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**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE  
COMMISSION ON COMMUNITY INVESTMENT AND INFRASTRUCTURE  
OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO HELD ON THE  
17TH DAY OF JUNE 2025**

The members of the Commission on Community Investment and Infrastructure of the City and County of San Francisco met in a regular meeting in person at 1:00 p.m. on the 17<sup>th</sup> day of June 2025.

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**DIAL:** 1-415-655-0001      **ENTER ACCESS CODE:** 2662 437 7887      **PRESS #      PRESS #**  
**again to enter the call. Press \*3 to submit your request to speak.**

**REGULAR MEETING AGENDA**

**1. Recognition of a Quorum**

Meeting was called to order at 1:00 p.m. by Chair Scott.

Roll call was taken.

Commissioner Lim - yes  
Commissioner Miller - yes  
Commissioner Shaddix - yes  
Vice-Chair Aquino - yes  
Chair Scott - yes

All Commissioners were present.

**2. Announcements**

- a) The next regularly scheduled Commission meeting will be held **in person** on Tuesday, July 1, 2025 at 1:00 pm at City Hall in Room 416.
- b) Announcement of Prohibition of Sound Producing Electronic Devices during the Meeting:  
Please be advised that the ringing of and use of cell phones, pagers, and similar sound-producing electronic devices are prohibited at this meeting. Please be advised that the Chair

may order the removal from the meeting room of any person(s) responsible for the ringing of or use of a cell phone, pager, or other similar sound-producing electronic device.

- c) **Announcement of Time Allotment for Public Comments from Participants dialing in:**  
Please be advised that a member of the public has up to three minutes to make pertinent public comments on each agenda item unless the Commission adopts a shorter period on any item. It is recommended that members of the public who are attending the meeting in person fill out a "Speaker Card" and submit the completed card to the Commission Secretary. All dial-in participants from the public will be instructed to call a toll-free number and use their touch-tone phones to provide any public comment. Audio prompts will signal to dial-in participants when their audio input has been enabled for commenting.

**PUBLIC COMMENT CALL-IN: 1-415-655-0001 ACCESS CODE: 2662 437 7887**

Secretary Nguyen read the instructions for the public to call in.

**3. Report on actions taken at previous Closed Session meeting - None**

**4. Matters of Unfinished Business - None**

**5. Matters of New Business:**

**CONSENT AGENDA**

- a) Approval of Minutes: Regular Meetings of February 4 and May 6, 2025
- b) Authorizing a First Amendment to a Permit to Enter Agreement between the Successor Agency to the Redevelopment Agency of the City and County of San Francisco and the City and County of San Francisco ("City"), acting by and through its Municipal Transportation Agency, to extend its term allowing bus operator restroom access to the Hunters Point Shipyard Community Facilities Building at 451 Galvez Avenue; Hunters Point Shipyard Redevelopment Project Area (Action) (Resolution No. 16-2025)

**PUBLIC COMMENT - None**

Commissioner Miller started to comment on Item b) regarding the MTA restroom agreement but was interrupted by Executive Director Kaslofsky reminding him that comments were not open for the Consent Agenda. Commissioner Miller then rescinded his comments.

Commissioner Miller motioned to move Items 5(a) and 5(b) and Commissioner Shaddix seconded that motion.

Secretary Nguyen called for a voice vote on Items 5(a) and 5(b).

Commissioner Lim - yes  
Commissioner Miller - yes  
Commissioner Shaddix - yes  
Vice-Chair Aquino - yes  
Chair Scott - yes

**ADOPTION:** IT WAS VOTED BY FIVE COMMISSIONERS THAT APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR REGULAR MEETINGS OF FEBRUARY 4 AND MAY 6, 2025, BE ADOPTED.

