San Francisco Youth Commission
Minutes ~ Draft
Monday, July 20th, 2020
5:00 pm-8:00 pm

Public Comment Call-in:
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There will be public comment on each item.

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

Chair Cureton calls the meeting to order at 5:03 PM.

Quorum is met. Commissioner Alameri is absent due to an ortho appointment, he has given advanced notice.

No public comment.

Commissioner Quick motioned to approve of Commissioner Alameri’s absence, seconded by Commissioner Chan. Motion passes by roll call vote.

Sarah Cheung, aye
Valentina Alioto-Pier, aye
Maggie Dong, aye
Josephine Cureton, aye
Khatab Alameri, absent
Calvin Quick, 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

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

   No public comment.

   Commissioner Nassiri, seconded by Commissioner Quick, motions to approve of the agenda. The motion passes by a roll call vote.

   Sarah Cheung, aye
   Valentina Alioto-Pier, aye
   Maggie Dong, aye
   Josephine Cureton, aye
   Calvin Quick, aye
   Khatab Alameri, absent
   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

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

   A. July 6th, 2020
   
   *(Document A)*

   No public comment.

   Commissioner Cheung, seconded by Commissioner Hirji, motions to approve of July 6th, 2020 minutes. By roll call vote, the motion passes.

   Sarah Cheung, aye
   Valentina Alioto-Pier, aye
   Maggie Dong, aye
   Josephine Cureton, aye
   Calvin Quick, aye
   Khatab Alameri, absent
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

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

Renee attempted to jump in for public comment. Commissioner Cureton informed Renee that she is on agenda item number 6A.

Evelyn, USF Fellow, will be interning next Fall 2020 to see how the Youth Commission operates and is eager to learn and work with the Youth Commissioners.

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


   Sponsors: Supervisor Walton
   Presenter: Natalie Gee, Legislative Aide, District 10
   (Document B)

   Following a spike of high-profile 911 calls against people of color, Supervisor Walton on Tuesday introduced an ordinance that would make discriminatory calls for police illegal.

   Walton dubbed the ordinance the CAREN Act (Caution Against Racially Exploitative Non-Emergencies), in an apparent nod to the popularized slang name that refers to an entitled white woman complaining about people of color. The legislation would amend the San Francisco Police Code to make it unlawful for someone to fabricate false racially biased emergency reports and protect the rights of communities of color who are often targeted and victims of fraudulent emergency calls. The CAREN Act will make it unlawful for an individual to contact law enforcement solely to discriminate on the basis of a person’s race, ethnicity, religious affiliation, gender, sexual orientation, or gender identity.

   Question:
   Commissioner Versace - technology catching it on film, versus phone call, how will perpetrator claim

   Natalie G - victims can call civil lawsuits in civil court
Commissioner Versace - what about evidence? Will legal fees be covered?

Natalie G - to prevent that from happening, but based on race gender, sexual orientation, pursue it through court. dpds on how the dispatchers and officers come to play - currently no legal remedies

Commissioner Quick - defer to santos, because hand was up

Commissioner Santos - what happens if person is getting called 911, malicious behavior, what is protocol to deescalate the situations, hope to not discourage folks making call of good faith, not up to dispatcher to make racial claims

Commissioner Quick - victims on receiving calls of 911, civil lawsuits, but is there a way where infraction or a crime under that state law, fraudulent behavior, like will da get involved

Natalie G - under state law, you can be charged with misdemeanor, hoping to expand definitions for fraud - so expanding tools to pursue that, working with Bontas - statewide version of this bill and talking to city attorney to include misdemeanor in our issue,

Commissioner Quick - included in our local law as state law is boggled, implementation - as most is a deterrence - what's the plan to make SF loud and clear that that is the law - plan?

Natalie G - press coverage forsure and we are looking for other avenues.

