

Petitions and Communications received from December 30, 2008 through January 5, 2009 for reference by the President to Committee considering related matters or to be ordered filed by the Clerk on January 13, 2009. File 090038

From concerned citizens, urging the City and County of San Francisco to restore Sharp Park Golf Course. 5 letters (1)

From Municipal Transportation Agency, submitting the 2009 Climate Action Plan Draft for Public Review. (2)

From Clerk of the Board, submitting notice that the following individual has submitted a Form 700 Statement of Economic Interests: (3)
Gerardo Sandoval, Supervisor
John Avalos, Supervisor-Elect
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From Supervisor Peskin, submitting appointment of Supervisor David Campos to serve as Vice Chair of the Land Use and Economic Development Committee. (4)

From Ahimsa Sumchai, regarding the closure of Laguna Honda Hospital's Adult Day Health Care Program. 3 letters (5)

From Office of the Mayor, submitting appointment of Barbara Sklar as a member of the Commission on the Status of Women for term expiring on November 18, 2010. Copy: Rules Committee (6)

From Office of the Mayor, submitting appointment of Joy Boatwright as a member of the Civil Service Commission for term expiring on June 30, 2011. (7)

From Office of the Mayor, submitting letter withdrawing Sue Lee's name (pursuant to her request) as a nominee to the Historic Preservation Commission. Copy: Rules Committee (8)

From Office of the Mayor, submitting letter withdrawing Tammy Chan's name (pursuant to her request) as a nominee to the Historic Preservation Commission. Copy: Rules Committee (9)

From James Chaffee, submitting letter entitled "Grand Jury Report – Accountability Denied" dated November 4, 2008. (10)

From Jason Mass, submitting opposition to the appointment of Jonathan Pearlman as member of the Historic Preservation Commission. (11)

From Jim Meko, regarding the draft Western SoMa Community Plan currently undergoing environmental review. (12)

From Clare Hyland, urging the Board of Supervisors to slow down and reconsider the Mayor's appointments to the Historic Preservation Commission and ask for a more appropriate and better-qualified slate of candidates. (13)

From Verna Shaheen, submitting support for the appointment of Charles Chase as member to the Historic Preservation Commission. (14)

From Paul Nisbett, commenting on the 6 Muni supervisors making almost \$200,000 a year (Examiner 1/5/09). Copy: Muni (15)

From concerned citizens, regarding the Mayor's nominees to the SF Historic Preservation Commission. 2 letters (16)

From Professional & Technical Engineers, Local 21, submitting copy of letter sent to the Civil Service Commission concerning Personal Services Contracts. Copy: Each Supervisor (17)

From Linda Wheeler, commenting on the changing of "No Parking" signs back and forth. (18)

From Kimo Crossman, commenting on Mayor Newsom's YouTube speech. (19)

From Rita Lark, regarding the alleged problems at the Hamilton Family Shelter. Copy: Supervisor Daly (20)

From Dr. Patrick Gianetto, urging the Board to take a closer look at the management of the San Francisco Zoo. (21)

From Christian Holmer, regarding access to email from Supervisor Ammiano's City Hall Offices. (22)



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Marcia McDuffie

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MEMORANDUM

DATE: December 18, 2008

TO: SFMTA Board of Directors
Rev. Dr. James McCray, Jr., Chairman
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THROUGH: Nathaniel P. Ford, Sr. 
Executive Director/CEO

FROM:  Carter R. Rohan, R.A. 
Senior Director, Transportation Planning and Development

SUBJECT: 2009 Climate Action Plan Draft for Public Review

As required by provisions of Proposition A, the enclosed 2009 San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency Climate Action Plan draft for public review has been prepared for submittal to the San Francisco Board of Supervisors on January 1, 2009. This draft has been crafted with input from over 30 SFMTA staff in their areas of expertise, as well as from numerous City departmental partners, the Mayor's Office, the San Francisco Department of Environment, San Francisco Public Utilities Commission and through other key resources.

The 2009 Climate Action Plan draft summarizes the SFMTA's current climate change "footprint" in terms of greenhouse gas (GHG) emission totals. In 2002 the Board of Supervisors passed the Greenhouse Gas Emissions Reduction Resolution, which calls for reducing emissions to 1990 GHG levels 20 percent by 2012. SFMTA will likely meet this goal. Since 1990 the SFMTA has replaced its diesel motor coach fleet with modern, low-emission models by introducing fuel efficient hybrid buses, all fueled with biodiesel. The City as a whole has reduced 1990 GHG emissions by roughly five percent.

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In addition to the City departmental goal of a 20 percent reduction, Proposition A, passed by voters in November 2007, includes a 20 percent reduction goal specific to the entire transportation sector. While the SFMTA contributes one percent to the City's overall GHG footprint, among City departments the SFMTA is especially able to effect significant reductions in the transportation sector as private automobiles account for 60 percent of the problem. The SFMTA *2009 Climate Action Plan* outlines steps needed to address this goal, including emission free vehicles, fewer vehicle miles traveled and modal shift to transit, bicycles and walking.

No later than January 1, 2010, the Board of Supervisors will adopt legislation setting transportation sector GHG emission reduction goals. Since 20 percent transportation sector reduction goals are not obtainable, the SFMTA must work with stakeholders in the next year to help set necessarily aggressive yet optimistically realistic future targets.

Please do not hesitate to contact Marty Mellerer, the SFMTA's Manager of Climate, with any comments or questions at 415.701.4460 or marty.mellerer@sfmta.com.

Enclosure

CC: Mayor Gavin Newsom
San Francisco Board of Supervisors
San Francisco Department of Environment
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CLIMATE ACTION PLAN

Document is available
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Date: January 2, 2009
To: Members of the Board of Supervisors
From: Angela Calvillo, Clerk of the Board
Subject: Form 700

This is to inform you that the following individual has submitted a Form 700 Statement of Economic Interests to my office.

Gerardo Sandoval, Supervisor
John Avalos, Supervisor-Elect
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President, Board of Supervisors



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January 5, 2009

TO: Angela Calvillo
Clerk, Board of Supervisors

RE: Land Use Committee Appointment

I hereby appoint David Campos to serve as the Vice Chair of the Land Use and Economic Development Committee.