**ADOPTION:** IT WAS VOTED BY FIVE COMMISSIONERS THAT RESOLUTION NO. 16-2025, AUTHORIZING A FIRST AMENDMENT TO A PERMIT TO ENTER AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE SUCCESSOR AGENCY TO THE REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO AND THE CITY AND COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO ("CITY"), ACTING BY AND THROUGH ITS MUNICIPAL TRANSPORTATION AGENCY, TO EXTEND ITS TERM ALLOWING BUS OPERATOR RESTROOM ACCESS TO THE HUNTERS POINT SHIPYARD COMMUNITY FACILITIES BUILDING AT 451 GALVEZ AVENUE; HUNTERS POINT SHIPYARD REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT AREA, BE ADOPTED.

## **REGULAR AGENDA**

- c) Authorizing an employment agreement with Thurston (Thor) Kaslofsky to extend his term of employment as Executive Director of the Successor Agency to the Redevelopment Agency of the City and County of San Francisco (Discussion and Action) (Resolution No. 17-2025)

Presenters: Thor Kaslofsky, Executive Director; Monica Davis Stean, HR & Administrative Services Manager

## **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Speakers: Oscar James, native resident Bayview Hunters Point (BVHP); Mary Rivers, community member, San Francisco (SF); Rev. Dr. Amos Brown, Senior Pastor of Third Baptist Church and President Emeritus, NAACP, SF; Monica Davis Stean, OCII staff member

Mr. James welcomed the new Commissioners to OCII. He stated that he had worked for the Agency for over 40 years and recalled some of his history with the Agency. Mr. James commented that he had seen many directors come through the agency and that he guided Executive Director Kaslofsky around when he first started with OCII. Mr. James commended Mr. Kaslofsky's dedication to OCII and to the City and County of SF overall and totally supported extending his employment agreement.

Ms. Rivers stated that Executive Director Kaslofsky had been a great mentor to her for many years. She felt strongly that he was a person who stood for the community, for the City, and most importantly, for the people. Ms. Rivers recommended that they extend his agreement because he had so much more to do and felt sure that he would get it done. She emphasized that he had the heart for the job, not for the money, and would fight for the City. His integrity is impeccable; he stands behind his word. He is honest and tells it like it is. Ms. Rivers stated that she could not imagine him not being in this position.

Dr. Brown recited the poem "I Watched Them Tearing a Building Down" written by Edgar A. Guest. He then commented that there had been a lot of tearing down in SF, especially by the Redevelopment Agency in the 60's and 70's. Dr. Brown recommended renewing Executive Director Kaslofsky's term of employment, because he was about building up and not tearing down. Dr. Brown was sure they would do the right thing because that was the good thing to do.

Ms. Stean stated that she was speaking as an employee. She wanted to add to the list of Executive Director Kaslofsky's accomplishments--specifically, his style of leadership. She felt that the best managers were the ones that were collaborative, consistent and focused on the whole person, which Mr. Kaslofsky clearly was. Ms. Stean thanked Mr. Kaslofsky and stated that she was in favor of approving this resolution.

Commissioner Shaddix stated that he had known Executive Director Kaslofsky for about 10 years collaborating on various community projects. He echoed Ms. Stean's remarks about his style of leadership and especially his way of managing sticky situations. Mr. Shaddix was totally in favor of approving this item and thanked Dr. Brown for his inspiring speech.

Vice-Chair Aquino stated that this was an exciting time to be a member of OCII. She stated that Executive Director Kaslofsky had been a steady, inclusive and engaged leader through constant change. He was responsive, clear, and deeply understood the Agency's mission as well as the needs of the communities OCII served. Ms. Aquino was totally in support of this item in order to maintain positive momentum and progress. She announced: Let's move upward and onward!

Commissioner Miller indicated that he was a data guy and reported that Commissioners received great data from the staff. One statistic he noted was that in fiscal year 2024, contractors reported over 150,000 hours of labor and \$6 million in wages were earned by SF residents. He indicated that those powerful numbers were impressive. Mr. Miller contended that OCII projects were designed to bring SF through these challenging times and that leadership by Executive Director Kaslofsky would help guide the Commission and staff and make progress on the current issues they faced. He was in favor of approving this item.

