



**City and County of San Francisco**  
**Meeting Minutes**  
**Public Utilities and Deregulation Committee**

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

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Tuesday, July 20, 1999

1:00 PM

City Hall, Room 263

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**Regular Meeting**

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## Meeting Convened

*The meeting convened at 1:11 P.M.*

**Present:** 3 - Tom Ammiano, Leland Yee, and Alicia Becerril

## REGULAR AGENDA

### 981866 [Sutro Tower]

**Sponsors: Yee; Ammiano and Bierman**

Hearing to consider the permitting process and oversight of work at Sutro Tower.

11/02/98; RECEIVED AND ASSIGNED to Economic Development, Transportation, and Technology Committee.

01/25/99; TRANSFERRED to Public Utilities and Deregulation Committee.

05/27/99; CONTINUED TO CALL OF THE CHAIR. Heard in Committee. Speakers: Frank Chiu, Director, Department of Building Inspection; Jim Miller, Department of Planning; Christine Linnerach; Nancy Hogan; Charlene Chinn; Robert McCarthy.

*Heard in Committee. Speakers: Supervisor Bierman; Frank Chiu, Director, Department of Building Inspection; Jim Hutchinson, Deputy Director, Department of Building Inspection; Hanson Tom, Department of Building Inspection; Debra Stein, representing Sutro Tower; Christine Linnerach, attorney representing Twin Peaks Association; Catherine Goldman, President, Twin Peaks Improvement Association; Nancy Hogan, past President, Twin Peaks Association; John Ridenour; Bob Inderca; Joyce; Patricia Vaughey, Christopher Beaver, Noe Valley Families; Tracey Hughes; Mary Gallagher, Zoning Administrator, Planning Department.*

**A motion was made that this matter be CONTINUED TO CALL OF THE CHAIR. The motion carried by the following vote:**

Ayes: 3 - Ammiano, Yee, Becerril

**990313 [Water and Sewer Maintenance Program]****Sponsor: Yee**

Hearing to consider the Public Utilities Commission's water and sewer maintenance program.

02/17/99; RECEIVED AND ASSIGNED to Finance and Labor Committee.

04/13/99; TRANSFERRED to Public Utilities and Deregulation Committee.

05/27/99; CONTINUED TO CALL OF THE CHAIR.

*Heard in Committee. Speakers: Anson Moran, General Manager, Public Utilities Commission; Holger Gantz, Bob Begley, Hotel Council; Richard Bodisco; Nate Ratner; Jane Nurrie; Emeric Kulman; Jerry Hamilton, Joan Girardot; George Duggan.*

**A motion was made that this matter be CONTINUED TO CALL OF THE CHAIR. The motion carried by the following vote:**

Ayes: 3 - Ammiano, Yee, Becerril

**991386 [Community Aggregation of Electricity]****Sponsors: Ammiano; Bierman**

Resolution urging the California Legislature to amend the State's electric deregulation law, Chapter 854 of 1996, Sections 366(A) and (B) to authorize San Francisco and any other California municipal corporation, upon a majority vote of its governing body or registered voters, to designate itself as the automatic aggregator of electricity on behalf of its residents and businesses, such that residents and businesses shall be automatically included in the jurisdiction's community aggregated electricity buyers' group, unless exercising a choice for the existing electrical corporation or another provider.

07/12/99; RECEIVED AND ASSIGNED to Public Utilities and Deregulation Committee.

*Heard in Committee. Speakers: Paul Fenn; Lester Olmstead-Rose, PH&E, Robert Layman.*

**A motion was made that this matter be RECOMMENDED. The motion carried by the following vote:**

Ayes: 2 - Ammiano, Yee

Absent: 1 - Becerril

**991252 [Transfer Control Over Public Access Channel to San Francisco Community Television Corporation]****Sponsor: Bierman**

Resolution designating August 1, 1999 as the date the Cable Television Franchise Grantee (TCI) shall transfer management and control over the Public Access Channel to the San Francisco Community Television Corporation (SFCTC) and supporting sufficient funding for the public access program in the Department of Telecommunications and Information budget.

06/01/99; RECEIVED AND ASSIGNED to Public Utilities and Deregulation Committee.

*Heard in Committee. Speakers: Supervisor Bierman; Zane Blaney. Amended. On Page 1, line 2, line 22 and on Page 2 line 8 replace "August 1, 1999" with "not later than September 1, 1999".*

**AMENDED**

Resolution designating not later than September 1, 1999 as the date the Cable Television Franchise Grantee (TCI) shall transfer management and control over the Public Access Channel to the San Francisco Community Television Corporation (SFCTC) and supporting sufficient funding for the public access program in the Department of Telecommunications and Information budget.

**A motion was made that this matter be RECOMMENDED AS AMENDED. The motion carried by the following vote:**

Ayes: 2 - Ammiano, Yee

Absent: 1 - Becerril

**991178 [Cable Access Channel Management Services]****Sponsor: Bierman**

Resolution supporting the continued management of the government cable access channel, Citywatch, by the nonprofit corporation known as the San Francisco Community Television Corporation (CTC) and urging the Department of Telecommunications and Information Services (DTIS) to continue the personal services contract with CTC to provide management services.

06/14/99; RECEIVED AND ASSIGNED to Public Utilities and Deregulation Committee.

06/23/99; CONTINUED TO CALL OF THE CHAIR. Heard in Committee. Continued at the request of sponsor. Speaker: June Gutfleisch, Legislative Aide to Supervisor Bierman.

*Heard in Committee. Speaker: Supervisor Bierman.*

**A motion was made that this matter be CONTINUED TO CALL OF THE CHAIR. The motion carried by the following vote:**

Ayes: 2 - Ammiano, Yee

Absent: 1 - Becerril

**991388 [PG&E Power Outage December 8, 1998]****Sponsor: Ammiano**

Hearing to consider the December 8, 1998 PG&E power outage.

07/12/99; RECEIVED AND ASSIGNED to Public Utilities and Deregulation Committee.

**A motion was made that this matter be CONTINUED TO CALL OF THE CHAIR. The motion carried by the following vote:**

Ayes: 2 - Ammiano, Yee

Absent: 1 - Becerril

**ADJOURNMENT**

*The meeting adjourned at 3:57 P.M.*