



**San Francisco Youth
Commission
Transformative Justice
Committee
Draft Minutes
Monday, January 25th, 2021
5:00 PM – 7:00 PM**

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

Members: Rome Jones (Chair), Gracie Veiga (Vice Chair), Arsema Asfaw, Nora Hylton, Gabbie Listana, Amara Santos,

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

Chair Jones calls the meeting to order at 5:04 pm. Quorum is met.

2. Approval of Agenda (Action Item)

There was no public comment. Commissioner Veiga motioned to approve of the agenda, seconded by Commissioner Hylton. By roll call vote, the motion passes.

Roll Call:

Rome Jones (Chair), aye
Gracie Veiga (Vice Chair), aye
Arsema Asfaw, aye
Nora Hylton, aye
Gabbie Listana, aye
Amara Santos, aye

3. Approval of Minutes (Action Item)

**a. January 11, 2021
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There was no public comment. Commissioner Hylton motioned to approve of the minutes, seconded by Commissioner Veiga. By roll call vote, the motion passes.

Roll Call:

Rome Jones (Chair), aye
Gracie Veiga (Vice Chair), aye
Arsema Asfaw, aye



Nora Hylton, aye

Gabbie Listana, aye
Amara Santos, aye

4. Public Comment on Items not on Agenda (Discussion Only)

There was no public comment.

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

a. Check In (Discussion Only)

led by Commissioner Rome Jones

favorite vacation you've ever been on - dream / state of mind

Rome - caymans

Nora - Tokyo

Gabbie - baloo island

Amara - Seattle

Arsema - Caribbean Jamaica or Barbados not capital cities coastal cities (2 other people only) dream world nobody knows I was there - pure isolation

Gracie - 90% food Taiwan South Korea and Japan

Austin - unknown

Carolyn - go to all the places Paris

b. Local Report Back

i. Community Updates

- nothing to report

ii. Workgroup Update

- nothing to report

c. Presentation: Public Defender's Office Introduction and Points of Collaboration presented by Carolyn Goossen, SF Public Defender's Office

Nora and Rome did a great job to present to safety and justice alt to police budget (big priority for public defender), fighting the system rather than jailing of people, list of cutting budgets thanks for being organized local policy director worked in David Campos and Hillary Ronen - number of policy areas involved in close juvenile hall patty Lee is the chair, figure way to partner things to know about and see me as a resource. the public defender's office in the works - and budget - defending homeless and low income, policies - to address homelessness crisis (juvenile hall) immigration team is the biggest in the country after they come to for example ice, unit is devoted to clearing people's record youth they get auto-expanded but for adult, it's not automatic.

da, police, sheriff and historically unequal funding - public defender less than half funding of da, a quarter of police, we - police do investigations for DA (collect crimes to get you), public defender (collect crimes to fight for you), fighting to not be cut and some parity to provide some services to folks - coming out of jail and prison to get housing and employment all of that, webinar role of the office, but in terms of the next year policy (to close juvenile hall responsibility and supportive programs) - deadline 12/2021 10 months to make that happen.

other goals - change electronic monitoring, hone our stories of our clients and how they are impacted, growing clean slate program (community outreach on that) - process to shift resources to other community services and parts of the HRC meetings and alt to police, to make sure it's real and really happens.



we fight every day to get out of jail, prison, and ice detention - suing habeas petitions (motion to unjustly imprisoning b/c of covid) ice detentions - conditions have been horrific to get folks out.

Discussion:

Nora - thanks for reaching out and coming to present - youth-specific focus. planning a youth budget townhall find anybody interested in attending virtual event public defender to share - Feb 8 5 pm Love to participate a few juvenile units to youth rights, patty and have manu come through

Folks - public defender with the police, sending letters and asking questions push the city to vulnerable groups at the earliest possibly incarcerated. (Recommended capacity) where your office might have more inside knowledge email me questions (hearing - on mass vaccination efforts happy to do that)

Dph Katy tang (liaison) for the DPH- Katy.tang@sfgov.org to formally present on their efforts

any questions or concerns that the public defender's office can support

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- d. Presentation: 598 Portola | Youth Guidance Center Social Housing Resolution [Discussion & Possible Action] presented by Commissioner Quick and Zhang

Calvin covers the YC history on the juvenile hall and the resolution Tj did to end. In its 2018-2019 term, the Youth Commission supported efforts which ultimately led to the passage of legislation requiring San Francisco to close its Juvenile Hall (also known as the Youth Guidance Center or YGC) by December 31, 2021.

In fall 2020, the Board of Supervisors considered and ultimately shelved a new long-term lease for an existing gas station on public land to continue operations through 2045. Opponents of the lease argued that it would violate California and San Francisco's targets for net-zero emissions and phasing out gas cars, and that the site would be better used for affordable housing.

