

SAN FRANCISCO HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION



Meeting Minutes

Commission Chambers, Room 400
City Hall, 1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place
San Francisco, CA 94102-4689

Wednesday, November 28, 2018
12:30 p.m.
Special Meeting

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: Black, Hyland, Johnck, Matsuda
COMMISSIONERS ABSENT: Johns, Pearlman, Wolfram

THE MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER BY VICE PRESIDENT HYLAND AT 12:49 PM

STAFF IN ATTENDANCE: Shelley Caltagirone, Tim Frye – Preservation Officer, Jonas P. Ionin – Commission Secretary

SPEAKER KEY:

- + indicates a speaker in support of an item;
- indicates a speaker in opposition to an item; and
- = indicates a neutral speaker or a speaker who did not indicate support or opposition.

A. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT

SPEAKERS: None

B. DEPARTMENT MATTERS

1. Director's Announcements

None

2. Review of Past Events at the Planning Commission, Staff Report and Announcements

None

C. COMMISSION MATTERS

3. President's Report and Announcements

None

4. Consideration of Adoption:

- [Draft Minutes for November 7, 2018](#)

SPEAKERS: None

ACTION: Continued to December 5, 2018

AYES: Black, Hyland, Johnck, Matsuda

ABSENT: Johns, Pearlman, Wolfram

5. Commission Comments & Questions

Commissioner Black:

Yes. I just wanted to mention to members of the public that two weeks ago, the National Trust for Historic Preservation had their annual conference here in San Francisco. And many people from around the country, and I think even a couple of people from foreign countries attended. A number of the sessions were presented and moderated by City staff, Historic Preservation and Planning staff, a member from the Mayor's Office of Housing and Community Development and Commissioner Matsuda also did. The sessions were really interesting and many of them focused on today's topic of Cultural Districts. I remember in June when this matter came before us, that we all suspected that there would be, that San Francisco being the first city to do this, that there would be some interest and boy, were we right about that. There was standing room only. Space in the large rooms where the Cultural Districts were discussed, other cities are very interested in it. They were fascinated and very impressed on how the city had managed to work collaboratively with the community, lot of community input. They were very impressed. And I just want to give a shout out to staff and Commissioner Matsuda and the community members who were behind all of this. People around, rest of the country were very impressed with San Francisco and it makes me very proud that, starting at the community all the way up to the Board of Supervisors, there was a lot of hard work and a ton of support for this. So, I just wanted to mention that it's out now and the rest of the country and maybe even the world knows about it.

Vice President Hyland:

If I can add on to that. One thing that impressed me was that our staff who's in the weeds of the Cultural Districts, Citywide Strategies, the Legacy Business Registry and Fund, all the work that our staff has done the last year and a half to two and a half years. It seems like we haven't made a lot of progress because we have such ambitions. But when we presented it, when it was presented to other communities, it was just amazing how far we've come. So that's really exciting.

Commissioner Johnck:

Yes, of course I wanted to add to that. I was very impressed with our staff and the sessions that I attended was wonderful. Shelley, the Legacy program was terrific. And Tim was masterful as Mai'tre D, shall I say. He was the moderator for the Intangible Heritage panel. It was absolutely terrific. And so many people came up to me and said how wonderful, what a great job San Francisco is doing even for the nation.

Commissioner Matsuda:

I wanted to give a special thanks to Desiree and Shelley for participating in the conference prior to the National Trust. The Asian Pacific Islander Historic Preservation conference. They've only been around for ten years and they meet every two years and the information that they shared at, during their session was very, very helpful to emerging communities who want to create their own particular programs about their community, so I want to thank you for being a part of that as well.

D. SPECIAL CALENDAR

6. [2018-015807PCA](#) (S. CALTAGIRONE: (415) 558-6625)
ESTABLISHING THE AFRICAN AMERICAN ARTS AND CULTURAL DISTRICT ORDINANCE – Administrative Code Amendment – to establish the African American Arts and Cultural District in the Bayview Hunters Point neighborhood; to require City departments to submit written reports and recommendations to the Board of Supervisors and the Mayor describing the cultural attributes of the District, and proposing strategies to acknowledge and preserve the cultural legacy of the District; and to establish the African American Arts and Cultural District Community Advisory Committee to advise the City on the same matters; and affirming the Planning Department's determination under the California Environmental Quality Act.

Preliminary Recommendation: Adopt a Resolution Recommending to Amend the Ordinance

SPEAKERS:

- = Shelley Caltagirone – Staff report
- + Board President Cohen – Amendment introduction
- + Deven Richardson – African American Arts and Cultural District
- + Ellouise Patton – African American Arts and Cultural District
- + Tyra Fennell – African American Arts and Cultural District
- + Barbara Ockel – African American Arts and Cultural District
- + Kirk Davis – African American Arts and Cultural District
- + Teyari Medearis – African American Arts and Cultural District
- + Fely Tchaco – African American Arts and Cultural District
- + Cheri Miller – African American Arts and Cultural District

+ Sherryl Davis - African American Arts and Cultural District
+ Brian Chu - African American Arts and Cultural District
ACTION: Adopted a Recommendation for Approval with Amendments
AYES: Black, Hyland, Johnck, Matsuda
ABSENT: Johns, Pearlman, Wolfram
RESOLUTION: 1002

ADJOURNMENT – 2:00 PM
ADOPTED DECEMBER 19, 2018