Aaron Peskin



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Subject Public Testimony Opposing Closure of Laguna Honda
Hospital's Adult Day Health Care Program

Dear Mr. Soos,

As a former physician specialist with the Department of Public Health and the granddaughter of a senior who was cared for by Laguna Honda Hospital Health Professionals for over 20 years, I would like to join Mr. Monette-Shaw in opposing the proposed closure of the Adult Day Health Care Program at LHH. Laguna Honda has been burdened to assume a disproportionately negative impact in efforts to balance the cities health care budget. We cannot send a message to seniors and the most vulnerable members of our city family that their needs are of lowest priority.

Ahimsa Porter Sumchai, M.D. NSCA-CPT

Date: Sat, 3 Jan 2009 17:11:05 -0800

To:
Subject: Alert: Public Testimony Urgently Needed Regarding Closure of Laguna Honda
Hospital's Adult Day Health Care Program

Dear Friends,

On Tuesday, January 6, the Health Commission is holding yet another illegal and fake "Bielenson hearing" to consider mid-year budget cuts to the Department of Public Health's Fiscal Year '08-'09 budget. The Health Commission's January 6 meeting is scheduled for 4:00 p.m. in Room 302 at 101 Grove Street.

Section 1442.5 of California's Health and Safety code requires that the county Board of Supervisors hold Bielenson hearings whenever cuts are proposed to healthcare programs serving the county's medically-indigent citizens, which hearings are not delegable to a Health Commission — whether proposed by the Mayor, the Board of Supervisors, or by the Health Commission. In March 2008 when the Health Commission considered mid-year budget cuts to the Fiscal Year '07-'08 budget, Board of Supervisors president Aaron Peksin's office informed me Peskin was acting on oral advice from the City Attorney's office that he could delegate Bielenson Hearings to the Health Commission. Peskin can't, under state law, delegate these hearings; Peskin, the Health Commission, Director of Public Health Mitch Katz, the Mayor, and City Attorney Dennis Herrera all know this.

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Now ten months later, Peskin is still relying on improper oral advice from an un-named source in the City Attorney's office.

According to a response I received to a December 2008 public records request, the only mid-year budget cuts facing Laguna Honda Hospital and Rehabilitation Center's FY '08-'09 budget is to its Adult Day Health Program.

On November 25, 2008, the Health Commission was told that an alternative, cost-neutral proposal to keep LHH's ADHC program open would be presented to the Health Commission for its review. The minutes of the November 25 Health Commission states:

“Commissioner Illig asked whether the budget neutral proposal from the LHH ADHC is viable. John Kanaley, Administrator for LHH responded that he was given a short time to make cuts and that he tried to make them budget neutral. He added that the ADHC staff has been diligent. The proposal adds a census of 13 additional clients with partial reductions in staff time. He believed that the proposal looks pretty good at first blush, and agreed to review it further with the [Department of Public Health] finance staff and bring it back to the [Health] Commission.”

But the minutes of both the Health Commission's December 2 and December 16 meetings do not mention Laguna Honda at all, nor do the minutes of either meeting show that the budget-neutral proposal to keep LHH's ADHC program open was even discussed by the Health Commission. Additionally, the Health Commission's subcommittee charged with hearing Laguna Honda matters — the LHH-Joint Conference Committee — canceled its December 17 meeting, where the budget-neutral proposal to keep LHH's ADHC opened should have been considered before hearing the matter at the full Health Commission.

Now, a month-and-a-half after the Health Commission was informed last November by Kanaley that an alternative proposal to keep LHH's ADHC open was considered viable, the Health Commission is acting as if they have never heard of, or been presented with, the budget-neutral alternative proposal. In response to my public records request of December 12, the Health Commission's acting executive secretary, Jim Soos, responded that there are no public records available indicating whether the alternative cost-neutral proposal was even considered, or rejected, by the Health Commission. It's as if the budget-neutral alternative proposal never existed.

The Health Commission must be fully aware of the settlement agreement reached between the City of San Francisco and the U.S. Department of Justice over Laguna Honda Hospital dated June 13, 2008. That settlement agreement stipulates:

"To help achieve this, the City shall develop and implement specified agreed-upon measures as set forth in the United States' letter of May 23, 2008."

The May 23 side letter, attached to this e-mail, is fully incorporated into the entire June 13 agreement with the DoJ. The May 23 side letter stipulates that the City must expand the Adult Day Health Care program at Laguna Honda, not close it. Paragraph 2b of the May 23 side letter states:

"The City agrees to continue to expand the community support adult day health services program at LHH (currently at Clarendon Hall), further emphasizing a preventive health care/maintenance component to the day program's offerings."

Why is the Mayor, his Health Department, and the City's Health Commission ignoring — and openly proposing to violate — the settlement agreement reached with the U.S. Department of Justice?

Written testimony to the Health Commission is urgently needed; written testimony prior to Tuesday's hearing should be submitted to Jim Soos, acting Health Commission executive secretary, at jim.soos@sfdph.org requesting that your written comments be forwarded to Health Commissioner's prior to the start of the meeting. Additionally, written testimony to the Board of Supervisors and to Mayor Newsom opposing the closure of LHH's ADHC is also urgently

needed, as is oral testimony presented in person on January 6.

Patrick Monette-Shaw

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January 4, 2009

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President
Health Commission
City and County of San Francisco
Department of Public Health
101 Grove Street
San Francisco, CA 94102

Re: Testimony Regarding Closing Laguna Honda Hospital's ADHC Program

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You know this; so does Director of Public Health Mitch Katz; Mayor Newsom; and Catherine Dodd, the Mayor's Deputy Chief of Staff for Health and Human Services. As does the full San Francisco Board of Supervisors.

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Subject Testimony Regarding Illegal Closure of Laguna Honda
Hospital's Adult Day Health Care Program

This is going too far!

Dr. Ahimsa Porter Sumchai NSCA-CPT

Date: Sun, 4 Jan 2009 16:23:11 -0800

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mitch.katz@sfdph.org

Subject: Testimony Regarding Closure of Laguna Honda Hospital's Adult Day Health Care
Program

Mr. Soos: Please forward this e-mail to each member of the Health Commission on Monday, January 5 prior to the
Health Commission's January 6 meeting.

