



San Francisco Youth Commission

Minutes ~ Draft

Monday, November 2nd, 2020

5:00 pm-8:00 pm

Public Comment Call-in:

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There will be public comment on each item.

Jayden Tanaka, Valentina Alioto-Pier, Lillian Tang, Plyfaa Suwanamalik-Murphy, Calvin Quick, Gabrielle Listana, Adrianna Zhang, Gracie Veiga, Ariana Arana, Rome Jones, Erika Morris, Arsema Asfaw, Sarah Cheung, Sarah Ginsburg, Nora Hylton, Amara Santos, Stephen "Rocky" Versace

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

Chair Hylton calls the meeting at 5:07 pm. Quorum is met.

Technical issues noted for Commissioner Jones and Asfaw.

Commissioner Quick requests that we schedule the cisco meetings earlier to account for the time it takes to log on. Staff noted.

Roll Call Attendance:

Jayden Tanaka, present

Valentina Alioto-Pier, present

Lillian Tang, present

Plyfaa Suwanamalik-Murphy, present

Calvin Quick, present

Gabrielle Listana, present

Adrianna Zhang, present

Gracie Veiga, present

Ariana Arana, present

Rome Jones, present

Erika Morris, present

Arsema Asfaw, tardy

Sarah Cheung, present

Sarah Ginsburg, present

Nora Hylton, present

Amara Santos, present

Stephen "Rocky" Versace, present

2. Approval of Agenda (Action Item)



No public comment. Commissioner Quick motions to approve the agenda, seconded by Commissioner Zhang. By a roll call vote the motion passes.

Roll Call Vote:

Jayden Tanaka, aye
Valentina Alioto-Pier, aye
Lillian Tang, aye
Plyfaa Suwanamalik-Murphy, aye
Calvin Quick, aye
Gabrielle Listana, aye
Adrianna Zhang, aye
Gracie Veiga, aye
Ariana Arana, aye
Rome Jones, aye
Erika Morris, aye
Arsema Asfaw,
Sarah Cheung, aye
Sarah Ginsburg, aye
Nora Hylton, aye
Amara Santos, aye
Stephen “Rocky” Versace, aye

3. Approval of Minutes (Action Item)

A. October 19th, 2020
[\(Document A\)](#)

No public comment. Commissioner Zhang, seconded by Commissioner Quick, motioned to approve the minutes. By a roll call vote, the motion passes.

Roll Call Vote:

Jayden Tanaka, aye
Valentina Alioto-Pier, aye
Lillian Tang, aye
Plyfaa Suwanamalik-Murphy, aye
Calvin Quick, aye
Gabrielle Listana, aye
Adrianna Zhang, aye
Gracie Veiga, aye
Ariana Arana, aye
Rome Jones, aye
Erika Morris, aye
Arsema Asfaw,
Sarah Cheung, aye
Sarah Ginsburg, aye
Nora Hylton, aye
Amara Santos, aye
Stephen “Rocky” Versace, aye



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

no public comment.

5. Legislation Referred (All Items to Follow Discussion and Possible Action)

- A. [Inform + Decision] File No. 201187 - [Administrative Code - Safe Sleeping Sites Program]
Sponsor: Supervisor Mandelman, District 8
Presenters: District 8 Staff
(Doc B)

Staff Estrada- This ordinance is amending a code that exists that establishes safe sleeping sites which are organized encampments for homeless people. This legislation would expand the program beyond D5 and D8. It would be extended to the rest of the city and all homeless people who are interested. It would establish a network of safe sleeping sites and be required to accommodate to 150 homeless individuals. In addition, access to clean bathrooms to be open from 8am-8pm.

Questions

Commissioners Jones- Is this unrelated to other places homeless people sleep?

Staff Estrada- Yes they should be, Currently the only encampments are in D5 and D8.

Commissioners Quick- the current program is separate from navigation centers but structurally similar. They rely on the same building codes as the navigation centers. Both are related but the legislation would not expand the centers.

Commissioners Veiga- yes this would not add to the navigation centers.

Commissioners Hylton- Are there any other plans to other available resources at the site?

Staff Estrada- the encampments would not have additional resources, only a place to sleep.

Commissioners Santos- what is the long term goal for this? Are there any protections from people calling the cops on the houseless folx?

