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Sunshine Complaint

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From: <complaints@sfgov.org>

To: <sotf@sfgov.org>

To:sotf@sfgov.org

Email:complaints@sfgov.org

DEPARTMENT:Arts Commission

CONTACTED:

PUBLIC_RECORDS_VIOLATION:Yes

PUBLIC_MEETING_VIOLATION:No

MEETING_DATE:

SECTIONS_VIOLATED:

DESCRIPTION:Arts Commission meetings routinely provide Speaker Cards that do not indicate they are optional. The Chairs of the Commission routinely ask members of the public to fill out speaker cards if they wish to speak, reinforcing the impression that they are required. There is no indication on the cards that filling them out is optional, and we have not heard any announcement/disclaimer to that effect at the meetings we have attended and whose tape recordings we have listened to. Such speaker cards can tend to intimidate, and potentially silence, members of the public who might otherwise be interested in speaking.

HEARING:Yes

PRE-HEARING:No

DATE:1/13/2012

NAME:Library Users Association

ADDRESS:

CITY:

ZIP:

PHONE:753-2180

CONTACT_EMAIL:libraryusers2004@yahoo.com

ANONYMOUS:

CONFIDENTIALITY_REQUESTED:No



SAN FRANCISCO ARTS COMMISSION

EDWIN M. LEE
MAYOR

TOM DECAIGNY
DIRECTOR OF
CULTURAL AFFAIRS

February 6, 2012

Honorable Members
Sunshine Task Force
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401 VAN NESS AVENUE
415.554.4050

Re: Sunshine Complaint #12002
Library Users Association v. Arts Commission

Dear Honorable Members of the Sunshine Task Force:

I am writing in response to complaint #12002, submitted on January 13, 2012 by Library Users Association, and received by our office on January 27, 2012.

The complaint says the following:

"Arts Commission meetings routinely provide Speaker Cards that do not indicate they are optional. The Chairs of the Commission routinely ask members of the public to fill out speaker cards if they wish to speak, reinforcing the impression that they are required. There is no indication on the cards that filling them out is optional, and we have not heard any announcement/disclaimer to that effect at the meetings we have attended and whose tape recordings we have listened to. Such speaker cards can tend to intimidate, and potentially silence members of the public who might otherwise be interested in speaking.

In response to the concern expressed in the complaint, please be advised that the Arts Commission has revised its speaker cards to (1) indicate that speakers are not required to complete a speaker card, and that they may speak anonymously, and to (2) no longer request address information. These new speaker cards have replaced the old ones effective immediately.



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For your convenience, we are enclosing a copy of the new speaker card.

Very truly yours,

Sharon Page Ritchie
Commission Secretary

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cc: Tom DeCaigny, Director of Cultural Affairs
Encl: Speaker card



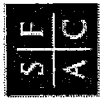
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