



San Francisco Youth Commission Agenda

Monday, July 6th, 2020

5:00 pm-8:00 pm

Public Comment Call-in:

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United States, San Francisco (Toll)

Conference ID: 289682416

There will be public comment on each item.

Sarah Cheung, Valentina Alioto-Pier, Maggie Dong, Josephine Cureton, Calvin Quick, Khatab Alameri, Crystal Chan, JoJo Ty, Ariana Arana, Rome Jones, Amara Santos, Arianna Nassiri, Nora Hylton, Stephen “Rocky” Versace, Arsema Asfaw, Alexander Hirji, Sarah Ginsburg

1. **Call to Order and Roll Call for Attendance (Discussion and Possible Action)**
2. **Approval of Agenda (Action Item)**
3. **Approval of Minutes (Action Item)**
 - A. June 15th, 2020
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4. **Public Comment on Items not on Agenda (2 minutes per public comment)**
5. **Legislation Referred from the Board of Supervisors (All Items to Follow Discussion and Possible Action)**
 - A. [Input + Decision] BOS File No. 200682 [Urging the Department of Children, Youth and Their Families to Require All Funded Organizations to Have a Youth on Their Board of Directors By 2023]
Sponsor: Supervisor Walton
Presenter: Natalie Gee, Legislative Aide, District 10
(Document B)
6. **Presentations (All Items to Follow Discussion and Possible Action)**



- A. [Inform + Decision] NICOS Chinese Health Coalition - GOT GAME (Going Overtime - Gaming and Media-Use Education)
Presenter: Tiffany Wang, Health Educator
(Document C)

7. Youth Commission Business (All Items to Follow Discussion and Possible Action)

- A. [Inform + Decision] Proposed 2019-2020 Youth Commission Bylaw Amendment Regarding Required Trainings, Absences, and Formalizing the Youth Commission's Commitment to Equity and Justice
Sponsor: Commissioner Asfaw, Santos
(Document D)
- B. [First Reading] Resolution No.1920-AL-13 [Urging the Defunding of San Francisco Police Department and Investment in Community Health and Safety]
Sponsors: Commissioners Asfaw, Santos
(Document E)
- C. [First Reading] Resolution No.1920-AL-14 [Free Muni For All] Transportation Equity
Sponsors: Commissioners Quick, Hirji
(Document F)
- D. [First Reading] Resolution No. 1920-AL-15 [Urging the City and County of San Francisco to support Survivors of Sexual Harassment and Assault]
Sponsors: Commissioners Cureton, Cheung, and Chan
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8. Committee Reports (Discussion Only)

- a. Executive Committee
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- b. Civic Engagement
- c. Housing and Land Use
- d. Transformative Justice
- e. OCOF

9. Staff Report (Discussion Only)

10. Announcements (This Includes Community Events)

11. Adjournment



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San Francisco Youth Commission

Minutes ~ Draft

Monday, June 15th, 2020

5:00 pm-8:00 pm

Public Comment Call-in:

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1. **Call to Order and Roll Call for Attendance (Discussion and Possible Action)**

Commissioner Cureton: Zoom fatigue is real, stretch legs a break may happen, please put your last name in chat if you wish to add to the discussion.

Commissioner Santos: raise hand function if chat is not eligible.

Commissioner Cureton calls the meeting to order at 5:01 PM.

Roll Call for Attendance:

Sarah Cheung, present
Valentina Alioto-Pier, present
Maggie Dong, present
Josephine Cureton, present
Calvin Quick, present
Khatab Alameri, present
Crystal Chan, present
JoJo Ty, present
Ariana Arana, present
Rome Jones, present
Amara Santos, present
Arianna Nassiri, present



Nora Hylton, present
Stephen "Rocky" Versace, present
Arsema Asfaw, present
Alexander Hirji, present
Sarah Ginsburg, present

Quorum is met.

2. **Approval of Agenda (Action Item)**

There is no public comment. Motion to approve the agenda by Commissioner Ginsburg, seconded by Commissioner Santos.

Roll Call vote: 17 Aye, 0 Nay

Sarah Cheung, aye
Valentina Alioto-Pier, aye
Maggie Dong, aye
Josephine Cureton, aye
Calvin Quick, aye
Khatab Alameri, aye
Crystal Chan, aye
JoJo Ty, aye
Ariana Arana, aye
Rome Jones, aye
Amara Santos, aye
Arianna Nassiri, aye
Nora Hylton, aye
Stephen "Rocky" Versace, aye
Arsema Asfaw, aye
Alexander Hirji, aye
Sarah Ginsburg, aye

The motion passes by roll call vote. 17 Aye, 0 Nay

3. **Approval of Minutes (Action Item)**

A. June 1st, 2020
[\(Document A\)](#)

There is no public comment.

Commissioner Quick motions to approve of June 1st, 2020 minutes, seconded by Commissioner Hirji.

Roll Call vote: 17 Aye, 0 Nay

Sarah Cheung, aye



Valentina Alioto-Pier, aye
Maggie Dong, aye
Josephine Cureton, aye
Calvin Quick, aye
Khatab Alameri, aye
Crystal Chan, aye
JoJo Ty, aye
Ariana Arana, aye
Rome Jones, aye
Amara Santos, aye
Arianna Nassiri, aye
Nora Hylton, aye
Stephen "Rocky" Versace, aye
Arsema Asfaw, aye
Alexander Hirji, aye
Sarah Ginsburg, aye

The motion passes by roll call vote. 17 Aye, 0 Nays

4. **Public Comment on Items not on Agenda (2 minutes per public comment)**

Shraddha Chaplot - engineer for 11 years, and STEAM teacher in San Francisco

I have created this class to get our younger generation to recognize the power to change they have. They will learn about issues in SF, learn tech tools / create a website, and start to become an activist for a cause they are passionate about. I also want to emphasize local engagement i.e. in SF or whichever city they live in, which is why I'll be sharing SF related topics of concern. I asked my colleague, who is a history teacher, to co-teach with me and we have 11 students who have signed up (from incoming 9th graders to rising 12th graders). My goal for the class is to get them to "Think Global, Act Local", to be proactive, and to believe in themselves to make positive change.

I would love for someone from the youth commission to come on **Friday, June 26th for 15-20 minutes (probably around 11:30 am-12 pm)**, to speak to how students can get more involved / talk about this Youth Commission, what it's like to be part of the city, and letting the students see they have the power and voice to make a change. My students will be presenting their city challenge and solution at the beginning of Friday's class, so of course, whoever comes is welcome to join that as well!

5. **Legislation Referred from the Board of Supervisors (All Items to Follow Discussion and Possible Action)**

A. [Input + Decision] BOS File No. 200592 [Resolution Urging the Civil Service Commission to Establish Disqualifying Standards for Applicants for Position of Police Officer and Sheriff Deputy Applicants Based on Misconduct]
Sponsors: Supervisors Walton, Yee, Preston, Peskin, Fewer, Ronen, Haney, and Mar



Presenter: Tracy, Legislative Aide, District 10
(Document B)

Presenter: Commissioner Rome Jones and Nora Hylton

The resolution is a blanket ban on the hiring of any new officer/deputy with police misconduct that is a result of the George Floyd. We talked about the feedback about the accountability on the officers. And how the impact of public record releases on it. police commission who looks into misconduct.

