



Entertainment Commission

City and County of San Francisco



DRAFT MINUTES

Meeting was held in-person

Tuesday, March 21, 2023

5:30 P.M.

Regular Meeting

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: Dori Caminong (Vice President), Al Perez, Stephen Torres, and Cyn Wang

COMMISSIONERS ABSENT: Ben Bleiman (President), Lt. Dave Falzon, Laura Thomas

STAFF IN ATTENDANCE: Executive Director Maggie Weiland; Deputy Director Kaitlyn Azevedo; Senior Analyst Dylan Rice, Commission Secretary May Liang; Senior Inspector Andrew Zverina

SPEAKER KEY:

- + indicates a speaker in support of an item;
- indicates a speaker in opposition of an item; and
- = indicates a neutral speaker or a speaker who did not indicate support or opposition

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL AT 5:40 PM

2. General Public Comment

Members of the public may address the Commission on items of interest to the public that are within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Commission. With respect to agenda items, members of the public may address the Commission for up to three minutes at the time such item is called.

Public Comment: None

3. Approval of Meeting Minutes. Discussion and possible action to approve the minutes of the February 21, 2023 Commission meetings. [Discussion and Possible Action Item]



Support Document: https://sf.gov/sites/default/files/2023-02/EC%20Meeting%20Minutes%20Feb%2021%202023_Draft.pdf

Motion: Commissioner Wang made a motion to adopt the minutes; Commissioner Perez seconded the motion.

Action: The Commission approved the minutes of the February 21, 2023 Commission meetings.

Ayes: Vice President Caminong, Commissioner Perez, Commissioner Torres, and Commissioner Wang

Nays: None

Public Comment: None

4. Report from Executive Director: Legislative/Policy Update: Update on Commission Review of New Digital Brick and Mortar Permit Applications, Update on Just Add Music (JAM) permit program expiration and grace period and program alignment with new legislated Shared Spaces timeline; Staff and Office Update: Save the Date – EC Annual Nightlife and Entertainment Summit; Update on Board of Appeals Actions: none; Corrective Actions: none. [Discussion Item]

Public Comment: None

5. Report from Deputy Director: Deputy Director Kaitlyn Azevedo reports on recent enforcement activities. [Discussion Item]

Public Comment: None

6. Updates on Nightlife Business Assistance: Ben Van Houten, Business Development Manager, Nightlife and Entertainment Sector with the Office of Economic and Workforce Development, provides an update on nightlife business assistance. [Discussion Item]

Public Comment:

= Marc Bruno made comments regarding sales of alcohol at outdoor events adjacent to bars which have pros (gained revenue for non-profits selling at the events) and cons (loss of revenue for bars adjacent to the events). He would love to see a way to do this equitably for all involved.

7. Hearing and Possible Action regarding applications for permits under the jurisdiction of the Entertainment Commission. [Discussion and Possible Action Item]

Consent Calendar:

All matters listed hereunder constitute a Consent Calendar, are considered to be routine by the Entertainment Commission, and will be acted upon by a single roll call vote of the Commission. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a member of the Commission, the public, or staff so requests, in which event the matter shall be removed from the Consent Calendar and considered as a separate item at this or a future hearing.

Consent Agenda:

- a. EC-1676 – Mehrdad Hadjianfard (Dario Hadjian) of Pellegrini LLC, ***dba Piazza Pellegrini***, 659 Columbus Ave. - Limited Live Performance permit that includes indoor and outdoor entertainment and outdoor amplified sound in their private lot
- b. EC-1677 - Metro Events LLC, ***dba Metro Events LLC***, Pier 27. – Limited Live Performance permit that includes indoor and outdoor entertainment and outdoor amplified sound in their private lot
- c. EC-1678 - Rudi Rughoonundon of BARBARY COAST INVESTING 2 LLC, ***dba Rudi's Sports Bar and Restaurant***, 3108 16th St. – Limited Live Performance permit
- d. ECOTE23-008 Pacific Coast Farmers' Market Association, ***dba Castro Farmers' Market***, Noe St between Market St. and Beaver St. – One Time Outdoor Event Permit to host outdoor entertainment with extended duration, Wednesdays, April 5, 2023 - November 15, 2023 from 3:00pm - 7:00pm
- e. ECOTE23-009 Pacific Coast Farmers' Market Association, ***dba Inner Sunset Farmers' Market***, Irving Lot 2 between 8th Ave. and 9th Ave. – One Time Outdoor Event Permit to host outdoor entertainment with extended duration, Sundays, April 2, 2023 - Dec 31, 2023 from 9:00am - 1:00pm
- f. ECOTE23-010 Pacific Coast Farmers' Market Association, ***dba Fillmore Farmers' Market***, O'Farrell St. between Fillmore St. and Steiner St. – One Time Outdoor Event Permit to host outdoor entertainment with extended duration, Saturdays, April 1, 2023 - December 30, 2023 from 9:00am - 1:00pm
- g. ECOTE23-030 Foodwise ***dba Mission Community Market***, Bartlett St. and 22nd St. – One Time Outdoor Event Permit to host outdoor entertainment with extended duration, Thursdays, April 6, 2023 – November 9, 2023 from 4:00pm – 6:00pm
- h. ECOTE23-018 Sunset Mercantile ***dba Outer Sunset Farmers Market and Mercantile*** – One Time Outdoor Event Permit to host outdoor entertainment with extended duration, Sundays, April 2, 2023 – March 31, 2024 from 9:00am - 2:00pm.