January 4, 2009

Jim Illig

President

Health Commission

City and County of San Francisco

Department of Public Health

101 Grove Street

San Francisco, CA 94102

Re: Testimony Regarding Closing Laguna Honda Hospital's ADHC Program

Dear President Illig and Health Commissioners,

It's time the Health Commission stop the pretense that closing Laguna Honda Hospital's Adult Day Health Program
is **not** a violation of the June 13, 2008 settlement agreement between the City and County of San Francisco and the
U.S. Department of Justice.

You know this; so does Director of Public Health Mitch Katz; Mayor Newsom; and Catherine Dodd, the Mayor's
Deputy Chief of Staff for Health and Human Services. As does the full San Francisco Board of Supervisors.

The June 13 settlement agreement signed by Ms. Van Runkle on behalf of City Attorney Dennis Herrera and also

signed by Dr. Katz, stipulated that the DoJ's May 23 side letter was to be fully incorporated into the entire settlement agreement with the DoJ. In particular, Paragraph 2b of the DoJ's May 23 side letter stated:

"The City agrees to continue to expand the community support adult day health services program at LHH (currently at Clarendon Hall), further emphasizing a preventive health care/maintenance component to the day program's offerings."

On November 25, 2008, the Health Commission was told that an alternative, cost-neutral proposal to keep LHH's ADHC program open would be presented for your review. Minutes of the November 25 Health Commission meeting states:

"Commissioner Illig asked whether the budget neutral proposal from the LHH ADHC is viable. John Kanaley, Administrator for LHH responded that he was given a short time to make cuts and that he tried to make them budget neutral. He added that the ADHC staff has been diligent. The proposal adds a census of 13 additional clients with partial reductions in staff time. He [Kanaley] believed that the proposal looks pretty good at first blush, and agreed to review it further with the [Department of Public Health] finance staff and bring it back to the [Health] Commission."

But the minutes of both the Health Commission's December 2 and December 16 meetings do not mention Laguna Honda at all, nor do the minutes of either meeting show that the budget-neutral proposal to keep LHH's ADHC program open was even discussed by the Health Commission. Additionally, the Health Commission's subcommittee charged with hearing Laguna Honda matters — the LHH-Joint Conference Committee — canceled its December 17 meeting, where the budget-neutral proposal to keep LHH's ADHC open should have been considered before hearing the matter at the full Health Commission.

Now, a month-and-a-half after the Health Commission was informed last November by Mr. Kanaley that an alternative proposal to keep LHH's ADHC open was considered viable, the Health Commission is acting as if they have never heard of, or been presented with, the budget-neutral alternative proposal. In response to a public records request I placed on December 12, the Health Commission's acting executive secretary, Jim Soos, responded that there are no public records available indicating whether the alternative cost-neutral proposal was even considered, or rejected, by the Health Commission. It's as if the ADHC budget-neutral alternative proposal never existed, and was never considered by the City after having received assurances the proposal was viable.

On November 30, 2008, I submitted six ideas to Mayor Newsom (with copies to San Francisco's Board of Supervisors and San Francisco's Health Commission), to identify funding in the current City budget to keep LHH's ADHC open, including:

1. Use Unexpected Tobacco Settlement Revenue Increase
2. Reduce the Number of Employees Earning Over \$100,000 Annually Citywide
3. Modestly Trim Overtime Paid to 8,120 Employees
4. Reduce Nursing Administration at LHH
5. Eliminate LHH's "Marketing and Communications" Department
6. Reduce Mayoral Deputy Chiefs of Staff

I am aware that additional potential funding solutions have been offered to the Mayor by other members of the community. Many people in the community are aware that members of the Board of Supervisors and Laguna Honda staff attempted to convince the Mayor not to close LHH's ADHC, but the Mayor wouldn't budge.

The Health Commission must stop the pretense that it has never heard of the alternative, viable proposal to keep LHH's ADHC open. I don't know about you, but I was taught to always do the right thing.

Now it's time for the Health Commission do the right thing: Bifurcate the proposed closure of LHH's ADHC from the rest of the mid-year cuts to the Department of Public Health being proposed.

Stand up to the Mayor and tell him this Health Commission will not knowingly violate the settlement agreement with

the U.S. Department of Justice. Do the right thing, Commissioners!

Respectfully submitted,

Patrick Monette-Shaw
Independent Community Observer

cc: Mitch Katz, MD, Director of Public Health
San Francisco Board of Supervisors
Mayor Gavin Newsom

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Written Public Testimony to Health Commission 09-01-04.pdf



ahimsa sumchai

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To

<board_of_supervisors@ci.sf.ca.us>

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Subject Request for Air Monitoring Data - Lennar Parcel A Hunters Point Shipyard

Dr. Ahimsa Porter Sumchai NSCA-CPT

Subject: RE: No request sent
Date: Mon, 5 Jan 2009 14:36:52 -0800
From: PublicRecords@baaqmd.gov
To: asumchai@hotmail.com

Your request is being worked on. I was not here last week. As soon as I get it, I will forward it to you via email.

Thank you,
Public Records Staff
In house: Public Records
publicrecords@baaqmd.gov

Rochelle Henderson,
Public Records Coordinator
415-749-4784

From: ahimsa sumchai
Sent: Monday, December 22, 2008 12:09 PM
To: Public Records;
Subject: RE: No request sent

I am requesting air monitoring data from the Lennar Parcel A site at the Hunters Point Shipyard for the months of August 2008 through November 2008. If you are able to include particulates and any metal or VOC's tested for that would be great!

Ahimsa Porter Sumchai, M.D.

Subject: No request sent

Date: Mon, 22 Dec 2008 09:53:25 -0800
From:

Good morning, Dr. Sumchai,
I received your message on Sunday. To date, I have not received a request from you. Please reply to this email with the information you are requesting and the dates you desire.

Thank you,
Public Records Staff
In house: Public Records
publicrecords@baaqmd.gov

Rochelle Henderson,
Public Records Coordinator

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January 5, 2009

Angela Calvillo
Clerk of the Board, Board of Supervisors
San Francisco City Hall
1 Carlton B. Goodlett Place
San Francisco, California 94102

Dear Ms. Calvillo,

Pursuant to the Charter Section 3.100 (17), I have appointed Barbara Sklar as a member of the Commission on the Status of Women effective today, January 5, 2009. Barbara Sklar will fill a seat that was previously held by Jing Lee, and the term of Barbara Sklar will expire on November 18, 2010.

