From: AJ cho

To: <u>Calvillo, Angela (BOS)</u>

Subject: Restore remote public comment at Board of Supervisors committee meetings!

Date: Wednesday, April 2, 2025 4:28:46 PM

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From: Ann Dorsey

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