

City and County of San Francisco

REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

Tuesday, December 12, 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, STEPHEN MARTIN-PINTO, COURTNEY MILLER, NICHOLAS RUSANOFF

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

SET AGENDA [Action]

PRESENTATION

- Mayor's Office of Housing and Community Development (MOHCD) Update on implementation of a veterans priority into the four existing preference categories of BMR housing lottery. [Presentation: 10 minutes]
- San Francisco VA Healthcare Staff Support Presentation organized by Commissioner Bill Barnickel Presenters: SFVAHCS staff. Prior to the meeting a letter of support drafted by a SFVAHCS staff member was shared with commissioners for their review.
 [Presentation: 10 minutes / Possible Action to approve letter.]

COMMUNICATIONS



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Officers' Reports

President Vice President Staff Secretary

CVSO Report

Maurice Delmer on behalf of CVSO Director Elaine Kim. [Discussion – Following the report, Q&A with Commissioners – 10 minutes]

Supervisor Liaison Reports

Commissioners to share their supervisor reports, District 1 through District 11.

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

• September 12, 2023, Regular Meeting Minutes [Action]

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

• Response from Public Defenders Office regarding Veterans Justice Court. Commissioner Chan to provide a brief update. [Discussion]

NEW BUSINESS

- CA Assembly Bill 46: Personal Income Taxes Exclusion: Military Services Retirement and Surviving Spouse Benefit Payment Act. Commissioner Chan to lead discussion. Link to legislative summary sent to commissioners prior to meeting. [Discussion / Possible Action]
- Revision to VAC Bylaws. Commissioner Chan to discuss his recommendation to change the vote approval requirement from majority of full commission to majority of members present at meeting. [Discussion] (Note: According to VAC bylaws procedure, revisions to bylaws must follow a two-step process. First step, revision is introduced in writing to commission as a discussion item, second step, at a future meeting, revision is listed as an action item for commission's approval by vote. "VAC Bylaws: Article V. Amendment to Bylaws")
- Review VAC meeting date and time. [Discussion]



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EXECUTIVE TEAM ELECTIONS FOR 2024 TERM

Commission President and Vice-President Nominations and Election [Action /Vote]

- Call for Nominations [Action]
 (Note: Nominated commissioners must be present to accept the nomination.)
- Election of 2024 Executive Team by Roll Call Vote [Action/Vote]

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

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