



Entertainment Commission

City and County of San Francisco



MINUTES

Meeting was held in-person

Tuesday, December 20, 2022

5:30 P.M.

Regular Meeting

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: Ben Bleiman (President), Al Perez, Laura Thomas, Stephen Torres, and Cyn Wang

COMMISSIONERS ABSENT: Dori Caminong and Lt. Dave Falzon

STAFF IN ATTENDANCE: Executive Director Maggie Weiland; Deputy Director Kaitlyn Azevedo; Senior Analyst Dylan Rice; Commission Secretary May Liang

THE MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER BY PRESIDENT BLEIMAN AT 5:31 PM

SPEAKER KEY:

- + indicates a speaker in support of an item;
- indicates a speaker in opposition of an item; and
- = indicates a neutral speaker or a speaker who did not indicate support or opposition

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

1. Consideration and possible action to adopt a resolution making findings to allow teleconferenced meetings under California Government Code Section 54953(e).

[Discussion and Possible Action Item]

Support Document:

<https://sfgov.org/entertainment/sites/default/files/Support%20Documents/SF%20Entertainment%20Commission%20-%20Findings%20Resolution%20for%20Charter%20Commissions%20-%202022-28-22.pdf>



Motion: Commissioner Wang made a motion to adopt the resolution; Commissioner Torres seconded the motion.

Action: The Commission adopted the resolution.

Ayes: President Bleiman, Commissioner Thomas, Commissioner Torres, Commissioner Wang

Nays: None

Public Comment: None

2. General Public Comment

Members of the public may address the Commission on items of interest to the public that are within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Commission. With respect to agenda items, members of the public may address the Commission for up to three minutes at the time such item is called.

Public Comment: None

3. Approval of Meeting Minutes. Discussion and possible action to approve the minutes of the November 15, 2022 Commission meetings. [Discussion and Possible Action Item]

Support Document: https://sf.gov/sites/default/files/2022-11/EC%20Meeting%20Minutes%20Nov%2015%202022_DRAFT.pdf

Motion: Commissioner Torres made a motion to adopt the minutes; Commissioner Wang seconded the motion.

Action: The Commission approved the minutes of the November 15, 2022 Commission meetings.

Ayes: President Bleiman, Commissioner Thomas, Commissioner Torres, Commissioner Wang

Nays: None

Public Comment: None

4. Report from Executive Director: Legislative/Policy Update: none; Staff and Office Update: Reminder about Commission schedule and final reminder about required trainings for Commissioners; NYE events and planning; Update on Board of Appeals Actions: none; Corrective Actions: none. [Discussion Item]

Commissioner Perez arrived to the meeting during the report.

Public Comment: None

5. Report from Deputy Director: Deputy Director Kaitlyn Azevedo reports on recent enforcement activities. [Discussion Item]

Public Comment: None

6. Update on Just Add Music (JAM) Permit Transition: Deputy Director Kaitlyn Azevedo and Senior Analyst Dylan Rice provide a status update on transitioning JAM Permits to brick-and-mortar and One Time Outdoor Event permits. [Discussion Item]

Public Comment: None

7. Report from the Senior Analyst: Senior Analyst Dylan Rice shares the findings from the Entertainment Commission's survey to measure the continued impacts of the pandemic on local entertainment and nightlife businesses. [Discussion Item]

Public Comment: None

8. Hearing and Possible Action regarding applications for permits under the jurisdiction of the Entertainment Commission. [Discussion and Possible Action Item]

Consent Calendar:

All matters listed hereunder constitute a Consent Calendar, are considered to be routine by the Entertainment Commission, and will be acted upon by a single roll call vote of the Commission. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a member of the Commission, the public, or staff so requests, in which event the matter shall be removed from the Consent Calendar and considered as a separate item at this or a future hearing.