Please see the attached biography which will illustrate that Barbara Sklar's qualifications allow her to represent the communities of interest, neighborhoods and diverse populations of the City and County.

Should you have any questions, please contact my Liaison to Commissions, Jason Chan at 415-554-6253.

Sincerely,

Gavin Newsom
Mayor

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Notice of Appointment

January 5, 2009

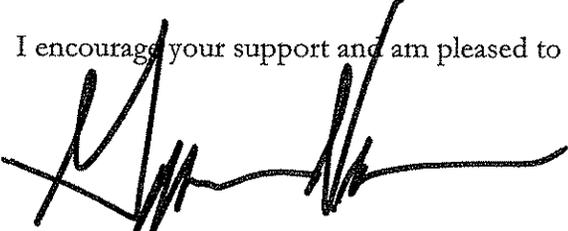
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Honorable Board of Supervisors:

I hereby appoint Barbara Sklar to serve as member of the Commission on the Status of Women for a 4-year term commencing January 5, 2009, in accordance with the 1996 Charter, Section 3.100, (17).

I am confident that Barbara Sklar will serve our community well. Attached are her qualifications to serve, which demonstrate how the appointment represents the communities of interest, neighborhoods and diverse populations of the City and County of San Francisco.

I encourage your support and am pleased to advise you of this appointment.


Gavin Newsom
Mayor

BARBARA W. SKLAR
322 MAPLE STREET
San Francisco, CA 94118

DECEMBER 2008

Barbara Sklar is a professional artist. After years of being a part time artist, she became full-time, in 1987. Having studied earlier at The Cleveland Institute of Art she went to refresh her work by taking time to study at UC the Art Students League and with the Royal Watercolor Society. She has participated in many group exhibitions and had over a dozen one-women shows of her painting and photographs, both in Europe and in the states. Her works are in public and private collections all over the world. During that time she worked for the United States Information Agency as a Cultural Specialist in Sarajevo, B-H

In 1976, having receiving a Masters Degree in Planning and Administration (specializing in Gerontology) from Case Western Reserve she worked in various positions designing and implementing Home Based Services for the frail elderly. As a consultant she worked with local, state, national, and international organizations to design programs and legislation to improve service delivery and strive for cost- effective alternatives to high cost care.

Prior to this time she worked in Early Childhood services and education. Starting in the early sixties she worked as a pre-school teacher, first with children with special needs and then with regular nursery school. She did an internship at The Center for Human Services. At the time she designed and published the first Directory of Children's Services in Cleveland and Cuyahoga County.

CIVIC and PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE
(Partial Summary Only)

Volunteer Positions: (1987-PRESENT)

Trustee San Francisco Institute of Art (2002-2008)

Board Jewish Home for the Aged (2001-2004)

La Steffeta, Ceramic Cooperative Rome, Italy, 2000-2001

Board Member, Brookdale Institute on Aging, Hunter College, New York 1999

Board Member, New York Foundation for the Arts 1997-1999

United Nations International Year of Older Persons, 1998 (American Committee)

Special Consultant Cultural Affairs, USIS, Sarajevo Bosnia-Herzegovina (1996- 1997)

Member San Francisco Arts Commission (1996-97)

Cultural Specialist, Arts America, USIA (1993)

Member and President, San Francisco Arts Commission (1989-92)

Professional Artist since 1987

Professional Gerontologist, (1974-1987)

Professional position(s):

CEO, Consultant, Western Consulting Services, San Francisco

Director, Geriatric Services, Hospital Consortium of San Mateo County

Consultant and/or reviewer, R. W. Johnson Foundation, Long Term Care Project, S.F. Foundation, Retirement Research Foundation, American Hospital Foundation etc.

Director of Planning, Mount, Zion Hospital, San Francisco

Director, Geriatric Services, Mount Zion Hospital, San Francisco

Director, Treemont Older Persons Project, Cleveland, Ohio

Intern Center for Human Services, Special Early Childhood Project

Teacher Jewish Day Nursery Cleveland Ohio

Teacher, Jewish Community Center, Cleveland Ohio

Teacher, Day Nursery Association, Scranton, PA

Volunteer Positions: (1964-1986)

Board Member, Meals-on Wheels, San Francisco

Board member, Family Service Agency of San Francisco

Board Member, Council of International Programs

Board Member and President, National Council on the Aging (1982-1987)

Founder and Board Member, National Institutes of Adult Day Care and Community-Based Long term Care

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Dear Ms. Calvillo,

Pursuant to the Charter Section 3.100 (17), I have appointed Joy Y. Boatwright as a member of the Civil Service Commission effective today, January 5, 2009. Joy Y. Boatwright will fill a seat that was previously held by Yu-Yee Wu, and the term of Joy Y. Boatwright will expire on June 30, 2011.

Please see the attached biography which will illustrate that Joy Y. Boatwright's qualifications allow her to represent the communities of interest, neighborhoods and diverse populations of the City and County.

Should you have any questions, please contact my Liaison to Commissions, Jason Chan at 415-554-6253.

Sincerely,

Gavin Newsom
Mayor

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Notice of Appointment

January 5, 2009

Honorable Board of Supervisors:

I hereby appoint Joy Y. Boatwright to serve as member of the Civil Service Commission for a 4-year term commencing January 5, 2009, in accordance with the 1996 Charter, Section 3.100, (17).

I am confident that Joy Y. Boatwright will serve our community well. Attached are her qualifications to serve, which demonstrate how the appointment represents the communities of interest, neighborhoods and diverse populations of the City and County of San Francisco.

I encourage your support and am pleased to advise you of this appointment.

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Gavin Newsom
Mayor

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Joy Yi Boatwright

4860 17th Street, San Francisco, CA 94117
tel: 415.665.5796

e-mail: jgy3@cornell.edu, joy_boatwright@ml.com
mobile: 415.699.7870

EXPERIENCE

Merrill Lynch & Co.

Financial Advisor, CFM

San Francisco, CA

2002-present

- Assess goals, risk tolerance, and needs of clients and prospective clients to create a customized plan.
- Focus on process-oriented financial planning, education, and implementation.
- Advise on all aspects of wealth management including assets, liabilities, investments, estate planning, tax minimization, private banking, education planning, retirement planning, and business financing.

