

REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

Tuesday, November 8, 2022 – 6:00 pm Hosted Remotely via MS Teams

IKRAM MANSORI, PRESIDENT
STEPHEN MARTIN-PINTO, VICE-PRESIDENT
JOSEPH BABA, WILLIAM BARNICKEL, DOUGLAS BULLARD,
HANLEY CHAN, JASON CHITTAVONG, DEBORAH DACUMOS,
COURTNEY ELLINGTON, CHRISTOPHER MCDONALD, COURTNEY MILLER,
VICTOR OLIVIERI, NICHOLAS RUSANOFF, JORDAN SUN, RAYMOND WONG

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

AGENDA CHANGES

COMMUNICATIONS

Officers' Reports

President

- Updated Meeting Procedures Reviewed
- Supervisor Liaison Reports Expectations

Vice President

Staff Secretary Report

o Confirm best method of communication with Commissioners

Committee Reports

Legislative and Rules Committee

- o Report by Committee Chair Jason Chittavong
 - Update to VAC Bylaws Article II Purpose, Powers and Duties: "c. Be a resource to veterans and their families members who are residents of San Francisco" [Action/Vote]
 - Discharge Upgrades Training Committee recommends VAC consider offering training course to commissioners, on condition funding is found through SF City & County. [Discussion – Possible Action]



- Disabled Veterans Business Enterprise Committee recommends VAC form AdHoc committee led by Commissioner Chan. [Discussion – Possible Action.]
- Draft Amendment to Administrative Code re CVSO Roles and Duties –
 Commissioners Chittavong and McDonald will review with commission.
 [Discussion Possible Action]

Communications/Events Committee

- o Report by Committee Chair Nicholas Rusanoff
 - Operation Green Light for Veterans Update [Informational]
 - Wreaths Across America [Informational]
 - Policy Roundtable Committee recommendation on date/location/agenda topics
 [Discussion Possible Action]

Supervisor Liaison Reports

District 1: Sup. Chan – Commissioner Bullard

District 2: Sup. Stefani – Commissioner Wong

District 3: Sup. Peskin – Commissioner McDonald

District 4: Sup. Mar – Commissioner Barnickel

District 5: Sup. Preston – Commissioner Chittavong

District 6: Sup. Dorsey – Commissioner Rusanoff

District 7: Sup. Melgar – Commissioner Chan

District 8: Sup. Mandelman – Commissioner Dacumos

District 9: Sup. Ronen – Commissioner Miller

District 10: Sup. Walton – Commissioner Ellington

District 11: Sup. Safai – Commissioner Bullard

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

o October 11, 2022 Regular Meeting Minutes [Action /Vote]

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- Veterans Blvd. Signs in Need of Repair [Discussion]
 - Update from Commissioners Chan and Martin-Pinto

NEW BUSINESS

O Support for the Military Leave Pay Protection Act [Action / Vote]



- o Funding Needs of USO at San Francisco International Airport [Discussion]
- O Commission President and Vice-President Nominations [Discussion]
 - Nominations at November meeting, vote held during December meeting.

GOOD WELFARE

This is the opportunity for members of the Veterans Affairs Commission to share special thanks and congratulatory remarks for the good welfare taking place in the veterans community.

PUBLIC COMMENT

An opportunity for members of the public to directly address the Commission on items of interest to the public that are within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Commission, including items being considered today which have not been considered by a Commission committee and excluding items which have been considered by a Commission committee. Members of the public may address the Commission for up to two minutes.

Each member of the public will be allotted the same number of minutes to speak, except that public speakers using translation assistance will be allowed to testify for twice the amount of the public testimony time limit. If simultaneous translation services are used, speakers will be governed by the public testimony time limit applied to speakers not requesting translation assistance. The President or the Commission may limit the total testimony to 30 minutes.

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HONORS REPORT AND MOMENT OF SILENCE

In memory of American service members in all wars and conflicts who made the ultimate sacrifice. We also remember the passing of homeless veterans, veterans who died while awaiting approval of benefits, and suicides within the veteran and armed service communities.

ADJOURNMENT

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