Staff Estrada- From what i gathered this seems to be an immediate response to the houseless issue in SF. Legal encampments are being proposed due limited space in shelters. If someone were to call the cops, they would know the encampments are legal, therefore, they have rights.

Commissioners Veiga- Lower cost effects than other plans. They are aiming to rescue people from streets due to the policing people face on the streets.

Quick- Rolling process that would ask the needs of the community. That information will be used to help the community.

Commissioners Asfaw- Are these encampments only for the pandemic?



Commissioners Quick- currently there is legislation on temp encampments due to covid. However, the legislation would be an extended measure of the legislation on an ongoing basis.

Commissioners Veiga- How does the need of housing being addressed?

Staff Estrada- data from Coalition on Homeslessness, surveys from homeless people, and reaching out to see if homeless people are interested in being in an encampment.

Commissioners Quick- questions on sponsors, What % of people in safe sleeping sites are TAY and how does that compare to the general TAY estimate of the population experiencing homelessness. Depending on the data whether it would be worth setting specific targets at TAY. Why are they staying for 9 months, when multiples were created in 6 months. Why is the urgency slowing down? For resources they should be specific on how to connect to coordinated entry program since it's a mess. They should have a link to the program and the ability to connect TAY to safe sleeping sites in specific to TAY specific services. Lastly, HSH cant use muni for people who are in safe sleeping cities, I would like clarity.

Commissioners Hylton- I would encourage D8 office to what it wants to be. To me it sounds like the bare minimum on what they could be doing especially during the pandemic. Other resources could be a helpful addition.

Commissioners Santos- I agree with Commissioners Hylton, especially because it is the bare minimum. It does not seem to have sustainability or a long term plan.

Commissioners Veiga- I agree with Commissioners Santos. A bare minimum should have more pandemic resources but I don't think it is long term.

No public comment.

open the floor for motion.

Commissioner Quick motions for the position of no position (neutral) with the questions and concerns as specified by staff earlier, seconded by Commissioner Arana. Motion passes with 13 Ayes and 4 Nays.

Roll Call Vote: 13 Ayes , 4 Nays

Jayden Tanaka, aye

Valentina Alioto-Pier, nay

Lillian Tang, aye

Plyfaa Suwanamalik-Murphy, aye

Calvin Quick, aye

Gabrielle Listana, aye

Adrianna Zhang, aye

Gracie Veiga, aye

Ariana Arana, aye

Rome Jones, aye

Erika Morris, aye

Arsema Asfaw, nay

Sarah Cheung, aye

Sarah Ginsburg, aye



Nora Hylton, aye
Amara Santos, nay
Stephen “Rocky” Versace, nay

Commissioner Santos motion of no support (no), seconded by Commissioner Asfaw. Motion does not pass by 13 Nays and 4 ayes.

Roll Call Vote: 13 Nays, 4 Ayes
Jayden Tanaka, nay
Valentina Alioto-Pier, nay
Lillian Tang, nay
Plyfaa Suwanamalik-Murphy, nay
Calvin Quick, nay
Gabrielle Listana, nay
Adrianna Zhang, nay
Gracie Veiga, nay
Ariana Arana, aye
Rome Jones, nay
Erika Morris, nay
Arsema Asfaw, aye
Sarah Cheung, nay
Sarah Ginsburg, nay
Nora Hylton, nay
Amara Santos, aye
Stephen “Rocky” Versace, aye

Commissioner Veiga motion of support (yes), seconded by Commissioner Alioto-Pier. Motion does not pass by 13 Nays and 4 ayes.

Roll Call Vote: 13 Nays, 4 Ayes
Jayden Tanaka, nay
Valentina Alioto-Pier, aye
Lillian Tang, nay
Plyfaa Suwanamalik-Murphy, aye
Calvin Quick, nay
Gabrielle Listana, nay
Adrianna Zhang, aye
Gracie Veiga, aye
Ariana Arana, nay
Rome Jones, nay
Erika Morris, nay
Arsema Asfaw, nay
Sarah Cheung, nay
Sarah Ginsburg, nay
Nora Hylton, nay
Amara Santos, nay
Stephen “Rocky” Versace, nay

Staff Hosmon explains procedure - vote by the most recent motion proposed. Can only vote aye or nay. majority rule applies.



Commissioner Zhang, rather get something done than nothing at all.

