



REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

Tuesday, April 11, 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,
CHRISTOPHER MCDONALD, STEPHEN MARTIN-PINTO, COURTNEY MILLER,
NICHOLAS RUSANOFF, JORDAN SUN

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CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

AGENDA CHANGES

COMMUNICATIONS

Officers' Reports

President Report, including:

- Acknowledge Mayoral Certificate of Honor recipients.
- Briefly review commission's new administrative code effective March 17, 2023.
- Liaison for District 2 Supervisor remains vacant.

Vice President Report, including:

- First draft of revised VAC bylaws.



Staff Secretary Report, including:

- Commission application / re-appointment process.
- Meeting procedure review.

CVSO Report

Elena Kim, CVSO

Supervisor Liaison Reports

- District 1: Sup. Chan – Commissioner Bullard
- District 2: Sup. Stefani – VACANT
- District 3: Sup. Peskin – Commissioner McDonald
- District 4: Sup. Engardio – Commissioner Barnickel
- District 5: Sup. Preston – Commissioner Chittavong
- District 6: Sup. Dorsey – Commissioner Rusanoff
- District 7: Sup. Melgar – Commissioner Chan
- District 8: Sup. Mandelman – Commissioner Dacumos
- District 9: Sup. Ronen – Commissioner Miller
- District 10: Sup. Walton – Commissioner Ellington
- District 11: Sup. Safai – Commissioner Bullard

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

March 14, 2023 Regular Meeting Minutes [Action /Vote]

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- 2023 Memorial Day Ceremony [Discussion]
 - As a follow up to last month’s meeting discussion, the executive team will share updates regarding event planning with Golden Gate National Cemetery.

NEW BUSINESS

- Ordinance amending the Administrative Code to expand definition of “public service” to allow members of San Francisco Employees’ Retirement System to purchase service credit for time served in the military before City employment. [Discussion / Possible Action]
- Draft Resolution to support CA Assembly Bill 1386, which will amend Section 987.005 of the Military and Veterans Code, relating to veterans at risk for homelessness or experiencing temporary or chronic homelessness. [Discussion / Possible Action]



- First draft revisions to VAC Bylaw. [Discussion]

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 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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Veterans Affairs Commission Meetings:



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

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