



VETERANS AFFAIRS COMMISSION

REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

Tuesday, September 10, 2024 – 6:00 pm
Room 416, San Francisco City Hall

JASON CHITTAVONG, PRESIDENT
NICHOLAS RUSANOFF, VICE-PRESIDENT
JOSEPH BABA, WILLIAM BARNICKEL, JAMES BOATMAN,
HANLEY CHAN, DEBORAH DACUMOS, COURTNEY ELLINGTON,
PRINCE JORDAN KELLY, DARYA KUTOVAYA, JENNY PEREZ,
JOHN REISSENWEBER

City Hall Hearing Rooms are wheelchair accessible. Remote public participation is available upon request for members of the public who cannot attend in person due to disability. Making a request to participate remotely no later than five (5) hours prior to the start of the meeting helps ensure availability of the meeting link. To request a meeting link due to disability, please call (415) 509-9691.

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL / CONFIRM QUORUM

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

SET AGENDA [Action]

COMMUNICATION

CVSO Report

CVSO Acting Director Maurice Delmer
[Discussion / Q&A with Commissioners – 10 minutes]



Executive Team Updates

Supervisors Reports

- Commissioner Barnickel will share an update about an upcoming veteran article in District 4 newsletter. He will also talk about how to contact Supervisors' staff to place news about veterans in other district newsletters.

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

- August 13, 2024 Regular Meeting Minutes Draft
[ACTION / VOTE]

NEW BUSINESS

- Review draft letter advising the Mayor about CVSO staffing needs.
[ACTION/VOTE]

OLD BUSINESS

- Follow up to a discussion at the August 13 meeting: Commissioner Dacumos will provide further details about plans to honor CPT Jennifer Moreno and female veterans during 2025 Memorial Day ceremony. Update will include sculpture samples.
[DISCUSSION / POSSIBLE ACTION]

ANNOUNCEMENTS

An opportunity for commission members to share information about San Francisco veterans events 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

This document is Official Business of the Veterans Affairs Commission, City and County of San Francisco. It is part of the official Public Record of the City and County of San Francisco.

Public Access:

Public Records are covered under the State of California Brown Act, as well as the Sunshine Ordinance of the City and County of San Francisco. These acts ensure that deliberations of City Business are conducted “before the People,” and that City and County operations are open to the People’s review.

For information on your rights under the Sunshine Ordinance (Chapter 67 of the San Francisco Administrative Code), or to report a violation of the ordinance, please contact the Administrator of the Sunshine Ordinance Task Force.

Veterans Affairs Commission Meetings:

General meetings of the SFVAC are scheduled for 6:00 p.m. on the second Tuesday of every month, except for 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.

Disability Access:

City Hall of San Francisco is wheelchair accessible via all entrances. There is wheelchair accessible public parking nearby, including the underground garage at the north side of City Hall. The nearby BART/MUNI station (Civic Center) is wheelchair accessible as are nearby city bus lines and stops. For more public transit information services, call (415) 923-6142 or dial 311.



Veterans Crisis Line



1-800-273-8255
PRESS 1

If you or a Veteran, you know is in immediate danger to themselves or others, please call 911 or visit your local emergency room.

The Veterans Crisis Line is also available by texting 838255 or by going to their website and chatting with a mental health professional.



SAN FRANCISCO
SUICIDE
PREVENTION

24/7 Confidential
Support

Text [MYLIFE](https://www.mylife.org) to [741741](https://www.mylife.org)

Crisis Line:
(415) 781-0500