



City and County of San Francisco

Commission on the Status of Women

Mayor London N. Breed

COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday, February 7, 2024

5:00 pm

49 South Van Ness Ave., Room 194

Roster:

President Dr. Shokooh Miry

Vice President Sophia Andary

Commissioner Sharon Chung (excused)

Commissioner Diane Jones Lowrey

Commissioner Dr. Anne Moses

Commissioner Dr. Raveena Rihal

Commissioner Ani Rivera

I. CALL TO ORDER

President Shokooh Miry called the meeting to order at 5:21pm. Mr. Cameron Lucas performed roll call, confirmed 6 of 7 Commissioners present (quorum). Mr. Lucas read the land acknowledgement.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The Commission reviewed and approved the minutes from the regular Commission meeting on January 24, 2024.

Action: To approve Minutes from the regular Commission meeting on December 12, 2023.

No public comment.

(Roll Call Vote) Andary/Jones Lowrey – 6 ayes, 0 nays – Unanimous

III. DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Director Kimberly Ellis wished everyone a happy Black History Month and Lunar New Year. She then discussed the upcoming hearing of the Public Safety and Neighborhood Services Committee on February 8th where the Department will present on accommodations for women in SFPD and law enforcement ore broadly as well as a presentation on the 2021 Human Trafficking Report.

Commissioner Comment:

Commissioner Andary asked how she might view the hearing.

Director Ellis responded she could watch it on SF Gov TV.

Commissioner Moses expressed surprise that the issues had not already been addressed.

No Public Comment

IV. NEW BUSINESS

A. DEPARTMENT BUDGET PROPOSAL FY 24-26

Director Ellis presented the Fiscal Year 2024-25 through Fiscal Year 2025-26 proposed departmental budget.

Commissioner Comment:

Commissioner Rihal asked about the drop in the materials and supplies budget.

Director Ellis responded that the cuts made to the Department's budget were meant to preserve grant funding and that the Department would be resourceful in making do.

Commissioner Rivera asked how the cuts would affect the Women's Policy Summit.

Director Ellis responded that the Department would be looking to garner outside funding for future summits.

Commissioner Rivera asked about the structure of the budgeting process.

Dr. My Lan Do Nguyen, Grant and Finance Administrator, explained the process to the Commission.

Commissioner Jones Lowrey asked how the Department deals with the unexpected costs that are no doubt going to come up.

Director Ellis expressed complete trust in the Department's ability to be resourceful while also being in a uniquely good position because of the prudence and financial management shown by Dr. Nguyen.

No Public Comment.

(Roll Call Vote) Moses/Andary – 6 ayes, 0 nays – Unanimous

V. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT

None

VI. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 5:51 pm.