TJ recommendations:

- expand the criteria of misconduct [officer shootings, sexual misconduct, domestic violence, perjury, and drunken driving]
- rephrase on the use of "significant misconduct" this is often subjective and is tied to what do we deem as normal/and goes into what behavior we excuse.
- rephrase or redefine: use of "excessive force" - as this is often case by case, subjective terms.
- to include a clause pushing for a more stringent review of criminal convictions who have been law enforcement officers in California or applied to be one
- to name how many roadblocks there are for communities of color to get justice for their loved ones from uncooperative government workers to missing case files to sloppy record-keeping.
- recommendation to clearly define and expand this resolution to other law enforcement agencies

Commissioner Quick: Sheriff & PD aren't the only law enforcement agencies with JPD and APD - could we do this to apply to those departments especially JPD as they oversee juvenile hall. Retroactive & Continuous to employment and hiring as issues with union contracts

Commissioner Hirji: Disqualification from any applicant from uniform ranks - not admin roles, only officers,

Commissioner Quick: uniformed as an SFPD officer

Discussion:

Commissioner Santos - supports Commissioner's Quick point and would include a recommendation to clearly define and expand to other law enforcement agencies such as Juvenile Probation Department and Adult Probation Department.

Commissioner Quick - especially since resolution names to sheriff & pd, not the only law enforcement dpt.

Commissioner Hylton motions to include the Transformative Justice recommendations and additional recommendation from Commissioner Santos and question from Commissioner Hirji, seconded by Commissioner Quick.

- expand the criteria of misconduct [officer shootings, sexual misconduct, domestic violence, perjury, and drunken driving]
- also thoughts on the use of "significant misconduct" this is often subjective and is tied to what do we deem as normal/and goes into what behavior we excuse.



- additionally thoughts on the use of "excessive force" how is this defined - as this is often case by case, subjective terms.
- to include a clause pushing for a more stringent review of criminal convictions who have been law enforcement officers in California or applied to be one
- to name how many roadblocks there are for communities of color to get justice for their loved ones from uncooperative government workers to missing case files to sloppy record-keeping.
- recommendation to clearly define and expand this resolution to other law enforcement agencies such as the Juvenile Probation Department and Adult Probation Department.

Roll Call Vote:

Sarah Cheung, aye
Valentina Alioto-Pier, aye
Maggie Dong, aye
Josephine Cureton, aye
Calvin Quick, aye
Khatab Alameri, aye
Crystal Chan, aye
JoJo Ty, aye
Ariana Arana, aye
Rome Jones, aye
Amara Santos, aye
Arianna Nassiri, aye
Nora Hylton, aye
Stephen "Rocky" Versace, aye
Arsema Asfaw, aye
Alexander Hirji, aye
Sarah Ginsburg, aye

Motion passes by full roll call vote.

6. Presentations (All Items to Follow Discussion and Possible Action)

A. [Inform + Decision] Floyd Rule Legislation

Presenter: Dakshina Thanksy and Namrata 'Nimi' Dayana, USF School of Law
(Document C)

Dakshina Thanksy and Namrata 'Nimi' Dayana, USF School of Law students, working with D10 office. This legislation is in response to the Black Lives Matter movement and public outcry over George Floyd's death. First, this legislation gives San Francisco residents the tools to peacefully require a police officer to cease inflicting excessive force that could result in death to a non-resisting person. Community tools for intervention. Second, this legislation protects all residents of San Francisco, including members of the Black community, from encountering racist policing. D10 is working on this legislation.

These are checks to the police, and this role will give community the potential safeguards for their lives.



Questions:

Commissioner Ginsburg - referencing only citizens in your presentation, how does this impact noncitizens

DT - in the legislation, this is used as civilian - to best raise this rule as police never listen to the "bad guy"

Commissioner Santos - what happens when officer chooses to detain someone on basis of obstruction of justice?

DT - hence why we are pushing that a civilian invoking this rule must get absolute immunity, don't become part of police report, and officer must comply

Commissioner Santos - depending on situation, pd may get training and suspension and what are the guidelines and what are further steps for firing?

DT - under this rule, they will start listening and applying it.

Commissioner Santos - without legal rule versus what's right morally, is something that as brown and black folks this isn't the lived experience. what's to get police to stop out of legal obligation

ND - in legislation this will have to check on case by case basis on fit for duty

Commissioner Jones- if the first act costs someone their life, how does it go to someone's badge, community needs a process to assess the action and what happens that the community do and have control on discipline, what's the outreach so that community knows they have the right to hold sfpd accountable

ND - as people we can see when our community is injured, and in our democratic system we should be able to check that person that is doing the harm and do more than stand by like in the case of george floyd.

Commissioner Jones - the use of george floyd, he is not the only person to be killed by police officer, is there a way to think about nuances that isn't just by community/group - and consider it more as to how it impacts individuals

ND - this applies to when police do this in broad day light and we have know say - we know when this person will work , this is just one step to introduce police to community

Commissioner Santos - echo commissioner jones as this is based on assumption that black and brown folks are comfortable and confident to say these things to pd to have caused so much pain and havoc, what if this person is undocumented, language i don't feel comfortable with what's on the table - yes community has a say in the community, but hold these officer's on how to talk, deescalate and emotional labor who should be there to protect us, and concept of law enforcement to be happening in the 21st century

Commissioner Asfaw - concerns, training to listen to the community, why does pd get to go away without repercussions, no law where pd listens to community, different reforms just give ways for pd to be sneakier, pd going into alleyways where no one witnesses, my concern with this reform is another obstacle to overcome

ND - hope to see pd phased out, but right now we need a safeguard, which is why community being involved now and being given a tool to be immune to police enforcement



Commissioner Ginsburg - how does this account for youth to be involved

ND - no community member empowered by this rule, suffering wrongfully by pd, civilian to be defined

Commissioner Hylton- definition of excessive force, as death or severe injury as it's subjective, leaves the loophole, accountability in the moment - this is a hard gray area where technically for actions letter, stop won't get them to do it later,

ND - punishment of this law, retraining and suspension or potential removal of force

Commissioner Cureton - clarification, within this law section 3 - for violating this rule, in addition to retraining, will officer be charged, if asked to stop after, injury or death, besides retraining

DT - qualified immunity,

Commissioner Cureton- this is based on trust on police, even with white privilege

Commissioner Hirji- what makes law enforcement give authority or let go of authority entering situation, given what we've seen over many decades of police misconduct and overreach

Commissioner Cheung - cut to discussion

Commissioner Santos- shared opinions and concerns with great merit and have record that hearing this piece this is telling balck and brown people, that police are gonna continue but keep using flimsy safety guards

Commissioner Dong- don't feel comfortable supporting as this is unaddressed and a lot can go wrong even if real - excuses will get through if we are trying to protect

Commissioner Jones- as a black male id person from d10, this conversation has raised my emotions in not a good way, not going to support and definitely going to say, blanket feel good statements and resolutions because whoever is making good in the movement than true impact on what's going on and saying something that will come into nothing effective.

