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MINUTES
HEALTH COMMISSION MEETING
Tuesday October 6, 2020 4:00 p.m.
Remote Meeting via Webex Event

1) CALL TO ORDER

Present: Commissioner Dan Bernal President
Commissioner Laurie Green, MD, Vice President
Commissioner Edward A. Chow M.D.
Commissioner Susan Belinda Christian, J.D.
Commissioner Suzanne Giraudo, Ph.D

Excused: Commissioner Cecilia Chung
Commissioner Tessie Guillermo

The meeting was called to order at 4:02pm.

2) APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE HEALTH COMMISSION MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 15, 2020

Action Taken: The Health Commission unanimously approved the September 25, 2020 meeting minutes.

3) DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Grant Colfax, Director of Health, gave the report, which can be viewed at:
<http://www.sfdph.org/dph/comupg/aboutdph/insideDept/dirRpts/default.asp>

Governor Newsom signs legislation to mitigate closures of Adult Residential Facilities

On September 25, Governor Gavin Newsom signed [AB 2377](#), legislation authored by Assemblymember Chiu and sponsored by the City and County of San Francisco and Department of Public Health. AB 2377 will require Adult Residential Facilities (ARFs) owners to give residents more time and assistance with relocation in the event of a facility closure. Adult Residential Facilities house and provide 24/7 services to individuals ages 18-59, who are not able to live independently due to serious mental illness or other chronic conditions. Specifically, the law requires 180 days of notice prior to a closure and a personalized patient relocation and closure plan. The law also allows local governments the first opportunity to purchase ARFs and use all state, federal and local sources of mental health and homelessness prevention funds to buy and operate ARFs. In San Francisco, ARFs play an integral role housing some of our most vulnerable residents, and they are closing at an alarming rate with San Francisco losing 43 facilities representing 243 beds between 2012 and 2019. Given the state's

housing crisis and the vulnerable nature of the population served by ARFs, these residents are more likely to experience homelessness once a facility closes. Giving local governments the first right to purchase may help prevent these critical sources of care from closing and leaving residents potentially unhoused. AB 2377 will take effect January 1st.

San Francisco to move forward with reopening more businesses and activities on September 30

Today, there are over 11,300 San Francisco residents with confirmed cases of COVID-19. And, sadly, a total of 104 San Franciscans have died. The San Francisco Department of Public Health (DPH) sends our condolences to their loved ones.

San Francisco is currently in the “orange” in the State’s new color-coded tiered system, which provides the City the discretion to move forward with reopening some activities.

On September 29, Mayor London N. Breed, Director of Health Dr. Grant Colfax, and Assessor-Recorder Carmen Chu, co-Chair of the City’s Economic Recovery Task Force, announced San Francisco will move forward with indoor dining and places of worship at 25% capacity up to 100 people starting on Wednesday, September 30. In addition, San Francisco will expand the capacity of outdoor places of worship, outdoor political demonstrations, and indoor malls, and will reopen additional family entertainment, hotel fitness centers, and more. These next steps come as the State assigned San Francisco to Orange on its tiered reopening system, based on San Francisco’s COVID-19 infection and case rate.

San Francisco has also set a timeline for opening indoor movie theaters and outdoor playgrounds. Indoor movie theaters are slated to reopen at a limited capacity and with modifications on Wednesday, October 7, and public outdoor playgrounds are planned to open in mid-October, now that State restrictions have eased.

On September 30, the San Francisco Department of Public Health issued final health and safety guidelines for indoor dining, places of worship, and other activities to ensure the safest reopening possible. On Thursday, September 24, the Department of Public Health provided restaurants and places of worship with preliminary guidance to safely reopen with limited capacity and other modifications in place. The reopening of businesses and activities will increase travel and interaction throughout the city, which means increasing community spread of the virus and an increase in cases. Public health officials will regularly assess the [Key Public Health Indicators](#), particularly new positive case counts and hospitalizations to ensure San Francisco has the necessary resources available for those who contract COVID-19.

