



**SUNSHINE ORDINANCE TASK FORCE  
Compliance and Amendments Committee  
CITY AND COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO  
AGENDA  
REGULAR MEETING**

**Hearing Room 408  
City Hall, 1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place  
San Francisco, CA 94102-4689**

**Regular Meeting**

**February 27, 2024 - 4:30 PM**

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**Remote Access and/or In-Person Participation**

The Sunshine Ordinance Task Force and its committees convene hybrid meetings that allow in-person attendance, in-person public comment, remote access for petitioners and respondents, and remote public comment via teleconference (via Webex).

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**[1 \(415\) 655-0001 / Meeting ID: 2664 626 8797 # #](tel:14156550001)**

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**Members:** Lila LaHood (Chair), Bruce Wolfe, Maxine Anderson and David Pilpel

*Members of the public may participate by phone or may submit their comments by email to: [sof@sfgov.org](mailto:sof@sfgov.org); all comments received will be made a part of the official record. Sunshine Ordinance Task Force agendas and their associated documents are available at <https://sfbos.org/sunshine>.*

**Meeting Decorum:** Any member of the Sunshine Ordinance Task Force may call for decorum due to the disorderly conduct of meeting participants. Persons who engage in threatening and/or menacing behavior may be asked to leave.

1. **CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL, AND AGENDA CHANGES**
2. **The February 21, 2023, Compliance and Amendments Committee meeting minutes are included in this agenda solely for information purposes. (Discussion and action) (attachments)**  
*(On October 24, 2023, the Compliance and Amendments Committee moved to approve of the February 21, 2023, minutes with amendments suggested at the April 25, 2023, Compliance and Amendments Committee meeting.)*
3. **The April 25, 2023, Compliance and Amendments Committee meeting minutes are included in this agenda solely for information purposes. (Discussion and action) (attachments)**  
*(On October 24, 2023, the Compliance and Amendments Committee moved to approve the April 25, 2023, minutes with amendments suggested at the April 25, 2023 Compliance and Amendments Committee meeting.)*
4. **Approval of the June 27, 2023, Compliance and Amendments Committee are included in this agenda solely for information purposes. (Discussion and action) (attachments)**  
*(On August 22, 2023, the Compliance and Amendments Committee moved to approve the June 27, 2023, minutes with amendments suggested at the April 25, 2023, Compliance and Amendments Committee meeting.)*
5. **Approval of the August 22, 2023, Compliance and Amendments Committee meeting minutes. (Discussion and action) (attachments)**  
*(On October 24, 2023, the Compliance and Amendments Committee moved to continue approval of the August 22, 2023, minutes to the Compliance and Amendments Committee hearing scheduled for October 24, 2023.)*
6. **Approval of the October 24, 2023, Compliance and Amendments Committee meeting minutes. (Discussion and action) (attachments)**
7. **Public Comment:** Members of the public may address the Committee on matters that are within the Committee's jurisdiction but not on today's agenda. *(No Action)*

8. **File No. 22020:** Complaint filed by Sergei Severinov against the Police Department for allegedly violating Administrative Code (Sunshine Ordinance), Section(s) 67.21(c), by failing to respond to a public records request in a timely and/or complete manner. *(attachments)*  
*(On October 24, 2023, the Compliance and Amendments Committee moved to to continue the matter until the December 19, 2023 Compliance and Amendments Committee and requests verbal confirmation from the police department that a representative will be in attendance at that hearing.)*
- a) Hearing on the complaint. *(Discussion and Action)*
9. **File No. 23030** Complaint filed by Michael Turon against the Assessor-Recorder's Office for allegedly violating Administrative Code (Sunshine Ordinance), Section(s) 67.25 by failing to respond to an Immediate Disclosure Request in a timely and/or complete manner; 67.25; by failing to keep withholding to a minimum; CPRA 6253(b) by failing to provide "exact copies of records; CPRA 6253.9 by failing to provide the "electronic format in which you hold the information; CPRA 6254.5 by withholding exemptions already waived by providing the records to the public before this request. *(attachments)*  
*(On October 24, 2023 the Compliance and Amendments Committee moved to continue the matter to the Call of the Chair.)*
- a) Determination of jurisdiction on the complaint. *(Discussion and Action)*
- b) Hearing on the complaint. *(Discussion and Action)*
10. **File No. 22027:** Hearing on the status of the Order of Determination: Compliant filed by John Templeton against the Planning Department for allegedly violating Administrative Code (Sunshine Ordinance), Section(s) 67.7; 67.21, and 67.29-7, by failing to post an agenda containing a meaningful description of each item of business to be transacted or discussed at the meeting; failing to responded to a request for public records in a timely and/or complete manner; and failing to maintain and preserve all documents in a professional manner. *(attachments)*  
*(On July 6, 2022, the Sunshine Ordinance Task Force Moved to find that the Planning Department and Planning Department Head Rich Hillis are in violation of Administrative Code, Sunshine Ordinance, Sections 67.21(b) for failing to provide records in a timely manner; 67.29-7 for the department head failing to maintain records in a professional and businesslike manner including all documents, agendas and correspondence from 2006-2009; and orders the Department to supply the responsive records within five business days to the complainant.)*
- a) Hearing on the complaint. *(Discussion and Action)*

