



City and County of San Francisco
Meeting Minutes
Government Audit and Oversight Committee

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Thursday, April 17, 2025

10:00 AM

City Hall, Legislative Chamber, Room 250

Regular Meeting

Present: 3 - Jackie Fielder, Danny Sauter, and Stephen Sherrill

The Government Audit and Oversight Committee met in regular session on Thursday, April 17, 2025, with Chair Jackie Fielder presiding. Chair Fielder called the meeting to order at 10:02 a.m.

ROLL CALL AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

On the call of the roll, Chair Fielder and Members Sauter and Sherrill were noted present. A quorum of the committee was present.

COMMUNICATIONS

Monique Crayton, Government, Audit and Oversight Committee Clerk, instructed members of the public that public comment is taken on each item on the agenda. Alternatively, written comments may be submitted through email (monique.crayton@sfgov.org) or the U.S. Postal Service at City Hall, 1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place, Room 244, San Francisco, CA 94102.

AGENDA CHANGES

There were no agenda changes.

REGULAR AGENDA

250237 [Urging the Mayor to Rescind or Drastically Reform Family Shelter Length of Stay Limits and work with HSH to Develop Policies that Minimize Harm to Families]

Sponsors: Fielder; Chen, Melgar and Walton

Resolution urging the Mayor to rescind or drastically reform the family shelter length of stay policy and work with the Department of Homelessness and Supportive Housing (HSH) and the Board of Supervisors to develop reforms that avoid placing undue stress on families, while improving flow in the system, including increasing shelter and housing options to address family homelessness.

03/11/25; RECEIVED AND ASSIGNED to Public Safety and Neighborhood Services Committee.

03/18/25; REFERRED TO DEPARTMENT. Referred to the Mayor's Office and Department of Homelessness and Supportive Housing for informational purposes.

04/10/25; TRANSFERRED to Government Audit and Oversight Committee.

Heard in Committee. Speaker(s): Emily Cohen, Marion Sanders (Department of Homelessness and Supportive Housing); provided an overview and responded to questions raised throughout the discussion. Speaker; Sonya, Speaker; Speaker; Speaker; Vanessa; Jenny Ruby; Maria; Speaker; Emily; Speaker; Anna; Speaker; Speaker; Anna; Jeannette; Speaker; Speaker; Elaine Ellis; Erica; Laura Valdez (Mission Action); Mario Paz (Good Samaritan Family Resource Center, Inc.); Nick Chandler; Justin; Tuesday Thornton; Speaker; Marta Gomez, Mario Flores (Latino Taskforce); Ted; Miguel; Antonio; Speaker; Jackie; Michelle; Sarah; Yolanda Gonzago; Sam; Avery; Gwen Loughlin; Joaquin Guerrero (Homelessness and Oversight Commission); Dr. Isabel Sunshine; John Avalos (Council of Community Housing Organizations); Matt Alexander (Board of Education); Speaker; Theresa; Brenda; Speaker; Jerry; Dina; Isaac; spoke in support of the resolution matter.

Supervisor Sherrill moved that this Resolution be CONTINUED TO CALL OF THE CHAIR. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 2 - Sauter, Sherrill

Noes: 1 - Fielder

LITIGATION

Chair Fielder requested File Nos. 250207, 250245, and 250246 be called together.

Heard in Committee. Speaker(s): None.

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.

Chair Fielder elected not to convene in Closed Session.

250207 [Settlement of Lawsuit - Chau Nancy Xiong - \$285,000]

Ordinance authorizing settlement of the lawsuit filed by Chau Nancy Xiong against the City and County of San Francisco for \$285,000; the lawsuit was filed on September 6, 2023, in San Francisco Superior Court, Case No. CGC-23-608883; entitled Chau Nancy Xiong v. The City and County of San Francisco dba Zuckerberg San Francisco General Hospital and Trauma Center, et al.; the lawsuit involves an employment dispute. (City Attorney)

02/26/25; RECEIVED FROM DEPARTMENT.

03/11/25; RECEIVED AND ASSIGNED to Government Audit and Oversight Committee.

Chair Fielder moved that this Ordinance be RECOMMENDED... The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 3 - Fielder, Sauter, Sherrill

250245 [Settlement of Lawsuit - Jenny Ramirez Valdivia - \$75,000]

Ordinance authorizing a payment of \$75,000 to the Tort Claims Trust established by the Second Amended Joint Chapter 11 Plan of Liquidation of Bird Global, Inc., Bird Rides, Inc., Bird US Holdco, LLC, Bird US Opco, LLC, and Skinny Labs, Inc. (collectively, "Bird"), approved by the United States Bankruptcy Court, In re: Bird Global, Inc., et al., no. 23-20514-CLC (Bankr. S.D. Fla.), in order to resolve the lawsuit filed by Jenny Ramirez Valdivia against the City and County of San Francisco; the lawsuit was filed on August 10, 2021, in San Francisco Superior Court, Case No. CGC-21-594081; entitled Jenny Ramirez Valdivia v. City and County of San Francisco; the lawsuit involves an alleged dangerous condition of public property encountered while riding a Bird scooter; once the Tort Claims Trust is funded, the terms of Bird's Second Amended Joint Chapter 11 Plan of Liquidation provide that the lawsuit shall be paid solely and exclusively from the Tort Claims Trust, which shall assume any and all liability of the City and County of San Francisco for such lawsuit. (City Attorney)

03/14/25; RECEIVED FROM DEPARTMENT.

03/25/25; RECEIVED AND ASSIGNED to Government Audit and Oversight Committee.

Chair Fielder moved that this Ordinance be RECOMMENDED... The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 3 - Fielder, Sauter, Sherrill

250246 [Settlement of Lawsuit - San Francisco Apartment Association, And Small Property Owners Of San Francisco Institute - \$135,000]

Ordinance authorizing settlement of the lawsuit filed by San Francisco Apartment Association, And Small Property Owners Of San Francisco Institute against the City and County of San Francisco for \$135,000; the lawsuit was filed on March 21, 2022, in San Francisco County Superior Court, Case No. CPF-22-517718; entitled San Francisco Apartment Association, et al. v. City and County of San Francisco; the lawsuit involves a Petition for Writ of Mandate challenging Ordinance No. 18-22, which amended San Francisco Administrative Code, Section 37.9, to require landlords pursuing certain types of evictions to first provide their tenants written notice and an opportunity to cure, unless the eviction is based on an imminent health or safety issue or the nonpayment of COVID-19 rental debt. (City Attorney)

03/14/25; RECEIVED FROM DEPARTMENT.

03/25/25; RECEIVED AND ASSIGNED to Government Audit and Oversight Committee.

Chair Fielder moved that this Ordinance be RECOMMENDED... The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 3 - Fielder, Sauter, Sherrill

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the Government Audit and Oversight Committee adjourned at the hour of 1:02 p.m.

N.B. The Minutes of this meeting set forth all actions taken by the Government Audit and Oversight Committee on the matters stated, but not necessarily in the chronological sequence in which the matters were taken up.