While San Francisco recognizes the State’s thresholds, the City will continue on a reopening path based on its local health indicators and unique challenges and successes of our local reopening. San Francisco’s reopening plan is available online at sf.gov/reopening. Reopening is dependent upon San Francisco’s Health indicators remaining stable or improving, and the plan is subject to change. Although additional indoor activities are being allowed, it is important to remember that outdoor options remain safer. Seniors and those with COVID-19 risk factors should avoid indoor crowds. All San Franciscans must do their part to limit the spread of COVID-19, including face masking, social distancing, and handwashing.

Indoor Dining

Starting on Wednesday, September 30, restaurants and bars serving meals can reopen for indoor dining at 25% capacity, up to 100 people. Safety requirements for indoor dining are similar to the existing guidelines for outdoor dining. Face coverings must be worn by personnel and patrons at all times except when the patron is eating or drinking. That includes customers wearing a face covering when ordering, waiting for their order to arrive, or anytime staff is at their table. Restaurants are encouraged to use reservations to help ensure compliance with capacity limits. Under the new health guidance, restaurants must conduct a health check of patrons before they are seated. The health check requirement applies to both indoor and outdoor dining. Additional requirements and guidelines are available online [here](#).

Places of Worship

Starting on Wednesday, September 30, places of worship can open indoors at 25% capacity, up to 100 people. Outdoor worship services will continue, now with up to 200 people, as long as there is sufficient space to allow for social distancing. Singing or chanting is not allowed indoors since choirs and singing indoors is a known source of COVID-19 spread. The place of worship must conduct a health check of patrons before they enter the facility. Face coverings are required at all times except for brief removal to consume food or drink if it is essential to a ritual or ceremony. Additional requirements and guidelines are available online [here](#).

Additional Activities Resuming September 30

In addition to indoor dining and places of worship, San Francisco is moving forward on reopening or expanding the following activities on September 30.

- Outdoor political demonstrations may continue, now with up to 200 people, as long as there is sufficient space to allow for social distancing and everyone wears a face covering.
- Indoor classes for higher education and vocational programs that require specialized equipment that cannot move outside are allowed with modifications and capacity limits in place.
- Some additional family entertainment, including outdoor children’s carousels, miniature trains, and Ferris wheels, like the Observation Wheel in Golden Gate Park, with specified safety precautions.
 - The Observation Wheel is currently under construction and is expected to open by the end of October.
- Fitness centers located within hotels and lodging establishments up to 10% capacity with staff monitoring.
- Indoor shopping centers and malls with 50% capacity, upon approval of an updated health and safety plan.
 - Indoor food courts may reopen following guidelines for indoor dining.

GOAL: early October - Indoor Movie Theaters and Outdoor Playgrounds

- The Department of Public Health plans to issue directives and guidance to allow indoor movie theaters to open on October 7, if San Francisco remains assigned to the Orange tier. At that time, movie theaters can reopen with 25% capacity up to 100 people, and with no concessions sold, or outside food or drink consumed.
- Now that the State has changed its guidance to allow outdoor children’s playgrounds operated by government agencies to operate, and if San Francisco remains assigned to the Orange tier, the Department of Public Health will issue a directive and guidance to allow outdoor playgrounds to reopen. San Francisco anticipates this change will occur by October 14.

Mayor Breed announces over \$28 million in expanded COVID-19 support for San Francisco's Latino community

On September 24, Mayor London N. Breed announced expanded COVID-related support for the Latino community, which has been disproportionately impacted by the pandemic. This new support comes after working with the community, particularly the Latino Parity and Equity Coalition, which has been advocating for more resources for the Latino community. This \$28.5 million commitment will begin with an initial funding of \$22.5 million to support the Latino community that will come through a variety of solutions, with focuses on health, housing, food access, workforce, and small businesses. The City will continue to leverage public and private sources to meet the remaining need. This effort was led by the Department of Public Health in partnership with the Office of Economic and Workforce Development.

Latinos make up 50% percent of reported cases of COVID-19 in San Francisco, despite the demographic making up just 15% of the City’s population, according to the Department of Public Health. The disproportionate effect of COVID-19 on the Latino community can be traced back to crowded living conditions and the high number of frontline and essential workers who are Latino.