Commissioner Quick- best to not support this as yet again, bandaid mentality we can't currently control our sfpd as govt on how we conduct even this very discussion, with defunding the budget - is not where we need to be going with

Commissioner Alameri - although I see the intention of this. I just dont think it is feasible way to hold police accountable. I personally lean towards just starting to lessen their responsibilities and have other professionals in restorative justice or mental health that does not involve police in handling certain situation that have lead to many police killings in the past like fake money, mental health emergency, and so on

Commissioner Hirji - handoff to community do not know

Commissioner Cheung - internal discussion is going to end thanks for sharing perspectives.



no public comment.

Commissioner Cureton motions to not support the Floyd Rule, seconded by Commissioner Alameri.

no other motions on the table.

Roll Call Vote: 17 ayes, 0 nays

Sarah Cheung, aye
Valentina Alioto-Pier, aye
Maggie Dong, aye
Josephine Cureton, aye
Calvin Quick, aye
Khatab Alameri, aye
Crystal Chan, aye
JoJo Ty, aye
Ariana Arana, aye
Rome Jones, aye
Amara Santos, aye
Arianna Nassiri, aye
Nora Hylton, aye
Stephen "Rocky" Versace, aye
Arsema Asfaw, aye
Alexander Hirji, aye
Sarah Ginsburg, aye

Motion passes by full roll call vote. Commissioner Cureton calls the meeting from recess at 6:35 pm.

7. Youth Commission Business (All Items to Follow Discussion and Possible Action)

- A. [First Reading] Resolution No. 1920-AL-12 [Urging the San Francisco Unified School District to end its affiliation with the San Francisco Police Department by disbanding the SFPD/SFUSD Memorandum of Understanding]
Presenter: Commissioner Hylton
(Document D)

Commissioner Hylton was inspired from Minnesota Public Schools terminate the contract with Police. This resolution urging for the SFUSD to end its affiliation with the SFPD.

Commissioner Cureton is this something you want to pass in first reading?

Commissioner Hylton: wanted to pass with LGBTQ youth needs

Commissioner Quick: statistics and note resolved clauses - but pass it today



Commissioner Ty: statistics with LGBTQ students please reach out to me

Commissioner Quick: pass today - then would not be able to go back next meeting to incorporate new information

Commissioner Hylton: incorporate amendments and pass at next meeting

Staff: stats are substantive, casual information - between now and close of meeting and read those stats before end of meeting to pass today

Commissioners came back to this agenda item and incorporated a data piece on LGBT youth of color experiences.

Commissioner Quick, seconded by Commissioner Alameri, motions to suspend article 9 section C paragraph 2 to have this resolution passed on first reading.

Roll Call Vote:

Sarah Cheung, aye
Valentina Alioto-Pier, aye
Maggie Dong, aye
Josephine Cureton, aye
Calvin Quick, aye
Khatab Alameri, aye
Crystal Chan, aye
JoJo Ty, aye
Ariana Arana, aye
Rome Jones, aye
Amara Santos, aye
Arianna Nassiri, aye
Nora Hylton, aye
Stephen "Rocky" Versace, aye
Arsema Asfaw, aye
Alexander Hirji, aye
Sarah Ginsburg, aye

Commissioner Alameri, seconded by Commissioner Quick, motions to pass the resolution with the recommendations that Commissioner Hylton made.

Roll Call Vote:

Sarah Cheung, aye
Valentina Alioto-Pier, aye
Maggie Dong, aye
Josephine Cureton, aye
Calvin Quick, aye
Khatab Alameri, aye
Crystal Chan, aye
JoJo Ty, aye



Ariana Arana, aye
Rome Jones, aye
Amara Santos, aye
Arianna Nassiri, aye
Nora Hylton, aye
Stephen “Rocky” Versace, aye
Arsema Asfaw, aye
Alexander Hirji, aye
Sarah Ginsburg, aye

Motion passes by a full roll call vote.

- B. [Second Reading] Resolution No. 1920-AL-11 [Youth Services and Programs – City Response to COVID-19 Pandemic]
Presenter: Commissioner Quick
(Document E)

No public comment.

Commissioner Quick, seconded by Commissioner Cureton, motioned to approve the amendments as noted in the agenda packet.

Roll Call Vote:

Sarah Cheung, aye
Valentina Alioto-Pier, aye
Maggie Dong, aye
Josephine Cureton, aye
Calvin Quick, aye
Khatab Alameri, aye
Crystal Chan, aye
JoJo Ty, aye
Ariana Arana, aye
Rome Jones, aye
Amara Santos, aye
Arianna Nassiri, aye
Nora Hylton, aye
Stephen “Rocky” Versace, aye
Arsema Asfaw, aye
Alexander Hirji, aye
Sarah Ginsburg, aye

No public comment. Commissioner Quick Motion to pass the resolution, seconded Commissioner Jones.

Roll Call Vote:

Sarah Cheung, aye



Valentina Alioto-Pier, aye
Maggie Dong, aye
Josephine Cureton, aye
Calvin Quick, aye
Khatab Alameri, aye
Crystal Chan, aye
JoJo Ty, aye
Ariana Arana, aye
Rome Jones, aye
Amara Santos, aye
Arianna Nassiri, aye
Nora Hylton, aye
Stephen "Rocky" Versace, aye
Arsema Asfaw, aye
Alexander Hirji, aye
Sarah Ginsburg, aye

C. [Second Reading] Budget and Policy Priorities for FY 20-21, 21-22
Presenters: All committee chairs

CEC: Expand and Implement Voting Rights to Include 16 & 17 year olds in San Francisco Municipal Elections.

RECOMMENDATIONS

- 1) We urge the Mayor and the Board of Supervisors to support San Francisco in continuing to lead the country in the discussion and implementation of young voter engagement by indicating their continued support for lowering the municipal voting age in San Francisco to sixteen.
- 2) We strongly urge the Board of Supervisors to write a resolution in support of the Assembly Constitutional Amendment 8 (ACA 8) which would lower the voting age from 18 years old to 17 years old in the state of CA.
- 3) We urge the Board of Supervisors and Mayor's office to collaborate with SFUSD's Board of Education to implement more consistent voter education courses in public schools via the existing Board of Education Resolution 162-23A3 -- Encouraging Students to Exercise Their Voting Rights.
- 4) We urge that the city budget, particularly in the Department of Election's budget, include adequate funding for youth voter outreach and voter pre registration and registration of the newly eligible 16 and 17-year-olds.
- 5) We urge the Board of Supervisors introduced a charter amendment addendum that includes expanding voting rights to 16 & 17 year old undocumented youth.
- 6) Finally, we urge the Board of Supervisors to support a potential ballot measure to amend the city charter that would legalize the right to vote for non-citizens in San Francisco Municipal elections while ensuring confidentiality



HLU:

- BPP 1: Increase Emergency Shelter Options and Permanent Exits from Homelessness for Transitional Age Youth

Recommendations:

- Complete the 2015 TAY Housing Plan.
- Recommit to a new 2025 TAY Housing Plan.
- Maintain a requirement to have a TAY Navigation Center and explore opening more.
- Increase Supportive Services for TAY.
- Fund TAY programs proportionally to the TAY population.