Commissioner Jones - Quick asked my question

Commissioner Hirji - who is and which person determines, call in i was a victim of this, or is there a procedure at call center how they make contact with people involved with situation,

Natalie G - public record, not dispatchers job, just deterrence

Discussion -
Commissioner Jones - if we vote to support this, cool, especially POC are detached from City Hall - legal options for defending ourselves, we make sure we do our part in getting our word out

Commissioner Quick - including in our recommendation that the sponsors office explore making it a local misdemeanor on basis of race, ethnicity, gender id, sexual orientation,

Commissioner Hirji - giving 911 Operators tools to flag racist possible calls
Commissioner Santos - tool for marginalized people of color, downplay and experience is valid, legal equipment and general resources - intersection for housing instability, calls to cops and suspicious behavior rooted in classism and racism

Natalie G - no answer atm for unhoused folks

Recommendations:
1. Do our part on community outreach and legal options for POC to defend themselves and use the tool
2. explore making this law a local misdemeanor on the identities listed
3. how does this build into housing instability as calls to cops are also rooted in classism and racism
4. for 911 dispatchers, to initially flag calls that could be discriminatory/racially motivated calls

Commissioner Quick motions with positive recommendation and with the recommendations mentioned above, seconded by Commissioner Santos. The motion passes by a roll call vote.

Sarah Cheung, aye
Valentina Alioto-Pier, aye
Maggie Dong, aye
Josephine Cureton, aye
Calvin Quick, aye
Khatab Alameri, absent
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

B. [Input + Decision] BOS File No. 200744 [Hearing - Status of Socioeconomic Equity in San Francisco]
Sponsors: Supervisor Haney
Presenter: District 6 Staff, Honey Mahogany

Honey M - originally produced by Avalos, awaiting budget report, broad ranging - looking at education levels, income levels, some displacement in communities, breakdown of ethnicity, how does the population of SF evolved over time, how does systemic oppression impact our population. Hearing to consider the findings of the recently completed Socioeconomic Equity Report, completed by the Budget and Legislative Analyst's Office examining the distribution of social benefits or determinants of equity
across the City of San Francisco, and requesting the Budget and Legislative Analyst's Office, Human Rights Commission, Office of Racial Equity, and Office of Economic and Workforce Development to report.

Commissioner Quick - time to jump in for hearing topic question appropriate as well

Commissioner Santos - more than ever, most vulnerable populations, how is this information collected, vulnerable communities voices factored into this?

Honey M - already collected by BLA - by different reports brought in by city dpt, census data, did not do their own research

Commissioner Quick - report on data for COVID looks at has impacted general inequity

Honey M - will these suggestions be sent to us in a report?

Commissioner Cureton -Yes. What's the timeline for this hearing?

Honey M: it has not been scheduled in committee, but commissioners can send questions to our office between now and when that date is set.

Commissioner Cheung - will this report be looking at youth socioeconomic data?

Honey M - does not break down income by age, only by ethnicity and geographic location

No public comment.

Commissioner Cheung - recommendation to look at the age breakdown

Commissioner Quick - include COVID19 and the impact in population, prospectively

Honey M - they've completed the report, will do an overview of the hearing, request that they do that for the next data collection

Commissioner Quick motions to support with the two recommendations specified in the minutes: look at the age breakdown, and in the future to have a report covering COVID19 and its impacts, seconded by Commissioner Cureton. Motion passes by roll call vote.

Sarah Cheung, aye
Valentina Alioto-Pier, aye
Maggie Dong, aye
Josephine Cureton, aye
Calvin Quick, aye
Khatab Alameri, absent
Crystal Chan, aye
JoJo Ty, aye
Ariana Arana, aye
C. [Input + Decision] BOS File No. 200743 [Hearing - Funding Assessment for Racial Equity and Vulnerable Populations]
   Sponsors: Supervisor Fewer
   Presenter: District 1 Staff

Staff Estrada: The Office of Racial Equity has done an assessment of racial equity spending in city departments, and that is what will be presented at the hearing (the findings have not yet been released).

Commissioner Quick: questions, angles, to ask at hearing, will take place on BFC presentation on the 29th.

No public comment.

Commissioner Quick: Options: no recommendation, offer that we do a relative motion to support hearing and asking that they take into account inequities specific to tay and youth populations

Commissioner Quick, seconded by Commissioner Hylton, motions to give positive recommendation for the hearing with recommendation that they take into account inequities specific to TAY and youth populations. Motion passes by a roll call vote.

