

SUNSHINE ORDINANCE TASK FORCE CITY AND COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO AGENDA

REGULAR MEETING

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Public Comment Call-in: 1 (415) 655-0001 / Meeting ID: 2488 813 6147 # # (press *3 to enter the speaker line)

February 1, 2023 - 4:00 PM

Seat 1	Dean Schmidt	Seat 7	Matthew Yankee - Chair	
Seat 2	Lila LaHood	Seat 8	Chris Hyland	
Seat 3	Vacant	Seat 9	Vacant	
Seat 4	Jaya Padmanabhan	Seat 10	Thuan Thao Hill	
Seat 5	Jennifer Wong - Vice-Chair	Seat 11	Bruce Wolfe	
Seat 6	Laura Stein			
Ex-officio	(non-voting) Clerk of the Board of Supervisors or his or her designee			
Ex-officio	(non-voting) Mayor or his or her designee			

Remote Access to Information and Participation

In accordance with Governor Newsom's Executive Order No. N-33-20 declaring a State of Emergency regarding the COVID-19 outbreak and Mayor London N. Breed's Proclamation declaring a Local Emergency issued on February 25, 2020, including the guidance for gatherings issued by the San Francisco Department of Public Health Officer, aggressive directives were issued to reduce the spread of COVID-19. On March 17, 2020, the Board of Supervisors authorized their Board and Committee meetings to convene remotely (via Microsoft Teams) and will allow remote public comment via teleconference.

Members of the public may participate by phone or may submit their comments by email to: sotf@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.

As the COVID-19 disease progresses, please visit the Sunshine Ordinance Task Force website regularly to be updated on the current situation as it affects the legislative process.

Meeting Decorum: Any member of the Sunshine Ordinance Task Force may call for decorum due to 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.
 - 1A. FINDINGS TO ALLOW TELECONFERENCED MEETINGS UNDER CALIFORNIA GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54953(e).

 The Task Force is expected to consider a motion setting forth findings required under Assembly Bill 361 (AB 361) that would allow the committee to hold the meeting remotely according to the modified Brown Act teleconferencing set forth in AB 361. (Discussion and Action) (attachments)
- 2. Approval of the minutes from the Sunshine Ordinance Task Force Regular Meeting of December 7, 2022. (Discussion and Action) (attachments)
- 3. Approval of the Orders of Determination: File Nos. 22014, 21126, 22084, 20009, 20120, 21007, 21008, 21021, 21036, 21039, 21052, 21066, 21081, 21084, 21085, 21086, 21088, 21114, 21124, 21126, 21139, 21141, 21144, 21148, 21152, 21159, 22013 (Discussion and Action) (attachments)
- 4. **File No. 22143: Annual Supervisor of Records Report from City Attorney:** Review and potential acceptance of the annual report. (*Discussion and Action*)

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- 5. Administrator's Report, Complaints and Communications. (Discussion and Action) (attachments)
 - Task Force and Committee tentative hearing schedule
 - Complaints submitted and hearing files created
 - Public Communications
 - Complaint Committee minutes
 - Record of emails received.

- 5A. Communication from the City Attorney's Office: Discuss the memorandum entitled "Legal Rules Governing Participation by Members of Policy Bodies in Meetings Beginning March 1, 2023" and potentially develop related procedures for Sunshine Ordinance Task Force meetings as they transition back to being held in-person. (Discussion and Action) (attachments)
- 6. **Public Comment:** Members of the public may address the Sunshine Ordinance Task Force (SOTF) on matters that are within SOTF's jurisdiction, but not on today's agenda. (No Action). **Public comment shall be taken at 5:00 p.m. or as soon thereafter as possible.**

NOTE: Hearings on complaints and other agenda items listed below will begin no earlier than 5:00 P.M.