Commissioner Veiga, I'm definitely not feeling strongly any way but felt like supporting with recommendations could be a good call since I do like the idea of this work getting done immediately

Commissioner Santos they don't read our papers, blue red nada - bleak, own autonomy here.

Commissioner Jones often feel like BOS send things and ask our opinions not really care and political positions don't do their job with the best position for the people

Commissioner Quick echo and Rome just said ongoing problem and all sides and voting the same side

Commissioner Versace- I notice we say yes to things we don't totally agree with but don't follow up. I want to stop normalizing saying yes to things that don't go far enough just to get something. At one point we forgot about something, this motion has nothing in relation to youth which is our job. I don't trust the system after we say what we have to say.

Commissioner Asfaw- I think there is a perception we are going to play it nice but as YC it's important to take a firm stance and speak up.

B. [Inform + Decision] File No. 201227 - [Urging a Just Transition to a Fossil Fuel-Free Future for California]

Sponsor: Supervisor Mar, District 4

Presenters: Edward Wright, District 4 Legislative Aide
(Doc C)

Edward Wright- legislative aid to Mar. In 2019 SF declared a climate state of emergency. Continued extractions of oil is dangerous and increasing climate temperature, California is complacent in this. We have to leave fossil fuels in the ground, it urges discontinue permitting any new fossil fuels extraction to set up production align w/ Paris Agreement. There are many opportunities to create new jobs in the direction against lowering emissions. We need state leaders to stand w/ us to do just work. We cannot lose sight of our climate change, it is an economic and racial justice issue. Continued fossil fuel extractions continue disparities and negative health outcomes for people of color. The SF BOS urges Gavin Newsom to discontinue permitting new oil and gas extraction, fossil fuel infrastructure, or petrochemical projects in California; and urges the California State Legislature to enact legislation prohibiting new permits for oil and gas extraction in California.

Questions

- Commissioner Quick- thank you for presenting. Last Chance Alliance, a lot of local youth led organizations have been advocating to raise awareness Newsom will not permit new oil and gas but has flip flopped. There is a lack of accountability at the state level. Have you talked to those organizations?
- Wright- I haven't made directly about this resolution but will be happy to. It will be helpful to have the city and county in solidarity considering Newsom is the former mayor of SF. We think the timing is important now because of the election and have seen hints of momentum at the state level. We wanted to use that opportunity to work towards resolving that



on the state level. We want to talk the conversation and broaden and expand to all other forms of oil and gas extraction.

Commissioner Quick- Have you talked to other Senators or intend to?

Wright- That is actually part of the resolution we are awaiting.

Commissioner Quick-The use of natural gas in older/ existing buildings. Where are those discussions on the city level?

Wright- The legislative is moving forward, also there was a broad stakeholder engagement process that cumulative in a series of task force meetings. Our office has commissioned a report of resident bundling decarbonization. We are finalizing it. We anticipate publishing it before the end of the year and holding a hearing on the report. Focused on how we move forward on new construction and old existing buildings on many different conversations.

Commissioner Santos- Thank you for presenting. SF environmental racism and impact on black indigenous and people of color. I want to know more information on that and what work is being done. pregnant mothers to Pregnant individuals.

Wright- Yes we can change the language. There are 3 separate documents the need to move to racial justice, black lives matter policy brief, numbers cited came from a study national defence council - who is at risk - disproportionate

Commissioner Zhang - What do opponents think?

Wright- no opponents but oppositions are workforce voices themselves. This is saying we are moving away from something into a just transition for workers. If we are telling people the industry is not helpful towards the planet, some people rely on it to pay bills. How can we help?

Commissioner Hylton- Youth language in the bill. Any plans to add language on the effects of growing up in an environment like this?

Wright- Thank you, if anyone has suggestions please let me know. We do not have any proposed solutions but I can look into it. A challenge is how recent the research. The environment health component does not have enough studies on the long term effects.

Commissioner Quick- recommendation is to add a youth lens, it might be useful around the youth stakeholders and groups who have been advocating at the state level.



Commissioner Santos- I recommended language change as well.

No public comment. Commissioner Quick motions to support with the following recommendations, seconded by Commissioner Viegas:

- call out youth activism and stakeholders on this issue with a youth lens on public health effects of oil and gas extraction
- language changes to terms relating to pregnant mothers to pregnant individuals
- especially disproportionate impact to Black, Indigenous and communities of color.