These expanded efforts will cover a broad range of support directed to the community organizations doing the work on the ground, led by the Latino Parity and Equity Coalition and the Latino Task Force. The San Francisco Latino Parity and Equity Coalition (SFLPEC) is a broad-based, citywide coalition which represents members from leading nonprofits, housing, immigration, social service, and advocate groups across the city that was established on the premise that the City’s budget and policies should promote investments that empower

Latino communities and reduce inequities for San Francisco's Latino residents, particularly in the wake of the unprecedented affordability and displacement crisis. The coalition focuses its work in five specific neighborhoods - Mission, Visitacion Valley, Bayview, Excelsior, and the Tenderloin.

The initial funding will come from a variety of sources both public and private, and will be spread across these areas of need:

Testing, Tracing & Behavioral Health

The Department of Public Health has secured \$7.3 million to support COVID-19 response efforts in the Latino community. This includes \$3 million for community pop-up testing hubs, which have been a key strategy to bring testing to neighborhoods most impacted by COVID-19. The additional investment includes test-to-community care services for Latino neighborhoods, connecting families in need to resources, including food, Personal Protective Equipment (PPE), and financial assistance programs. A fundamental component to reducing the spread of COVID-19 is community contract tracing. Funds for this effort will help increase the ability for Spanish speaking personnel to connect to the bilingual Latino population. In addition, this investment will provide added capacity in behavioral health services, such as mental wellness, for those affected by the virus.

Housing Subsidies & Eviction Defense

The Mayor's Office of Housing and Community Development (MOHCD) has secured \$8.5 million in housing subsidies, direct financial assistance, and eviction prevention. This investment includes \$5.5 million in rental subsidies and \$2 million in funding for the City's Right to Recover program, which provides up to two weeks of minimum wage replacement, or \$1,285, for any worker living in San Francisco who tests positive for the virus and anticipates experiencing financial hardship.

Food Access & Family Support

The City will be directing \$5.3 million in additional funding for food access, learning support, and family support. Building off initial investments in food access for the Latino community, the Human Services Agency will provide an additional \$3.6 million dollars to support vital nutrition resources for the Mission and neighborhoods with Latino residents most in need. These food supports will be provided through community food hubs offering fresh produce and healthy, culturally relevant grocery staples for pick up or delivery to vulnerable community members.

Small Business & Workforce

The Office of Economic and Workforce Development is committing \$1.4 million for workforce and small businesses. This includes \$1 million in zero interest loans for small businesses who may have difficulty accessing more traditional loan products. The loans will provide capital with a flexible repayment schedule and the terms will be determined on a case-by-case basis, based upon each borrower's ability to repay. In addition to direct financial relief, expanded investments will provide additional technical assistance and resources for Latino-owned businesses to safely reopen. The Excelsior neighborhood will also receive funds to increase capacity for bilingual workforce development, including support for short-term case management and skills development, and wrap-around services connected to the City's COVID response.

San Francisco launches school reopening online dashboard to help parents and administrators

On September 22, the San Francisco Department of Public Health (SFDPH), along with the COVID Command Center and DataSF announced the creation of an online and interactive dashboard tool to help track the reopening of schools in San Francisco. The school [re-opening dashboard](#), which will be updated daily at 9 a.m., will provide parents, administrators and the public with real-time information on which schools have applied for reopening, where they are in the process, and if they have been approved for reopening.

As state and local COVID-19 indicators permit, San Francisco schools may now resume in-person instruction with approved safety plans in place. The SFDPH approach to the reopening process for San Francisco TK-12 schools (transitional kindergarten through 12th grade) prioritizes the reopening of younger grades for in-person learning this fall. Elementary schools are reopening first, followed by middle schools, and then high schools. TK-12 schools will reopen their elementary school grades first, followed by their middle school and high school grades. San Francisco Unified School District schools are not anticipated to begin in-person instruction this fall and are providing distance learning. More than 100 private, parochial or charters schools have requested applications for in-person learning this fall. To date, more than 60 schools have submitted applications and 21 schools have been approved for re-opening. The applications are being reviewed on a rolling basis.

