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Dear Members of the Board of Supervisors

I am a resident of District 5, and writing in support of Supervisor Peskin's proposal to change the rules regarding the issuance of subpoenas *deuces tecum* at the Audit and Oversight committee. I could not find a specific resolution at Legislative Research Center, so I am addressing this comment to the Board *at large*.

Local Agency subpoena power is sadly underutilized in California. The farcical public hearing process running rampant in our pay-to-play political culture too often gives way to astroturfing and misrepresentation. There is no consequence for lying to the board. It is the job of the Board of Supervisors to make investigation so as to ascertain facts for proposals of local legislation.

Moreover, Supervisor Peskin's proposal should be extended to the Police Commission, (which should also be given power of oversight in regard to the Sheriff's Dept.) Our law enforcement officials testify under penalty of perjury in courtrooms all the time, so demanding they do so before the Police Commission is not too much to ask.

Regarding the Nuru arrest, my understanding is in the "Shrimp Boy" operation, Deputy City Attorney David Pfeiffer and Dennis Herrera's political advisor Matthew Rothschild tipped off a number of investigation targets - essentially throwing Zula Jones (whom everyone already knew was crooked) under the bus and letting Leland Yee walk into a trap. The current operation seems to have "learned" from the endemic corruption in the City Attorney's office. It is very likely you are being given self-serving legal advice.

Yours truly,
Thomas Busse