

REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

Tuesday, August 8, 2023 – 6:00 pm Room 416, San Francisco City Hall

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

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CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

SET AGENDA [Action]

PRESENTATION

Westside Health Clinic and Clubhouse Pilot Program
 Presentation organized by Commissioner Dacumos
 Presenter: Brook Chick, Health Clinic Program Manager [Presentation 10 minutes]

COMMUNICATIONS



Officers' Reports

President Vice President Staff Secretary

CVSO Report

Elena Kim, CVSO

Supervisor Liaison Reports

District 1: Sup. Chan – Commissioner Bullard

District 2: Sup. Stefani – Commissioner Chan

District 3: Sup. Peskin – Commissioner McDonald

District 4: Sup. Engardio – 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 June 13, 2023, Regular Meeting Minutes [Action]

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

o Revisions to VAC Bylaws [Discussion / Action]

NEW BUSINESS

- Support for SB58. Resolution recognizing the therapeutic potential of certain hallucinogenic substances for the treatment of veteran mental health issues and urging the passage of SB58.
 Draft of resolution shared with commissioners prior to meeting. Commissioner Chan to lead discussion. [Discussion / Action]
- Commissioner Miller to discuss creating a working group to address female veteran issues. [Discussion / Possible Action]



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 veteran community.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

An opportunity for commission members to share information on veterans affairs activities or briefly comment on San Francisco veterans related news.

GENERAL 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 of veteran affairs. Members of the public should address the commission as a whole and not direct comments to a specific commissioner. Speakers are allowed up to two minutes for comments. Each member of the public will be allotted the same number of minutes to speak. The President or the Commission may limit the total testimony to 30 minutes.

Members of the public who want a document placed on the overhead, please notify the commission secretary in advance for assistance.

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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Veterans Affairs Commission Meetings:

General meetings of the SFVAC are scheduled for 6:00 p.m. on the second Tuesday of every month, with the exception for the month of July, when there is no scheduled SF VAC meeting, and are held in Room 416 in City Hall.

Meeting confirmation, and specific announcement of general meetings are made via public posting of the Meeting Agenda as required by law, at least 72 hours prior to scheduled meetings. Agendas for SFVAC meetings (and archived meeting minutes) are available on the SFVAC Pages of the City of San Francisco website.

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