Twin peaks land - cursor is where the woodside and Portola. Juvenile hall is

Existing affordable housing is mainly funded by a combination of tax credits and state and local subsidies, most often sourced through inclusionary in-lieu fees and bond revenues. Social housing means permanently affordable housing for households with a maximum average of not more than 80% of median income across all units in a project (according to recent BOS legislation).

Social housing can be owned by the City (also community land trusts, limited equity cooperatives, or nonprofits), and could be funded by local subsidies sourced from taxes and bonds, in certain cases with the long-term aim of being sustainable and self-sufficient via a mix of higher (middle-income) and lower (deeply affordable) rents.

In November 2020, San Francisco voters approved two ballot measures which are designed to facilitate the construction of social housing.

Prop I increased the property transfer tax rate to fund rent relief for tenants facing hardship during Covid-19, as well as social housing.

Prop K authorized the City to build, acquire or rehabilitate up to 10,000 units of low-income



rental housing.

Rationale for reso

- The Justice system does not produce public safety
 - Housing is conducive for safety and reframing how we think of public safety
 - Winding down fossil fuel
 - Families are getting pushed out bc of displacement
- The proposed resolution would:
- support building social housing on this parcel of City land, instead of a gas station and Juvenile Hall (provided that the City conducts thorough environmental remediation of the gas station land).
 - urge the City to focus on moving away from a reliance on market rate and private sector (for- and non-profit) development to build affordable housing, privileging non-market based and countercyclical housing production strategies, as well as municipal operation and ownership.
 - urge the City to prioritize affordable and social housing on all available City land.
 - But what even is social housing?

Questions.

- ii. Gracie - big majority of calls is climate
- iii. Amara / clarify that the bos have long term impacts and what's change or concerns coming up for them.

- The lease was extending gas station intro at bos and went to the committee to review and passed it out of committee with recommendations before public opposition started to happen and between the committee and full board lease surfaced by the time this lease got to board it shifted opinion on bos sup Yee req send back to committee to sort out and make amendments
- Subtext the votes were not there to pass lésée at least not in 2020

Nora - finished reading the resolution and no specific questions that we can assist any way

- Adrianna is in cec to hlu tmr feedback
- Planning on req to fyc for first reading Monday

Nh- mentioning underused juvenile hall is and big lot and avg les snubbed and not effective use of space

At - add notes on displacement? Housing vouchers holistic services on site. Juvenile hall folks prioritized, including data on foster care, reentry services - general emphasis for - coordinated entry into systems of care, including housing behavioral health, and mental health for better youth and public safety outcomes.

- e. Focus Group Planning: Community Alternatives to Police for Traffic Enforcement in District 6 [Discussion and Possible Action]
presented by Claire Amable, SF Bicycle Coalition
 - i. Check-in - intro, finger as big as legs or legs as big of fingers
 - Claire legs for fingers she
 - Rome - he - legs for fingers don't know how they can support
 - Amara - she d11, hand legs.
 - Nora - she - legs for fingers but hard to do things fingers for legs
 - Arsema - she both options kinda suck - finger for legs is kinda weird - legs for fingers
 - Gabbie - fingers for legs - doesn't seem as bad as legs for fingers but both options would make me fall
 - Gracie - she - district 8 - fingers for legs (legs size of fingers cause society is more accommodating than



Purpose

- pilot a community based safety, tl has been ground 0 for traffic violence, 13% of streets attribute to 70% of fatal traffic collisions - vision zero high
- covid impact, divested - 70
- Speeding citations -

ii. Focus group logistics

- Date time location
 - a. First week of feb.
 - b. After school
 - c. Thursday (5pm)
 1. Gracie - planning / out reaching
 - d. Do it over zoom
- Roles for day of: facilitator, note taker, stacker, time keeper
 - a. Stacker - person that checks questions, who raised hands first and choosing person who hasn't said anything yet
 - b. Chat monitor - staff
- Amara and Gracie will not be able to attend
- Brainstorm questions
 - a. What makes people feel safe walking biking traveling in the districts
- Create agenda
 - a. Intro / Check In
 - b. Campaign Purpose & Background
 - c. Present existing survey results
 - d. Breakouts (people who live and work in d6)
 - e. Report back
 - f. Closing
- Roles – cofacilitators: nora & gabbie, note taker: Claire, stacker/time keeper: malcolm

f. Action Items Review

i. pick which department / commissions to present

- rome open to see a point
- dcyf, dpt homeless and supportive housing, juvenile probation dpt, dph, oewd
 - a. nora, rome, gracie

6. Staff Report

There was nothing to report.

7. Appreciations

Commissioners shared one-word appreciations.

amara - nora, rome - carry convo with carolyn got lost, gracie - austin -energy, gabbie - productive, nora - everyone for being here,

8. Adjournment

Chair Jones adjourned the meeting at 6:55 PM.