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# My View of Governance Commissions

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# Governance Commission Key Purposes

Accountability and Oversight—Supervise the department at a high level to promote excellent performance.

Transparency—Openly share information, actions and decisions in a way that is accessible and understandable to the public.

Public Participation—Allow for the public to participate in government decisions.

Contribute Expertise --Provide skills or knowledge in the department's area of work.

Responsiveness --Listen to input from residents and act on it when appropriate.

# Examples of Governance Commissions

## General

Airport

Fire

Health

Human Services

Library

MTA

Police

Port

PUC

Public Works

Rec/Park

# Examples of Governance Commissions-Focused

## Arts

Asian Arts

Film

Fine Arts

War Memorial

Children and Families First

## Human Rights

Status of Women

Disability and Aging

Juvenile Probation

# Charter §4.102 Powers and Duties (amending 5 & 6)

#	Current Language	Proposed Amendments
1	Formulate, evaluate, and approve goals, objectives, plans, and programs and set policies	
2	Develop and keep current an annual statement of purpose outlining areas of jurisdiction, authorities, purpose, and goals.	
3	After a public hearing, approve applicable departmental budgets or any budget modifications or fund transfers.	
4	Recommend rates, fees, and similar charges.	
5	Unless otherwise specifically provided, submit to the Mayor at least three qualified applicants, and if rejected, to make additional nominations in the same manner, for the position of department head, subject to appointment by the Mayor;	<u>May recommend one or more department head candidates to the Mayor.</u>
6	Remove a department head; the Mayor may recommend removal of a department head to the commission, and it shall be the commission's duty to act on the Mayor's recommendation by removing or retaining the department head within 30 days; failure to act on the Mayor's recommendation shall constitute official misconduct;	<u>May recommend the Mayor terminate a department head.</u>
7	Conduct investigations into governmental operations within the board or commission's jurisdiction and make recommendations.	
8	Exercise other powers and duties prescribed by the Board of Supervisors.	
9	Appoint an executive secretary.	
10	Hold hearings and take testimony.	
11	Retain temporary counsel for specific purposes.	