



Entertainment Commission

City and County of San Francisco



MINUTES

Meeting was held in-person

Tuesday, June 20, 2023

5:30 P.M.

Regular Meeting

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: Ben Bleiman (President), Dori Caminong (Vice President), Lt. Dave Falzon, Al Perez, Laura Thomas, and Stephen Torres

COMMISSIONERS ABSENT: Cyn Wang

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

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

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL AT 5:35 PM – Vice President Caminong chaired the meeting

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 May 16, 2023 Commission meeting and the June 5, 2023 Special meeting. [Discussion and Possible Action Item]



Support Document:

May 16, 2023: https://sf.gov/sites/default/files/2023-05/EC%20Meeting%20Minutes%20May%2016%202023_Draft.pdf

June 5, 2023: https://sf.gov/sites/default/files/2023-06/EC%20Summit%20Minutes%20June%2005%202023_DRAFT.pdf

Motion: Commissioner Falzon made a motion to adopt the minutes; President Bleiman seconded the motion.

Action: The Commission approved the minutes of the May 16, 2023 Commission meeting and the June 5, 2023 Special meeting.

Ayes: President Bleiman, Vice President Caminong, Commissioner Falzon, Commissioner Perez, Commissioner Thomas, and Commissioner Torres

Nays: None

Public Comment: None

4. Report from Executive Director: Legislative/Policy Update: none; Staff and Office Update: Survey feedback from the SF Entertainment and Nightlife Summit; Update on Board of Appeals Actions: none; Corrective Actions: Briefing re: June 10, 2023 incident at Place of Entertainment permit #EC-1452 dba Stratos Night Club, located at 358 Ocean Ave. [Discussion and Possible Action Item]

Motion: Commissioner Thomas made a motion to bring Stratos Night Club to a suspension hearing.

Action: The Commission approved to bring Stratos Night Club to a suspension hearing.

Ayes: President Bleiman, Vice President Caminong, Commissioner Falzon, Commissioner Perez, Commissioner Thomas, and Commissioner Torres

Nays: None

Public Comment:

+ Stefano Cassolato made comments in support of the motion

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

Public Comment: None

6. 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-1693 – Ezzaddin Ali, **dba Taco Boys**, 2312 Market St Suite 1 – Fixed Place Amplified Sound at the front of their business
- b. EC-1697 - Jason Pan of TRELIS SOCIAL, LLC, **dba Trellis**, 981 Mission St. – Limited Live Performance
- c. EC-1701 – Hudson One Ferry REIT, L.P., **dba Hudson One Ferry REIT, L.P** - Limited Live Performance including outdoor entertainment and amplified sound on private property
- d. ECOTE23-148 Agricultural Institute of Marin, **dba Clement Street Farmers Market** – One Time Outdoor Event Permit to host outdoor entertainment and amplified sound with extended duration on Sundays, June 25, 2023 to June 2, 2024 from 10am-2pm within their approved SFMTA Shared Spaces street closure on Clement Street between Arguello Boulevard and 4th Avenue.
- e. ECOTE23-162 Agricultural Institute of Marin, **dba Stonestown Farmers Market** – One Time Outdoor Event Permit to host outdoor entertainment and amplified sound with extended duration on Sundays, June 25, 2023 to June 2, 2024 from 9am-1pm within their approved private property location at 501 Buckingham Way, in the parking lot behind Stonestown Mall.

Motion: President Bleiman made a motion to approve the permits on the consent agenda with staff recommendations; Commissioner Perez seconded the motion.

Action: The Commission approved the permits on the consent agenda with staff recommendations.

