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SOUTHEAST COMMUNITY FACILITY COMMISSION CITY and COUNTY of SAN FRANCISCO



London Nicole Breed, Mayor

Emily Pharr
Executive Director

ADOPTED MINUTES SOUTHEAST COMMUNITY FACILITY COMMISSION Wednesday, January 25, 2023 6:00 P.M.

This meeting was held by Teleconference Pursuant to the Governor's Executive Order N-29-20 and the Twelfth Supplement to Mayoral Proclamation Declaring the Existence of a Local Emergency Dated February 25, 2020

- 1. Call to Order and Roll Call:** Chair Murphy called the meeting to order at 6:04 P.M.
Present: Murphy, Chung, Sanchez (lv 6:07), Tran, Posey,
Excused: Fromer
- 2. Adoption of renewed findings under State Urgency Legislation to continue remote meetings during the COVID-19 Emergency and direct the Commission Secretary to agendize a similar resolution at a Commission meeting within the next 30 days.**
Moved: Tran **Second:** Posey
Public Comment: None
Ayes: Chung, Sanchez, Murphy, Posey, Tran
- 3. Adoption of Minutes: November 30, 2022**
Moved: Chung **Second:** Posey
Public Comment: None
Ayes: Murphy, Posey, Tran, Chung
- 4. General Public Comment:**
Gwen Jackson-Fagan commented regarding the Bond Measure that was recently passed by San Francisco voters for City College to invest in the Southeast Campus. She wanted to know who would be held accountable?
 - Staff suggested sending inquiries directly to City College Board of Trustees and noted any updates would be shared with the Commission and the community.The Commissioners thanked Ms. Jackson-Fagan for her persistence and Chair Murphy requested placing the item on a future agenda.
- 5. Communications:** (discussion only)
Correspondence Log –
Community Events from January 24 through February 11.

Public Comment: None
- 6. Report of the Chair:** (discussion only)
(Commissioner Murphy)
Chair Murphy announced Martin Luther King Day and Lunar New Year. The Chair acknowledged the successful event led by Commissioner Posey and requested the Committees discuss events that could be led by Commissioners to assist in activating the new Center.

In closing Chair Murphy noted the multiple mass shootings taking place within the last three days and offered condolences to the families.

Public Comment: None

7. **Introduction of New Employees:**

(Emily Pharr, Executive Director)

Director Pharr introduced Nicholas Cresta a former Willie Brown Fellow from San Francisco State University who has been hired as a 9922 intern. Three additional event support members have been hired in the 9920 class, they are Malachi Harris, Philip Harris, Lioukalani Liu. At the end of the month there will be a recruitment for the 1820 position and that will bring us close to being fully staffed.

Questions and Comments from Commissioners: None

Public Comment: None

8. **Action to Accept Logo Concept Developed for the Southeast Community Facility Commission:**

(Emily Pharr, Executive Director & Larry Berry, Deputy Director)

Deputy Director Berry provided a presentation previously viewed by both Committees. He advised the original process began in 2020 with a consultant and the results of the feedback from the community were insufficient. A panel was created to identify a local artist and time was spent to develop a new concept. The new concept had too many revisions and exhausted the budget. A decision was made to work with the internal SFPUC Graphics Team and at the direction of the SECC team a new direction created a design that presents colors referencing the African American flag. Also, the logo allows us the ability to change the colors to respond to different cultural events

Questions and Comments from Commissioners:

The Commissioners responded positively to the logo concept.

By motion, the Commissioners recommended acceptance of the Logo Concept for the Southeast Community Center at 1550 Evans Avenue.

Moved: *Tran* **Second:** *Posey*

Public Comment:

Gwen Jackson-Fagan commented regarding the use of the colors for Black History Month.

- Staff responded the standing design is red, black, and green, and any alterations would be temporary based on specific cultural celebrations and they advised they would create something specific for Black History Month.

Ayes: *Tran, Posey, Murphy, Chung*

9. **Action to Support Farmers Market Proposal:**

(Emily Pharr, Executive Director, Larry Berry, Deputy Director, & Isaiah Powell, President Dragonspunk)

Director Pharr advised the purpose of the request was to support Mr. Powell's proposal to produce a Farmers Market at the Southeast Community Center. The letter will support his request for funding.

Deputy Director Berry said Mr. Powell was proactive and provided a detail proposal. He reported Mr. Powell has a long history of working in the community and teaching young people about basic farming concepts. He currently runs several Farmers Markets in the neighborhood.

