

Entertainment Commission *City and County of San Francisco*



MINUTES

Meeting was held virtually and in-person

Tuesday, August 1, 2023 5:30 P.M. Regular Meeting

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: Ben Bleiman (Vice President), Dori Caminong (President), Laura Thomas, Stephen Torres, and Cyn Wang

COMMISSIONERS ABSENT: Lt. Dave Falzon, Al Perez

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 5:38 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:

+ Stefano Cassolato commented on events being held at the Fisherman's Wharf CBD.

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3. Approval of Meeting Minutes. Discussion and possible action to approve the minutes of the July 18, 2023 Commission meeting. [Discussion and Possible Action Item]

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Support Document: <u>https://sf.gov/sites/default/files/2023-</u> 07/EC%20Meeting%20Minutes%20July%2018%202023 Draft.pdf

Motion: Commissioner Thomas made a motion to adopt the minutes; Commission Torres seconded the motion.

Action: The Commission approved the minutes of the July 18, 2023 Commission meeting.

Ayes: Vice President Bleiman, Commissioner Thomas, Commissioner Torres, and Commissioner Wang

Nays: None

Public Comment: None

4. Report from Executive Director: Legislative/Policy Update: none; Staff and Office Update: none; Update on Board of Appeals Actions: none; Corrective Actions: Suspension of The Brixton Limited Live Performance permit EC-1616. [Discussion and Possible Action Item]

Public Comment: None

5. Report from Senior Inspector: Senior Inspector Andrew Zverina reports on recent enforcement activities. [Discussion and Possible Action Item]

President Caminong arrived during the Senior Inspector's report.

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Public Comment: None

6. 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:

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- a. EC-1704 Marwan Zeidan of KICKBACK SF LLC, *dba The Kickback,* 680 Valencia St Limited Live Performance
- b. EC-1707 Dan Karnicki of 2211 Club, LLC, *dba 2211 Club*, 2211 Polk St Limited Live Performance

Motion: Commissioner Wang made a motion to approve the permits with staff recommendations; President Caminong seconded the motion.

Action: The Commission approved the permits with staff recommendations.

Ayes: Vice President Bleiman, President Caminong, Commissioner Thomas, Commissioner Torres, and Commissioner Wang

Nays: None

Public Comments: None

Regular Agenda:

c. EC-1683 – Julia Strouzer and Dan Sneddon of Art Fashion Culture LLC, *dba* Mikroblack,
2323 Market St. - Limited Live Performance including outdoor amplified sound at the front of their business

Motion: Commissioner Thomas made a motion to approve the permit with staff recommendations and with the amendment of hosting entertainment every other Sunday from 3:00pm-7:00pm; Commissioner Wang seconded the motion.

Action: The Commission approved the permit with staff recommendations and with the amendment of hosting entertainment every other Sunday from 3:00pm-7:00pm.

Ayes: Vice President Bleiman, President Caminong, Commissioner Thomas, Commissioner Torres, and Commissioner Wang

Nays: None

Public Comments:

- James Baldock, neighbor, commented in opposition of the permit application.
- Evan Knopf, neighbor, commented in opposition of the permit application.

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- Brandon McCapes, neighbor, commented in opposition of the permit application.
- + Martyna Skowron, community member, commented in support of the permit application.
- + KiRill Bobrov, community member, commented in support of the permit application.
- + Jeffrey Mark Jenkins, community member, commented in support of the permit application.
- + Fred Anderson, community member, commented in support of the permit application.

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+ Nicole Yessler, community member, commented in support of the permit application.

+ Jarrad Webster, employee of MikroBlack, commented in support of the permit application.

+ Michael Mejia, community member, commented in support of the permit application.

+ Moxie Penn, community member, commented in support of the permit application.

- Diego Zavadzki, neighbor, commented in opposition of the permit application.

- Tina Aguirre (Zoom), community member and Director of the Castro LGBTQ Cultural District, commented in opposition of the permit application without agreed conditions from the building tenants.

+ Devlin Shand (Zoom), representative from Queer Arts Featured, commented in support of the permit application.

7. 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:

= Tina Aguirre commented that, as Director of the Castro LGBTQ Cultural District, they thanked the staff for their work and offered their help to mitigate discussions between businesses and neighbors.

8. ADJOURNMENT at 7:03 PM