All San Francisco schools must meet minimum standards required by the state and SFDPH before resuming in-person learning. This includes providing detailed plans on how they will ensure adequate testing and contact tracing for their staff and students. Schools will work with SFDPH to meet all the requirements for the safest re-opening. The new dashboard identifies the schools that have begun this process by sending an initial letter of interest to SFDPH to reopen and shows where each school is in the approval process, including completion of an on-site assessment. School reopening guidelines and safety procedures for in-person instruction can be found at the [school reopening page](#).

San Francisco Department of Public Health Fiscal Year 20-21 and 21-22 budget is adopted

The Board of Supervisors approved the FY 2021-2020 and FY 2021-2022 budget on September 29 and it was signed into law by the Mayor shortly thereafter. We are pleased to report that there were no further changes to the budget since we reported to the Commission in early September. We are grateful for the support we have received from the Mayor and Board of Supervisors and thank all the staff members within the San Francisco Department of Public Health and in the Mayor, Board of Supervisors and Controller's Office for supporting one of the most complex budgets the City has seen in recent years.

Department of Public Health's Black/African American Health Initiative film to be featured at film festival

The San Francisco Department of Public Health's film [Working to eliminate health disparities within the black African American Community in San Francisco](#) has been accepted and confirmed for screening during the American Public Health Association (APHA) Film Festival at the APHA's 2020 Virtual Annual Meeting and Expo (Oct. 24 - 28). According to the information currently available, all films will be available on-demand. Because the film sessions are not live, there is no specific date/time for each film.

In California, pernicious health disparities continue to exist where Black/African Americans have unjustifiably high mortality rates. In recognition of these systemic disparities, since 2014, the San Francisco Department of Public Health (SFDPH) has led the Black/African American Health Initiative (BAAHI) to address pervasive health disparities. The initiative has been innovative in two distinct ways: (1) The focus on inter-divisional coordination as a strategy; (2) the explicit anti-racist and institutional focus, which has necessitated the development of a broad racial equity infrastructure. The BAAHI structure includes workgroups that focus on specific outcomes and includes joint leadership from the public health division and the health delivery system. The workgroups have elevated racism as a public health issue. A cultural humility workgroup has also engaged staff in intensive training to normalize discussions of racism among leadership teams at all levels, ultimately leading to the establishment of an equity infrastructure for SFDPH. The SFDPH understands that, to be successful, they must hold themselves accountable for making real progress in areas and then from that progress, learn where innovation has worked, changing what has not, and continuing to drive the work for it.

Commissioner Comments:

Commissioner Chow commended Dr. Aragon on his recent COVID-19 presentation to the Interfaith Council.

4) COVID-19 UPDATE

Grant Colfax, MD, DPH Director of Health, presented the item. Tomas Aragon, MD, Health Officer and Director of Population Health Division, was available to answer questions.

Commissioner Comments:

Commissioner Bernal asked if San Francisco is still holding its position on differences in its COVID-19 data compared to the state. Dr. Colfax stated that San Francisco continues to base reopening decisions on local data.

Commissioner Giraudo restated her request that Health Orders include a summary written to be understood at a 5th grade reading level. She encouraged the next set of Health Orders to be clearer, especially those concerning school reopening activities. Dr. Colfax stated that DPH leadership is working with the COVID-19 Unified Command staff to work on this request.

Commissioner Green asked what individuals can do if businesses or organizations are not following Health Orders. Dr. Aragon stated that 311 can be called to report businesses or organizations that are out of compliance with Health Orders. He noted that the information reported will be routed to the COVID-19 Unified Command Center to track. When necessary the Unified Command team will respond with education and support to the violators. Dr. Aragon added that he is unsure if 311 or the Unified Command team will follow-up with the person reporting the violation.

Commissioner Green asked what lessons can be learned from the summer COVID-19 surge as we anticipate an increase in cases in the fall and winter. Dr. Colfax stated that ongoing education and communication with the public is important. He emphasized that if an individual is in a high-risk group, they should be very cautious in regard to participating in reopening activities or gatherings.

Commissioner Bernal asked for more information regarding factors at certain COVID-19 testing sites that are making a difference. Dr. Colfax stated that the city is expanding low-barrier testing that include multi-lingual staff and wrap-around services in addition to walk-in capacity. He noted that although successful, the Embarcadero and South of Market testing sites require online appointment setting.

