

City and County of San Francisco Meeting Minutes

Public Safety and Neighborhood Services Committee

Members: Gordon Mar, Catherine Stefani, Matt Haney

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

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Clerk: Alisa Somera (415) 554-7711

Thursday, December 9, 2021

10:00 AM

Regular Meeting

Present: 3 - Gordon Mar, Catherine Stefani, and Matt Haney

The Public Safety and Neighborhood Services Committee met in regular session through videoconferencing, and provided public comment through teleconferencing, on Thursday, December 9, 2021, with Chair Gordon Mar presiding.

Chair Mar called the meeting to order at 10:03 a.m.

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ROLL CALL AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

On the call of the roll, Chair Mar and Vice Chair Stefani were noted present.

Member Haney was noted not present.

A quorum of the committee was present.

Member Haney was noted present at 10:25 a.m.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Alisa Somera, the Public Safety and Neighborhood Services Committee Clerk, instructed members of the public, when general public comment is called, to contribute live comments for up to two minutes by dialing the provided telephone number. When connected, they will receive another prompt to dial * 3 to be added to the queue to speak. Make sure to call from a quiet location, speak clearly and slowly, and turn down your television or radio. Written comments may be submitted through email (alisa.somera@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

Member Haney was noted absent at 11:50 a.m.

210271 [Hearing - Public Safety Strategies in Commercial Corridors] Sponsor: Mar

Hearing to address concerns on public safety strategies in commercial corridors and their effectiveness on reducing crime, including but not limited to Police Department foot and bicycle patrols, the Office of Civic Engagement and Immigrant Affairs' Community Ambassador Program and similar programs, and other crime prevention and community building strategies; and requesting the Police Department, Office of Civic Engagement and Immigrant Affairs, Office of Small Business, and Office of Economic and Workforce Development to report.

03/09/21; RECEIVED AND ASSIGNED to Public Safety and Neighborhood Services Committee.

03/17/21; REFERRED TO DEPARTMENT. Referred to the Police Department, Office of Civic Engagement and Immigrant Affairs, Office of Small Business, and Office of Economic and Workforce Development for informational purposes.

Heard in Committee. Speakers: Michael Hsu (Footprint); Mary Mogannam (Council of District Merchants Association); Sharky Laguana (American Car Rental Association); Albert Chow (People of the Parkside Sunset); Lili Gamero, Commander Daryl Fong, and Diana Oliva-Aroche (Police Department); Chris Corgas (Office of Economic and Workforce Development); Adrienne Pon, Director (Office of Civic Engagement and Immigrant Affairs); Marshall Khine and Cecily Brewster (Office of the District Attorney); presented information and answered questions raised throughout the discussion.

Chair Mar moved that this Hearing be HEARD AND FILED. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 2 - Mar, Stefani Absent: 1 - Haney

Member Haney was noted present at 12:08 p.m.

210974 [Hearing - Cannabis Equity Applicant Review and Possible 5-Year Moratorium] Sponsor: Safai

Hearing to discuss the status of the number of Cannabis Equity Licenses that have been granted and the number of equity applicants currently awaiting approval; to examine the number of equity applicants who presently own and operate a Cannabis dispensary, what areas and how their numbers compare with non-equity applicants and the possibility of proposing a five year moratorium once the number of equity owned dispensaries are adequately represented in the market in comparison to non-equity operated dispensaries; and requesting the Office of Cannabis and Office of Economic and Workforce Development to report.

09/14/21; RECEIVED AND ASSIGNED to Public Safety and Neighborhood Services Committee.

09/22/21; REFERRED TO DEPARTMENT. Referred to the Office of Cannabis and Office of Economic and Workforce Development for informational purposes.

Heard in Committee. Speakers: Supervisor Ahsha Safai (Board of Supervisors); John R. Pierce, Acting Director, and Ray Law (Office of Cannabis); Joshua Arce, Director of Workforce Development (Office of Economic and Workforce Development); presented information and answered questions raised throughout the discussion. Speaker; Alex; spoke on various concerns relating to the hearing matter.

Chair Mar moved that this Hearing be CONTINUED TO CALL OF THE CHAIR. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 3 - Mar, Stefani, Haney

211172 [Administrative Code - Domestic Violence Data Reporting]

Sponsors: Stefani; Melgar, Safai, Haney, Mar, Mandelman, Ronen and Walton Ordinance amending the Administrative Code to require the Police Department and the District Attorney to submit quarterly reports to the Board of Supervisors, the Mayor, and various City departments regarding the number of cases of domestic violence.

11/09/21: DUPLICATED. Duplicated from File No. 210605.

11/09/21; REFERRED to Public Safety and Neighborhood Services Committee. Duplicated from File No. 210605.

Heard in Committee. Speakers: Nikita Saini (Office of Supervisor Hillary Ronen); Diana Oliva-Aroche (Police Department); Anne Pearson (Office of the City Attorney); presented information and answered questions raised throughout the discussion.

moved that this Ordinance be AMENDED, AN AMENDMENT OF THE WHOLE BEARING SAME TITLE, on Page 3, Lines 9-12, by adding '(f) In any report required under subsection (a) or (b) above, the District Attorney may, in its discretion, and to the extent consistent with applicable law, provide supplemental information regarding the Domestic Violence Cases and victim services reported. Any such supplemental information shall not include Personal Identifying Information.' The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 3 - Mar, Stefani, Haney

Vice Chair Stefani moved that this Ordinance be CONTINUED AS AMENDED to the Public Safety and Neighborhood Services Committee meeting of January 13, 2022. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 3 - Mar, Stefani, Haney

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the Public Safety and Neighborhood Services Committee adjourned at the hour of 1:17 p.m.

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