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## SUNSHINE ORDINANCE TASK FORCE

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- Kimo Crossman against Ethics Commission**
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Completed by: Chris Rustom

Date: Dec. 30, 2009

**\*This list reflects the explanatory documents provided**

~ Late Agenda Items (documents received too late for distribution to the Task Force Members)

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<complaints@sfgov.org>

10/27/2009 02:00 PM

To <soft@sfgov.org>

cc

bcc

Subject Sunshine Complaint

To:sotf@sfgov.orgEmail:complaints@sfgov.orgDEPARTMENT:Ethics Commission

CONTACTED:Richard Moe

PUBLIC\_RECORDS\_VIOLATION:Yes

PUBLIC\_MEETING\_VIOLATION:Yes

MEETING\_DATE:

SECTIONS\_VIOLATED:67.24 h g i

DESCRIPTION:While I would like the requested records, my complaint is that Ethics staff are invoking CPRA exemption 6255 with the city has waived under Sunshine which is allowed under CPRA 6253 (e) and all city staff are prohibited from invoking this exemption. Even if the 6255 exemption were possible to invoke here, they have performed not Public Interest balancing test with specific facts in this matter. Again this is a Sunshine Violation complaint because Ethics is invoking CPRA exemptions which are not allowed under local sunshine

HEARING:Yes

PRE-HEARING:No

DATE:10/26/09

NAME:Kimo Crossman

ADDRESS:

CITY:

ZIP:

PHONE:683-7643

CONTACT\_EMAIL:kimo@webnetic

ANONYMOUS:

CONFIDENTIALITY\_REQUESTED:No



**Kimo Crossman**  
 <kimo@webnetic.net>  
 Sent by:  
 kimocrossman@gmail.com

10/26/2009 08:17 PM

Please respond to  
 kimo@webnetic.net

To Richard Mo <Richard.Mo@sfgov.org>, Ethics Commission  
 <ethics.commission@sfgov.org>, SOTF <sotf@sfgov.org>,  
 Richard Knee <rak0408@earthlink.net>, "John St.Croix"

cc

bcc

Subject Re: Sunshine Complaint Ethics staff invoking 6255 when  
 prohibited to do so under Sunshine (Resubmit)

*Resubmittal*

On Mon, Oct 26, 2009 at 8:10 PM, Kimo Crossman <kimo@webnetic.net> wrote:

Complaint against which Department or Commission \*

Ethics Commission

Name of individual contacted at Department or Commission

Richard Mo

Alleged Violation:

Public Records: \*  Yes  No

Other Sunshine Violation YES

Public Meeting: \*  Yes  No

Date of meeting:

Sunshine Ordinance Section:  
 (If known, please cite specific provision being violated)

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Please describe alleged violation: \*

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Do you wish a public hearing before the Sunshine Ordinance Task Force? \*  Yes  No  
YES

Do you also want a pre-hearing conference conference before the Complaint Committee?  Yes  No

NO

(Optional)

Date:  
10/26/09

Kimo Crossman  
[kimo@webnetic.net](mailto:kimo@webnetic.net)  
415-683-7643

NO CONFIDENTIALITY REQUESTED

Name:  
Address:  
City:  
Zip:  
Telephone:  
Email:

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

I request confidentiality of my personal information.  Yes  No

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(g) Neither the City nor any office, employee, or agent thereof may assert California Public Records Act Section 6255 or any similar provision as the basis for withholding any documents or information requested under this ordinance.

(h) Neither the City nor any office, employee, or agent thereof may assert an exemption for

withholding for any document or information based on a "deliberative process" exemption, either as provided by California Public Records Act Section 6255 or any other provision of law that does not prohibit disclosure.

(i) Neither the City, nor any office, employee, or agent thereof, may assert an exemption for withholding for any document or information based on a finding or showing that the public interest in withholding the information outweighs the public interest in disclosure. All withholdings of documents or information must be based on an express provision of this ordinance providing for withholding of the specific type of information in question or on an express and specific exemption provided by California Public Records Act that is not forbidden by this ordinance.

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From: **Richard Mo** <[Richard.Mo@sfgov.org](mailto:Richard.Mo@sfgov.org)>  
Date: Mon, Oct 26, 2009 at 2:00 PM  
Subject: Re: October 9, 2009 IDR  
To: [kimo@webnetic.net](mailto:kimo@webnetic.net)

Now I can file a Sunshine complaint against them not for withholding records but for invoking 6255!!!