Sarah Cheung, aye
Valentina Alioto-Pier, aye
Maggie Dong, aye
Josephine Cureton, aye
Calvin Quick, aye
Khatab Alameri, absent
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
6. Presentations (All Items to Follow Discussion and Possible Action)

A. [Inform + Decision] AB 1007 Support Letter Needed: Reinvest $100M+ in CBOs/Youth Services
Presenter: Renee Menart, Communications and Policy Analyst, Center on Juvenile and Criminal Justice (CJCJ)
(Document C)

Renee, CJCJ, presents on AB 1007. AB 1007 (Jones-Sawyer). ABMoC-sponsored AB 1007 (Jones-Sawyer), the Promoting Reinvestment and Oversight Measures for Individual Success and Empowerment (P.R.O.M.I.S.E.) Act. The bill will reform the state's Juvenile Justice Crime Prevention Act (JJCPA) grant program and reinvest hundreds of millions of dollars from law enforcement to youth services provided by schools, public health agencies, and CBOs.

Response to Tough on Crime - false predictions, Money is spent in probation overreach, year over year spent to probation with no plan, funneling money to same spaces rather than thinking innovatively, and reporting and analysis

The bill will address chronic issues with JJCPA administration, which have been confirmed in a recent state audit that we advocated for last year, including:

- Reinvest JJCPA dollars into communities by requiring counties to distribute at least 95 percent of allotted JJCPA funds to CBOs and/or public agencies that are non-law enforcement agencies.
- Ensure equal community representation in decision making by requiring counties’ Juvenile Justice Coordinating Councils, which decide how JJCPA funds are allocated, to allocate 50 percent of seats to community members.
- Strengthen county reporting and evaluation processes by the Board of State and Community Corrections (BSCC) to include critical evidence regarding youth served and program effectiveness.

Co-Sponsors: ACLU-California, Alliance for Boys and Men of Color (ABMoC), Anti-Recidivism Coalition (ARC), Children's Defense Fund-California (CDF-CA), Center on Juvenile and Criminal Justice (CJCJ), MILPA Collective, W. Haywood Burns Institute, Urban Peace Institute, Youth Justice Coalition - Los Angeles

Steps to submit a support letter:
- ADD your personal/org information to the support letter template.
- Submit your letter through the legislative portal. (If that is not possible, please skip to Step 3 with enough time and let us know so we can hand deliver the letter on your behalf.)
- Email a copy of your letter to renee@cjcj.org and michael.lucien@asm.ca.gov by end of Wednesday. Commissioner Quick can work with staff for legislative piece.

youth are being arrested less, but law enforcement getting the bulk of these funds continuously in a 2 decade period - that young folks are 20% of what it once was, while public health and
community orgs are struggling esp in COVID19 and investing and prioritizing our funds for racial justice and sets us onto a good path - carceral systems taking on role best done by nonlaw enforcement officials

Questions:
Commissioner Dong - thanks for presenting - to reinvest in community, because of goal to use to Community based orgs, what about rural communities that are not well resourced

Rene M - structure 95% pass through cbo or non law enforcements can apply to school/public health agencies, if counties are really strapped used by public health, that being said prioritizing collaboration with cboS, EVEN THOUGH COUNTIES can choose to spend on public agencies, we don’t have the network of cbos in rural communities, this can build up the infrastructure, chicken or egg - infrastructure vs programs

Commissioner Quick - probation dpt and djj,

Rene M - DJJ is youth on higher end of the system - intervention and prevention - diversion funding, can be used for youth on higher end but services to keep young people in the system all together, advocates have pushed back to $200 m for taking on DJJ youth and separate polict to move djj youth back home

Commissioner Cheung - ask - support letter

Rene M - support letter, sending it through legislative portal

Commissioner Cheung - letter timeline?

Rene M - legislature is figuring date - july 29th - hearing has not end of this week mon or tuesday

Commissioner Quick can support on back end

Commissioner Cureton - CJCJ, TJ working with supporting their work and data used in resolutions and campaign

No public Comment. Commissioner Quick motions to support AB 1007 and sign onto the letter, seconded by Commissioner Cureton. Motion passes by a roll call vote.

