

SUNSHINE ORDINANCE TASK FORCE CITY AND COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO MINUTES

Hearing Room 406 City Hall, 1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place San Francisco, CA 94102-4689

December 12, 2012 – 5:00 PM

Special Meeting

Members: Kitt Grant (Chair), Louise Fischer (Vice-Chair), Richard Knee, Suzanne Manneh, Allyson Washburn, David Pilpel, David Sims, Todd David, Chris Hyland, Bruce Oka

1. Call to Order, Roll Call, and Agenda Changes.

The meeting was called to order at 5:07 p.m. Members Washburn, Sims, Oka and Fischer were noted absent. There was a quorum. Member Sims was noted present at 5:18 p.m. Member Fischer was noted present at 5:42 p.m.

Member Knee, seconded by Member Pilpel, moved to Excuse Member Washburn.

There were no Speakers.

The motion PASSSED without objection.

Chair Grant indicated a request that File No. 12019 – Library Users Association v the Arts Commission (Item No. 2) be continued by the Complainant. Chair Grant announced that File No. 12021 – Larry Littlejohn v Bill Ahern, Medical Examiner was resolved between the Complainant and Respondent. Chair Grant announced that File Nos. 12024 – 12026 (Items 6 – 8) were withdrawn by the Complainant.

2. **File No. 12019:** Complaint filed by the Library Users Association against the Arts Commission for allegedly redacting contact information from supporters of retention of the Bernal Heights Branch Library, Victor Jara multi-cultural historic mural.

Peter Warfield (Complainant) provided an overview of the reasoning for his request for continuance. Kate Patterson, Arts Commission (Respondent) expressed opposition to the continuance of the hearing.

Celia Lee, Interim Sunshine Ordinance Task Force Attorney, expressed that the agenda item as it is written is for administrative purposes and does not affect the item from being heard.

Member Knee, seconded by Member Hyland, moved to CONTINUE Complaint No. 12019 to its January meeting.

Speakers: Paula Datesh expressed that the Arts Commission is not knowledgeable of the Sunshine Ordinance.

The motion PASSED by the following vote:

Ayes: 8 - Knee, Manneh, Pilpel, Sims, David, Hyland, Fischer, Grant

Excused: 1 - Washburn

Absent: 1 - Oka

3. **File No. 12021:** Complaint filed by Larry Littlejohn against Bill Ahern, Medical Examiner for allegedly not providing Medical Examiner logbooks.

Chair Grant indicated the File No. 12021 was resolved.

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4. **Public Comment.**

Speakers: Paula Datesh expressed concern with the operations of the Arts Commission pertaining to the public and fellow street artist; Peter Warfield expressed concern with the Sunshine Ordinance Task Force's complaint procedures.

5. **File No. 12022:** Complaint filed by Leo McFadden against the Department of Building Inspection for allegedly denying access to Freedom of Information Act records.

Member Knee, seconded by Member Sims, moved to find jurisdiction.

There were no speakers.

The motion PASSED by the following vote:

Ayes: 7 - Knee, Manneh, Sims, David, Hyland, Fischer, Grant

Noes: 1- Pilpel

Excused: 1 - Washburn

Absent: 1 - Oka

Leo McFadden (Complainant) provided an overview of the complaint and further requested the Task Force to find violation. There were no speakers in support of the Complainant. Carla Johnson, former employee Department of Building Inspection and Bill Strawn, Department of Building Inspection (Respondents), provided an overview of the Department's defense and further requested the Task Force to dismiss the complaint. There were no speakers in support of the Respondent. A question and answer period followed. Respondent provided a rebuttal. Complainant provided a rebuttal and further requested the Task Force to find violation.

Due to lack of a motion, the Task Force FOUND NO VIOLATION.

6. **File No. 12024:** Complaint filed by Anonymous v Dennis Herrera, City Attorney for allegedly submitting amendments to Land Use and Economic Development Committee that were in violation of the law.

Chair Grant indicated the File No. 12024 was withdrawn.

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7. **File No. 12025:** Complaint filed by Anonymous v Michael Yarne, Office of Economic and Workforce Development, Project Manager Parkmerced Development Project for allegedly not providing sources of outside funding.

Chair Grant indicated the File No. 12025 was withdrawn.

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8. **File No. 12026:** Complaint filed by Anonymous v Municipal Transportation Agency, Board of Directors and Peter Albert, Jessica Manzi and Matt Lasky, Municipal Transportation Agency for allegedly not providing sources of outside funding.

Chair Grant indicated the File No. 12026 was withdrawn.

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9. Announcements, Comments, Questions, and Future Agenda Items.

Chair Grant announced that the regular January meeting of the Task Force will be cancelled and the Administrator is working with Building Management to reserve a hearing room for the weeks of January 6th and 13th for a special meeting.

Member Knee expressed that the Task Force's Chair and committee Chairs must start their reports for submission for the annual report.

Speaker: Peter Warfield expressed concern for a work plan for the Task Force.

10. **ADJOURNMENT.**

Member Knee, seconded by Member Manneh, moved to ADJOURN.

There were no speakers. The motion PASSED without objection.

There being no further business, the Task Force adjourned at the hour of 6:41 p.m.

APPROVED: May 1, 2013

Andrea Ausberry, Administrator Sunshine Ordinance Task Force