M², INC.

Vice President, Business Development & Sales

San Francisco, CA

1999-2002

- Define, create, and implement new practice targeting the venture capital, high technology, and the Silicon Valley market segment. Brought in new clients for M² including Accel Partners, Mayfield Fund, PlaceWare, Sequoia Capital, Sun Microsystems, and Wilson Sonsini Goodrich and Rosati.
- Establish most successful market segment at M² in terms of sales, revenue, and margin resulting in 10% of total revenue for the entire company in 2000.
- Exceeded sales targets by 75% in 1999 and 45% in 2000 with an average margin of 129% of targeted margin.
- Partner with senior management of over 150 companies to identify mission-critical business goals and objectives.
- Recipient of M²'s Employee of the Year Award for 2000.

KOREA TECHNOLOGY INVESTMENT CORPORATION

Director, International Business

Seoul, Korea

1995-1998

- Resourced, approached, and developed international opportunities and contacts for the venture capital fund.
- Raised funds totaling \$40 million USD from foreign investors (both institutional and private).
- Promoted venture capital and analyzed direct investment opportunities in Korea and abroad.
- Designed and furnished resources for investor relations purposes such as the corporate brochure, annual report, company video, and articles for various media sources including Business Week, The Journal (American Chamber of Commerce), Korea Money, The Korea Herald, The Korea Times, and The Korea Economic Weekly.
- Organized the 10 year anniversary event for the corporation which included a guest list of 700 distinguished members of the Korean financial, legal, political, business, and media circles.

BERGDORF GOODMAN

Assistant Buyer

New York, NY

1993-1995

- Sourced and negotiated favorable pricing and delivery terms from over 100 vendors (domestic and foreign) for numerous classifications.
- Planned and purchased Fall 1993 to Spring 1995 merchandise for seven departments, grossing in excess of \$16 million annually, and increased basics' business by 150%.

BLOOMINGDALE'S

Assistant Department Manager/Executive Training Program completed

New York, NY

1992-1993

- Supervised 12 sales associates in generating sales for the department.
- Communicated with 15 stores, buyers, and vendors to carry the appropriate merchandise for the business being generated.
- Organized promotion with the American Camping Association and the Children's departments resulting in 30% increase in sales for the season.

4860 17th Street, San Francisco, CA 94117
tel: 415.665.5796

e-mail: jgy3@cornell.edu
mobile: 415.699.7870

ACTIVITIES AND AWARDS

Current:

- The Asian Art Museum & Korean Art and Culture Committee
- Cornell Alumni Association of Northern California Ambassador
- Golden Gate Mothers' Group (Active Member)
- National Unification Advisory Council (for the reunification of North and South Korea) Advisor
- San Francisco Ballet Opening Gala Host Committee

Past:

- The Boys and Girls Club of San Francisco (Friends Group Steering Committee Member)
- Junior Achievement of the Bay Area (Executive Board Member & Junior Achievement Ambassadors' Committee Chair)
- Mayor Gavin Newsom's Campaign (2003)
- San Francisco Symphony's Symphonix Group (Advisory Council)

EDUCATION

CORNELL UNIVERSITY

Bachelor of Science, Human Development

Ithaca, NY
May 1992

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Dear Ms. Calvillo,

Pursuant to Sue Lee's request, I wish to withdraw her name as our nominee to the Historic Preservation Commission. Please feel free to contact me at 415-554-6253 should you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Jason Chan





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<msuelee@gmail.com>
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To jason.chan@sfgov.org
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* Subject withdraw nomination

Jason,
I am requesting that my nomination for Seat 4 on the Historic Preservation Commission be
withdrawn. Thank you very much.

--
Sue Lee

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Dear Ms. Calvillo,

Pursuant to Tammy Chan's request, I wish to withdraw her name as our nominee to the Historic Preservation Commission. Please feel free to contact me at 415-554-6253 should you have any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "Jason Chan", written over the word "Sincerely,".

Jason Chan

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"Chan, Tammy"
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To <jason.chan@sfgov.org>
cc "Michael Yarne" <Michael.Yarne@sfgov.org>
bcc
Subject Historic Preservation Commission nomination

Hi Jason,

I am emailing to formally withdraw my name from the Historic Preservation Commission nomination. Based on the City Atty's interpretation of the conflict of interest and compensated advocacy sections in the Good Government guide and the high unlikelihood that seat 7 would be allow a waiver or an exception, because the seat is so general. The HPC position would prevent me from performing my role as a private planning consultant in SF with regular contact with the Planning Department, the mayor's office, and various other city departments on a daily basis. I followed up with Michael Yarne at the Mayor's office and Supervisor Peskin over the weekend after speaking to the City Atty on Friday and they are aware of my decision.

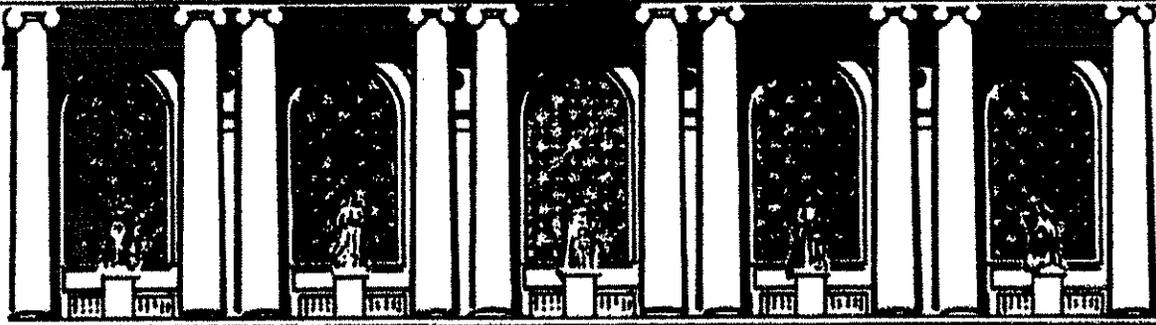
Feel free to give me a call if you have any questions and thanks for your assistance in this matter.

