

# City and County of San Francisco Meeting Agenda

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# **Government Audit and Oversight Committee**

Members: Dean Preston, Connie Chan, Rafael Mandelman

Clerk: John Carroll (415) 554-4445

Thursday, March 17, 2022

10:00 AM

**Regular Meeting** 

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## **ROLL CALL AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

## AGENDA CHANGES

#### COMMUNICATIONS

#### **REGULAR AGENDA**

# 1. <u>211314</u> [Dogpatch & Northwest Potrero Hill Green Benefit District - Annual Report - FY2020-2021]

Sponsor: Walton

Resolution receiving and approving an annual report for the Dogpatch & Northwest Potrero Hill Green Benefit District for Fiscal Year (FY) 2020-2021, submitted as required by the Property and Business Improvement District Law of 1994 (California Streets and Highways Code, Sections 36600, et seq.), Section 36650, and the District's management agreement with the City, Section 3.4.

12/14/21; RECEIVED AND ASSIGNED to the Government Audit and Oversight Committee.

12/21/21; REFERRED TO DEPARTMENT.

#### **2**. **220200**

# [Accept and Expend Grant - Retroactive - California Department of Public Health Substance and Addiction Prevention Branch - Overdose Prevention Initiative - \$312,966]

Sponsor: Peskin

Ordinance retroactively authorizing the Office of the Chief Medical Examiner to accept and expend a grant in the amount of \$312,966 from the California Department of Public Health, Substance and Addiction Prevention Branch; and authorizing the addition of one grant-funded temporary Class 2456 Forensic Toxicologist, for the period beginning February 1, 2022, through August 31, 2023. (Medical Examiner/Coroner)

3/1/22; ASSIGNED to the Government Audit and Oversight Committee.

The Chair intends to entertain a motion to refer this item to the full Board as a Committee Report for consideration on March 22, 2022.

# 3. <u>211321</u> [Hearing - Implementation of SFMTA Racial Equity Plan] Sponsor: Chan

Hearing on the implementation of San Francisco's Municipal Transportation Agency's (SFMTA) Racial Equity Action Plan; and requesting the SFMTA and Office of Racial Equity to report.

12/23/21; RECEIVED AND ASSIGNED to the Government Audit and Oversight Committee.

12/30/21: REFERRED TO DEPARTMENT.

# 4. 220156 [Hearing - Impact of Plastic Recycling Management and Plastic Pollution in San Francisco]

Sponsor: Chan

Hearing on the impact of plastic recycling management and plastic pollution in San Francisco; and requesting the Department of the Environment, Public Works, and Recology to report.

2/8/22; RECEIVED AND ASSIGNED to the Land Use and Transportation Committee.

2/16/22; REFERRED TO DEPARTMENT.

2/17/22; TRANSFERRED to the Government Audit and Oversight Committee.

#### LITIGATION

## **Conference with City Attorney**

[Convene in Closed Session - Existing Litigation - City as Plaintiff and/or Defendant] Motion that the Government Audit and Oversight Committee of the Board of Supervisors convene in closed session with the City Attorney for the purpose of conferring with, or receiving advice from, the City Attorney regarding the following existing litigation and anticipated litigation. Administrative Code Section 67.10(d) permit this closed session. Discussion in open session concerning these matters would likely and unavoidably prejudice the position of the City in the pending lawsuits and claims listed below.

After a closed session, if one occurs, the Committee shall adopt a motion either to disclose or not to disclose.

## 5. <u>220191</u> [Settlement of Lawsuit - David Alfaro, et al. - \$3,626,444.85]

Ordinance authorizing final settlement of the lawsuit filed by David Alfaro, et al. against the City and County of San Francisco for \$3,626,444.85; the lawsuit was filed on August 20, 2015, in San Francisco Superior Court, Case No. CGC-15-547492; entitled David Alfaro, et al. v. City and County of San Francisco; the lawsuit involves inverse condemnation arising out of flooding damage during major rainstorms in December of 2014; this settlement relates only to the claims for statutory attorney's fees, costs and interest and completely resolves the litigation. (City Attorney)

2/25/22; RECEIVED FROM DEPARTMENT.

3/8/22; RECEIVED AND ASSIGNED to the Government Audit and Oversight Committee.

# 6. <u>220193</u> [Settlement of Lawsuit - Dennis Richards, Rachel Swann, Six Dogs, LLC - \$1,800,000]

Ordinance authorizing settlement of the lawsuit filed by Dennis Richards, Rachel Swann and Six Dogs, LLC against the City and County of San Francisco for \$1,800,000; the lawsuit was filed on February 21, 2020, in United States District Court, Case No. 20-cv-01242-JCS; entitled Dennis Richards, et al. v. Department of Building Inspection, et al.; the lawsuit involves alleged civil rights violations and claims that the Department of Building Inspection revoked building permits to retaliate against persons critical of the Department. (City Attorney)

2/25/22; RECEIVED FROM DEPARTMENT.

3/8/22; RECEIVED AND ASSIGNED to the Government Audit and Oversight Committee.

## 7. <u>220194</u> [Settlement of Lawsuit - Leticia Avila - \$275,000]

Ordinance authorizing settlement of the lawsuit filed by Leticia Avila against the City and County of San Francisco for \$275,000; the lawsuit was filed on December 4, 2019, in San Francisco Superior Court, Case No. CGC-19-581286; entitled Leticia Avila vs. City and County of San Francisco, Human Services Agency; the lawsuit involves an employment dispute. (City Attorney)

2/25/22: RECEIVED FROM DEPARTMENT.

3/8/22; RECEIVED AND ASSIGNED to the Government Audit and Oversight Committee.

## 8. 220195 [Settlement of Lawsuit - Lawrence Thomas - \$150,000]

Ordinance authorizing settlement of the lawsuit filed by Lawrence Thomas against the City and County of San Francisco for \$150,000; the lawsuit was filed on July 28, 2020, in San Francisco Superior Court, Case No. CGC-20-585622; entitled David Hawkins and Lawrence Thomas v. City and County of San Francisco; the lawsuit involves an employment dispute. (City Attorney)

2/25/22; RECEIVED FROM DEPARTMENT.

3/8/22; RECEIVED AND ASSIGNED to the Government Audit and Oversight Committee.

# 9. <u>220170</u> [Settlement of Unlitigated Claim - Christine H. Russell - \$175,500 Plus Statutory Interest]

Resolution approving the settlement of the unlitigated claim filed by Christine H. Russell against the City and County of San Francisco for \$175,500 plus statutory interest; the claim was filed on August 2, 2021; the claim involves an alleged overpayment of real property transfer taxes. (City Attorney)

2/14/22; RECEIVED FROM DEPARTMENT.

3/1/22; RECEIVED AND ASSIGNED to the Government Audit and Oversight Committee.

[Elect To Disclose]

Motion that the Board finds it is in the public interest to disclose information discussed in closed session, and directs the Chair immediately to disclose that information.

[Elect Not To Disclose]

Motion that the Committee finds that it is in the best interest of the public that the Committee elect at this time not to disclose its closed session deliberations listed above.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

## **LEGISLATION UNDER THE 30-DAY RULE**

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There is no legislation pending under the 30-Day Rule.

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