



# **VETERANS AFFAIRS COMMISSION**

## **REGULAR MEETING AGENDA**

Tuesday, May 13, 2025 – 6:00 pm  
Room 416, San Francisco City Hall

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

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### **CALL TO ORDER**

### **ROLL CALL / CONFIRM QUORUM**

### **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

### **SET AGENDA [Action]**

### **WELCOMING COMMENTS:** President Bill Barnickel

### **PRESENTATION**

Mayoral Certificate of Honor acknowledging the retirement of Jia F. Li, Health Care Director with San Francisco VA Health Care System.

Certificate will be presented by Commission President Bill Barnickel during the May 14 retirement party in honor of Jia Li at the San Francisco VA Medical Center.



## **COMMUNICATION**

### **CVSO Report**

SF CVSO Maurice Delmer

[Discussion / Q&A with Commissioners – 10 minutes]

## **APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES**

April 8, 2025 Regular Meeting Minutes Draft

[ACTION / VOTE]

## **NEW BUSINESS**

- Mayor's Fentanyl State of Emergency Ordinance and Plan for 24/7 Stabilization Center. Opportunity for commissioners to advise of importance to have plan include veteran-focused care. Commissioner Dacumos to discuss. [DISCUSSION]
- Disabled Veterans Property Tax Exemption - CA Senate Bill 296. Commissioner Kutovaya to lead discussion. [DISCUSSION / POSSIBLE ACTION]
- Commission support of SFCVSO. Review ideas and suggestions put forward by commissioners. [DISCUSSION / POSSIBLE ACTION]

## **OLD BUSINESS**

- Planning Update on Memorial Day Ceremony at San Francisco Presidio on May 26. [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 about San Francisco veteran 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**

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