Tammy

Tammy Chan
Senior Associate- Senior Environmental Planner

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James Chaffee

Member, Board of Supervisors
City Hall
San Francisco, CA 94102

Re: Grand Jury Report -- Accountability Denied

Dear Supervisor:

As you know, the administration of the San Francisco Public Library will avoid accountability in all instances, most especially legally mandated accountability. The most recent Grand Jury report is just the most current example. To illustrate this point I have attached to this letter the following documents: The SFPL's response to the Grand Jury as presented to the Board of Supervisors, the minutes of the Library Commission's discussion on August 21, 2008, and the applicable law, California Penal Code §933.05.

The first thing that must be pointed out is that the Library states, "Although the Grand Jury Report requires the Library to respond only to Recommendation #11." In fact, this is a violation of law. Penal Code §933.05(a)(1) & (2) requires that:

"[A]s to each grand jury finding, the responding person or entity shall indicate one of the following: (1) The respondent agrees with the finding. (2) The respondent disagrees wholly or partially with the finding, in which case the response shall specify the portion of the finding that is disputed and shall include an explanation of the reasons therefor."

In fact there are eight findings related to Operational Oversight, five findings related Fiscal Controls and Accountability, and two findings related to Forthright Disclosure that arguably implicate the public library. Only five of those findings does the library dain, as it says, "would like to comment briefly" and that is what it does.

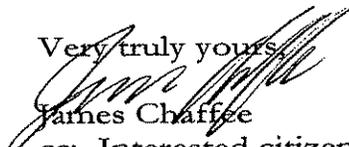
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The discussion before the Library Commission was dramatically at odds with this condescending presentation. The minutes of the Library Commission meeting shows that the President of the Library Commission observed what she described as "a number of egregious errors and out of date information." The City Librarian responds that "no one from the library staff had been contacted" and indeed no one from DPW, or the Controller's office. In fact, the law requires at Penal Code §933.05(e) that, "During an investigation, the grand jury shall meet with the subject of the investigation." The City Librarian here is basically accusing the Presiding Judge, and the Grand Jury collectively of breaking the law. If there is any issue of credibility as to whether the privatized Public Library or the Civil Grand Jury is breaking the law, there can be little doubt. The Grand Jury views its role seriously, as evidenced by the gravity of its report. The Public Library has a history of bad faith with the Controller, the Budget Analyst, City Hall, not to mention Sunshine violations that have been documented for many years.

In fact the Grand Jury is partially complicit. For the Grand Jury to consider all of the misrepresentations, delays, and irresponsibilities that the Library Administration has perpetrated and weigh that against campaign of secrecy to cover up those flaws, then let the Library get away with a recommendation that it make its website more accessibly is itself an avoidance of accountability. The Public Library has been an active Sunshine violator for years and in fact was compared to the Nixon White House at one point by the head of the Bar Association's Public Access Project. In view of the fact that it is impossible for interested citizens to get information by formal means, the issue of website access for the casual browser is simply preposterous.

With respect to some of the substantive issues, the Library has not complied with the requirement of an annual report for years, the Grand Jury Report used the delay figures from the Controller's office that themselves were minimized. The delay in the bond program was detrimental to fiscal responsibility, but the Grand Jury gave no consideration to the factor that set the schedule which was the lack of success in the private fund-raising. No one contributes private funds to a remodeling project that has been finished, so private values undercut public responsibility. In addition, the Controller found only \$16 million in overruns was due to delay and the rest was due to increases in scope. This was at a time when there was a \$16 Million reserve in the Library Preservation Fund and more than \$12 Million had been already been transferred from that fund previously. At fact which is itself of questionable legality.

In fact, the Civil Grand Jury demanded only minimal accountability from the Public Library and the Public Library illegally sidestepped even that amount of public review and discussion.

Very truly yours,

James Chaffee
cc: Interested citizens & media



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August 15, 2008

Honorable David L. Ballati
Presiding Judge
San Francisco Superior Court
400 MacAllister Street
San Francisco, California 94102

RE: San Francisco Public Library's Response to the 2007-2008 Civil Grand Jury Report,
Accountability in San Francisco Government

Dear Judge Ballati:

Pursuant to Penal Code Sections 933 and 933.05, the San Francisco Public Library ("Library") submits the following response to the 2007-2008 Civil Grand Jury Report released on June 26, 2008 entitled *Accountability in San Francisco Government*. The Grand Jury requested that the Library respond to Recommendation #11 of the Report.

RECOMMENDATION #11

Recommendation 11: "The City should make it a high priority to insure that all the information posted on the City's official website accurately discloses successes as well as challenges in a manner that is fully and easily accessible to the citizens."

Response: The Library agrees with this recommendation as related to information regarding the financial and operational challenges of the Branch Library Improvement Program ("BLIP") projects. The Library is committed to keeping the community at large accurately and promptly informed about the BLIP. As explained below, the Library informs the public about the BLIP on the City's website. In addition to the website, the Library provides information to the public about the BLIP by conducting monthly community meetings and fully engaging stakeholders such as the Library Citizens Advisory Committee (LCAC), Council of Neighborhood Libraries (CNL) and the Friends of the Library.

Since the launch of the BLIP in 2001, the Library has consistently posted information regarding the BLIP projects on the Library's website which can be found at <http://sfpl.org> under the link entitled, *Branch Renovations & Construction [BLIP]*. In response to Recommendation #11, the Library recently updated its website information regarding the BLIP and will continue to update information on all BLIP projects in a timely manner. For FY 2008/09, the Library Commission approved moving forward with a comprehensive redesign of its website with the goal to make the website more user-friendly and enhance access to the Library's array of services. The Library has and will continue to ensure that information posted on each

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project is accurate and is posted in a manner that is fully and easily accessible to the citizens of San Francisco.

In addition to the Library's website, information regarding the BLIP is available on the Library Commission website. Specifically, the BLIP Program Manager's monthly reports to the Library Commission, which include PowerPoint presentations regarding program budgets, schedules, and construction reports, are posted on the Library Commission's website under the meeting agendas, at <http://www.sfpl.org/librarylocations/libcomm.htm>. The Library Commission meeting minutes detailing Commission discussions of the successes and challenges facing the BLIP are also posted on the Library Commission web page: <http://sfpl.org/librarylocations/libcomm.htm>.

Finally, the Department of Public Works (DPW) also posts information on its website regarding BLIP projects under construction: http://www.sfgov.org/site/sfdpw_page.asp?id=85898.