Commissioner Chow asked for more information regarding the reasons why the death rate for Asian and Pacific Islanders is higher than other populations. He noted that national data show this trend as well.

Commissioner Chow asked for more information regarding the DPH involvement with the San Francisco Airport COVID-19 safety protocols.

Commissioner Green requested information regarding the total number of people being tested along with demographic information. She noted that it would be useful to understand this data in context of the COVID-19 testing results.

5) RESOLUTION HONORING TOSAN O. BOYO

Susan Ehrlich, MD, ZSFG CEO, presented the item.

Commissioner Comments:

Dr. Ehrlich stated that she has known and worked with Mr. Boyo since 2014 and noted that he is a very special person. She added that although the resolution highlights his many accomplishments, it does not adequately outline his deep sense of purpose.

Commissioner Bernal thanked Mr. Boyo for taking on his critical leadership role at the COVID-19 Unified Command Center.

Commissioner Green stated that she has learned so much by watching he and the ZSFG team. She noted that Mr. Boyo really listens and has responded to issues that have been present at ZSFG. She thanked him for writing of his personal experience, regarding race in this country, in a letter he shared with all DPH staff.

Commissioner Chow, ZSFG Joint Conference Committee chair, stated that Mr. Boyo brought focus to the ZSFG Equity Council and never shrank away from the failure of systems that needed to evolve.

Commissioner Christian noted that she is the newest member of the Health Commission and is very sorry not to have had a chance to work with Mr. Boyo.

Dr. Colfax stated that he was made aware of Mr. Boyo's talented leadership before he rejoined the DPH. He noted that Mr. Boyo's contributions to the City's COVID-19 response cannot be underestimated.

Mr. Boyo stated that his mother sacrificed everything to bring him to the United States as a boy. He thanked Dr. Ehrlich for believing in hi and helping make him a better leader. He added that serving San Francisco during this time has been his privilege.

Action Taken: The Health Commission unanimously approved the resolution. (see attached)

6) **GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT**

There was no public comment.

7) **FINANCE AND PLANNING COMMITTEE UPDATE**

Commissioner Chow chaired the meeting and noted that the Committee reviewed the Contract Report and new contact requests listed on the Consent Calendar.

8) **CONSENT CALENDAR**

Action Taken: The following were unanimously approved by the Health Commission:

- **OCTOBER 2020 CONTRACTS REPORT**
- **REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF A NEW CONTRACT WITH DATAWAY US IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,115,209 TO ACT AS AN AUTHORIZED RESELLER IN ADMINISTERING DPH'S CHECKPOINT SECURITY OPERATIONS SOFTWARE LICENSING AND SERVICES FOR A ONE YEAR PERIOD DURING THE TERM OF OCTOBER 1, 2020 TO SEPTEMBER 30, 2021.**
- **REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF A NEW CONTRACT WITH LABORATORY CORPORATION OF AMERICA TO PERFORM LABORATORY AND COVID-19 POLYMERASE CHAIN REACTION (PCR) TESTING SERVICES. THE TOTAL PROPOSED CONTRACT AMOUNT IS \$9,900,000 WHICH INCLUDES A 12% CONTINGENCY FOR THE TERM OF AUGUST 1, 2020 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2025 (4 YEARS AND 11 MONTHS).**
- **REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF A NEW CONTRACT WITH FOOD SERVICE PARTNERS LLC TO SECURE PRE-MADE MEALS ON A TEMPORARY BASIS AT LAGUNA HONDA HOSPITAL FOR A FOUR TO SIX MONTH PERIOD TO OCCUR DURING THE CONTRACT TERM OF OCTOBER 1, 2020 TO DECEMBER 31, 2021 (1 YEAR, 3 MONTHS). THE TOTAL PROPOSED CONTRACT AMOUNT IS \$3,000,000 WHICH INCLUDES A CONTINGENCY AMOUNT OF \$211,878.**
- **REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF A NEW CONTRACT FOR AS-NEEDED FACILITIES MAINTENANCE SERVICES IN THE SERVICE AREA OF STEAM CLEANING FOR A TERM OF OCTOBER 1, 2020 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2023 (36 MONTHS).**
- **REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF A VENDOR TABLE, REPRESENTING A LIST OF EXISTING VENDORS CONTRACTED TO PROVIDE AS-NEEDED FACILITIES MAINTENANCE SERVICES ACROSS SEVERAL DIFFERENT SERVICE CATEGORIES AS AUTHORIZED BY CHAPTER 6 OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE CODE.**

APPROVAL OF THE VENDOR TABLE IS IN LIEU OF LISTING EACH EXISTING VENDOR WITH AN ONGOING CONTRACT SEPARATELY ON THE MONTHLY CONTRACTS REPORT.