Under the San Francisco Charter, the Ethics Commission may not disclose records related to its investigations to the extent that such records would be exempt from disclosure under the California Public Records Act. *See* S.F. Charter § C3.699-13(a) ("Records of any investigation shall be considered confidential information to the extent permitted by state law.") Several Public Records Act exemptions apply to the records sought by your request including, but not limited to, the deliberative process privilege and the official information privilege. *See* Gov't Code §§ 6254(k), 6255; Evid. Code § 1040.

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-----[kimocrossman@gmail.com](mailto:kimocrossman@gmail.com) wrote: -----

To: Richard Mo <[Richard.Mo@sfgov.org](mailto:Richard.Mo@sfgov.org)>  
From: Kimo Crossman <[kimo@webnetic.net](mailto:kimo@webnetic.net)>  
Sent by: [kimocrossman@gmail.com](mailto:kimocrossman@gmail.com)  
Date: 10/22/2009 05:30PM

Subject: Re: October 9, 2009 IDR

Hi as my earlier email to you indicated that I was open to reviewing the complete set of records for the case you had already pulled.

I am actually interested in the investigator and ethics records rather than the SOTF documents submitted

If you wish to withhold records, then please invoke a written exemption under CPRA taking into account Sunshine waivers and if you invoke a balancing test please provide specific facts weighing nondisclosure over the public interest in disclosure.

thank you

kimo

On Thu, Oct 22, 2009 at 5:08 PM, Richard Mo <[Richard.Mo@sfgov.org](mailto:Richard.Mo@sfgov.org)> wrote:  
Mr. Crossman -

There are eight complaints which you filed with the SOTF that it ultimately referred to Ethics.

Of these eight complaints, the vast majority of disclosable documents are those which were given to Ethics by the SOTF. Any investigator notes are confidential and thus not disclosable.

Assuming newly adopted regulations are ratified by the Board of Supervisors, additional documents from these files will become disclosable in 60 days.

Please let me know if you would like to review the disclosable documents.

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----- [kimocrossman@gmail.com](mailto:kimocrossman@gmail.com) wrote: -----

To: Richard Mo <[Richard.Mo@sfgov.org](mailto:Richard.Mo@sfgov.org)>, "John St.Croix" <[john.st.croix@sfgov.org](mailto:john.st.croix@sfgov.org)>  
From: Kimo Crossman <[kimo@webnetic.net](mailto:kimo@webnetic.net)>  
Sent by: [kimocrossman@gmail.com](mailto:kimocrossman@gmail.com)  
Date: 10/20/2009 03:03PM  
Subject: Re: October 9, 2009 IDR

Hello?

On Tue, Oct 13, 2009 at 4:57 PM, Kimo Crossman, PMP® < [kimo@webnetic.net](mailto:kimo@webnetic.net) > wrote:  
Thank you,

Why don't you sent me the records for that first complaint - that may be all I need

On Tue, Oct 13, 2009 at 4:50 PM, Richard Mo < [Richard.Mo@sfgov.org](mailto:Richard.Mo@sfgov.org) > wrote:  
Dear Mr. Crossman:

This e-mail is in response to your Immediate Disclosure Request of Friday, October 9, 2009. Pursuant to Government Code Section 6253(c) and San Francisco Administrative Code section 67.25(b), records potentially responsive to your request are voluminous and staff hereby invokes the fourteen calendar day extension. Pursuant to S.F. Administrative Code section 67.25(d), staff will make these records available on a rolling basis and will so notify you.

For your reference, there are eight complaints which may contain records that are potentially responsive to your request. In addition to reviewing these complaints, staff must also retrieve and review archived electronic records. As of the close of business today, staff has reviewed one of the eight complaints, for which there are no documents responsive to your request.

If you have any questions, please call me at 415-252-3100.

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Sent by:  
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To SOTF <sotf@sfgov.org>  
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11/03/2009 03:59 PM

Subject Fwd: Immediate Disclosure Request - ethics material related  
to Kimo Crossman

Please respond to  
kimo@webnetic.net

History: This message has been replied to.

Clerk - please include this email below in support material for  
**09074**

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From: **Kimo Crossman, PMP®** <kimo@webnetic.net>  
Date: Fri, Oct 9, 2009 at 12:12 PM  
Subject: Immediate Disclosure Request - ethics material related to Kimo Crossman  
To: "John St.Croix" <[john.st.croix@sfgov.org](mailto:john.st.croix@sfgov.org)>, Ethics Commission <[ethics.commission@sfgov.org](mailto:ethics.commission@sfgov.org)>

Immediate Disclosure Request

For the Ethics Commission as a whole, Please email to me all records in the office related to Sunshine complaints that I have filed at SOTF and have been subsequently referred to the Ethics Commission.