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- BPP 2: Deliver Transportation Equity for Youth

Recommendations:

- Allocate funding to strategize to build an effective, equitable, and sustainable transportation system for SF youth and students, as part of the Service Equity Strategy.
- Collaborate with SFUSD and CCSF to obtain universal enrollment of students in the Free Muni for Youth Program, with a concurrent expansion of the program to a larger age range (TAY).
- Eliminate all nominal fares for youth (including TAY up to age 23).
- Increase funding for the 29-Sunset Improvement Project, with the view of developing a community and youth based solution to inadequate service on the aforementioned line.
- Stop working with SFPD when enforcing fares.

TJ:

- Priority X: Building a world without prisons or police, where we can all be safe Abolition
 - Defund the police
 - demilitarize communities
 - Allocating money back in communities for resources such as mental health services, substance abuse programs, economic opportunities,
 - Pushing for first responders to be mental health professionals, community workers, etc. not armed police
 - Getting rid of SFPD on Muni
 - remove police from schools
 - Ending SFUSD - SFPD MOU
 - Police training for youth development → invest in social workers/Wellness staff in schools
 - Prioritize safety and wellness in schools for all youth, particularly marginalized youth to be able to excel in social, academic and personal settings
 - Create a district wide training/program for staff/teachers in schools to best protect and educate themselves on immigrant rights/communities/people
- free people from prisons & jails



- Closure of juvenile hall
 - Updates
- Closure of 850
 - Input digital campaign
- Promoting restorative justice practices/community healing
- Lack of gender-specific shelters for female identifying individuals exiting Juvenile Hall
- Stop the displacement of people who are arrested (ie sending them out of the county)
- End to cash bail
- repeal laws criminalizing survival
 - Make public transportation free → no need for fare inspectors/tickets
- invest in community self governance
 - --% of SFPD officers do not live in SF/the communities they serve
 - invest in de-escalation training for social workers who respond to 911 calls
 - Have community members trained in de escalation/conflict mediation who can respond in place of police
 - Important in case of domestic abuse, physical violence
 - Know Your Rights trainings?
 - Creating a form of community accountability (for those who are responding to distress)
 - Educating community members in implicit bias
 - Provide economic opportunities that undocumented people are eligible for
- provide safe housing for everyone
 - provide housing for those released from juvenile hall
 - TAY navigation center?
 - Providing housing along with personal development programs that people can take partake in such as job training
 - Building more permanent supportive housing
 - Eviction protection for those impacted by COVID-19
 - Possibility of a housing/rent emergency fund
 - Housing assistance/stipends
- invest in care, not cops
 - For individuals exiting the justice system: reentry support and services provided by and within the community
 - ^ community focused job opportunities for previously incarcerated youth to learn and become healers in their communities
 - Instead of criminalization (especially around substance related “crimes”), divert individuals to mental/physical healthcare
 - Programs that work to aid youth specifically with youth who have been impacted by the system from a parent or guardian



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Commissioner Quick, seconded by Commissioner Nassiri, motions to approve Youth Commission Budget and Policy Priorities for fiscal year 20-21, 21-22.

Roll Call Vote:

Sarah Cheung, aye
Valentina Alioto-Pier, aye
Maggie Dong, aye
Josephine Cureton, aye
Calvin Quick, aye
Khatab Alameri, aye
Crystal Chan, aye
JoJo Ty, aye
Ariana Arana, aye
Rome Jones, aye
Amara Santos, aye
Arianna Nassiri, aye
Nora Hylton, aye
Stephen "Rocky" Versace, aye
Arsema Asfaw, aye
Alexander Hirji, aye
Sarah Ginsburg, aye

8. Committee Reports (Discussion Only)

- a. Executive Committee
 - a. LAO
 - i. last 2 tuesdays, BOS had no legislation pertaining to YC referral. Haney's office discussed to reduce police "tactics", banning tear gar, bean bag rounds, rubber bullets - only for protests - this is something YC should have referred when it is introduced, tenant protections
 - b. Comms
 - i. radical book club
 - ii. vote16 passed through rules committee,
 - c. General Committee Updates
 - i. presenter comment, yc has charter duties for holding people accountable for ideas, power dynamics from presenter
- b. Civic Engagement
 - a. vote16 passed rules committee come back june 30
- c. Housing and Land Use
 - a. bpp
 - b. discussion on sfmta budget for free muni 4 all
 - c. talk about addressing racist bart
- d. Transformative Justice
 - a. checked in on community



- b. talked about disqualifying standards on officers & sheriffs
- c. talked about bpps and assigned roles
- d. sfusd - sfpd mou
- e. OCOF
 - a. nothing to report as they are still figuring out virtual response
 - b. put specific agenda time, trying to incorporate more authentic youth voice

9. Staff Report (Discussion Only)

Staff report:

- reminder for YC interview panel training tomorrow 4:15pm - 6:15pm
- guest speaking opportunity for the SF activism class (came through youth com email)
- reminder that bpp sections are due July 1st to staff
- opportunities to help with VOTE16 work
- radical book club wed 4pm

10. Announcements (This Includes Community Events)

Commissioner Cureton, Cheung, Chan: sexual harassment in public schools and how admin have failed to support students, one of allegations is against a former YCer

- Commissioner Quick & Santos

Commissioner Quick: D5 budget advocacy survey - please share with other D5 constituents

11. Adjournment

Commissioner Cureton adjourns the meeting at 7:55 pm.

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Kiely Hosmon, Director, Youth Commission

FROM: John Carroll, Assistant Clerk,
Public Safety and Neighborhood Services Committee

DATE: July 1, 2020

SUBJECT: LEGISLATIVE MATTER INTRODUCED

The Board of Supervisors' Public Safety and Neighborhood Services Committee has received the following resolution, introduced by Supervisor Walton on June 23, 2020. This item is being referred for comment and recommendation.

File No. 200682

Urging the Department of Children, Youth and Their Families to Require All Funded Organizations to Have a Youth on Their Board of Directors By 2023

Please return this cover sheet with the Commission's response to John Carroll, Assistant Clerk, Public Safety and Neighborhood Services Committee.