Chair Scott stated that in the military, "boots on the ground" meant physical presence of ground troops, actively participating in an action with direct involvement. She felt strongly that Executive Director Kaslofsky had been providing this type of leadership in the communities of SF. Since his appointment, Mr. Kaslofsky had taken this Commission far and successfully secured many milestones in the various developments under OCII jurisdiction. Dr. Scott reported that in 2024 alone, Mr. Kaslofsky led efforts with FivePoint, the Mayor, the Board of Supervisors, and OCII to approve various propositions in order to jumpstart development at Candlestick Point, which would create thousands of jobs and contracting opportunities for skilled labor and local minority contractors, eventually adding thousands of housing units to the City. The Shipyard clean-up was moving along steadily and partners were finally locating and placing COP residents in Blocks 52 and 54 housing. Dr. Scott stated that this was an exciting time and that they must continue to move forward. She reported that building demolitions would have local and minority contractor participation thanks to the Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC) led by Dr. Veronica Hunnicutt as well as Executive Director Kaslofsky. She thanked Mr. Kaslofsky and staff for their dedication and hard work.

Chair Scott called for a motion to move Item 5(c).

Vice-Chair Aquino motioned to move Item 5(c) and Commissioner Lim seconded that motion.

Secretary Nguyen called for a voice vote on Item 5(c).

Commissioner Lim - yes  
Commissioner Miller - yes  
Commissioner Shaddix - yes  
Vice-Chair Aquino - yes  
Chair Scott - yes

**ADOPTION:** IT WAS VOTED BY FIVE COMMISSIONERS THAT RESOLUTION NO. 17-2025, AUTHORIZING AN EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT WITH THURSTON (THOR) KASLOFSKY TO EXTEND HIS TERM OF EMPLOYMENT AS EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE SUCCESSOR AGENCY TO THE REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO, BE ADOPTED.

- d) Authorizing a Third Amendment to the Personal Services Contract with Lynx Insights and Investigations, Inc., a California Corporation, to increase the contract amount by \$399,560 for an aggregate amount of \$954,070 and to extend the term for an additional twelve months; reporting on results achieved under Phase 3 of the existing contract in searching for and contacting persons displaced by projects of the former Redevelopment Agency (Discussion and Action) (Resolution No. 18-2025)

Presenters: Thor Kaslofsky, Executive Director; Pam Sims, Senior Development Specialist

## **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Speakers: Oscar James, native resident, BVHP; Lynette Mackey, Lynx employee; David Woo, Community Development and Policy Coordinator, SOMA Pilipinas; Linda F. Richardson, community activist; Archbishop Gregory Richardson; Susie Kagami, KOHO, SF

Mr. James stated that he was a COP (Certificate of Preference) holder. He stated that in his community, he asked members whether they had a certificate or not and if they said no, he kept nagging them to get one. Mr. James reported that one person finally communicated with Lynx and eventually got his certificate. He also mentioned other people he had helped with this effort. Mr. James highly commended Lynx for doing this arduous research to help find those displaced.

Ms. Mackey stated that she was part of the community outreach. She recalled that she met a man while travelling in New Orleans, whose family had been displaced in SF and that she was able to help him. Eventually the family was able to get back to SF. Ms. Mackey stated that she was getting calls from displaced families who lived far away and that she and her team were able to help them return to the Bay Area.

Mr. Woo explained that SOMA Pilipinas was the Filipino Cultural Heritage District in SOMA, SF. His organization was in full support of this item. He reminded everyone that the Filipino community had faced waves of displacement, first from urban renewal and then from the tech booms. The people identified in the Western Addition and the number of people identified and contacted confirmed the success of this program. Mr. Woo felt strongly that it was critically important to give people the opportunity to return to SF through the COP program. He was excited about expanding this effort in the SOMA area where thousands were displaced by redevelopment.

Ms. Richardson commended Executive Director Kaslofsky and OCII for actually conducting this project and moving along with the very difficult endeavor of bringing people back to SF, especially since many of the original displaced persons were now deceased. She hoped their descendants would take advantage of this program. Ms. Richardson stated that the record needed to be set straight: that it was OCII that was actually doing the building and making sure there was equity. She asserted that even one person brought back to SF was a sign of progress. Ms. Richardson highly commended Mr. Kaslofsky and OCII Commissioners and staff for their dedication to this effort.