The Library, Library Commission, and DPW's websites are all accessible through links on the City's main web page: <http://sfgov.org>. Citizens can find BLIP information from the City's main webpage by searching either under City Agency, at http://www.sfgov.org/site/mainpages_index.asp?id=7695, or by doing a keyword search from the main web page, at <http://www.sfgov.org/>. For example, keyword searches such as **capital projects** and **branch improvement** will link citizens to both the Library and DPW's websites that provide information on the BLIP.

FINDINGS #14-#18

Although the Grand Jury Report requires the Library to respond only to Recommendation # 11, the Library would like to comment briefly on the Grand Jury's Findings #14 through #18 under *Section C, Fiscal Controls and Accountability* of the Report, regarding cost overruns in the BLIP projects.

The Library Commission has been proactive and diligent in addressing concerns related to cost overruns and scheduling delays in the BLIP. In March 2007, the Library Commission requested that the City Controller's City Services Auditor ("CSA") conduct an independent review of the management of the BLIP program. The Commission requested this review because of escalating construction costs; the challenges of attracting enough bidders to have a competitive bid climate; and an ambitious community engagement process that contributed to delays of original project schedules.

The Controller's Office presented its report at a public meeting of the Library Commission on September 20, 2007. A copy of the report, entitled *SAN FRANCISCO PUBLIC LIBRARY AND DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS: Strengthened Program Management Required for Branch Library Improvement Program to Avoid Further Budget Increases*, is available on the City Controller's website at <http://co.sfgov.org/webreports/details.aspx?id=640>. The Report concluded that "[a] variety of factors contributed to delays and cost increases. It is not possible to attribute any single cause to a given project because many projects were affected by more than one factor." The Report identified the following factors as contributing to project delays:

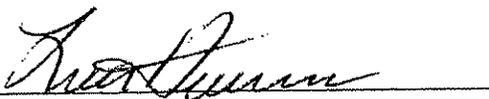
- Applications for state bond funding for five projects took considerably longer than anticipated.
- Delays to five branches are due in part to the Library's decision to increase the size of those projects in order to meet increased service needs.
- Unclear responsibilities between the Library and Public Works and senior management staff vacancies at the Library contributed to some delays.

The Report also found that "[e]scalation factors used in cost estimations are consistent with industry standards but are inconsistently applied and calculated."

The Report recommended that the Library and DPW develop a new Memorandum of Understanding ("MOU") regarding fiscal and operational management of the BLIP program. In response to this recommendation, the Library and DPW have entered into a new MOU setting forth in detail each department's duties and responsibilities in order to efficiently and effectively manage the BLIP. Specifically, the MOU describes the fiscal oversight mechanisms for BLIP finances and each department's responsibilities for program management including regular weekly, monthly, and quarterly reports to track project budgets and schedules. In addition, the MOU sets forth each department's responsibility to involve the community in the BLIP program. The new MOU was presented to the Library Commission on May 15, 2008, signed by the Departments on June 4, 2008, and is attached hereto.

Please do not hesitate to contact this office if you have any questions concerning the Library's response to the 2007-2008 Civil Grand Jury Report.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Luis Herrera", is written over a horizontal line.

Luis Herrera
City Librarian

Attachment: Memorandum of Understanding between SFPL and DPW (dated June 2, 2008)

Cc: Angela Calvillo, Board of Supervisors
Office of the Mayor of San Francisco
Office of the Civil Grand Jury



San Francisco Public Library Commission

100 Larkin Street, San Francisco, CA 94102-4733

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SAN FRANCISCO PUBLIC LIBRARY COMMISSION

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of August 21, 2008

Gavin Newsom
Mayor

The San Francisco Public Library Commission held a regular meeting on Thursday, August 21, 2008, in the Koret Auditorium, Main Library.

Jewelle Gomez
President

The meeting was called to order at 4:36 pm.

A. Lee Munson
Vice-President

Commissioners present: Gomez, Harris, Kane, Lee, and Munson.

Lonnie K. Chin
Carlota del Portillo
Al Harris
Larry Kane
Mel Lee
Commissioners

Commissioners Chin and Del Portillo were excused.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 1 PUBLIC COMMENT

Luis Herrera
City Librarian

An anonymous citizen said the reason public comment at the Library Commission exists is so that the public can benefit from the creativity that is encouraged. He distributed information to the Commission including a copy of a letter from Commission Secretary, Sue Blackman to the Clerk of the Board dated June 3, 2008; a copy of Resolution 2008-01 approved by the Commission; and pages 1 and 6 of the minutes from the May 1 meeting. He said the resolution sent to the Board of Supervisors does not reflect the changes the Commission made to the Resolution at the May 1 meeting. He said what was approved by the Board of Supervisors was never acted on or deliberated on by this Commission.

Sue Blackman
Commission Secretary

Sue Cauthen, Chair Library Citizens Advisory Committee (LCAC) said that the LCAC had approved three resolutions at its meeting that have been distributed to the Commission and the public. She asked that those resolutions be included with the Commission's minutes. She said the first resolution is requesting that the LCAC and the Library Commission have a link from SFPL's home page and that an LCAC page include data describing the group's origin, function, mission statement and contact information. The second resolution is regarding the BLIP website page and that it be brought up to date and the third resolution is regarding a missing book procedure and what criteria will be used to determine the replacement of those books.



Peter Warfield said the first speaker has a concern with respect to the process that the resolution approved by the Commission was not deliberated on by the Commission after changes had been made and forwarded to the Mayor's Office. He said as a member of the LCAC he

Commissioner signed off on the report. He said another finding refers to problems with the bond program.

Peter Warfield said the specific request is for the Library to respond to one specific recommendation but there are quite a number of comments in the Grand Jury report referencing specific things that have happened with respect to the Library and its bond program. He said this Commission would do well to look into and prepare a response to some of the other issues the Grand Jury raised. The Grand Jury said the report asked if citizens would have voted for Prop D had they known some of the problems that existed, so how he asked how will this be addressed? He said the draft response is unfortunately not adequate in terms of insuring substantive issues will be addressed.

Sue Cauthen, Chair Library Citizens Advisory Committee (LCAC), said the reason the LCAC adopted a resolution urging update of the BLIP website is because a member of the group had some issues finding information about an upcoming community meeting. She said she tried to find information about a North Beach meeting that was held five years ago and could not find it. She said it is important to have this information available to the public.