RESPONSE FROM YOUTH COMMISSION Date: _____

- No Comment
- Recommendation Attached

Chairperson, Youth Commission

Introduction Form

By a Member of the Board of Supervisors or Mayor

Time stamp
or meeting date

I hereby submit the following item for introduction (select only one):

- 1. For reference to Committee. (An Ordinance, Resolution, Motion or Charter Amendment).
- 2. Request for next printed agenda Without Reference to Committee.
- 3. Request for hearing on a subject matter at Committee.
- 4. Request for letter beginning : "Supervisor inquiries"
- 5. City Attorney Request.
- 6. Call File No. from Committee.
- 7. Budget Analyst request (attached written motion).
- 8. Substitute Legislation File No.
- 9. Reactivate File No.
- 10. Topic submitted for Mayoral Appearance before the BOS on

Please check the appropriate boxes. The proposed legislation should be forwarded to the following:

- Small Business Commission
- Youth Commission
- Ethics Commission
- Planning Commission
- Building Inspection Commission

Note: For the Imperative Agenda (a resolution not on the printed agenda), use the Imperative Form.

Sponsor(s):

Walton

Subject:

Urging the Department of Children, Youth and Their Families to Require All Funded Organizations to Have a Youth on Their Board of Directors By 2023

The text is listed:

Resolution urging the Department of Children, Youth and Their Families (DCYF) to require all organizations receiving funding from DCYF have a youth age 14-24 years old on their Board of Directors by 2023.

Signature of Sponsoring Supervisor: /s/ Shamann Walton

For Clerk's Use Only

1 [Urging the Department of Children, Youth and Their Families to Require All Funded
2 Organizations to Have a Youth on Their Board of Directors By 2023]

3 **Resolution urging the Department of Children, Youth and Their Families (DCYF) to**
4 **require all organizations receiving funding from DCYF have a youth age 14 to 24 years**
5 **old on their Board of Directors by 2023.**

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7 WHEREAS, In 1991, San Francisco voters passed a Charter Amendment establishing
8 the San Francisco Children’s Fund, a fund dedicated to comprehensive children, youth, and
9 families throughout the City and County of San Francisco; and

10 WHEREAS, The San Francisco Department of Children, Youth and Their Families
11 (DCYF) has administered San Francisco’s investments in children, youth, transitional age
12 youth, and their families through the Children’s Fund since 1991; and

13 WHEREAS, DCYF is one of the few city departments in the country dedicated
14 exclusively to meet the needs of young people from birth through 24 years of age; and

15 WHEREAS, The mission of DCYF is to ensure that families with children and
16 transitional aged youth (TAY) are a prominent and valued segment of San Francisco’s social
17 fabric by supporting programs and activities in every San Francisco neighborhood; and

18 WHEREAS, According to the 2010 Census, San Francisco is home to
19 approximately 107,500 children and youth under the age of 18, and between 5,000 and 8,000
20 youth ages 16 to 24 and children and youth under the age of 18 account for 13% of the City’s
21 population; and

22 WHEREAS, Through the Children and Youth Fund and the City’s General Fund, DCYF
23 funds hundreds of community-based organizations to deliver the following types of services:
24 early child care and education, out of school time programs, teen services and youth
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1 empowerment programs, youth workforce development, violence prevention and intervention,
2 and family support programs; and

3 WHEREAS, DCYF promotes sharing of information to support children, youth,
4 transitional aged youth (TAY) and their families and welcomes their participation in civic
5 engagement; and

6 WHEREAS, DCYF seeks to address inequities in access and opportunity, provide
7 leadership in developing high quality programs and strong community-based organizations in
8 the interest of promoting positive outcomes; and

9 WHEREAS, DCYF prioritizes children, youth, transitional age youth and families'
10 voices in setting funding practices and priorities and is committed to working with City
11 stakeholders to allocate funds based on an equity framework; now, therefore, be it

12 RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors urges the Department of Children, Youth
13 and Their Families to adopt a policy requiring all organizations that receive funding from
14 DCYF and the Children and Youth Fund to have at least one youth member, defined as
15 between age 14 to 24 years old, to be a member of the organization's Board of Directors
16 by 2023; and, be it

17 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Department of Children, Youth and Their Families
18 will provide access to trainings that focus on the recruitment and on-boarding of youth
19 members to DCYF-funded organizations and these trainings are aimed at promoting steps in
20 the Youth Engagement Ladder so that youth are empowered to share in the decision-making
21 process of their Board; and, be it

22 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors hereby directs the Clerk of the
23 Board to transmit a copy of this Resolution to Executive Director of the Department of
24 Children, Youth and Their Families, the Children, Youth, and Their Families Oversight and
25 Advisory Committee (OAC), and the Youth Commission.

Document D

Proposed bylaw amendments regarding required trainings, absences, and formalizing the Youth Commission's commitment to equity and justice.

Proposed amendment 1:

Add under Section A to Article VI

“All chairs must attend chair training put forth by Youth Commission staff and will be considered under the same attendance structure as full Youth Commission attendance rules. The Youth Commission Staff shall include the dates for these trainings in the Youth Commission Meeting Schedule, given in the beginning of the term (unless stated otherwise by staff).”

Proposed amendment 2:

On page 4, replace the following text: “To authorize an absence, a youth commissioner must inform Commission staff and the Chair as early as possible of their upcoming absence, at least on the Wednesday before the week of the impending absence.” with “To authorize an absence, a youth commissioner must inform Commission staff and the Chair as early as possible of their upcoming absence, at least on the Wednesday before the week of the impending absence, and shall disclose to the Executive Committee and Staff a baseline excuse as to why said commissioner can't attend ”

Proposed amendment 3:

Add under Section A to Article VII

“Acknowledging that current systems in place do not serve all of us and by amplifying youth voices and advocating for one another, we as a body can shift conversations and dynamics for how communities can live and thrive.”

“Actively and compassionately unlearning biased, harmful and negative ideologies we've been taught to better help our communities and one another”

1 [Urging the Defunding of San Francisco Police Department and Investment in Community
2 Health and Safety]

3 **Resolution urging the Defunding of San Francisco Police Department and Investment in**
4 **Community Health and Safety**

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6 WHEREAS, America has a long and horrendous history of using the police and all law
7 enforcement as a force to inflict personal, psychological, communal and physical violence on all
8 marginalized communities but in particular on the Black, Indigenous and LGBTQIA+ community; and

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10 WHEREAS, The origins of American policing can be traced back to the preservation of the
11 slavery system such as the creation of slave patrols—forces created to identify escaped slaves and
12 return them to chains and preventing slave revolts; and

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14 WHEREAS, From slavery in the south to factories in the north, the foundation of police forces
15 has always been to preserve the power and protect the property of the white ruling class; and

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17 WHEREAS, Gentrification doesn't work without criminalization of Black and Brown people by
18 the police as phone calls are not to report a crime but to report a Black and Brown person; and

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20 WHEREAS, According to a New York Times article covering "How Do the Police Actually
21 Spend Their Time?", roughly 99% of police calls for service are not in response to violence, but
22 property crime and non-criminal matters; and