By a roll call vote, the motion passes.

Jayden Tanaka, aye
Valentina Alioto-Pier, aye
Lillian Tang, aye
Plyfaa Suwanamalik-Murphy, aye
Calvin Quick, aye
Gabrielle Listana, aye
Adrianna Zhang, aye
Gracie Veiga, aye
Ariana Arana, aye
Rome Jones, aye
Erika Morris, aye
Arsema Asfaw, aye
Sarah Cheung, aye
Sarah Ginsburg, aye
Nora Hylton, aye
Amara Santos, aye
Stephen "Rocky" Versace, aye

- C. [Inform + Decision] File No. 201234 - [Hearing - Committee of the Whole - Shelter-in-Place Rehousing and Site Demobilization Plan - November 10, 2020, at 3:00 p.m.]
Sponsor: Supervisor Walton, District 10
Presenters: YC Staff

Staff Estrada- HSH transition out of hotels offered to houseless folx. Supervisors are concerned about the folks who rely on the hotels. There will be 4 phases to translate people out of hotel rooms into coordinated entry with the hopes of finding permanently supported housing or housing. HSH is doing this because it costs \$200 per person per night which is a big expense because they receive no federal funding. Moving unhoused people into hotel rooms has had a positive impact on preserving their lives otherwise they would have been a vulnerable population.



Commissioner Quick- There are 2 considerations- hotels have been efficient but unsustainable due to budget and supervisor annoyed HSH is doing this very quickly, which began today. It is better to invest in long term housing over hotel rooms.

Staff Truong- Opportunity to reach out to appointee offices to find out more information.

Staff Hosmon- this legislation is a hearing.

Questions

Commissioner Quick- What % in SIP hotels are TAY, how does that compare to general population of TAY population. Recommendation- HSH needs to do a better job of reporting those numbers.

Commissioner Tanaka- Lack of language regarding youth in presentation. How are they including youth? If unlock federal funding, how will they be used for youth resources?

Commissioner Murphy- Clarification for coordinated entry resources?

Commissioner Quick- Coordinated entry- they are going to go into people living in hotel rooms and get them connected to coordinated entry. It is a place where the city can assist their position and relative risk of becoming a house less and match to the city's housing options. How are they planning to accomplish that? They are purposely vague and we should ask for more clarification.

Commissioner Quick- HSH mentioned re activate, congratulate, shelters which are shelters with many people in close proximity. We could tie in the youth lens, if they are going to be reopening how that entry w/ TAY center opened? Due to shelter limits, can there be more TAY navigation centers? I wonder if the city legally condemns hotel rooms on a temporary basis to reduce the cost of the current program?

No public comment.

Commissioner Zhang motion of position of yes position with recommendations previously stated, seconded by Commissioner Tanaka.

Motion passed by a unanimous roll call vote.

Jayden Tanaka, aye
Valentina Alioto-Pier, aye
Lillian Tang, aye
Plyfaa Suwanamalik-Murphy, aye
Calvin Quick, aye
Gabrielle Listana, aye
Adrianna Zhang, aye
Gracie Veiga, aye



Ariana Arana, aye
Rome Jones, aye
Erika Morris, aye
Arsema Asfaw, aye
Sarah Cheung, aye
Sarah Ginsburg, aye
Nora Hylton, aye
Amara Santos, aye
Stephen "Rocky" Versace, aye

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

- A. [Inform + Decision] Defund SFPD Now - SF Police Officer's Association Contract
Presenters: Lawrence Drinkard, Emily Messer, Alex Karim, Defund SFPD Now

Edith Castorena, Lawrence Drinkard, Emily Messer- organizers of Defund SFPDNow. This campaign is a grassroots, abolitionist, org focused on defunding SFPD protecting Black and Brown lives against police violence. History of POA (Police Officer's Association) - long history of opposing any civilian oversight of police in San Francisco. Despite demands of transforming public safety, the contract was negotiated behind closed doors. Core reasons against POA renegotiated contract- parity clause- tying fates to teachers, social workers- workers that provide real public safety, contract will now open in 2023, and approving it sets a precedent that BoS will cede power and rubber stamp anything. Timeline- Nov. 5th- GAO committee meeting, Nov. 17- likely first reading where Bos would discuss the contract, Dec 8.- Bos could vote and pass the contract, Dec. 15- latest possible point to vote. Asking to vote it down, if voted down would be sent back to human resources and POA. They are asking to join the organization, join in public comment on Nov. 5, and share the details of the upcoming public comments on social media.