- 7. **Closing Pending Complaints:** Hearing to consider closing the following complaint files and dismissing them without prejudice pursuant to SOTF Complaint Procedure 7(b). The Complainant has communicated to the Task Force Administrator that they will not be attending hearings for these files. (*Discussion and Action*) (*attachments*)
 - 1. File 20014 Anonymous v. City Attorney
 - 2. File 20030 Anonymous v. City Attorney
 - 3. File 20063 Anonymous v. Dept. of Police Accountability
 - 4. File 20074 Anonymous v. City Attorney
 - 5. File 20080 Anonymous v. J. Kositsky
 - 6. File 20081 Anonymous v. Controller's Office
 - 7. File 20110 Anonymous v. Sheriff's Office
 - 8. File 20111 Anonymous v. Mayor's Office
 - 9. File 20113 Anonymous v. Mayor's Office
 - 10. File 20114 Anonymous v. Dennis Herrera, City Attorney
 - 11. File 20121 Anonymous v. Sheriff's Office
 - 12. File 20130 Anonymous v. David Steinberg and Dept of Public Works
 - 13. File 20133 Anonymous v. Dennis Herrera, Brittney Feitelberg, John Cote
 - 14. File 20135 Anonymous v. Lt. Andrew Cox, Chief William Scott
 - 15. File 20136 Anonymous v. J. Givner, O Buta, D. Herrera and the Office of the City Attorney
 - 16. File 20138 Anonymous v. Mayor's Office
 - 17. File 20139 Anonymous v. Alaraic Degrafinried
 - 18. File 20140 Anonymous v. Naomi Kelly
 - 19. File 20141 Anonymous v. D. Herrera, O. Buta and the Office of the City Attorney
 - 20. File 20142 Anonymous v. Medical Examiner
 - 21. File 21005 Anonymous v. C. Boudin and the District Attorney's Office
 - 22. File 21006 Anonymous v. Mayor Breed and Hank Heckel
 - 23. File 21013 Anonymous v. Dept. of Public Health
 - 24. File 21020 Anonymous v. Office of the Clerk of the Board
 - 25. File 21022 Anonymous v. Dept. of Emergency Management
 - 26. File 21023 Anonymous v. Mayor Breed and Hank Heckel
 - 27. File 21028 Anonymous v. Clerk of the Board Calvillo
 - 28. File 21029 Anonymous v. Supervisor Gordon Mar

- 29. File 21030 Anonymous v. Supervisor Dean Preston
- 30. File 21031 Anonymous v. Dept. of Police Accountability
- 31. File 21037 Anonymous v. Dept. of Emergency Management
- 32. File 21045 Anonymous v. Ethics Commission
- 33. File 21051 Anonymous v. District Attorney
- 34. File 21053 Anonymous v. Public Utilities Commission
- 35. File 21061 Anonymous v. Dennis Herrera, John Cote, Brad Russi, Jon Givner, Randy Parent
- 36. File 21076 Anonymous v. Public Utilities Commission and Acting General Manager Michael Carlin
- 37. File 21079 Anonymous v. Public Library, Michael Lambert, Margot Shaub
- 38. File 21082 Anonymous v. Recreation and Parks
- 39. File 21083 Anonymous v. Recreation and Parks
- 40. File 21092 Anonymous v. Public Utilities Commission
- 41. File 21102 Anonymous v. Recreation and Parks Dept., Phil Ginsburg
- 42. File 21104 Anonymous v. Supervisor Preston
- 43. File 21105 Anonymous v. Chesa Boudin, Kate Chatfield and the District Attorney's Office
- 44. File 21123 Anonymous v. Port and Port Commission
- 45. File 21127 Anonymous v. Office of the Mayor, Mayor London Breed and Hank Heckel
- 46. File 21130 Anonymous v. City and County of San Francisco
- 47. File 21135 Anonymous v. Supervisor Ronen
- 48. File 21138 Anonymous v. Chesa Boudin
- 49. File 21147 Anonymous v. Dennis Herrera and the City Attorney's Office
- 50. File 21164 Anonymous v. Dept. of Emergency Management
- 51. File 22025 Anonymous v. District Attorney
- 52. File 22026 Anonymous v. Mayor's Office
- 53. File 22042 Anonymous v. Ben Rosenfield
- 54. File 22051 Anonymous v. Trent Rhorer, Human Services Agency
- 55. File 22090 Anonymous v. Mayor London Breed
- 8. **File No. 22018**: Complaint filed by Peter Drekmeier against the San Francisco Public Utilities Commission for allegedly violating Administrative Code (Sunshine Ordinance), Section(s) 67.21, by failing to respond to a public records request in a timely and/or complete manner. (attachments)

(On April 19, 2022, the Complaint Committee moved to find the records are public, there is jurisdiction and forward the case to the SOTF and consider a violation of 67.21 by asserting attorney/client privilege as an exemption to all the documents sought by a petitioner and a violation of 67.24(b)(2).)

a) Hearing on the complaint. (Discussion and Action)

9. **File No. 21128**: Complaint filed by Maria Schulman against Mayara Ruski, Agusto Sa, and the San Francisco Public Utilities Commission (SFPUC) for allegedly violating Administrative Code (Sunshine Ordinance), Section(s) 67.21, 67.26(b) and 67.27, and California Public Records Action, Section 6253(d), by failing to respond to a request for public records in a timely and/or complete manner and failing to provide written justification for withholdings. (attachments)

(On September 20, 2022, the Complaint Committee moved to find that the SOTF has jurisdiction, find that the requested records are public and to refer the matter to the SOTF for hearing for consideration of timeliness delays and overbroad interpretation of privacy exemptions.)