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24 WHEREAS, San Francisco has approximately 8,000 people experiencing homelessness on a
25 given night and of the 8,000, 1,200 are Transitional Age Youth ages 18 to 24; and

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27 WHEREAS, Young people who experience homelessness in the Bay Area are
28 disproportionately people of color and identify as LGBTQ; and

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30 WHEREAS, a 2016 report from the Budget and Legislative Analyst's Office estimated that the
31 city incurred nearly \$21 million in 2015 to enforce quality of life laws against homeless residents; and

1 WHEREAS, Police accounted for more than 90% of the costs and responded to more than
2 60,000 incidents from January to November 2015; and

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4 WHEREAS, The SFPD budget has seen a steady increase over the last decade reaching \$692
5 million as of 2019, yet according to their website, violent crime has not seen a drastic change in over a
6 decade; and

7 WHEREAS, The San Francisco Police Department (SFPD) budget is larger than the
8 Department of Children, Youth and Families, the Department of the Environment, Department of
9 Homelessness and Supportive Housing, the Human Rights Commission, and the Public Defender's
10 office combined; and

11 WHEREAS, The SFPD current draft budget for the Fiscal Year 2020 - 2021, is calling for an
12 increase in funding now reaching to \$738 million, despite Mayor Breed's mandate to all department
13 budgets to be cut; and

14 WHEREAS, The consistent increase of the SFPD's budget over the years has led to direct
15 violence inflicted on people of color, specifically black and indigenous, and

16 WHEREAS, We have seen countless Black and Brown lives were taken, including Tony
17 McDade, Michael Brown, Sandra Bland, George Floyd, Eric Garner, Amaud Arbery, Korryn Gaines,
18 Breonna Taylor, Michelle Cusseaux, Rayshard Brooks, Alex Nieto, Mario Woods, Luis Góngora Pat,
19 and countless others because of police brutality and white supremacist ideologies enacted by law
20 enforcement officers; and

21 WHEREAS, According to Mapping Police Violence, law enforcement killed 1,098 people in
22 2019 and we have not seen systemic legal accountability from officers who commit violence and
23 murder; and

24 WHEREAS, Among those 1,098 victims, 24% were Black, despite Black people only making up
25 13% of the entire United States population; and

1 WHEREAS, From 2013 to 2019, 99% percent of police killings have not resulted in officers
2 being charged with a crime; and

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4 WHEREAS, The City and County of San Francisco is not exempt from this violent anti-Black
5 and racist acts; and

6 WHEREAS, From 2013 to 2019, nineteen people were killed by San Francisco police officers,
7 one of the victims being Mario Woods, a 26-year-old Black man found with 20 gunshots inflicted by
8 officers, many of which were from behind; and

9 WHEREAS, In 2015, Amilcar Perez-Lopez, a 20-year-old Guatemalan immigrant, was shot four
10 times in back and once in the head by two plainclothes San Francisco police officers over an alleged
11 bike confrontation; and

12 WHEREAS, In 2014, Alex Nieto, a 28-year-old born and raised in San Francisco Bernal
13 Heights, was shot 14 times while he was enjoying a burrito at Bernal Heights Park over a false 911
14 call, and

15 WHEREAS, San Francisco is preparing to pay \$455,000 to settle two separate lawsuits
16 alleging excessive force over an officer shooting a man in the back in North Beach and a sergeant
17 colliding with a skateboarder at Dolores Park, and

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19 WHEREAS, According to reporting conducted by CalMatters, Latinx people makeup 39% of
20 California's population but makeup 46% of police shooting victims, and

21 WHEREAS, Native American people have the highest rate of being killed by police nationwide,
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23 WHEREAS, According to CNN, for every one million Native Americans, an average of 2.9 of
24 them are killed annually from 1995-2015 as a result of "legal intervention", a vast majority being police
25 shootings, and

1 WHEREAS, Alongside the U.S. government’s historical use of law enforcement to scare and
2 intimate Black, Indigenous and other communities of color, an aspect of modern-day policing is
3 militarization; and

4 WHEREAS, California mayors and local authorities were relying on the National Guard and
5 curfews to deal with policing of protests over the death of George Floyd; and
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7 WHEREAS, In the month of June 2020, the state of California spent nearly 25 million dollars to
8 deploy approximately 8,000 National Guard soldiers to cities including Vallejo, San Leandro,
9 Sacramento, and Los Angeles, and

10 WHEREAS, Although San Francisco hasn’t seen any National Guard presence yet with Mayor
11 Breed initially putting the Guard on standby, but did not ultimately call them out, this is not to say their
12 tactics aren’t being used in the city, and

13 WHEREAS, In two major Black Lives Matter protests led by young people and was attended by
14 thousands of San Franciscans, including many families and children, peaceful protestors came face-
15 to-face with officers armed with flexible baton rounds and chemical agent sprays; and

16 WHEREAS, In a 2017 published academic study from University of California, Berkeley, on the
17 use of kinetic impact projectiles (KIPs) in crowd control: 3 percent of people hit by KIPs, which include
18 rubber bullets and tear gas canisters, die from their injuries; and

19 WHEREAS, The usage of rubber bullets and tear gas still continues despite the grave health
20 risk they pose, and
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22 WHEREAS, Using tear gas in the war was banned during the Chemical Weapons Convention
23 of 1993, yet it is still allowed for use by law enforcement officers, and

24 WHEREAS, A New York Times article states “tear gas may cause damage to people’s lungs
25 and make them more susceptible to getting a respiratory illness, according to studies on the risks of

1 exposure. The gas can also incite coughing, which can further spread the [Coronavirus] from an
2 infected person,” and

3 WHEREAS, A study conducted by the University of Chile showed “that CS gas, also known as
4 chlorobenzylidene malononitrile, may cause miscarriages,” and

5 WHEREAS, The Center for Disease Control (CDC) has said the possible long-term side effects
6 “include blindness, glaucoma, severe chemical burns in the throat and lungs, respiratory failure, and in
7 severe cases, death,” and

8 WHEREAS, San Francisco has not done enough to protect its residents, especially the
9 incarcerated population, during an international pandemic that specifically targets the lungs and
10 respiratory tract, and

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12 WHEREAS, The Board of Supervisors has voted to close County Jail No. 4 by November 1,
13 2020, and

14 WHEREAS, However, according to the SF Gov website, as of June 1, 2020, the daily jail
15 population was 818 people, including arrests following a weekend of protests in solidarity for Black
16 Lives Matter, and

17 WHEREAS, Many health officials have expressed concern about how jails and prisons have
18 become “an entirely preventable outbreak” for COVID-19, now, therefore, be it

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20 RESOLVED, That the Youth Commission urges Mayor Breed and the Board of Supervisors
21 take a bold step forward to break the systemic cycle of oppression and redirect money from the failed
22 and racist systems of policing, criminalization, and incarceration, and be it

23 RESOLVED, That the Youth Commission urges Mayor Breed and the Board of Supervisors to
24 cut the SFPD’s budget by at least 50%, and be it