Sarah Cheung, aye
Valentina Alioto-Pier, aye
Maggie Dong, aye
Josephine Cureton, aye
Calvin Quick, aye
Khatab Alameri, absent
Crystal Chan, aye
JoJo Ty, aye
Ariana Arana, aye
Rome Jones, aye
7. Youth Commission Business (All Items to Follow Discussion and Possible Action)

A. [Second Reading] Resolution No.1920-AL-14 [Free Muni For All - Transportation Equity]
   Sponsors: Commissioners Quick, Hirji
   (Document D)

Commissioner Quick gets us started - updates have been on fare enforcement, bringing more attention to what the YC has been doing.

Pg 1 - 5 - 7: LEP and easy access to offices or internet facilities
Pg 2 - 8 - 11: mention on youth commission fare evasions, and disproportionately impacted by fare enforcement
Pg 2 - 18 - 19: SFMTA to work with SFSD to increase visibility

Questions. No public comment.

Commissioner Hirji motion to pass Resolution No.1920-AL-14 [Free Muni For All - Transportation Equity with amendments, seconded by COmmissioner Hylton.

Motion passes by a roll call vote.

Sarah Cheung, aye
Valentina Alioto-Pier, aye
Maggie Dong, aye
Josephine Cureton, aye
Calvin Quick, aye
Khatab Alameri, absent
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
B. [Second 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
(Document E)

There are no amendments besides changing DA chesa Boudin to DA office.

Commissioner Quick motion to approve with amendments, seconded by Commissioner Cureton. Motion passes by a roll call vote.

Sarah Cheung, aye
Valentina Alioto-Pier, aye
Maggie Dong, aye
Josephine Cureton, aye
Calvin Quick, aye
Khatab Alameri, absent
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. [First Reading] Resolution No.1920-AL-16 [Urging the City and County of San Francisco to Implement a Universal Basic Income Program]
Sponsor: Commissioner Chan
(Document F)

Commissioner Chan reads resolution into the record.

Questions:
Commissioner Santos - cureton can’t do substantive changes, uses of word of citizen
Commissioner Quick - yes, nonsubstantive, who this would apply to and yc precedent
Commissioner Cureton - resident as an option
Commissioner Quick - leave the ones about other countries,

Commissioner Versace - citizen to resident - is it constitutional, stay in place,
Commissioner Quick - not a constitutional lawyer

Commissioner Quick motions to suspend the bylaws, seconded by Commissioner Cureton. The motion passes by a roll call vote.
Commissioner Dong motions to pass the UBI resolution, seconded by Commissioner Ty.

Commissioner Cheung makes an amendment to the motion by passing the UBI resolution with amendments stated in the record for residents instead of citizens for applicable clauses, seconded by Commissioner Ty. The motion passes by a roll call vote.

Sarah Cheung, aye
Valentina Alioto-Pier, aye
Maggie Dong, aye
Josephine Cureton, aye
Calvin Quick, aye
Khatab Alameri, absent
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

D. [First Reading] Motion No. 1920-AL-17 [Motion to Approve a Letter on the Lack of Board of Supervisors Action on the Proposed Caltrain 1/8th cent Tax, and Rejection of the City’s 47-year-old Transit First Policy]
Sponsor: Commissioner Hirji
(Document G)
Public Comment: Hayden Miller: in full support, caltrain helps with social distancing needed right now

Commissioner Cureton motions to pass Motion No. 1920 - AL - 17, seconded by Commissioner Quick.

Motion passes by a roll call vote.

Sarah Cheung, aye
Valentina Alioto-Pier, aye
Maggie Dong, aye
Josephine Cureton, aye
Calvin Quick, aye
Khatab Alameri, absent
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. Comms
      i. NICOS game workshop
   b. LAO
      i. presentation to BFC 7/29
      ii. Two weeks ago:
         1. File No. 200735 [Police Code - Discriminatory Reports to Law Enforcement] by Supe Walton. Not sure if we should have this one referred (there's no specifically youth jurisdiction), but it does related to racial discrimination in policing, which the YC has taken positions on in the past, and which is of considerable interest to youth in community right now (as evidenced by protests). If we can, I'd say let's refer it. 30 day rule applies.
         2. File No. 200741 [Urging Congress to Incorporate House Resolution 7201 (Clark) - The Child Care Infrastructure Act into All Infrastructure Bills] by Supe Yee. This is a resolution that will be considered without 30 day rule next Tuesday at full BOS, but including here just as an FYI.
3. File No. 200742 [Committee of the Whole - Update on Findings and Recommendations Regarding Law Enforcement Practices - September 22, 2020, at 3:00 p.m.] by Supe Fewer. This is a motion that will be considered next Tuesday at full BOS, but this is an important FYI to get on our calendars. This is about the DOJ recommendations. It's already at 3pm (and during a regular BOS mtg) so I don't think there's any point asking them to schedule it later, but ostensibly we should probably ask them to make the hearing as youth accessible as possible. I can't actually figure out whether public comment is taken specifically on that item when they do a committee of the whole (I believe it is), so that's something else to find out.

