Sunshine Ordinance Task Force
Complaint Summary

File No. 20018

Anonymous v. The Elections Commission

Date filed with SOTF: 1/28/2020

Anonymous (arecordsrequestor@protonmail.com) (Complainant)
The Elections Commission; Lucy Bernholz (lucy.bernholz@sfgov.org); Roger Donaldson (roger.donaldson@sfgov.org); Charlotte Hill (charlotte.hill@sfgov.org); Christopher Jerdonek (Christopher.jerdonck@sfgov.org); Charles Jung (Charles.jung@sfgov.org); Viva Mogi (viva.mogi@sfgov.org); Jill Rowe (jill.rowe@sfgov.org) electionscommission@sfgov.org; (Respondents)

File No. 20018: Complaint filed by Anonymous against The Elections Commission for allegedly violating Administrative Code (Sunshine Ordinance), Sections 67.29 by failing to prepare and continually maintain an index of records on the City’s worldwide website.

Administrative Summary if applicable:

Complaint Attached.
Leger, Cheryl (BOS)

From: Google Forms <sfbsdups@vrs@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, January 28, 2020 9:08 AM
To: SOTF, (BOS)
Subject: New Response Complaint Form

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Your form has a new entry.

Here are the results.

**Complaint against which Department or Commission**
Office of Mayor; Department of Elections, Elections Commission, Port of San Francisco, Port Commission, Entertainment Commission, Immigrant Rights Commission, Office of Cannabis, Child Support Services, Department of Homelessness and Supportive Housing; Department of Police Accountability, Veterans Affairs Commission, City Hall Preservation Advisory Commission

**Name of individual contacted at Department or Commission**
City Administrator Naomi M. Kelly, Mayor London Breed

**Alleged Violation**
Public Records

**Sunshine Ordinance Section:**
67.29

**Please describe alleged violation**
RE-FILE of SOTF 20015
See "SECOND AMENDED AND RESTATED COMPLAINT" sent by email
Anonymous

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If anonymous, please let us know how to contact you. Thank you.

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v.

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Mayor London Breed, Office of Mayor;
Department of Elections, Elections
Commission, Port of San Francisco,
Port Commission, Entertainment
Commission, Immigrant Rights
Commission, Office of Cannabis, Child
Support Services, Department of
Homelessness and Supportive
Housing; Department of Police
Accountability, Veterans Affairs
Commission, City Hall Preservation
Advisory Commission

Sunshine Ordinance Petition and
Complaint

Jan. 28, 2020

SECOND AMENDED AND RESTATED COMPLAINT

I allege Respondents failed to maintain a complete index to records (SFAC 67.29; for ease of communication, I use “index of records” and “index to records” interchangeably).

Note the "Office of the City Administrator" is not a respondent, only Kelly herself, due to the wording of SFAC 67.29. Respondents are Kelly and each "department, agency, commission and public official" who are responsible for this index. Which “public official[s]” are responsible is unclear, so I have named the Mayor for her Office.

Note also that I do not have to issue a records request for the index to records, because the index “shall be continuously maintained on the City's World Wide Website” (SFAC 67.29). Instead I went through the list of City entities at

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https://sfgov.org/agencies-and-social-media and looked for their index that must be maintained at: https://index.sfgov.org/

Your Task Force should take as proven any allegations that Respondents fail to specifically deny.

ALLEGATIONS

1. All Respondents (except Kelly) failed to "cooperate with the City Administrator to identify the types of records it maintains, including those documents created by the entity and those documents received in the ordinary course of business and the types of requests that are regularly received". The evidence is attached Exhibit 1, and as of Jan. 27/28, 2020 states "No published schedule for this department" or for other agencies has simply no results. (Child Support Services instead has an incomplete index, not an empty one.)

2. All Respondents (except Kelly) failed to "clearly and meaningfully describe, with as much specificity as practicable, the individual types of records that are prepared or maintained by" them. See Exhibit 1.