Mr. Richardson stated that one of the most successful ventures of recruiting blacks in America was from the train. He explained that the porters started the first union in America. Rev. Frederick Douglas had a newspaper business and gave the porters stacks of newspapers which they dropped at every stop. Along the way, they read the papers. This saved America because most of Lincoln's white soldiers would not enlist for longer than two years, while black soldiers kept re-enlisting and

were steadily involved in the Civil War. Mr. Richardson asserted that black media needed to be looked at more. Black radio, tv and newspapers were waiting to be utilized.

Ms. Kagami stated that KOHO, SF was located in Japantown. She was very pleased to be able to work with Lynx and see progress on this project. She reported that in six months, they had been able to contact 20 households, review 50 records and she reported that they had one family who applied and received a COP. Ms. Kagami underscored how important this work was to their community. She mentioned that most of the businesses and restaurants in Japantown, which had many visitors every year, were unfortunately no longer owned by Japanese. She recalled that the Japanese were forcibly displaced during WWII and then again during the urban renewal era. She explained that KOHO was dedicated to rebuilding and preserving Japantown, which was one of three left in the country, and to bringing Japanese people back to the community for the future. Ms. Kagami thanked Lynx, MOHCD, NCLF (New Community Leadership Foundation) and OCII for their work on this project and supported approval of this item.

Commissioner Shaddix stated that this was incredibly important work and hoped that this program would continue until every single displaced person was found and contacted. He absolutely supported this item.

Vice-Chair Aquino thanked staff for the presentation and the update. She thanked the team for the amount of work and hours that the team put into this research and supported this item.

Chair Scott stated that she had been supportive of this program for a long time and hoped it would continue for as long as possible. She echoed Ms. Richardson's comments that this was hard work and that progress was slow. Dr. Scott thanked everyone for their efforts in this program.

Chair Scott called for a motion to move Item 5(d).

Vice-Chair Aquino motioned to move Item 5(d) and Commissioner Miller seconded that motion.

Secretary Nguyen called for a voice vote on Item 5(d).

Commissioner Lim - yes  
Commissioner Miller - yes  
Commissioner Shaddix - yes  
Vice-Chair Aquino - yes  
Chair Scott - yes

**ADOPTION:** IT WAS VOTED BY FIVE COMMISSIONERS THAT RESOLUTION NO. 18-2025, AUTHORIZING A THIRD AMENDMENT TO THE PERSONAL SERVICES CONTRACT WITH LYNX INSIGHTS AND INVESTIGATIONS, INC., A CALIFORNIA CORPORATION, TO INCREASE THE CONTRACT AMOUNT BY \$399,560 FOR AN AGGREGATE AMOUNT OF \$954,070 AND TO EXTEND THE TERM FOR AN ADDITIONAL TWELVE MONTHS; REPORTING ON RESULTS ACHIEVED UNDER PHASE 3 OF THE EXISTING CONTRACT IN SEARCHING FOR AND CONTACTING PERSONS DISPLACED BY PROJECTS OF THE FORMER REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY, BE ADOPTED.

## **6. Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items**

Speaker: Oscar James, native resident, BVHP

Mr. James stated that he had come to the meeting due to Item 5c) and also to hear Rev. Dr. Brown. He had heard that Dr. Scott was ill and then discovered that she had made it to this meeting anyway, which demonstrated her dedication. Mr. James felt strongly that OCII Commissioners needed to be appreciated for their commitment to this incredible work and stated how much he appreciated OCII for all that they did for the City.

## **7. Report of the Chair**

### **a) Commendation - Honoring Reverend Dr. Amos C. Brown (Discussion)**

Chair Scott referred to her previous statement of “boots on the ground” and explained that it signified a commitment to a specific objective with a willingness to commit resources and personnel to achieve the goal. She felt that this description fit Dr. Brown to a tee. Then Dr. Scott read a commendation honoring the Reverend Dr. Amos C. Brown on behalf of OCII.