Consent Agenda:

- a. EC-1666 – Filomena, Salvatore, Osilio, and Maurizio Florese of Buonvicion, Inc, ***dba Mona Lisa Mare E Monti***, 414 Columbus Ave. - Limited Live Performance
- b. EC-1667 - Joanna Torres and Josefina Flores of Arepas, Inc, ***dba Arepas***, 3198 16th St. – Limited Live Performance

Deputy Director Azevedo recommended this item be moved to the regular agenda due to the business receiving a notice of violation over the weekend for having entertainment without a permit.

Motion: President Bleiman made a motion to move this permit application to the regular agenda; Commissioner Wang seconded the motion.

Action: The Commission approved the permit to be moved to the regular agenda.

Ayes: President Bleiman, Commissioner Perez, Commissioner Thomas, Commissioner Torres, Commissioner Wang

Nays: None

Public Comments: None

- c. EC-1668 - David Ruiz, Anthony Healy-London, Joshua McAdam, and Matty Conway of Junior Bar, LLC, ***dba Junior***, 2545 24th St. – Limited Live Performance
- d. EC-1669 - Priscilla and Eric Lindsey of Eye and Hand Society LLC, ***dba Eye and Hand Society***, 3425 Balboa St. – Limited Live Performance

Motion: Commissioner Perez made a motion to approve the Mona Lisa Mare E Monti, Junior, and Eye and Hand Society permits with staff recommendations; Commissioner Wang seconded the motion.

Action: The Commission approved the permits for Mona Lisa Mare E Monti, Junior, and Eye and Hand Society with staff recommendations.

Ayes: President Bleiman, Commissioner Perez, Commissioner Thomas, Commissioner Torres, Commissioner Wang

Nays: None

Public Comments:

- + Adam Williams, neighbor, commented virtually in favor of Eye and Hand Society
- + Claire Fedewa, neighbor, commented virtually in favor of Eye and Hand Society

Regular Agenda:

- e. EC-1667 - Joanna Torres and Josefina Flores of Arepas, Inc, ***dba Arepas***, 3198 16th St. – Limited Live Performance

Motion: Commissioner Wang made a motion to approve the permit with staff recommendation; Commissioner Thomas seconded the motion.

Action: The Commission approved the permit with staff recommendations.

Ayes: President Bleiman, Commissioner Perez, Commissioner Thomas, Commissioner Torres, Commissioner Wang

Nays: None

Public Comments:

+ Nevin Nevin, neighboring business (Kilowatt), commented in favor of Arepas

- f. EC-1670 – Katherine McCarthy, Peter Nevin, and Richard Eusey of NOBODYSBABY LLC, **dba Kilowatt**, 3160 16th St. – Place of Entertainment and Billiard Parlor – change in ownership

Motion: Commissioner Wang made a motion to approve the permit with staff recommendation; Commissioner Thomas seconded the motion.

Action: The Commission approved the permit with staff recommendations.

Ayes: President Bleiman, Commissioner Perez, Commissioner Thomas, Commissioner Torres, Commissioner Wang

Nays: None

Public Comments:

+ Julie Zielinski, representative of Noise Pop, commented in favor of Kilowatt

9. Discussion and possible action to amend the permit conditions of Limited Live Performance permit #EC-1601, dba Gestalt located at 3159 16th St, San Francisco, CA 94103, regarding ongoing enforcement actions at the business. [Discussion and Possible Action Item]

Shawn Saber, current manager of *Gestalt* and prospective buyer of the business, represented the business for the item.

Motion: President Bleiman made a motion to amend *Gestalt's* permit to restrict live music to only Fridays-Saturdays until 10pm; Commissioner Perez seconded the motion.

Action: The Commission approved to amend the permit to restrict live music to only Fridays-Saturdays until 10pm.

Ayes: President Bleiman, Commissioner Perez, Commissioner Thomas, Commissioner Torres, Commissioner Wang

Nays: None

Public Comments: None

10. Commissioner Comments & Questions; New Business Request for Future Agenda Items:

This item is to allow Commissioners to introduce agenda items for future consideration, and to make announcements. [Action item and Announcements]

Public Comment: None

ADJOURNMENT at 7:34PM