



City and County of San Francisco

# Commission on the Status of Women

Mayor London N. Breed

## [AMENDED] COMMISSION MEETING AGENDA

Wednesday, July 26, 2023

5:00 pm

San Francisco City Hall, Room 408

### Roster:

President Dr. Shokooh Miry (excused)

Vice President Dr. Raveena Rihal (excused)

Commissioner Sophia Andary

Commissioner Sharon Chung

Commissioner Dr. Anne Moses

Commissioner Ani Rivera

Commissioner Breanna Zwart

**Note: The Commission will hear public comment on each item on the agenda before or during consideration of that item.**

### I. CALL TO ORDER

**DISCUSSION**

**Meeting called to order at 5:10pm.** Opening remarks by *Commissioner Dr. Anne Moses*. Ms. Lauren Battung performed roll call, confirmed 5 of 7 Commissioners present (quorum). Mr. Battung read the land acknowledgement.

### II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

**DISCUSSION and possible ACTION**

Commission reviewed and approved minutes from the regular Commission meeting on June 28, 2023.

**No public comment.**

**(Roll Call Vote) Rivera / Chung – 5 ayes, 0 nays – Unanimous**

### III. DIRECTOR'S REPORT

**DISCUSSION**

Director Kimberly Ellis acknowledged the 33<sup>rd</sup> anniversary of the passage of the Americans with Disabilities Act and South Asian Heritage Month. Director Ellis discussed budget highlights. The Department's budget for FY 23-24 and FY 24-25 are \$12,516,542 and \$12,244,087, respectively. The Department was also awarded \$1,250,000 in FY 23-24 and FY24-25 for gender-based violence direct services restoration during the addbacks process.

Director Ellis discussed the Department's efforts to improve grant management operations, including the development of a refined policy and procedures document for narrative and financial reporting as well as measures to expedite the review and processing time for invoices. The Department also

announced the roll out a new grantee reporting system, Envisio, to our grantees at our quarterly grantee meeting in July, planned to be fully implemented during Q1 of FY 23-24.

Directly Ellis shared staffing updates. Alex Boskovich is promoted to Chief of Staff; Lauren Battung is transitioning out of the Department and her Executive Management Assistant role and Cameron Lucas will be promoted to Executive Management Assistant.

**Commissioner Comment**

Commissioner Dr. Moses congratulated Ms. Battung.

**Public Comment**

Christina Fletes-Romo, Deputy City Attorney, congratulated and thanked Ms. Battung for all her efforts and dedication to the Department.

**IV. NEW BUSINESS**

**A. FY 22-23 SOLE SOURCE REPORTING**

**DISCUSSION**

Commissioner Dr. Moses shared the Department has reported the sole source contracts for FY 2022-23 to the Board of Supervisors, which will also be posted on the Commission website and Department's new website once it is up and running.

**No Commissioner Comment.**

**No Public Comment.**

**B. COMPETITIVE SOLICITATION REQUIREMENT WAIVER REQUEST FOR BLACK WOMEN REVOLT AGAINST DOMESTIC VIOLENCE**

**DISCUSSION/possible ACTION**

Director Ellis presented a request for a waiver of the competitive solicitation requirement for a grant to Black Women Revolt Against Domestic Violence under Chapter 21G of the Administrative Code.

**Commissioner Comment**

Commissioner Zwart asked Director Ellis the Black population in San Fransico and to re-state the rate of domestic violence cases for Black Women in San Francisco. Director Ellis re-stated that 38% of domestic violence cases are from Black women and the total Black population in San Francisco is roughly 3%.

Commissioner Chung and Rivera echoed the support and need for culturally sensitive organizations to provide services to survivors.

**Public Comment**

Pamela Tate, Co-Executive Director, Black Women Revolt against Domestic Violence – Thanked the Commission for the support.

Emberly Cross, CROC – Thanked Director Ellis and Commissioner for supporting Black Women Revolt against Domestic Violence and look forward to partnering with them.

Beverly Upton, San Francisco Domestic Violence Consortium - Thanked the Commission for the support of Black Women Revolt against Domestic Violence.

**(Roll Call Vote) Rivera/Zwart – 5 ayes, 0 nays – Unanimous**

**V. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT**

**DISCUSSION**

Mary Martinez, Women INC - thanked the Department and Commission for their support to Black Women Revolt Against Domestic Violence and shared a few end of the year highlights for Women INC, which includes providing 265 hours of therapy, 200+ counseling sessions registered for domestic violence survivors and over 12,000 survivor calls answered.

**VI. ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting adjourned at 5:38pm.