



# **SUNSHINE ORDINANCE TASK FORCE**

## **Complaint Committee**

### **CITY AND COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO**

#### **AGENDA**

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

**June 26, 2018**  
**5:30 PM – 7:30 PM**

#### **Regular Meeting**

**Members:** Leuwam Tesfai (Chair), Fiona Hinze and Bruce Wolfe

1. **CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL, AND AGENDA CHANGES**
2. **Approval of the May 22, 2018, Complaint Committee meeting minutes.** (*Discussion and Action*) (*attachment*)
3. **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*)

The Complaint Committee (Committee) shall hold hearing(s) on File No(s). 17086, 17087, 18035, 18036, 18037, 18038, 18039, 18040 and 18041 to: 1) determine if the Sunshine Ordinance Task Force (Task Force) has jurisdiction; 2) review the merits of the complaints; and/or 3) issue a report and/or recommendation to the Task Force. The Task Force, upon receipt of the report and/or recommendation from the Committee, shall schedule and conduct a hearing on the merits of the complaint.

4. **File No. 17086:** Complaint filed by Ray Hartz against Dennis Herrera and Bradley Russi, Office of the City Attorney, for allegedly violating Administrative Code (Sunshine Ordinance), Sections 67.21(i), by acting as legal counsel for city employees or any person having custody of public records for the purpose of denying access to the public. (*attachment*)

- a) Hearing on the complaint. (*Discussion and Action*)
- b) Determination of Jurisdiction. (*Discussion and Action*)

5. **File No. 17087:** Complaint filed by Ray Hartz against Mayor Edwin Lee and the Office of the Mayor for allegedly violating Administrative Code (Sunshine Ordinance), Sections 67.31, by failing to administer and coordinate the implementation of the provision of the Sunshine Ordinance for departments under the control of boards and commission appointed by the Mayor. (*attachment*)
  - a) Hearing on the complaint. (*Discussion and Action*)
  - b) Determination of Jurisdiction. (*Discussion and Action*)
6. **File No. 18035:** Complaint filed by Amos Brown and the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) against Mayor Mark Farrell (former member of the Board of Supervisors), for allegedly violating Administrative Code, Section 67.5, and California Government Code, Sections 54950, 54952.2(b)(1), 54953.3, 54954, 54954.2 and 54954.3, by failing to make all meetings of any policy body open and public and by conducting seriatim or serial meetings. (*attachment*)
  - a) Hearing on the complaint. (*Discussion and Action*)
  - b) Determination of Jurisdiction. (*Discussion and Action*)
7. **File No. 18036:** Complaint filed by Amos Brown and the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) against Supervisor Aaron Peskin, Board of Supervisors, for allegedly violating Administrative Code, Section 67.5, and California Government Code, Sections 54950, 54952.2(b)(1), 54953.3, 54954, 54954.2 and 54954.3, by failing to make all meetings of any policy body open and public and by conducting seriatim or serial meetings. (*attachment*)
  - a) Hearing on the complaint. (*Discussion and Action*)
  - b) Determination of Jurisdiction. (*Discussion and Action*)
8. **File No. 18037:** Complaint filed by Amos Brown and the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) against Supervisor Hillary Ronen, Board of Supervisors, for allegedly violating Administrative Code, Section 67.5, and California Government Code, Sections 54950, 54952.2(b)(1), 54953.3, 54954, 54954.2 and 54954.3, by failing to make all meetings of any policy body open and public and by conducting seriatim or serial meetings. (*attachment*)
  - a) Hearing on the complaint. (*Discussion and Action*)
  - b) Determination of Jurisdiction. (*Discussion and Action*)

9. **File No. 18038:** Complaint filed by Amos Brown and the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) against Supervisor Norman Yee, Board of Supervisors, for allegedly violating Administrative Code, Section 67.5, and California Government Code, Sections 54950, 54952.2(b)(1), 54953.3, 54954, 54954.2 and 54954.3, by failing to make all meetings of any policy body open and public and by conducting seriatim or serial meetings. (*attachment*)
- a) Hearing on the complaint. (*Discussion and Action*)
  - b) Determination of Jurisdiction. (*Discussion and Action*)
10. **File No. 18039:** Complaint filed by Amos Brown and the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) against Supervisor Sandra Lee Fewer, Board of Supervisors, for allegedly violating Administrative Code, Section 67.5, and California Government Code, Sections 54950, 54952.2(b)(1), 54953.3, 54954, 54954.2 and 54954.3, by failing to make all meetings of any policy body open and public and by conducting seriatim or serial meetings. (*attachment*)
- a) Hearing on the complaint. (*Discussion and Action*)
  - b) Determination of Jurisdiction. (*Discussion and Action*)
11. **File No. 18040:** Complaint filed by Amos Brown and the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) against Supervisor Jane Kim, Board of Supervisors, for allegedly violating Administrative Code, Section 67.5, and California Government Code, Sections 54950, 54952.2(b)(1), 54953.3, 54954, 54954.2 and 54954.3, by failing to make all meetings of any policy body open and public and by conducting seriatim or serial meetings. (*attachment*)
- a) Hearing on the complaint. (*Discussion and Action*)
  - b) Determination of Jurisdiction. (*Discussion and Action*)
12. **File No. 18041:** Complaint filed by Amos Brown and the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) against Supervisor Jeff Sheehy, Board of Supervisors, for allegedly violating Administrative Code, Section 67.5, and California Government Code, Sections 54950, 54952.2(b)(1), 54953.3, 54954, 54954.2 and 54954.3, by failing to make all meetings of any policy body open and public and by conducting seriatim or serial meetings. (*attachment*)
- a) Hearing on the complaint. (*Discussion and Action*)
  - b) Determination of Jurisdiction. (*Discussion and Action*)

13. **Announcements, Comments, Questions, Future Agenda Items, and Pending Calendar by members of the 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 Peggy Nevin at (415) 554-5184.

AVISO EN ESPAÑOL: La solicitud para un traductor debe recibirse antes de mediodía de el viernes anterior a la reunion. Llame a Derek Evans (415) 554-7702.

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).

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