

FIRE COMMISSION SPECIAL MEETING
March 3, 2020 – 9:30 AM
698 Second Street, Room 102, San Francisco, CA 94107

President Covington called the hearing to order at 9:31.

Item No.

1. ROLL CALL

President	Francee Covington
Vice President	Katherine Feinstein
Commissioner	Stephen A. Nakajo
Commissioner	Ken Cleaveland
Commissioner	Tony Rodriguez

Also Present:

Brad Russi, Deputy City Attorney, Government Team – Counsel to the Commission
Maureen Conefrey, Commission Secretary
Jeanine Nicholson, Chief of Department
Lisa Berkowitz, Deputy City Attorney, Counsel to the Department
Joel Abelson, Counsel to Member
Member
Dawn Sandner, Court Reporter

2. CASE NO. 2020-01: HEARING AND DELIBERATIONS ON VERIFIED COMPLAINT FILED WITH THE COMMISSION BY CHIEF OF DEPARTMENT
[Discussion and possible action]

On January 9, 2020, Chief of Department Jeanine Nicholson filed a Verified Complaint with the Commission recommending termination for the following violations:

Section 3921 – Inattention to Duty
Section 3922 – Inaptitude for duty/Incompetence.

This case may be heard in Closed Session pursuant to Government Code Section 54957(b) and San Francisco Administrative Code Section 67.10(b).

A. Public Comment on Special Meeting Agenda Item; Possible Closed Session

Members of the public may comment on all matters pertaining to Agenda Item 2 and whether to consider the matter in closed session. [Government Code §54954.3(a), Administrative Code §67.15(b)]

There was no public comment.

B. Votes on Closed Session

1. Whether to hold the hearing on the verified complaint in closed session [Action]

Vice President Feinstein Moved to hold the hearing in closed session. Commissioner Cleaveland Seconded. The motion was unanimous.

2. Whether to conduct deliberations in closed session [Action]

Commissioner Nakajo Moved to conduct deliberations in closed session. Commissioner Rodriguez Seconded. The motion was unanimous.

Resumed in closed session at 9:35 a.m.

Lunch taken from 12:54 – 1:45 p.m.

Resumed in closed session at 1:50

C. Hearing and Deliberations

1. Hearing on verified complaint (in open or closed session, per the Commission's vote)

2. Deliberations and possible action on charges (in open or closed session, per the Commission's vote) [Discussion and Possible Action]

D. If Closed Session is held, reconvene in Open Session

1. Report on any action taken in Closed Session as specified in California Government Code Section 54957.1(a)(5) and San Francisco Administrative Code section 67.12(b)(4).

The matter was not concluded, and Commission Secretary will poll the parties and scheduled a date to complete the hearing.

2. Vote to elect whether to disclose any or all discussions held in Closed Session, as specified in San Francisco Administrative Code Section 67.12(a). *[Action Item]*

Commissioner Rodriguez Moved to not disclose. Vice President Feinstein Seconded. The motion was unanimous.

2. ADJOURNMENT

Vice President Moved to adjourn. President Covington Seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 5:30 p.m.