Everyone stood and applauded.

Dr. Brown stated that words fell far too short in his appreciation of this honor. He explained that his middle name, Cleopholis, in Greek meant “lover of the people”. He stated that he had always striven to live up to the meaning of his name by fighting for justice and bringing peace where there was war. He hoped his Maker would say “well done”. Dr. Brown encouraged OCII to continue doing the good work that it was doing.

Chair Scott stated that she was proud to report that Dr. Brown was her pastor.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Speakers: Linda F. Richardson; Archbishop Gregory Richardson; Oscar James, native resident, BVHP

Ms. Richardson congratulated OCII for having two highly important resolutions on the agenda this day – the extension of Executive Director Kaslofsky’s term of employment and honoring the Dr. Brown, a man who was highly regarded and recognized not only in the City, but in the US and worldwide. She thanked Dr. Brown for all his work and love for mankind.

Mr. Richardson stated that he had heard a story told long ago that a UFO had dropped Dr. Brown off and that was why he was here. He speculated that there were very few people who would be remembered for years and generations to come, because that type of person offered hope and the message that hard work paid off. Mr. Richardson underscored how fortunate they all were to have been able to grow up with Dr. Brown. He felt strongly that this was one of the greatest moments in history for the City of SF.

Mr. James echoed all that had already been said about Reverend Dr. Amos C. Brown, a man who Mr. James referred to as an angel. Mr. James stated that the way Dr. Brown lived showed Mr. James how to live, by doing God’s will. He thanked Dr. Brown for all his service.

Commissioner Shaddix stated that he was 17 when he arrived in SF and has been hearing about Dr. Brown ever since. Mr. Shaddix stated that it was an honor to have Dr. Brown at the meeting today.

Vice-Chair Aquino congratulated Dr. Brown. She reported that they had met a couple of times, the first time when she went to summer school at the Third Baptist Church. Later at the airport she helped him when he missed his flight. Ms. Aquino stated that it was an honor to have Dr. Brown present at this meeting today and to be part of her life.

Commissioner Miller stated it was an honor and privilege and wished Dr. Brown good luck.

Executive Director Kaslofsky referred to Dr. Brown’s record in the City and hoped that at least a street would be named after him. He thanked Dr. Brown for all the work he had done.

Dr. Brown responded that a street was to be named after him on Saturday, June 21, at Pearce and McCallister, to be called Dr. Rev. Amos C. Brown Way.

Chair Scott explained that it was Medgar Evers (Medgar Wiley Evers, American civil rights activist and soldier and the NAACP's first field secretary in Mississippi), who had brought Dr. Brown to SF. She stated that she had walked along with him on the Freedom Train for years and was involved in many youth programs with him. Dr. Scott mentioned that Dr. Brown had travelled the world for justice and peace and wished him to go forward in his historic journey.

## **8. Report of the Executive Director**

Executive Director Kaslofsky thanked OCII for renewing his contract and added that they would be getting to work right away. He stated that it was great to have this group of Commissioners and staff to work with and that OCII was best in class in levels of competency and municipal leadership.

## **9. Commissioners' Questions and Matters**

Vice-Chair Aquino announced that this year was the AIDS Life Cycle, a Los Angeles organization, which, along with the SF LGBTQ community, recently hosted the last bike ride from SF to LA, in which Ms. Aquino participated. She reported that it was a 7-day, 561-mile ride with 2,500 other riders. Ms. Aquino stated that she would continue to work in support of the AIDS organization, which was a great cause, and announced that there would be other long-distance bike rides coming up in the future.

Chair Scott stated that she was very proud to be working with OCII staff and Commissioners.

## **10. Closed Session - None**

## **11. Adjournment**

Chair Scott asked for a motion to adjourn.

Vice-Chair Aquino motioned to adjourn and Commissioner Miller seconded that motion.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:48 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Lucinda Nguyen  
Commission Secretary