4. And then three hearings:
   a. File No. 200099 [Hearing - Budget Priorities - Youth Commission - FYs 2020-2021 and 2021-2022] reactivated by Supe Fewer. Staff is already aware of this I'm sure, and relates to our scheduling the BPP presentation. Same hearing file as last time.

iii. Last week: One item for possible referral:
   1. File No. 200761 [Administrative Code - Workforce Education and Recovery Fund] by Supe Mar. This provides money for CCSF for workforce and professional development programs (1/2 of the fund), student support services, classified staff support, classified professional development, and support for disadvantaged students (1/4 of the fund) and social justice, equity, lifelong learning, and enrichment classes (1/4 of the fund). The fund would be managed through DCYF. There's no mention of how much this fund would be (presumable that's going to be in some other ordinance later), and the description above is adapted from the legislative digest. I'm not sure what exactly this would look like, and while I know hearing it would probably involve another FYC meeting after Monday (unless we rush them and get them on that agenda by tomorrow), I still think it's worth considering for referral. 30 day rule applies (so this can be heard in Committee from mid-August).

iv. And three FYIs:
   1. File No. 200769 [Affirming a Commitment to Racial and Economic Equity in the City Budget and Urging Support for California State Senate Bill No. 555 (Mitchell)] by Supe Fewer. Basically just a resolution (will be considered next Tuesday) supporting a state bill that would "reduce rates and fees associated with county jail
communications and commissary services to reduce the financial burden on incarcerated people and their families."

2. File No. 200778 [Urging the California State Legislature and Governor to Overturn Assembly Bill No. 1838 Passed in 2018] by Supe Walton. This is another resolution and basically seems to have nothing to do with San Francisco apart from wanting to let other local jurisdictions in the state impose soda taxes on themselves (a 2018 law limited local jurisdictions' ability to impose taxes on groceries, but this did not apply retroactively, so SF's soda tax was preserved). This is completely not something to bother ourselves about, but it caught my eye since we recommend that youth seat to the SDDTAC.

3. File No. 200775 [Hearing - Planning for the November 3, 2020, Election] by Supe Ronen. This is not really worth referring since youth under 18 can't vote anyways (yet!!), but is basically a request for a hearing on how we're preparing for the expansion of vote-by-mail. Sarah Cheung touched on voter access in the BPP COVID-19 Preface, so I thought I'd just include this hear in case anyone's interested in following it.

c. General Committee Updates
   i. n/a

b. Civic Engagement
   a. n/a

c. Housing and Land Use
   a. wrapping up BPP
   b. Cal train

d. Transformative Justice
   a. did not meet just editing the BPPs

e. OCOF
   a. n/a

9. Staff Report (Discussion Only)

- 25 minute celebration - roses n thorns (reflection) & goodbye ppt
- BPP Presentation to BFC (July 29th at 1pm)- presenters (1 from each cmte)
need to attend BOTH training sessions
  - Thursday, July 23rd, 4-6pm
  - Monday, July 27th, 4-6pm
  - presenters: quick + hirji (hlu), nora hylton (tj), sarah c (cec)
- Anyone interested in being on the alumni panel for Orientation Retreat (Aug/Sep?)
  - jojo, nora, josephine, nassiri,
- Harassment Prevention Training - due July 31st, 2020
  - Commissioners who need to complete:
    - Nassiri,Arianna A
10. **Announcements (This Includes Community Events)**

Generation Citizen is recruiting youth for the Youth Advisory Board that is focused on Vote16 across the U.S. contact them for more info.

11. **Adjournment**

Chair Cureton adjourned the meeting at 7:56 PM.