

SAN FRANCISCO HUMAN SERVICES COMMISSION
MINUTES
January 26, 2017 Regular Meeting

A regular meeting of the Human Services Commission was held on Thursday, January 26, 2017, in the Ronald H. Born Auditorium at 170 Otis Street, San Francisco.

MEMBERS PRESENT PABLO STEWART, M.D., President
RITA SEMEL, Vice President
SCOTT KAHN
JAMES MC CRAY, JR.
GEORGE YAMASAKI, JR.

OTHERS PRESENT Trent Rhorer, Executive Director – Department of Human Services
Louise Rainey, Secretary – Human Services Commission
Daniel Kaplan, Deputy Director – Finance and Administration
Noelle Simmons, Deputy Director – Economic Support and Self Sufficiency
Susie Smith, Deputy Director – Policy and Planning
Other department staff and interested citizens

ROLL CALL President Stewart called the meeting to order at 9:35 a.m., noting the Commission was present.

AGENDA On motion by Commissioner Yamasaki, seconded and unanimously carried, the Commission adopted the agenda as posted.

MINUTES On motion by Commissioner McCray, seconded and unanimously carried, the Commission approved the minutes of the December 15, 2016 regular meeting as circulated.

JANUARY 2017 EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH President Stewart presented Marlon Diokno, Clerk of the Fair Hearing Office as the January 2017 Employee of the Month. The award recognizes Marlon's outstanding contribution to the efficient operation of the Fair Hearing Office as well as his incredibly patient and kind attention to the needs of clients. Marlon was presented an engraved desk clock and graciously accepted with thanks to all.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT Executive Director Trent Rhorer furnished an update re the City and State budget processes and program activities.

CONSENT CALENDAR On motion by Commissioner Kahn, seconded and unanimously carried, the Commission ratified actions taken by the Executive Director since the December 15, 2016 regular meeting in accordance with Commission authorization of June 23, 2016:

1. Submission of requests to encumber funds in the amount of \$5,512,076 for purchase of services or support and contingency amounts;
2. Submission of one temporary requisition for possible use in filling positions on a temporary basis;
3. Submission of 41 temporary appointments made during the period 12.5.16 thru 1.9.17.

FEBRUARY 2017 NATIONAL PARENT LEADERSHIP MONTH Family and Children's Service Program Manager Barrett Johnson accompanied by Peer Parent Leaders requested the Commission adopt a resolution proclaiming February 2017 National Parent Leadership Month.

On motion by Vice President Semel, seconded and unanimously carried, the Commission adopted the resolution proclaiming February 2017 National Parent Leadership Month as follows:

WHEREAS, meaningful Parent Leadership occurs when parents gain the knowledge and skills necessary to function in leadership roles and present a "parent voice" to help shape the direction of their families, programs and communities; and

WHEREAS, Parent Leadership is an essential and effective means of strengthening families and assisting in the prevention of child abuse and neglect; and

WHEREAS, the Human Services Agency recognizes the vital importance of partnering with parents and that Parent Leadership is a necessary component in any effective family strengthening and family support program; and

WHEREAS, Parents Anonymous Inc. has created National Parent Leadership Month to recognize the extraordinary courage and tenacity of parents who have reached out to make improvements in their families and communities;

WHEREAS the Human Services Agency, recognizing that peer parent support is a critical way to engage and encourage families involved with the child welfare system, is contracting with A Better Way and Homeless Prenatal Program to provide parent mentorship for the Peer Parent Program;

WHEREAS, National Parent Leadership Month recognizes, honors and celebrates parents for their vital leadership roles in their homes and communities, and in local, state and national arenas; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the San Francisco Human Services Commission at its meeting held January 26, 2017, hereby proclaims the month of February 2017 as National Parent Leadership Month; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the San Francisco Human Services Commission respectfully requests that the City and County of San Francisco Board of Supervisors and Mayor Edwin M. Lee proclaim the month of February 2017 as National Parent Leadership Month.

DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN
SERVICES'
PROPOSED BUDGET FOR
FISCAL YEARS
2017-2018 AND 2018-2019

Deputy Director Daniel Kaplan presented the Department of Human Services' Proposed Budget for Fiscal Year 2017–2018 and 2018–2019. While Mayor Lee's budget projections show a strong economy, slowing revenue growth and increasing expenditures are resulting in a citywide deficit . Mayor Lee has asked all City departments to reduce their General Fund budgets by 3.0% in each budget year.

The Commission has canceled its 2.23.17 regular meeting and in its stead will hold a special meeting on Thursday, 2.16, 2017 to consider the Budget and regular business at 9:30 a.m. in the Born Auditorium.

SELF HELP FOR THE
ELDERLY

Family and Children's Program Manager Barrett Johnson presented the request to enter into a new grant agreement with Self-Help for the Elderly.

On motion by Commissioner Yamasaki, seconded and unanimously carried, the Commission granted authorization to provide Light Duty Community Services; during the period of February 1, 2017 through January 31, 2020; in the amount of \$900,000 plus a 10% contingency for a total grant amount not to exceed \$990,000.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

By acclamation, Scott Kahn was elected President of the Human Services Commission for a one-year term expiring January 31, 2017.

By acclamation, James McCray was elected Vice President of the Human Services Commission for a one-year term expiring January 31, 2017.

PUBLIC COMMENT

President Stewart's call for public comment did not yield a response.

ADJOURNMENT

President Stewart adjourned the meeting at 11 a.m.

Louise Rainey, Commission Secretary
Human Services Commission