25 FURTHER RESOLVED, That 25% of that money goes towards a “Community and People

1 Budget”, similar to the proposal for the City and County of Los Angeles in which a percentage is set
2 aside for social and community-centric services such as mental health services, community and City
3 and County programs for youth employment including undocumented and previously incarcerated
4 youth, and housing for the communities most impacted by violence and incarceration, and be it

5 FURTHER RESOLVED, That an 8.5% of the SFPD’s budget cuts goes towards to social
6 workers and trauma-informed counselors to aid victims of sexual misconduct, and be it

7 FURTHER RESOLVED, That another 15% of that 50% goes towards San Francisco Unified
8 School District (SFUSD) public schools and Wellness Centers for mental health professionals with an
9 equitable focus for schools with a high percentage of Black and Latinx youth in order to ensure they
10 are equipped with the physical, mental, emotional and communal tools to thrive beyond their
11 education, and be it

12 FURTHER RESOLVED, That community programs, separate from SFUSD, are created and
13 funded for formerly incarcerated youth and their families that teach non-violent communication skills,
14 peer-to-peer conflict resolution, facilitation skills for peer mental health groups, de-escalation tactics,
15 and any other necessary emotional and mental healing skills, and be it

16 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Youth Commission urges that SFUSD uses the money from
17 recently ended SFUSD-MOU contract towards creating a stipend program that teaches youth, with a
18 focus for young girls of color, non-violent communication skills, peer to peer conflict resolution, peer
19 support groups and other emotional and mental healing skills, and be it

20 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Youth Commission urges the Board of Supervisors to ban
21 the usage of rubber bullets and tear gas, especially when inflicting them on protestors, and be it

22 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Youth Commission urges that Mayor London Breed not call
23 on the National Guard for the purpose of attempting to intimidate communities of color, and be it

24 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Youth Commission urges the Board of Supervisors to honor
25 Proposition C that passed in 2018, in which 4,000 houses were supposed to permanently house

1 families, youth and adults, 4,500 people were supposed to receive substance abuse treatment and
2 behavioral health services, and 7,000 people would be prevented with facing homelessness by
3 providing rental assistance and eviction defense, and be it

4 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Youth Commission urges the Department of Homeless and
5 Supportive Housing to equitably provide permanent local housing for vulnerable youth populations
6 such as homeless, LGBTQIA+, Black, and Latinx populations and those facing housing instability, and
7 be it

8 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Youth Commission urges the Board of Supervisors to
9 increase funding for community-based organizations that help in youth development, mental and
10 physical health programs, and trauma-informed substance usage programs, and be it

11 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Youth Commission urges District Attorney Chesa Boudin to
12 continue the work of former District Attorney George Gascón of wiping all nonviolent offenses of
13 simple possessions of marijuana, and be it

14 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Youth Commission urges the San Francisco Office of
15 Cannabis to ensure, along with the Equity Applicant requirements, to emphasize giving business
16 licenses to Black, Indigenous, Latinx people and women transitional age youth (those aged 21-25
17 years old) in order to equitably support San Francisco local businesses, and be it

18 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Youth Commission urges the San Francisco Sheriff's Office
19 to expedite the release of those incarcerated at 850 Bryant, as being in jail poses a significant health
20 risk due to COVID-19, and to provide economic, health and academic resources for those released,
21 and be it

22 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Youth Commission urges the Juvenile Probation Department
23 to expedite the release of those incarcerated at Juvenile Hall and that they are also provided with the
24 economic, health, and academic resources they need.
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1 [Transportation Equity - Free Muni for All Youth]

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3 **Resolution urging the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency Board to**
4 **include the Free Muni For All Youth fare proposal in its FY 2020-2021 and FY 2021-22**
5 **budgets.**

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7 WHEREAS, Public transit is the most efficient and equitable way for large numbers of
8 people to travel to access opportunities and resources in a dense urban area; and

9 WHEREAS, Over 60 percent of San Francisco high schoolers take public transit to
10 school; and

11 WHEREAS, The Youth Commission has previously advocated for the establishment of
12 the Free Muni for Youth Program (FMFY) within the San Francisco Municipal Transportation
13 Agency (SFMTA); and

14 WHEREAS, The FMFY program suffers from a complex application process and is not
15 widely known; and

16 WHEREAS, The Youth Commission has previously urged the SFMTA to distribute the
17 FMFY pass through SFUSD, allowing youth to utilize the FMFY program without having to
18 apply (YC File No. 1920-AL-09); and

19 WHEREAS, The SFMTA had proposed in its original budget to roll out Free Muni for All
20 Youth (FMFAY), which would eliminate the nominal fare for youth up to age 19 (with provision
21 for a future expansion of FMFAY to Transitional Age Youth) without an application; and

22 WHEREAS, The COVID-19 pandemic has resulted in far less transit ridership and a
23 worsening economy which has decimated the SFMTA's revenues; and

24 WHEREAS, This has entailed a worsening financial outlook for the SFMTA, rendering
25 budget cuts necessary; and

1 WHEREAS, In the most recent budget passed unanimously by the SFMTA Board of
2 Directors on June 30, 2020, which was crafted in response to Board of Supervisors opposition
3 to fare hikes on the adult non-discounted fares, the FMFAY program was cut from the
4 proposed budget; and

5 WHEREAS, The Youth Commission advocates for equitable transit options, especially
6 for underserved populations who do not have many other options; and

7 WHEREAS, The SFMTA would offset a part of the cost of FMFAY by the correlated
8 elimination of bureaucratic and administrative costs needed to process the current application-
9 based FMFY program; now, therefore, be it

10 RESOLVED, That the Youth Commission urges the SFMTA to include the FMFAY fare
11 option in its FY 2020-2021 and FY 2021-2022 budgets; and, be it

12 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Youth Commission urges the SFMTA to work with
13 the SFUSD to increase the visibility of the existing FMFY program; and, be it

14 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Youth Commission urges the SFMTA and Board of
15 Supervisors to work with local, state and federal officials to diversify the SFMTA's funding
16 stream so that fare increases and unspecified general fund transfers do not affect the
17 agency's budget.