9) LHH GIFT FUND BUDGET MODIFICATION

William Frazier, LHH Gift Fund Program Manager, presented the item.

Action Taken: The LHH Gift Fund Budget modification was unanimously approved by the Health Commission.

10) ANNUAL HIV/STI REPORT

Susan Philip MD, Deputy Health Officer and Director, Disease Prevention and Control Branch; Hyman Scott MD, Medical Director, Clinical Research, Bridge HIV; and Ling Hsu MPH, Director of HIV Surveillance, Applied Research, Community Health Epidemiology and Surveillance Branch, presented the item.

Commissioner Comments:

Commissioner Bernal stated that he is very proud of the extraordinary progress made since 2010.

Commissioner Green asked how COVID-19 may impact HIV-disease burden. Dr. Scott stated that case finding may decrease during this time because many individuals who are HIV positive may not be accessing care as regularly and those who are HIV negative on Pre-Exposure Prophylaxis (PrEP) may not be accessing necessary HIV/STD testing.

Commissioner Christian noted that the presentation includes data showing that Ward 86 Black HIV positive patients viral suppression is the lowest of all groups and during COVID-19, has not changed. Dr. Scott stated that social determinants of health impact this group's adherence to medication which result in lower viral suppression. He added that there are efforts at Ward 86 to better understand the needs of Black patients so care models can evolve.

Commissioner Chow asked for a follow-up on data regarding PrEP users. He noted that some individuals may still be on PrEP but have not seen providers for necessary testing; others may have moved out of the City so it is difficult to understand the data. Dr. Scott agreed that it is a complicated situation. Many clinics have been closed and the ZSFG campus is currently difficult to navigate due to COVID-19 restrictions. He added that HIV prevention services have been deemed essential during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Commissioner Bernal asked if those on PrEP are allowed to extend their prescriptions if they do not currently have access to testing. Dr. Scott stated that during initial social distancing, prescriptions were extended. However, at this time, it varies by clinic.

Commissioner Christian noted HIV cases in transwomen rose to 13% and this population has a lower use of PrEP. Dr. Scott noted that the data is pre-COVID. He added that the PrEP uptake is lower in this population. The issue is not awareness of knowledge of PrEP but concern that gender-affirming hormones could be impacted by PrEP usage. He stated that data shows that hormones may decrease PrEP in blood levels but not at rates significant to impact the medicine's effectiveness.

Commissioner Christian asked for information regarding efforts to address these barriers. Dr. Scott stated that clinics for trans clients are providing trans-specific care that includes community building and education of the provider and client around the issues of PrEP and hormones. He added that dissemination of this information is being done through the UCSF Center for Excellence and social media to reach the communities most impacted.

Commissioner Green asked for more information regarding the places in the service system in which transwomen clients enter; she asked if telehealth could be helpful in reaching some of these individuals. Dr. Philip stated that telehealth seems to work with men who have sex with men/gay identified men. The DPH is exploring if young women may be amenable to vaginal swabs. She noted that street medicine models will likely work best to engage the most vulnerable unsheltered individuals in person.

Commissioner Bernal asked if there is an inflection point in which data from one year can help direct adjustment of strategies in real time. Dr. Philip stated that finding behavioral strategies to encourage health changes is important; she noted that academic colleagues will be conducting research to learn more about these issues.

Dr. Colfax thanked the presenters and noted that the San Francisco institutional response to COVID-19 has been informed by the City's experience with HIV.

11) OTHER BUSINESS:

This item was not discussed.

