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MEMORANDUM

GOVERNMENT AUDIT AND OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE

SAN FRANCISCO BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

TO: Supervisor Jackie Fielder, Chair
Government Audit and Oversight Committee

FROM: Monique Crayton, Assistant Clerk

DATE: July 18, 2025

SUBJECT: **COMMITTEE REPORT, BOARD MEETING**
Tuesday, July 22, 2025

The following file should be presented as COMMITTEE REPORT at the regular Board meeting on Tuesday, July 22, 2025. This ordinance was acted upon at the Regular Government Audit and Oversight Committee meeting on Thursday, July 17, 2025, at 10:00 a.m., by the votes indicated.

Item No. 53 File No. 250570

Ordinance authorizing a partial settlement of the lawsuit filed by Ralph Bower against the City and County of San Francisco for \$400,000; the lawsuit was filed on April 10, 2023, in San Francisco Superior Court, Case No. CGC-23-605730; entitled Ralph Bower, et al. v. City and County of San Francisco; the lawsuit involves alleged personal injury on a City street.

RECOMMENDED AS A COMMITTEE REPORT

Vote: Supervisor Jackie Fielder - Aye
Supervisor Danny Sauter - Aye
Supervisor Stephen Sherrill - Aye

Cc: Board of Supervisors
Angela Calvillo, Clerk of the Board
Alisa Somera, Legislative Deputy
Brad Russi, Deputy City Attorney

File No. 250570

Committee Item No. 16

Board Item No. 53

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Committee: Government Audit and Oversight

Date: July 17, 2025

Board of Supervisors Meeting:

Date: July 22, 2025

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Prepared by: Monique Crayton

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1 [Settlement of Lawsuit - Ralph Bower - \$400,000]

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3 **Ordinance authorizing a partial settlement of the lawsuit filed by Ralph Bower against**
4 **the City and County of San Francisco for \$400,000; the lawsuit was filed on April 10,**
5 **2023, in San Francisco Superior Court, Case No. CGC-23-605730; entitled Ralph Bower,**
6 **et al. v. City and County of San Francisco; the lawsuit involves alleged personal injury**
7 **on a City street.**

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9 Be it ordained by the People of the City and County of San Francisco:

10 Section 1. Pursuant to Charter Section 6.102(5), the Board of Supervisors hereby
11 authorizes the City Attorney to settle the action entitled Ralph Bower, et al. v. City and County
12 of San Francisco, San Francisco Superior Court, Case No. CGC-23-605730 by the payment
13 of \$400,000. The lawsuit involves alleged personal injury on a City street.

14 Section 2. The above-named action was filed in San Francisco Superior Court on April
15 10, 2023, and the following parties were named in the lawsuit: Plaintiffs Ralph Bower,
16 Veronica Fulton, Aidan Gauper and Cory Maryott; Defendant City and County of San
17 Francisco. This is a partial settlement of the case involving Plaintiff Ralph Bower only.

1 APPROVED AS TO FORM AND
2 RECOMMENDED:

3 DAVID CHIU
4 City Attorney

5 /s/ Jennifer E. Choi
6 JENNIFER E. CHOI
7 Chief Trial Deputy

8 FUNDS AVAILABLE:

9 /s/ Michelle Allersma for Greg Wagner
10 GREG WAGNER
11 Controller

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RECOMMENDED:

SAN FRANCISCO PUBLIC UTILITIES
COMMISSION

/s/
DENNIS HERRERA
General Manager

APPROVED

/s/
TIFFANY LENNEAR
Director of Commission Affairs
San Francisco Public Utilities Commission

Member, Board of Supervisors
District 9



City and County of San Francisco

JACKIE FIELDER

DATE:	July 10, 2025
TO:	Angela Calvillo Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
FROM:	Supervisor Jackie Fielder, Chair, Government Audit and Oversight Committee
RE:	Government Audit and Oversight Committee COMMITTEE REPORTS

Pursuant to Board Rule 4.20, as Chair of Government Audit and Oversight Committee, I have deemed the following matter is of an urgent nature and request that it be considered by the full Board on Tuesday, July 22, 2025, as a Committee Report:

1. File No. 250570 - Settlement of Lawsuit - Ralph Bower - \$400,000

This matter will be heard in the Government Audit and Oversight Committee at a Regular Meeting on Thursday, July 17, 2025, at 10:00 a.m.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Jackie Fielder".

Jackie Fielder