Ayes: President Bleiman, Vice President Caminong, Commissioner Falzon, Commissioner Perez, Commissioner Thomas, and Commissioner Torres

Nays: None

Public Comments:

+ Mary Molly Mullaney thanked the Commission regarding the outcome of permit ECOTE23-162 Agricultural Institute of Marin, *dba Stonestown Farmers Market*

Regular Agenda:

- f. ECOTE23-166 Noise Pop Industries, ***dba Summer of Music*** – One Time Outdoor Event Permit to host outdoor entertainment and amplified sound with extended duration, Saturdays, 6/24/23 – 9/2/23, 1:30PM - 5:00PM, at multiple outdoor locations on Valencia Street, Castro Street, Divisadero Street, 3rd Street/Jerrold Avenue, Cortland Avenue, Polk Street, Clement Street, Haight Street, and Grant Avenue between Sacramento Street and Washington Street.

Motion: Commissioner Thomas made a motion to approve the permit with staff recommendations; President Bleiman seconded the motion.

Action: The Commission approved the permit staff recommendations.

Ayes: President Bleiman, Vice President Caminong, Commissioner Falzon, Commissioner Perez, Commissioner Thomas, and Commissioner Torres

Nays: None

Public Comments: None

- g. EC-1698 – Debra Crismani and Paul Crismani of BOHEMIAN CIGAR STORE INC, ***dba Mario's Bohemian Cigar Store Cafe***, 566 Columbus Ave. – Limited Live Performance including outdoor amplified sound at the front of their business

Motion: Commissioner Falzon made a motion to approve the permit with staff recommendations; Commissioner Perez seconded the motion.

Action: The Commission approved the permit with staff recommendations.

Ayes: President Bleiman, Vice President Caminong, Commissioner Falzon, Commissioner Perez, Commissioner Thomas, and Commissioner Torres

Nays: None

Public Comments: None

- h. EC-1706 - Yotam Israeli of YOTAM TRAINS LLC, ***dba LuxFit***, 432 Octavia St. Unit C, Fixed Place Amplified Sound on private property

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

Action: The Commission approved the permit with staff recommendations.

Ayes: President Bleiman, Vice President Caminong, Commissioner Falzon, Commissioner Perez, Commissioner Thomas, and Commissioner Torres

Nays: None

Public Comments: None

- i. EC-1683 – Julia Strouzer and Dan Sneddon of Art Fashion Culture LLC, **dba Mikroblack**, 2323 Market St. - Limited Live Performance including outdoor amplified sound at the front of their business

Commissioner Torres disclosed that, as a member of the advisory board for the Castro LGBTQ Cultural District, he received a complaint and was in touch with a resident regarding their concerns of this permit. The staff is aware of this interaction before the meeting.

President Bleiman left the meeting early during this item.

Motion: Commissioner Falzon made a motion to continue this permit to another Commission meeting, under the guidance of the staff, to give the applicant and their neighbors a chance to have a conversation regarding concerns; Commissioner Thomas seconded the motion.

Action: The Commission will continue the permit to another Commission meeting, under the guidance of the staff, to give the applicant and their neighbors a chance to have a conversation regarding concerns.

Ayes: Vice President Caminong, Commissioner Falzon, Commissioner Perez, Commissioner Thomas, and Commissioner Torres

Nays: None

Public Comments:

- Evan Kropf, neighbor to Mikroblack, made a comment objecting to the permit application
- James Baldock, neighbor to Mikroblack, made a comment objecting to the permit application

- j. ECOTE23-139 Goldenvoice, LLC **dba Portola Music Festival** – One Time Outdoor Event Permit to host outdoor entertainment and amplified sound with extended duration on 9/30/23 and 10/01/23, 1:00 PM - 11:00PM, at Pier 80, 401 Cesar Chavez Street.

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

Action: The Commission approved the permit with staff recommendations.

Ayes: Vice President Caminong, Commissioner Falzon, Commissioner Perez, Commissioner Thomas, and Commissioner Torres

Nays: None

Public Comments:

+ Jordan Langer, CEO of Non-Plus Ultra, commented in support to the permit application
= Bill Holtzman (over Zoom), resident of Corona Heights, is encouraged by the new information presented by the applicant but reminded the Commission of the record number of complaints received due to the first festival last year

7. 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

8. ADJOURNMENT at 7:50 PM