12) JOINT CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORTS

Commissioner Chow, ZSFG JCC Chair, stated that at its September 22, 2020 meeting, the committee discussed:

The following standard reports:

- Regulatory Affairs Report
- CEO Report
- Human Resources Report
- Medical Staff Report

The Committee also discussed a very interesting presentation on ZSFG Quality Data.

During the Medical Staff Report, the Committee approved Lab Medicine Rules and Regulations, Interventional Radiology Standardized Procedures and the Cardiology Privileges List.

In closed session, the Committee approved the Credentials report and report of the PIPS minutes.

13) CLOSED SESSION—LITIGATION

A.) Public Comment on all matters pertaining to the closed session.

B.) Vote on whether to hold a closed session regarding pending litigation (S.F. Administrative Code § 67.10(d).) (Action Item)

C.) CONFERENCE WITH CITY ATTORNEY

Convene in Closed Session - Existing Litigation - Motion that the Health Commission convene in closed session with the City Attorney for the purpose of conferring with, or receiving advice from, the City Attorney regarding the following existing lawsuit in which a proposed settlement is being consider by the Commission, pursuant to San Francisco Administrative Code Section 67.10(d) and California Government Code Sections 54956.9 and 54956.9(e)(3) permit this closed session. Discussion in open session concerning these matters would likely and unavoidably prejudice the position of the City in the pending lawsuit listed below.

(After a closed session, if one occurs, the Health Commission shall adopt a motion either to disclose or not to disclose.)

1. Settlement of Litigation: Svetlana Hovhannisyan, City to pay \$120,000.00.

Svetlana Hovhannisyan v. City and County of San Francisco, Laguna Honda Hospital and Rehabilitation Center, The Regents of The University of California, and Does 1 Through 50, Inclusive, Defendants. (San Francisco Superior Court, Case No. CGC-18-570140)

RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION

A.) Possible report on actions taken in closed session (Cal. Government Code §54957.1(a)(2) and San Francisco Administrative Code §67.12(b)(2)) (Action Item)

B.) Vote to elect whether to disclose any or all discussions held in closed session (San Francisco Administrative Code §67.12(a).) (Action Item)

Action Taken: The Health Commission approved the settlement and voted not to disclosed discussions in closed session.

14) ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:17pm.

**Health Commission
City and County of San Francisco
Resolution 20-11
Honoring Tosan O. Boyo, MPH, FACHE**

WHEREAS, Tosan O. Boyo has served the San Francisco Department of Public Health at Zuckerberg San Francisco General (ZSFG) as the Chief Operating Officer for three and a half years; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Boyo has dedicated his career to building and refining population health initiatives by providing a unique perspective about the impact of public policy and healthcare delivery on the wellness of communities – especially vulnerable populations; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Boyo has modeled humility, integrity and empathy during his tenure at ZSFG; and

WHEREAS, As Chief Operating Officer, Mr. Boyo oversaw 12 departments with over 850 FTEs; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Boyo developed, implemented and led ZSFG’s “Building Our Future” strategic initiative to ensure that the hospital’s Capital program and bond fund program met the needs of ZSFG patients and team members; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Boyo was a key leader in successfully implementing the electronic health record (EPIC) by leading the Hospital’s Incident Command Center during the system’s inaugural period; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Boyo led and championed the Equity journey at ZSFG by empowering the organization to discuss race, equity, diversity, and inclusion through the hospital’s Equity Council; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Boyo passionately led and built the Equity Council to address disparities and systemic racism by bringing interdisciplinary team members across the network; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Boyo has served as Chief of Operations at San Francisco COVID-19 Command Center during the pandemic and successfully deployed disease prevention, health facility surge management, and public health compliance health orders; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Boyo is Board-Certified in Healthcare Management as a Fellow of the American College of Healthcare Executives; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Boyo serves on the Board of Directors for Fred Finch Youth Center, a 125 year-old nonprofit organization providing mental health and social services with care to families in California.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE RESOLVED, that the San Francisco Health Commission honors Tosan Boyo for his many years of outstanding service contributing to the health and wellbeing of all San Franciscans and wishes him well in all endeavors.

I hereby certify that the San Francisco Health Commission at its meeting adopt the foregoing resolution.

Mark Morewitz, MSW
Health Commission Secretary