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1 [Urging the City and County of San Francisco to support Survivors of Sexual Harassment and
2 Assault]

3 **Resolution urging the City and County of San Francisco to support Survivors of Sexual**
4 **Harassment and Assault**

5 WHEREAS, Sexual violence is a social and cultural problem, rather than an individual
6 problem; and

7 WHEREAS, Systemic gender-inequality, toxic masculinity, and power imbalances
8 foster an environment that perpetuates and promotes violence; and

9 WHEREAS, That all institutions have a role, one that supports survivors and their
10 healing and builds a climate of accountability and culture free of sexual violence; and

11 WHEREAS, Recently, sexual harassment and assault allegations have been widely
12 shared by San Francisco Unified School District (SFUSD) students and other Bay Area
13 students via social media, including an accusation against former Youth Commissioner Drew
14 Min; and

15 WHEREAS, Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972 is a federal law that
16 prohibits sex discrimination in education, including K-12 schools; and

17 WHEREAS, SFUSD's sexual harassment policy (State Education Code and Board
18 Policy 5166) states that "the Board prohibits sexual harassment of students by other students,
19 employees or other persons, at school or at school-sponsored or school-related activities;"
20 and

21 WHEREAS, According to Rape, Abuse & Incest National Network (RAINN), the
22 nation's largest anti-sexual violence organization, someone is sexually assaulted in America
23 every 73 seconds; and

24 WHEREAS, Those aged 12-34 are at the highest risk of rape and sexual assault, as
25 the majority of sexual assault victims are under 30; and

1 WHEREAS, Females aged 16-19 are 4 times more likely than the general population to
2 be victims of rape or sexual assault; and

3 WHEREAS, 21 percent of transgender, genderqueer, and nonconforming (TGQN)
4 college students have been sexually assaulted, compared to 18 percent of cisgender females
5 and 4 percent of cisgender males; and

6 WHEREAS, Black, Indigenous, and people of color (BIPOC) are disproportionately
7 victims of sexual assault, especially Native Americans, who are twice as likely to experience
8 rape or sexual assault than any other race; and

9 WHEREAS, According to a study conducted by the California Coalition Against Sexual
10 Assault (CCASA), in California, more than 86 percent of women (compared with 81 percent
11 nationally) and 53 percent of men (compared with 43 percent nationally) report having
12 experienced some form of sexual harassment and/or assault in their lifetime; and

13 WHEREAS, According to the San Francisco Police Department, instances of rape in
14 San Francisco rose 7.31 percent from 2017 to 2018; and

15 WHEREAS, On May 6, 2020, U.S. Secretary of Education Betsy DeVos passed new
16 Title IX regulations, where college institutions must presume that all those accused of sexual
17 misconduct are innocent prior to the investigative process, which protects perpetrators of
18 sexual misconduct; and

19 WHEREAS, According to Inside Higher Ed, these new regulations set higher evidence
20 and cross-examination standards, which can retraumatize and prevent victims from reporting
21 sexual assault; and

22 WHEREAS, According to RAINN, the likelihood that a person suffers suicidal or
23 depressive thoughts increases after sexual violence, as 94 percent of women who are raped,
24 experience symptoms of post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD) two weeks after the rape, 33
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1 percent of women who are raped contemplate suicide, and 13 percent of women who are
2 raped attempt suicide; and

3 WHEREAS, In partnership with more than 1,000 local sexual assault service providers,
4 RAINN operates a national sexual assault hotline (1-800-656-4673) that provides confidential
5 support from trained staff members, support in finding local health facilities that are trained to
6 care for survivors of sexual assault, and local resources that can assist survivors in the
7 healing and recovery process; and

8 WHEREAS, There are numerous community organizations in San Francisco that offer
9 emotional and legal support for sexual assault survivors, including LYRIC, Asian Pacific
10 Islander (API) Legal Outreach, and San Francisco Women Against Rape, all of which have
11 local programs and resources that support survivors; and

12 WHEREAS, These programs are not actively promoted in schools, so students are not
13 aware of or connected to these organizations and the resources available to them; and

14 WHEREAS, The San Francisco Board of Supervisors passed legislation in 2016 to
15 create the Safer Schools Sexual Assault Task Force, which met monthly from November 2016
16 to November 2017; and

17 WHEREAS, The Task Force met monthly to analyze state and federal laws regarding
18 campus sexual assault, recommend best practices for colleges and universities in San
19 Francisco to reduce sexual assault, and recommend steps that the City can take to reduce
20 sexual assault on college and university campuses; and

21 WHEREAS, The Safer Schools Sexual Assault Task Force Report and
22 Recommendations did not include any specific recommendations for reducing sexual assault
23 on elementary, middle school, and high school campuses; and

24 WHEREAS, The Task Force did not invite young people to provide input and feedback
25 on the report and recommendations; and

1 WHEREAS, In 2017, the United States Department of Justice conducted an audit of
2 the San Francisco Police Department (SFPD) and produced 272 reform recommendation,
3 none of which addressed the conditions in the department’s Special Victims Unit and its
4 treatment of rape survivors; and

5 WHEREAS, in 2013, ABC7 News reported that SFPD had found 753 untested rape kits
6 from 2003 to 2013, despite a law passed four years earlier by the Board of Supervisors
7 mandating that all rape kits be tested; and

8 WHEREAS, In 2004, the Youth Commission and the SFUSD Student Advisory Council
9 (SAC) hosted a community hearing with representatives of community-based organizations
10 and various government agencies to understand the current situation of sexual harassment
11 and assault in San Francisco schools; and

12 WHEREAS, In April 2005, the Youth Commission and SFUSD SAC produced the San
13 Francisco Youth Commission Report on Sexual Assault and Harassment in San Francisco
14 Schools, including information from the hearing, SFUSD student input, and recommendations
15 to City agencies; now, therefore, be it

16 RESOLVED, That the Youth Commission stands with all survivors of sexual
17 harassment and assault and condemns the actions of all perpetrators of sexual harassment
18 and assault; and, be it

19 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Youth Commission urges the Department of
20 Children, Youth and their Families (DCYF) and the Department of Public Health (DPH), to
21 fund community-based organizations providing comprehensive and inclusive sex education
22 including information on healthy relationships and consent, trauma and mental health support,
23 and reproductive health services, such as Huckleberry Youth Programs; and, be it

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1 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Youth Commission urges District Attorney Chesa
2 Boudin's office and SFPD to test all rape kits and begin an investigation within 48 hours of
3 receiving them; and, be it

4 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Youth Commission urges SFPD to properly and
5 legally assist survivors in filing a police report, getting medical care, holding the perpetrator
6 accountable, and maintaining a survivor's legal rights in a timely manner, without causing
7 increased trauma; and, be it

8 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Youth Commission urges SFPD to have survivors
9 solely interact with experts trained in trauma-informed counseling, such as social workers and
10 domestic violence counselors, unless necessary under law, to ensure survivors do not endure
11 further trauma and gaslighting; and, be it

12 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Youth Commission urges the San Francisco
13 Department of Police Accountability to ensure SFPD supports all survivors of sexual
14 harassment and assault and follows all laws and regulations; and be it

15 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Youth Commission urges SFUSD to follow the
16 recommendations of SFUSD SAC in their Title IX resolution; and, be it

17 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Youth Commission urges SFUSD to adopt
18 mandatory trainings for youth, educators, and school site staff on the definitions of sexual
19 harassment and assault, reporting procedures, supporting students, and identifying and
20 preventing these crimes; and, be it

21 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Youth Commission urges the Board of Education to
22 pass a resolution affirming survivor's rights and access to supportive resources when sexually
23 assaulted or harassed on a SFUSD campus and/or by a SFUSD student or employee.

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