



**Van Ness Business Advisory Committee
Thursday, May 16, 2019, 3:00 p.m.
One South Van Ness Avenue, 3rd Floor, Civic Center Conference Room**

MINUTES

1. Call to Order at 3:02 p.m.
2. Public comment: Members of the public may address the Van Ness Business Advisory Committee on matters that are within its jurisdiction and are not on today's calendar.
 - a. Rob Levin: In the Musician's Union and played for the Ballet orchestra. Wants the MTA to make sure that every mode of transportation, including automobile, is easily done. Requests site housekeeping in front of the Opera House and the Symphony Hall.
3. Approval of Minutes – [April 18](#). Approved by a voice vote.
4. Discussion and possible action regarding Vice Chair election.
 - a. Paul Medina nominates himself.
 - b. Paul Medina accepts nomination.
 - i. Willing to be a part of this and willing to do whatever needs to be done.
 - c. Public Comment: Suggestion that someone from the symphony nominate herself for this position.
 - d. Emma Logan nominates herself.
 - e. Emma Logan accepts nomination.
 - i. Just wants to help. Has been going to work and school for the past 6 years on Van Ness and I would just like for it to change for the better.
 - f. Roland Anderson: Suggests in the event a candidate is not selected easily, propose tabling the vote to a meeting with better turnout so it is not adversarial.
 - g. Vote is called. Paul Medina: 5, Emma Logan: 2. Candidate must receive seven votes to be elected.
 - h. Vote is called. Paul Medina: 7, Emma Logan: 0. Paul Medina is elected Vice Chair.
5. Presentation, discussion and possible action regarding update from SFMTA staff.
 - a. Project schedule.
 - b. Construction update.

- i. Roland Anderson: Clarifying whether SFPD patrolling shift is from 10pm to 6am.
 - c. Update on neighboring projects.
 - d. Business support.
 - i. Danielle Rabkin: Requests business support beyond what OEWD offers, such as cleaning support, dust barriers or provide a budget for cleaning services.
 - ii. Alex: Requests temporary loading zone for businesses. Confirms chain link fence construction barrier will be removed when construction shifts.
 - iii. Paul Medina: Business is having challenges with Recology service.
 - e. Outreach update.
- 6. Adjourn by a voice vote.

Next meetings:

- Thursday, June 20, 3:00 p.m., 1 South Van Ness, 3rd Floor, Civic Center Conference Room.
- Thursday, July 18, 3:00 p.m., 1 South Van Ness, 3rd Floor, Civic Center Conference Room.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Every agenda shall provide an opportunity for members of the public to address the Committee on items of interest to the public that are within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Committee.

Public comment will be taken for each agenda item after discussion of the item by the Van Ness Business Advisory Committee.

Privilege of Floor and Public Participation. The privilege of the floor shall be granted to any member of the public or officers of the City and County of San Francisco, or their duly authorized representatives for the purpose of commenting on any question before the Committee. Each person wishing to speak on an item at a regular or special meeting shall be permitted to be heard once per item for up to three minutes. The presiding officer shall be the judge of the pertinence of such comments, and have the power to limit this privilege if in the presiding officer's opinion the comments are not pertinent to the question before the Committee or the comments are merely reiterative of points made by previous speakers.

Presentations. After a presentation, the Van Ness Business Advisory Committee Chair will ask committee members if they have any questions and then will open the meeting to public comment. When members of the public ask a question of the presenter, presenters should not respond, nor engage in any conversation. First, the commenter should finish their commentary. After which, if the Van Ness Business Advisory Committee Chair or any committee member wants the presenter to respond to that question, the presenter will then respond to the Committee and not to the public.