No public comment.

Discussion

Commissioner Hylton- thank you for presenting. I'm not the most educated on POA, confused how they tie into govt building vs outside association. Can I get clarification?

Castorena- POA is a police fraternity, acting as representatives of police and employment contracts with the city. They are not a government body but on the negotiating side.

Commissioner Veiga- Is there a union? police fraternity versus union

Castorena-- something we are working on. Big differences between police union vs police fraternity.

Commissioner Zhnag- by disapproving are we taking away something or just limiting?

Lawrence Drinkard- we are not removing anything on the existing contract but not allowing them to put expiration on a contract during an election year and shuts down the parity clause.

Commissioner Hylton- What kind of support would you want?



Castorena- we would love any support.

Commissioner Zhnag- if eliminating the funds, where would it go?

Castorena-- less about where the money's going, more focused on them not getting the funds.

Lawrence- Those recommend years for raises, the budget is still not confirmed therefore, we do not know where they would receive the funds.

Roll Call Vote.

Commissioner Cheung motions to approve DEFUNDSFPD NOW 3 asks: join DefundSFPD NOW in rejecting the POA contract, join in public comment tomorrow and in future bos meetings, and share the details of the upcoming public comment with network and on your social media accounts , seconded by Commissioner Jones. Motion passed with unanimous vote.

Jayden Tanaka, aye
Valentina Alioto-Pier, aye
Lillian Tang, aye
Plyfaa Suwanamalik-Murphy, aye
Calvin Quick, aye
Gabrielle Listana, aye
Adrianna Zhang, aye
Gracie Veiga, aye
Ariana Arana, aye
Rome Jones, aye
Erika Morris, aye
Arsema Asfaw, aye
Sarah Cheung, aye
Sarah Ginsburg, aye
Nora Hylton, aye
Amara Santos, aye
Stephen "Rocky" Versace, aye

7. Committee Reports (Discussion Only)

A. Executive Committee

a. LAO

- i. hoping to hear legislation during our next meeting- chances to rent contributions which would make changes to supportive housing and use of hotels to shelter homeless people (more technical).
- ii. DHR racial inequality compliments
- iii. Some supervisors value YCs recommendations and other don't- an ongoing issue always going to face
- iv. some legislations still have not be heard but we cant pressure them if they aren't going to move forward

b. Comms

- i. social media- after election debrief (optional)
- ii. week in the life of a Youth Commissioner sign ups!

c. General Committee Updates

- i. buddy system due before the end of next week



- ii. Attendance discussion- will create a new system
 - iii. implement pre prepared questions
- B. Civic Engagement
 - a. SF Chronicle seeking someone preferably 18 impacted by election results
 - b. Watch party sent out
 - c. Last phonebanking tomorrow 4-7
- C. Housing and Land Use
 - a. HLU priorities
 - b. Omnibus priorities
 - c. reviews BOS calendar
 - d. Grand Challenge
- D. Transformative Justice
 - a. Worked on short term goals
 - b. layed out priorities and set up work groups
 - c. budget reallocation
 - d. No More Kills Coalition
 - e. DPA panels
- E. OCOF
 - a. nothing to report

8. Staff Report (Discussion Only)

- a. Staff here to support
- b. space to debrief
- c. self care guide
- d. Comms- post election debrief
- e. Itzel out of office- **11/7-11/15**
- f. Kiely out of office- 11/15-11/23
- g. Meetings will set up at 4:50 and sending Google Calendar invites
- h. always will be meeting on Webex not Google Hangout
- i. Chronicle first time voter ideally 18 who will be impacted by election results
- j. Legislation referred check

9. Announcements (This Includes Community Events)

- a. Commissioner Jones, Quick, and Kiely working on getting paid roles- anyone interested? contact Kiely, Rome, or Calvin
- b. Interested in tabling? Contact Austin, Cavin, or other D5 members.
- c. Environmental task force (writing resolutions, letters of support) reach out to Nora

10. Adjournment

Commissioner Hylton adjourned the meeting at 8:21 pm.