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SUNSHINE ORDINANCE TASK FORCE

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Authority:

Administrative Code, Section 67.30 (Ordinance Nos. 265-93; 118-94; 432-94; 287-96; 198-96; 387-98; and Proposition G, November 1999)

Board Qualifications:

The Sunshine Ordinance Task Force (the "Task Force") was established to advise the Board of Supervisors and provide information to other City departments on appropriate ways in which to implement Administrative Code, Chapter 67 (The San Francisco Sunshine Ordinance of 1999) (the "Ordinance"). The Task Force shall develop goals to ensure practice and timely implementation of the Ordinance; propose amendments to the Ordinance; receive and review the annual report of the Supervisor of Public Records and may request additional reports or information; and make referrals to a municipal office with enforcement power under the Ordinance, the California Public Records Act, or the Brown Act, whenever it concludes a person has violated the provisions of the Ordinance.

The Task Force consists of a total of thirteen (13) members:

- > Eleven (11) voting members appointed by the Board of Supervisors
 - Two (2) members nominated by the local chapter of the Society of Professional Journalists; one (1) shall be an attorney and one (1) shall be a journalist.
 - One (1) member shall be a member from the press or electronic media.
 - One (1) member shall be a journalist from a racial/ethnic-minority-owned news organization and nominated by New California Media.
 - One (1) member nominated by the local chapter of the League of Women Voters.
 - Two (2) members of the public experienced in consumer advocacy.
 - Four (4) members of the public who have demonstrated interest in, or have experience in,

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the issues of citizen access and participation in local government.

- > One (1) member shall be the Mayor, or his/her designee, and serve as a non-voting member.
- > One (1) member shall be the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors, or his/her designee, and serve as a non-voting member.

At all times, the Task Force shall include at least one member who shall be a member of the public who is physically handicapped. All members must have experience and/or demonstrated interest in the issues of citizen access and participation in local government. The City Attorney's Office shall assign an attorney to the Task Force who is experienced in public-access law matters and serve as a legal advisor and advocate to the Task Force.

The term of each appointed member shall be two years unless removed by the Board of Supervisors. In the event of such removal or vacancy during the term of office of any appointive member, a successor shall be appointed for the unexpired term of the office vacated.

In addition to regular Task Force meetings, Task Force members are expected to participate in committee work.

Reports: The Task Force shall report annually to the Board of Supervisors on any practical or policy problems encountered in the Administration of the Ordinance. The Task Force shall, as it sees fit, issue public reports evaluating compliance with the Ordinance and related California laws by the City or any department, office or official.

Sunset Date: None.