**Part 1 of 5****Part 2 of 5****Part 3 of 5**

**Part 4 of 5****Part 5 of 5**

11. **File No. 22028:** Hearing on the status of the Order of Determination: Compliant filed by John Templeton against the Historic Preservation Commission for allegedly violating Administrative Code (Sunshine Ordinance), Section(s) 67.7; 67.21, and 67.29-7, by failing to post an agenda containing a meaningful description of each item of business to be transacted or discussed at the meeting; failing to respond to a request for public records in a timely and/or complete manner; and failing to maintain and preserve all documents in a professional manner. (*attachments*)  
(On July 6, 2022, the SOTF moved to find a violation of 67.21(b) for failure to timely respond to the document request and order that the Historic Preservation Commission go back and produce those documents that would respond to the initial request and that the records disclosure shall include all items that were submitted with the intake of the complaint. Order of Determination issued and approved on November 1, 2023.)
- a) Hearing on the complaint. (*Discussion and Action*)

**Part 1 of 2****Part 2 of 2**

12. Committee members will review the Sunshine Ordinance and discuss possible amendments to recommend to the full Task Force. Recommendations proposed by members of the public at previous committee meetings will be taken into consideration. (*Discussion and proposed action to forward recommendations to the full Task Force.*)  
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[https://sfgov.org/sunshine/sites/default/files/cac022123\\_item8.pdf](https://sfgov.org/sunshine/sites/default/files/cac022123_item8.pdf)
13. **Announcements, Comments, Questions, and Future Agenda Items by Members of the Compliance and Amendments Committee.** (*Discussion and Action*)
14. **ADJOURNMENT**

The Sunshine Ordinance Task Force was established by [the San Francisco Administrative Code](#), Chapter 67. The purpose of the Task Force is to protect the public's interest in open government and to carry out the duties enumerated in [Chapter 67 of the San Francisco Administrative Code](#). For additional information concerning Sunshine Ordinance Task Force please contact the Task Force by e-mail [sotf@sfgov.org](mailto:sotf@sfgov.org) or by calling (415) 554-7724.

### **Agenda Item Information**

Each item on the agenda may include the following documents:

- 1) Department or Agency cover letter and/or report;
- 2) Public correspondence;
- 3) Other explanatory documents.

These items will be available for review at City Hall, 1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place, Room 244, Reception Desk.

### **Meeting Procedures**

Public Comment will be taken before or during the Committee's consideration of each agenda item. Speakers may address the Task Force for up to three minutes on that item. During General Public Comment, members of the public may address the Task Force on matters that are within the Task Force's jurisdiction and are not on the agenda. Any person speaking during a public comment period may supply a brief written summary of their comments, which shall, if no more than 150 words, be included in the official file.

Each member of the public will be allotted the same maximum number of minutes to speak as set by the Chair at the beginning of each item, excluding persons requested by the Task Force to make presentations, except that public speakers using interpretation assistance will be allowed to testify for twice the amount of the public testimony time limit. If simultaneous interpretation services are used, speakers will be governed by the public testimony time limit applied to speakers not requesting interpretation assistance.

Each member of the public who is unable to attend the public meeting or hearing may submit to the City, by the time the hearing begins, written comments regarding the agenda items. These comments will be made a part of the official public record. Written communications should be submitted to the SOTF at:

1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place, Room 244, San Francisco CA 94102.

AGENDA PACKET: Available for review in the Office of the Clerk of the Board, City Hall, 1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place, Room 244, or on the internet at: <http://www.sfbos.org/sunshine>.

AUDIO RECORDINGS: Audio recordings of the meeting of the Sunshine Ordinance Task Force are available at: <http://www.sfbos.org/sunshine>.

LANGUAGE INTERPRETERS: Requests must be received at least 48 hours in advance of the meeting to help ensure availability. Contact Wilson Ng at (415) 554-5184.

Paunawa: Ang mga kahilingan ay kailangang matanggap sa loob ng 48 oras bago mag miting upang matiyak na matutugunan ang mga hiling. Mangyaring tumawag ka sa (415) 554-5184.

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### **Know Your Rights Under the Sunshine Ordinance**

Government's duty is to serve the public, reaching its decisions in full view of the public. Commissions, boards, councils, and other agencies of the City and County exist to conduct the people's business. This ordinance assures that deliberations are conducted before the people and that City operations are open to the people's review.

For more information on your rights under the Sunshine Ordinance (San Francisco Administrative Code, Chapter 67) or to report a violation of the ordinance, contact: Sunshine Ordinance Task Force, 1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place, Room 244, San Francisco, CA 94102; phone (415) 554-7724; fax (415) 554-5163; or email [sotf@sfgov.org](mailto:sotf@sfgov.org).

Citizens may obtain a free copy of the Sunshine Ordinance by printing the San Francisco Administrative Code, Chapter 67 on the Internet at <http://www.sfbos.org/sunshine>.



### **Cell Phones, Pagers and Similar Sound-Producing Electronic Devices**

The ringing of and use of cell phones, pagers and similar sound-producing electronic devices are prohibited at this meeting. Please be advised that the Chair may order the removal from the meeting room of any person(s) responsible for the ringing or use of a cell phone, pager, or other similar sound-producing electronic devices (Chapter 67A of the San Francisco Administrative Code).

### **Ethics Requirements**

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Under Campaign and Governmental Conduct Code, Section 1.127, no person or entity with a financial interest in a land use matter pending before the Board of Appeals, Board of Supervisors, Building Inspection Commission, Commission on Community Investment and Infrastructure, Historic Preservation Commission, Planning Commission, Port Commission, or the Treasure Island Development Authority Board of Directors, may make a campaign contribution to a member of the Board of Supervisors, the Mayor, the City Attorney, or a candidate for any of those offices, from the date the land use matter commenced until 12 months after the board or commission has made a final decision, or any appeal to another City agency from that decision has been resolved. For more information about this restriction, visit [sfethics.org](http://sfethics.org).