- a) Hearing on the complaint. (Discussion and Action)
- 10. **File No. 21132**: Complaint filed by Maria Schulman against Sherrie Valdez and the Department of Public Health (DPH) for allegedly violating Administrative Code (Sunshine Ordinance), Section(s) 67.21, by failing to respond to a request for public records in a timely and/or complete manner. (attachments)

(On September 20, 2022, the Complaint Committee moved by Member Stein, seconded by Chair Schmidt, to find that the SOTF has jurisdiction, find that the requested records are public and to refer the matter to the SOTF for hearing.)

- a) Hearing on the complaint. (Discussion and Action)
- 11. **File No. 18086:** Complaint filed by Mark Sullivan against the Mission Dolores Green Benefit District Formation Committee for allegedly violating Administrative Code (Sunshine Ordinance), Section 67.14, by failing to allow video and audio recording filming and still photography of a policy body. (*attachments*)

(On March 6, 2019, a motion by the Sunshine Ordinance Task Force to find jurisdiction FAILED. On September 28, 2021, the Compliance and Amendments Committee moved to grant the request for reconsideration of Complaint No. 18086 as the Committee now finds jurisdiction based on their understanding of the role of Public Works. On November 2, 2022, the Sunshine Ordinance Task Force moved to allow the reconsideration of this matter.)

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- a) Hearing on the complaint. (Discussion and Action)
- 12. **Complaints Involving the SOTF:** Potential consideration of rescinding votes taken by the Sunshine Ordinance Task Force on Item #4B from its November 2, 2022, regular meeting and Items #6A & #6B from its December 7, 2022, regular meeting. (*Discussion and Action*) (attachments)

- 13. **File No. 23004**: **CONSENT AGENDA** The Sunshine Ordinance Task Force shall review File Nos. 22131 and 22110 to affirm that the Sunshine Ordinance Task Force has jurisdiction; that the noted violations of the Sunshine Ordinance, Brown Act, or California Public Records Act occurred; and, if applicable, to issue an Order of Determination and refer matters to a committee for monitoring. The Complainant and Respondent are not required to attend the February 1, 2023, Sunshine Task Force meeting but may attend to provide testimony during the public comment period for this item related to the above listed determinations. (*Discussion and Action*) (attachments)
 - **13(A). File No. 22131** Complaint filed by Michael Petrelis against Supervisor Gordon Mar, Board of Supervisors, for allegedly violating Administrative Code (Sunshine Ordinance), Section(s) 67.29-5, by failing to respond to a request for Proposition G Calendar in a timely and/or complete manner. (attachments)

(On January 17, 2023, Complaint Committee requested that this matter be included in the Consent Calendar for a violation of 67.29-5 for failing to respond to a Prop G calendar and Administrative Code, Sunshine Ordinance Section 67.21(e) by Supervisor Mar for failing to attend the hearing and referred the matter to the Compliance and Amendments Committee to follow up about where records go when a supervisor leaves office and to obtain the most current contact information of a former member of the Board of Supervisors and make sure they are properly notified when scheduled before the SOTF.)

13(B). File No. 22110 Complaint filed by Anonymous (ARE) against Supervisor Matt Dorsey for allegedly violating Administrative Code (Sunshine Ordinance), Section 67.21(b) for failure to respond to a records request within 10 days, 67.25 failure to acknowledge an immediate disclosure request within one business day and for violations of Government Code 6253(c) for failure to respond to a public records request in a timely manner. (attachments)

(On October 28, 2022, the Complaint Committee moved to find that the SOTF has jurisdiction, find that the requested records are public and to refer the matter to the SOTF Consent Agenda for violations of 67.25 failing to respond to an Immediate Disclosure Request in a complete and/or timely manner.)

- 14. **Annual Report:** Updates and discussion regarding the Annual Report of the Sunshine Ordinance Task Force. (*Discussion Only*)
- 15. Announcements, Comments, Questions, and Future Agenda Items by Members of the Sunshine Ordinance Task Force. (Discussion and Action)

(Note: Public Comment on this item is limited to subject matters presented by members of the SOTF.)

16. **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 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

1.	Complainant presents his/her facts and evidence	5 minutes	
	Other parties of Complainant present facts and evidence	Up to 3 minutes each	
2.	City responds	5 minutes	
	Other parties of City respond	Up to 3 minutes each	
	Above total speaking times for Complainant and City to be the same.		

- 3. Matter is with the Task Force for discussion and questions.
- 4. Respondent and Complainant presents clarification/rebuttal 3 minutes
- 5. Matter is with the Task Force for motion and deliberation.
- 6. Public comment (Excluding Complainant & City response, witnesses)

 Up to 3 minutes each
- 7. Vote by Task Force (Public comment at discretion of chair on new motion and/or on new motion if vote fails.)

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.

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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.

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