

# SUNSHINE ORDINANCE TASK FORCE CITY AND COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO AGENDA

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

# January 16, 2018 - 4:00 PM

# **Special Meeting**

Seat 1	vacant
Seat 2	Eric Eldon
Seat 3	Josh Wolf
Seat 4	Rishi Chopra
Seat 5	Leuwam Tesfai
Seat 6	Bruce Wolfe - Chair

Seat 7Dave MaassSeat 8Frank CannataSeat 9Chris Hyland - Vice ChairSeat 10Louise FischerSeat 11Fiona Hinze

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

# 1. CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL, AND AGENDA CHANGES

- 2. Approval of minutes from the Sunshine Ordinance Task Force December 19, 2017, meeting. (Discussion and Action)(attachment)
- 3. **File No. 17104**: Complaint filed by Kathleen Courtney and the Russian Hill Community Association against Nicholas Foster and the Planning Department for allegedly violating Administrative Code (Sunshine Ordinance), Section 67.21, by failing to respond to a request for public records in a timely and/or complete manner. (*attachment*)

(On October 17, 2017, the Education, Outreach and Training Committee determined that the SOTF has jurisdiction and referred the matter to the SOTF for hearing.)

- a) Hearing on the complaint. (Discussion and Action)
- 4. **File No. 17044**: Hearing to determine if the complaint should be reconsideration due to the findings issued by the Office of the District Attorney on October 18, 2017 -Complaint filed by Laura Clark against the Ethics Commission for allegedly violating Administrative Code (Sunshine Ordinance), Sections 67.7(d), by acting or conduction discussions on an item not appearing on the posted agenda (Ethics Commission April 24, 2017, meeting). (*Discussion and Action*) (*attachment*)

- 5. **File No. 18004:** Hearing to review relevant sections of Administrative Code (Sunshine Ordinance) Chapter 67, California Government Code and other related codes to determine if a member of a Commission/Committee/Task Force who is recused from a matter may provide testimony during public comment or as a witness. (*Discussion and Action*) (*attachment*)
- 6. **File No. 17094**: Complaint filed by Michael Petrelis against President London Breed, Board of Supervisors, for allegedly violating Administrative Code (Sunshine Ordinance), Section 67.25, by failing to respond to an Immediate Disclosure Request in a timely and/or complete manner. (*attachment*)

(On September 26, 2017, the Complaint Committee determined that the SOTF Force has jurisdiction and referred the matter to the SOTF for hearing. On December 6, 2017, the (SOTF continued the matter and requested advice from the Office of the City Attorney.)

- a) Hearing on the complaint. (*Discussion and Action*)
- 7. **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.**
- 8. **File No. 17091**: Complaint filed by Marvin Lambert against the Planning Department and Recreation and Parks for allegedly violating Administrative Code (Sunshine Ordinance), Sections 67.21, 67.24, 67.25, 67.26 and 67.27, by failing to respond to a public records request in a timely and complete manner. (*attachment*)

(On September 19, 2017, the Compliance and Amendments Committee determined that the SOTF has jurisdiction and referred the matter to the SOTF for hearing.)

- a) Hearing on the complaint. (Discussion and Action)
- 9. **File No. 17112**: Complaint filed by Marvin Lambert against the Planning Department for allegedly violating Administrative Code (Sunshine Ordinance), Section 67.21, by failing to respond to a public records request in a timely and complete manner. (*attachment*) (*On November 13, 2017, the Compliance and Amendments Committee determined that the SOTF has jurisdiction and referred the matter to the SOTF for hearing.*)
  - a) Hearing on the complaint. (Discussion and Action)
- 10. **File No. 17135:** Hearing to review Administrative Code (Sunshine Ordinance), Section 67.21, regarding the legality of a named respondent in a public records request, who is in custody of records, transferring their responsibility of fulfilling the request to another member of staff without notifying the requester. (*Discussion and Action*)
- 11. **File No. 17105:** Hearings to review legislation and policy at the Federal, State, and local (San Francisco) level as well as other jurisdictions related to the Sunshine Ordinance and California Public Records Act. (*Discussion and Action*)

# 12. Sunshine Ordinance Task Force - Annual Report. (Discussion and Action)

- 13. **File No. 17103:** Review and possible amendments to the Sunshine Ordinance Task Force By-Laws and Complaint Procedures to review and revised the following (*Discussion and Action*)(*attachment*):
  - Sunshine Ordinance Task Force Hearing Procedure
  - Reconsideration of Order of Determination
  - Rule of Reason

# 14. **Reports from Sunshine Ordinance Task Force Committees**. (Discussion and Action)

- Complaints Committee
- Compliance and Amendments Committee
- Education, Outreach and Training Committee
- Rules Committee
- Information Technology Ad Hoc Committee
- 15. **Sunshine Ordinance Task Force Chair's Report.** (Discussion and Action)(attachment)
  - Ethics Commission Advice regarding Ordinance 001-17 (Behested Payment Ordinance)
- 16. Administrator's Report, Complaints and Communications. (Discussion and Action)(attachment)
  - Task Force and Committee hearing schedule
  - Complaints submitted and hearing files created
  - Communications to the Task Force
  - Summary of pending complaints and other issues
- 17. Announcements, Comments, Questions, and Future Agenda Items by Members of the Sunshine Ordinance Task Force. (Discussion and Action)

# 18. **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.

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: <u>http://www.sfbos.org/sunshine</u>.

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

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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.

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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) 554-7854; or email 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 <u>http://www.sfbos.org/sunshine</u>.

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