



**BUILDING INSPECTION COMMISSION (BIC)
Department of Building Inspection (DBI)**

**NOTICE OF REGULAR MEETING
Wednesday, March 21, 2012 at 9:00 a.m.
City Hall, 1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place, Room 416
Aired Live on SFGTV Channel 78**

AGENDA

(The BIC will take public comment on every item appearing on the agenda. Members of the public who address the Commission have the discretion on whether or not they wish to identify themselves for the record.)

1. Call to Order and Roll Call.
2. President’s Announcements.
3. Present certificates to former Commissioners.
4. Election of BIC President and Vice-President.
5. General Public Comment: The BIC will take public comment on matters within the Commission’s jurisdiction that are not part of this agenda.

MEMBERS OF THE COMMISSION

Warren Mar, Vice-President
Kevin Clinch, Commissioner
Frank Lee, Commissioner
Myrna Melgar, Commissioner
Angus McCarthy, Commissioner
Dr. James McCray, Jr., Commissioner
Debra Walker, Commissioner

DEPARTMENT & COMMISSION STAFF

Vivian L. Day, Director (415) 558-6131

Sonya Harris, Secretary (415) 558-6164

CITY ATTORNEY REPRESENTATIVE

Dep. City Atty. John Malamut (415) 554-4622

6. APPEALS PURSUANT TO SECTION D.3750.4 OF THE CITY CHARTER

**Appeal by F. Joseph Butler, AIA
of DBI Director's failure to render a written decision or determination regarding
property located at 550 Jersey Street, Permit Application #201102250973.**

- a. Discussion and possible action regarding the Building Inspection Commission's jurisdiction pursuant to Section D3.750-4 of the City Charter over this appeal.
 - b. Presentation by parties including witnesses.
 - c. Deliberation and possible decision by the Building Inspection Commission to approve, disapprove or modify the decision or determination being appealed.
7. Discussion and possible action for the Commission to convene a Closed Session regarding a PUBLIC EMPLOYEE APPOINTMENT - DEPUTY DIRECTOR.
- a. Public Comment on all matters pertaining to the Closed Session.
 - b. Possible action to convene a Closed Session.
 - c. **CLOSED SESSION:** Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957(b) and the San Francisco Administrative Code Section 67.10(b). Discussion and possible action to appoint a Deputy Director
 - d. Reconvene in Open Session to vote on whether to disclose any or all discussions held in Closed Session (Administrative Code Section 67.10(b)).
8. Discussion and possible action regarding proposed ordinance (File #120188). Small Business Month – Fee Waiver Program, introduced by Supervisor Chu recognizing Small Business Month in May 2012; amending the San Francisco Planning Code and the San Francisco Building Code to waive fees for the month of May for certain façade improvements; make findings, including environmental findings and findings of consistency with the General Plan and priority policies of Planning Code Section 101.1.
9. Discussion and possible action regarding proposed ordinance (File #120191), Building Code – Definition of Efficiency Unit, introduced by Supervisor Wiener amending the San Francisco Building Code Section 1208.4 to reduce the square footage requirement for Efficiency Dwelling Units pursuant to Section 17958.1 of the California Health & Safety Code; and making environmental findings.
10. Discussion and possible action regarding Draft #5 of a proposed new Administrative Bulletin #078, Criteria for Waiving Special Inspection Requirements for Signs, Awnings and Canopies.
11. Discussion and possible action regarding proposed changes to the San Francisco Building Code Sections 106A.3.7 Application expiration, 106A.3.8 Disapproval of application, 106A.3.8.1 Withdrawal of application, 106A.4.4 Permit expiration, and corrections to Section 110A-Schedule of Fee Tables.

12. Discussion and possible action on CAPSS Implementation team proposed new Administrative Bulletins AB-098, Post-Earthquake Repair & Retrofit Requirements for Wood-Frame Residential Buildings with Three or More Dwelling Units, AB-099, Post-Earthquake Repair and Retrofit Requirements for Concrete Buildings, and AB-100, Post-Earthquake Repair and Retrofit Requirements for One and Two-Family Dwellings.
13. Director's Report.
 - a. Update on DBI's finances.
 - b. Update on proposed legislation.
 - c. Update on Permit Tracking System.
 - d. Update on major projects.
 - e. Update on Q-Matic and status of activation.
 - f. Update on other technology projects.
 - g. Update on new hires.
14. Commissioner's Questions and Matters.
 - a. Inquiries to Staff. At this time, Commissioners may make inquiries to staff regarding various documents, policies, practices, and procedures, which are of interest to the Commission.
 - b. Future Meetings/Agendas. At this time, the Commission may discuss and take action to set the date of a Special Meeting and/or determine those items that could be placed on the agenda of the next meeting and other future meetings of the Building Inspection Commission.
15. Review and approval of the minutes of the Regular Meeting of September 21, 2011.
16. Adjournment.

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