Mr. Powell invited everyone to visit his mobile Farmers Market every Saturday from 12:30 p.m. to 1:30 p.m. across the street from 1800 Oakdale Avenue. He said he wanted to focus on culturally appropriate food. He reported there will be vendors selling meat products, however the focus will be on plant-based food.

Questions and Comments from Commissioners:

Commissioners thanked Mr. Powell for focusing on plant-based food and suggested cooking demonstrations for community members that might not be familiar with the vegetables. They said they were excited to support the Market.

The Commissioners asked when the Market would open?

- Mr. Powell advised it would open the first week in April

By motion, the Commissioners recommended submitting a Letter of Support to the San Francisco Department of Public Health to approve a Farmers Market at 1550 Evans Avenue.

Moved: *Chung* **Second:** *Posey*

Public Comment: None.

Ayes: *Tran, Posey, Murphy, Chung*

10. Joint Meeting with CAC Plan:

Moved to Executive Director's report.

Questions and Comments from Commissioners:

Vice-Chair Fromer asked about the status of City College and if there were any updates?

- Staff responded there was no update regarding City College. It was noted the Real Estate Department has been in touch with them about the status of their lease agreements and what the next iteration of our relationship will be with them. When more information is available it will be provided.

Public Comment: None.

11. Committee Reports:

Commissioner Posey leader of the SE Community Programs Advisory Committee and Commissioner Sanchez leader of the SE Facility & Design Advisory Committee shared similar agenda items. Both Committees received presentations on the Farmers Market Proposal, the Logo Concept Development, and the Bilingual Capabilities of the Reservation Desk.

Public Comment: None

12. SECF Director's Report:

Executive Director Pharr announced the Commission will be returning to in-person meetings soon. She encouraged the Commissioners to invite their networks and plan for a robust agenda. The Executive Director also reported there will be a joint meeting with the SFPUC Citizens Advisory Committee in late April or May. She invited the Commissioners to consider agenda items where there is a shared interest between the work of the SFPUC Citizens Advisory Committee and the Southeast Commission. This would allow them to join forces and advocate for the community.

The Executive Director announced the leases and licenses for the third floor "Non-Profit Hub" were unanimously approved by the San Francisco Public Utilities Commission. The next steps will be for the Tenant Partners to move in. She thanked the San Francisco Public Utilities Commission and the General Manager.

Executive Director Pharr announced the February 18th Black History Month Parade and Celebration that will start at the Opera House and will end at the new Center. The event is from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. and promises to be a wonderful festival for the whole community. She advised the Commissioners will have a special role to play and we are looking forward to having a great time.

The Executive Director announced Ms. Chika Mezie would be sworn-in as a new Commissioner in time for the first in-person meeting.

Deputy Director Berry noted he worked with Ms. Mezie when she attended College Track and he was happy to see the process move full circle and now after attending college she was returning to give back to her community.

Commissioner Posey acknowledged he was aware of her work in the community with the A. Philip Randolph Institute and he was thrilled to know she would be a part of the Southeast Commission.

Executive Director Pharr announced Commissioner Falaofuta Satele was moving on and she suggested the Commission provide a Certificate of Recognition for her hard work provided during her time with the Commission.

The Executive Director noted the opening of the Café and the immediate use of the space by parents waiting for their children. The current Café hours are 7 a.m. to 4 p.m. She acknowledged the use of the second floor which was activated by several events along with the Alex Pitcher Room & Pavilion.

Deputy Director Berry added the space is festive and every part of the new Center is being activated. He encouraged the Commissioners to invite their networks to experience the new space.

In closing the Executive Director reiterated the 1820 Analyst Tenant Partner Liaison opportunity would post soon and she invited the Commissioners to share the information within their networks. She advised there is a particular interest in hiring someone from the community.

13. Future Agenda Items:

- Certificate of Recognition for former Commissioner Falaofuta Satele
- Plan Joint Meeting with the Citizens Advisory Committee in May
- Southeast Community Facility Commission Retreat in June
- Invitation to Chancellor David Martin, City College of San Francisco
- Invitation to Dr. Matt Wayne, Superintendent San Francisco Unified School District

14. Announcements:

Staff announced applications for the 43rd annual Oratorical and Musical contest are due February 17.

Chair Murphy announced FACESSF will sponsor a Job and Resource Fair on February 16 with employers and resources in the Sunnydale neighborhood. On February 17 there will be a Business Mixer at the Young Community Developers warehouse and everyone is invited.

15. Adjournment:

The meeting adjourned at 7:05 pm.

The next meeting of the Southeast Community Facility Commission will be Wednesday, February 22, 2023.

Carla Vaughn, Commission Secretary