3. All Respondents (except Kelly) maintain an empty or incomplete index, which is insufficient to "aid the public in making an inquiry or a request to inspect." See Exhibit 1.

4. Respondent Kelly maintains overall "responsibility for the preparation of this records index" and she has failed to maintain a complete index, due to the lack of any index for the named departments, agencies, commissions, and public officials.

OFFER OF COMPROMISE

If a Respondent publishes a complete index of records online pursuant to SFAC 67.29 and also publishes on their website a letter signed by the highest Respondent authority (department or agency head, or for a commission or board, its chair, president, or similar as authorized by resolution) addressed to me and CC-ing the Task Force admitting a prior failure to comply with SFAC 67.29 and representing that a compliant index of records has been published as of the date of the letter, that Respondent shall be dismissed from this complaint.

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A mere correction is insufficient as the violation did occur at the time of filing of this complaint. I intend to bind the City to Sunshine compliance, either through SOTF findings of violation or voluntary consent letters.

REQUEST FOR RELIEF

Please find that the Respondents violated SF Admin Code 67.29 and issue all appropriate orders (including referrals for enforcement).

Respectfully submitted,

ANONYMOUS
Complainant/Petitioner
EXHIBIT 1 - Excerpts of the Index to Records - https://index.sfgov.org
You may submit a request for any of the following records in accordance with applicable public records laws. The departments have included a direct link to some of the records; if there is no link for the record you are seeking, and/or you would like to request additional information regarding that record, please contact the department or division directly using the contact information provided for that specific record.

**Mayor's Office**

[http://sfgov.org/mayor](http://sfgov.org/mayor)

**Ratified on:**

**Department Contact:**

Shalonda Baldwin

415-554-6132

shalonda.baldwin@sfgov.org

No published schedule for this department
You may submit a request for any of the following records in accordance with applicable public records laws. The departments have included a direct link to some of the records; if there is no link for the record you are seeking, and/or you would like to request additional information regarding that record, please contact the department or division directly using the contact information provided for that specific record.

**Election**

http://sfgov.org/election

Ratified on:

**Department Contact:**
Matthew Selby
415-554-4375
matthew.selby@sfgov.org

No published schedule for this department
You may submit a request for any of the following records in accordance with applicable public records laws. The departments have included a direct link to some of the records; if there is no link for the record you are seeking, and/or you would like to request additional information regarding that record, please contact the department or division directly using the contact information provided for that specific record.

Port
http://www.sfport.org/
Ratified on:

Department Contact:
Randy Quezada
415-274-0488
randy.quezada@sfgov.org

No published schedule for this department
Search for entertainment

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Search for immigrant

Enter your keywords: immigrant

Search help

Your search yielded no results.
Search for cannabis

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Child Support Services

[Links to relevant website]

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Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR):
Annual Financial Statements of City Departments that are part of the City's CAFR

Category: City Accounting
Remarks: Controller's Retention Schedule; Admin Code Section 8.3
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First
Category: admin
Retention Type: 1 - Permanent, 2 - Current

Internal Revenue Service (IRS) 1099 Vendor Reports
Category: City Accounting
Remarks: Controller's Retention Schedule; Admin Code Section 8.3.
Retention Type: 2 - Current  Retained On-Site: 7 years
Total Time Retained: 7 years - From the date 1099s are due to the IRS.

Stop Payment Notices to City's Contractors
Category: City Accounting
Remarks:
Controller's Retention Schedule; Admin Code Section 8.3. The years are measured by the end of the fiscal year.
Retention Type: 2 - Current  Retained On-Site: 2 years - After resolution of issue.
Retained Off-Site: 3 years - After resolution of issue.
Total Time Retained: 5 years - After resolution of issue.
Search for homelessness

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Search for police accountability

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Search for veteran

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Search results

**Veteran's Office Case Files**

Veteran's Office Case Files Department ... Remarks Veteran Off-site ... Record Title Veteran's Office Case Files

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Search for City Hall Preservation

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