- i. ECOTE23-031 Brothers for Change Inc. **dba Soulful Sundays**, O'Farrell St between Fillmore St. and Steiner St. – One Time Outdoor Event Permit to host outdoor entertainment with extended duration, Sundays, April 2, 2023 - March 31, 2024 from 11:00am – 6:00pm.
- j. ECOTE23-035 LionDanceMe **dba Lion Dancing Performances** – Grant Ave. between California St. and Washington St – One Time Outdoor Event Permit to host outdoor entertainment with extended duration, Saturdays and Sundays, April 1, 2023 - March 31, 2024 from 10:00am to 7:00pm
- k. ECOTE23-025 – Aprill Lacey of Music City Entertainment, **dba Fern Alley Music Series**, Fern Alley between Polk St. and Larkin St. – One Time Outdoor Event Permit to host outdoor entertainment with extended duration, Saturdays and Sundays starting April 1, 2023 to December 17, 2023 from 11:30am-4:00pm

Motion: Commissioner Wang made a motion to approve the permit with staff recommendations; Commissioner Perez seconded the motion.

Action: The Commission approved the permits with staff recommendations.

Ayes: Vice President Caminong, Commissioner Perez, Commissioner Torres, and Commissioner Wang

Nays: None

Public Comments: None

Regular Agenda:

- l. EC-1679 – Shipyard Trust for the Arts, **dba Shipyard Trust for the Arts**, 101 Horne Ave. – Limited Live Performance permit that includes indoor and outdoor entertainment and outdoor amplified sound in their private lot

Motion: Commissioner Perez made a motion to approve the permit with staff recommendations; Commissioner Torres seconded the motion.

Action: The Commission approved the permit with staff recommendations.

Ayes: Vice President Caminong, Commissioner Perez, Commissioner Torres, and Commissioner Wang

Nays: None

Public Comments: None

- m. ECOTE23-014 – Nick Ferris of North Beach Farmers Market, ***dba North Beach Farmers Market***, Greenwich St. between Columbus Ave. and Powell St. – One Time Outdoor Event Permit to host outdoor entertainment with extended duration, Saturdays starting April 1, 2023 to March 30, 2024 from 9:00am-1:30pm

Motion: Commissioner Perez made a motion to approve the permit with staff recommendations; Commissioner Wang seconded the motion.

Action: The Commission approved the permit with staff recommendations.

Ayes: Vice President Caminong, Commissioner Perez, Commissioner Torres, and Commissioner Wang

Nays: None

Public Comments: None

- n. ECOTE23-029 – Ryan Coate of Moscone Center, ***dba Moscone Center Small Street Performances***, Moscone Center private property at 747 Howard St. – One Time Outdoor Event Permit to host outdoor entertainment with extended duration, 3 days maximum/week starting April 15, 2023 to April 14, 2024 for 4 hours max between 8:00am-4:00pm

Motion: Commissioner Wang made a motion to approve the permit with staff recommendations and an additional amendment to allow roaming small performances on Moscone Center's private property along Howard St. between 3rd and 4th Sts.; Commissioner Perez seconded the motion.

Action: The Commission approved the permit with staff recommendations and additional amendment.

Ayes: Vice President Caminong, Commissioner Perez, Commissioner Torres, and Commissioner Wang

Nays: None

Public Comments:

+ Stefano Cassolato commented in support of the permit application

- o. ECOTE23-032 San Francisco-Marin Food Bank ***dba SF-Marin Food Bank Pop-Up Pantries***, multiple locations citywide – One Time Outdoor Event Permit to host outdoor amplified sound with extended duration, Mondays through Saturdays, April 3, 2023 – March 30, 2024, various times.

Motion: Commissioner Wang made a motion to approve the permit with staff recommendations; Commissioner Perez seconded the motion.

Action: The Commission approved the permit with staff recommendations.

Ayes: Vice President Caminong, Commissioner Perez, Commissioner Torres, and Commissioner Wang

Nays: None

Public Comments: None

8. Commissioner Comments & Questions; New Business Request for Future Agenda Items: This item is to allow Commissioners to introduce agenda items for future consideration, and to make announcements. [Action item and Announcements]

Public Comment: None

ADJOURNMENT at 7:12 PM