethnic, and sexual orientation population of San Francisco, for a two-year term ending June 6, 2022.

Seat 2, succeeding Haregu Gaime, term expired June 6, 2020, must have a demonstrated knowledge of and interest in the health, human service, educational, or employment issues that affect immigrants residing in San Francisco and shall reflect the geographic, ethnic, and sexual orientation population of San Francisco, for a two-year term ending June 6, 2022.

Seat 3, succeeding Ryan Khojasteh, term expired June 6, 2020, must have a demonstrated knowledge of and interest in the health, human service, educational, or employment issues that affect immigrants residing in San Francisco and shall reflect the geographic, ethnic, and sexual orientation population of San Francisco, for a two-year term ending June 6, 2022.

Seat 5, succeeding Amro Radwan, term expired June 6, 2020, must have a demonstrated knowledge of and interest in the health, human service, educational, or employment issues that affect immigrants residing in San Francisco and shall reflect the geographic, ethnic, and sexual orientation population of San Francisco, for a two-year term June 6, 2022.

Seat 9, succeeding Elahe Enssani, term expired June 6, 2020, must be an immigrant to the United States, appointed in accordance with Charter, Section 4.101, and have a demonstrated knowledge of and interest in the health, human service, educational, or employment issues that affect immigrants residing in San Francisco and shall reflect the geographic, ethnic, and sexual orientation population of San Francisco, for a two-year term ending June 6, 2022.

Seat 10, succeeding Ruslan Gurvits, resigned, must be an immigrant to the United States, appointed in accordance with Charter, Section 4.101, and have a demonstrated knowledge of and interest in the health, human service, educational, or employment issues that affect immigrants residing in San Francisco and shall reflect the geographic, ethnic, and sexual orientation population of San Francisco, for the unexpired portion of a two-year term ending June 6, 2021.

Seat 11, succeeding Michelle Wong, term expired, must be an immigrant to the United States, appointed in accordance with Charter, Section 4.101, and have a demonstrated knowledge of and interest in the health, human service, educational, or employment issues that affect immigrants residing in San Francisco and shall reflect the geographic, ethnic, and sexual orientation population of San Francisco, for the unexpired portion of a two-year term June 6, 2021.

01/05/21; RECEIVED AND ASSIGNED to Rules Committee.

02/22/21; CONTINUED. Heard in Committee. Speakers: Adrienne Pon, Director (Immigrant Rights Commission); provided an overview and responded to questions raised throughout the discussion. Vinay Ramesh; Haregu Gaime; Amro Radwan; Ryan Khojasteh; Elahe Enssani; Lucia Obegon Matzer; Sarah Souza; Luis Zamora; spoke on their qualifications and answered questions raised throughout the discussion. Jordan Davis; Carol Luis; Feline Canelli; Speaker; Speaker; Carla Garcia; Luis Avalos; Speaker; spoke in support of the appointment of various applicants. Ms. Mordiacco; Kevin Ortiz; D. Tanaka; Christopher Christianson; Gabriel Mendina; Ms. Mara; Malia Shingle; Ms. Savantas; Speaker; Marilan Laza; spoke in support of the appointment of Sarah Souza. Ana Anales; Speaker; Calia De Versa; Ava Mass; Richard Rya; Mr. Ramendez; Vickie Castro; spoke in support of the appointment of Lucia Obregon Matzer. Alex Berashorter; spoke in support of the appointment of Luiz Zamora.

Heard in Committee. Speaker: Jordan Davis; spoke in support of the appointment of various applicants.

Appointment of Jessy Ruiz Navarro (residency requirement waived), seat 1, recommended.
Appointment of Haregu Gaime (residency requirement waived), seat 2, recommended.
Appointment of Ryan Khojasteh, seat 3, recommended.
Appointment of Luis Zamora (residency requirement waived), seat 5, recommended.
Appointment of Elahe Enssani, seat 9, recommended.
Appointment of Sarah Souza, seat 10, recommended.
Appointment of Lucia Obregon Matzer, seat 11, recommended.

PREPARED IN COMMITTEE AS A MOTION

Motion appointing Sarah Souza and Lucia Obregon Matzer, terms ending June 6, 2021, and Jessy Ruiz Navarro (residency requirement waived), Haregu Gaime (residency requirement waived), Ryan Khojasteh, Luis Zamora (residency requirement waived), and Elahe Enssani, terms ending June 6, 2022, to the Immigrant Rights Commission. (Rules Committee)

Sarah Souza, seat 10, succeeding Ruslan Gurvits, resigned, must be an immigrant to the United States, appointed in accordance with Charter, Section 4.101, and have a demonstrated knowledge of and interest in the health, human service, educational, or employment issues that affect immigrants residing in San Francisco and shall reflect the geographic, ethnic, and sexual orientation population of San Francisco, for the unexpired portion of a two-year term ending June 6, 2021;

Lucia Obregon Matzer, seat 11, succeeding Michelle Wong, term expired, must be an immigrant to the United States, appointed in accordance with Charter, Section 4.101, and have a demonstrated knowledge of and interest in the health, human service, educational, or employment issues that affect immigrants residing in San Francisco and shall reflect the geographic, ethnic, and sexual orientation population of San Francisco, for the unexpired portion of a two-year term ending June 6, 2021;

Jessy Ruiz Navarro (residency requirement waived), seat 1, succeeding themselves, must have a demonstrated knowledge of and interest in the health, human service, educational, or employment issues that affect immigrants residing in San Francisco and shall reflect the geographic, ethnic, and sexual orientation population of San Francisco, for the unexpired portion of a two-year term ending June 6, 2022;

Haregu Gaime (residency requirement waived), seat 2, succeeding themselves, must have a demonstrated knowledge of and interest in the health, human service, educational, or employment issues that affect immigrants residing in San Francisco and shall reflect the geographic, ethnic, and sexual orientation population of San Francisco, for the unexpired portion of a two-year term ending June 6, 2022;

Ryan Khojasteh, seat 3, succeeding themselves, must have a demonstrated knowledge of and interest in the health, human service, educational, or employment issues that affect immigrants residing in San Francisco and shall reflect the geographic, ethnic, and sexual orientation population of San Francisco, for the unexpired portion of a two-year term ending June 6, 2022;

Luis Zamora (residency requirement waived), Seat 5, succeeding Amro Radwan, term expired, must have a demonstrated knowledge of and interest in the health, human service, educational, or employment issues that affect immigrants residing in San Francisco and shall reflect the geographic, ethnic, and sexual orientation population of San Francisco, for the unexpired portion of a two-year term ending June 6, 2022;

Elahe Enssani, seat 9, succeeding themselves, must be an immigrant to the United States, appointed in accordance with Charter, Section 4.101, and have a demonstrated knowledge of and interest in the health, human service, educational, or employment issues that affect immigrants residing in San Francisco and shall reflect the geographic, ethnic, and sexual orientation population of San Francisco, for the unexpired portion of a two-year term ending June 6, 2022

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

Ayes: 2 - Mandelman, Chan

Excused: 1 - Peskin

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the Rules Committee adjourned at the hour of 10:38 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.