



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

**NOTICE OF REGULAR MEETING  
Wednesday, February 19, 2020 at 10:00 a.m.  
City Hall, 1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place, Room 416  
Aired Live on SFGTV Channel 78**

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**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 they wish to identify themselves for the record.)**

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

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**MEMBERS OF THE COMMISSION**

Angus McCarthy, President  
Alysabeth Alexander-Tut, Commissioner  
Kevin Clinch, Commissioner  
Jonathan Jacobo, Commissioner  
Frank Lee, Commissioner  
Sam Moss, Commissioner  
Jason Tam, Commissioner

**DEPARTMENT & COMMISSION STAFF**

Tom Hui, Director (415) 558-6131  
  
Sonya Harris, Secretary (415) 558-6164

**CITY ATTORNEY REPRESENTATIVE**

Dep. City Atty. Robb Kapla (415) 554-4647

6. Discussion and possible action regarding a proposed ordinance repealing Ordinance Nos. 38-17 and 102-19, and reenacting certain provisions by amending the Administrative Code to update the Hotel Conversion Ordinance, including: adding or refining definitions of comparable unit, conversion, and low-income household; revising procedures for permits to convert residential units; harmonizing fees and penalty provisions with the Building Code, in addition to other requirements.
7. Discussion and possible action regarding a proposed ordinance amending the Planning and Building Codes to reauthorize the waiver of fees related to granting legal status to existing dwelling units constructed without required permits and extending the waiver through December 31, 2024, in addition to other requirements.
8. Director's Report.
  - a. Update on DBI's finances.
  - b. Update on proposed or recently enacted State or local legislation.
  - c. Update on major projects.
  - d. Update on Code Enforcement.
9. Review and approval of the minutes of the Regular Meeting of January 15, 2020.
10. Adjournment.

Copies of all documents referred to in the agenda are available for public inspection and copying between the hours of 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, at the Building Inspection Commission, 1660 Mission Street, 6<sup>th</sup> Floor, San Francisco, CA 94103 and will be available at the February 19, 2020 meeting. **[Sonya Harris, 558-6164]** If any materials related to an item on this agenda have been distributed to the Building Inspection Commission after distribution of the agenda packet, those materials are available for public inspection at the locations and during the times specified above.

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## MISSION STATEMENT

As a policy-making and supervisory body mandated by the City Charter, the seven-member citizen Building Inspection Commission will manage the Department of Building Inspection and the bodies subordinate to the Commission by overseeing the effective, efficient, fair and safe enforcement of the City and County's Building, Housing, Plumbing, Electrical and Mechanical Codes, along with Disability Access Regulations.

## ACCESSIBLE MEETING INFORMATION POLICY

The meeting will be held at the City Hall Building, located at 1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place, 4th Floor, Room 416. The closest accessible BART station is the Civic Center Station at 8th (at the United Nations Plaza) and Market Streets.

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## POLICY STATEMENT OF PUBLIC HEARING OR MEETING

Pursuant to Section 67.7-1(c) of the San Francisco Administrative Code, members of the public who are unable to attend the public meeting or hearing may submit written comments regarding a calendared item to the BIC Commission Secretary, Sonya Harris, at 1660 Mission Street, 6<sup>th</sup> Floor, San Francisco, CA 94103 or at the place of

the scheduled hearing before the proceedings begin. These written comments shall be made a part of the official public record and these comments will be brought to the attention of the members of the Building Inspection Commission. [Twenty copies are necessary.]

### **POLICY STATEMENT OF PUBLIC COMMENT**

Pursuant to Section 67.16 of the San Francisco Administrative Code, each member of the public may address the Commission once for up to three minutes on any agenda item.

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### **CONTRIBUTION RESTRICTION**

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