Commission Discussion

President Gomez said there are a number of egregious errors and out of date information in the report so she wondered who from the library had been contacted during the investigation.

Luis Herrera, City Librarian said that no one from the library staff had been contacted and the Library was disappointed. He said his understanding was that none of the Commissioners had been contacted nor staff from DPW or the Controller's Office.

Commissioner Kane said he hoped that the City Attorney's office was legally comfortable with the response. He said he agrees that the website should be current and up to date and we need to look at having all the correct information available.

Luis Herrera, City Librarian said that staff is making progress on the new web design. He said the whole point of the redesign is to enhance and improve the website.

Commissioner Kane said something should be added to the response to indicate that money had been added in the budget to update the website.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 6. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: by Commissioner Harris, seconded by Commissioner Munson to adjourn the regular meeting of Thursday, August 21, 2008.

933.05. (a) For purposes of subdivision (b) of Section 933, as to each grand jury finding, the responding person or entity shall indicate one of the following:

(1) The respondent agrees with the finding.

(2) The respondent disagrees wholly or partially with the finding, in which case the response shall specify the portion of the finding that is disputed and shall include an explanation of the reasons therefor.

(b) For purposes of subdivision (b) of Section 933, as to each grand jury recommendation, the responding person or entity shall report one of the following actions:

(1) The recommendation has been implemented, with a summary regarding the implemented action.

(2) The recommendation has not yet been implemented, but will be implemented in the future, with a timeframe for implementation.

(3) The recommendation requires further analysis, with an explanation and the scope and parameters of an analysis or study, and a timeframe for the matter to be prepared for discussion by the officer or head of the agency or department being investigated or reviewed, including the governing body of the public agency when applicable. This timeframe shall not exceed six months from the date of publication of the grand jury report.

(4) The recommendation will not be implemented because it is not warranted or is not reasonable, with an explanation therefor.

(c) However, if a finding or recommendation of the grand jury addresses budgetary or personnel matters of a county agency or department headed by an elected officer, both the agency or department head and the board of supervisors shall respond if requested by the grand jury, but the response of the board of supervisors shall address only those budgetary or personnel matters over which it has some decisionmaking authority. The response of the elected agency or department head shall address all aspects of the findings or recommendations affecting his or her agency or department.

(d) A grand jury may request a subject person or entity to come before the grand jury for the purpose of reading and discussing the findings of the grand jury report that relates to that person or entity in order to verify the accuracy of the findings prior to their release.

(e) During an investigation, the grand jury shall meet with the subject of that investigation regarding the investigation, unless the court, either on its own determination or upon request of the foreperson of the grand jury, determines that such a meeting would be detrimental.

(f) A grand jury shall provide to the affected agency a copy of the portion of the grand jury report relating to that person or entity two working days prior to its public release and after the approval of the presiding judge. No officer, agency, department, or governing body of a public agency shall disclose any contents of the report prior to the public release of the final report.

933.06. (a) Notwithstanding Sections 916 and 940, in a county having a population of 20,000 or less, a final report may be adopted and submitted pursuant to Section 933 with the concurrence of at least 10 grand jurors if all of the following conditions are met:

(1) The grand jury consisting of 19 persons has been impaneled pursuant to law, and the membership is reduced from 19 to fewer than



"James Chaffee"

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To <Aaron.Peskin@sfgov.org>, <Bevan.Dufty@sfgov.org>, <board.of.supervisors@sfgov.org>, <Carmen.Chu@sfgov.org>, <Chris.Daly@sfgov.org>, "David

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Subject Chaffee -- Communications File Policy -- Grand Jury Report
Accountability Denied

January 5, 2009

Clerk of the Board
San Francisco Board of Supervisors

Dear Ms. Calvillo,

On November 4, 2008, I delivered a letter to the Board of Supervisors entitled "Grand Jury Report – Accountability Denied." I delivered twelve copies of the letter in separate envelopes addressed to the Clerk of the Board and each supervisor individually. The letter was distributed during the Full Board meeting of November 4, 2008, by your staff so that every Supervisor could see it. I have carefully reviewed the agenda of each of the four meetings since that time and I was shocked to discover that my letter was never listed under the Petitions and Communications during that period.

This is particularly disturbing because the same thing happened to my letter of October 21, also delivered to you and the full board, and ignored in the communications file. I brought this to your attention by e-mail on December 8, 2008.

I was also particularly shocked because my letter reported the dysfunction in the Grand Jury system as part of the privatized Public Library Department's continuing lack of accountability.

As you know, the Sunshine Ordinance requires that the Clerk of the Board keep a file that contains all communication "irrespective of subject matter, origin or recipient" under Administrative Code Sec. 67.23(a). Many concerned citizens, like myself, do not make periodic requests for the file required under that section because we assume that it is redundant with the disclosure provided under your agenda item "Petitions and Communication."

If it is the policy of the Clerk of the Board to maintain communications in the Section 67.23(a) File but not list some of them under Petitions and Communications, please let me know. I would also suggest that such fact should be publicly noticed and acknowledged, so that concerned citizens can be fully informed, and not labor under false assumptions.

One of the reasons that I write letters describing my concerns is so that other citizens will see them and they may become a part of the public discussion that is so crucial to the operation of democracy. I have attached my letter of November 4, 2008, as a PDF. Please include this communication and its attachment under the next Petitions and Communications item that is available.

Thank you for your continuing courtesy and attention to this matter.

Very truly yours,

James Chaffee
Cc: Interested Citizens and Media



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Supervisors/BOS/SFGOV**

01/05/2009 06:03 PM

To Ross Mirkarimi/BOS/SFGOV, Chris Daly/BOS/SFGOV,
Bevan Dufty/BOS/SFGOV,

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Subject Fw: SF Historic Preservation Commission

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"Jason Mass"

01/05/2009 05:32 PM

To <Board.of.Supervisors@sfgov.org>

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Subject SF Historic Preservation Commission

Dear Supervisor Mirkarimi,

As a resident of SF for almost 40 years I have an interest in preserving parts of the "old San Francisco". The Harding Theater on Divisadero Street was recently preserved instead of being torn down and the space gentrified with more condominiums. One of the candidates selected by Mayor Newsom, Jonathan Pearlman was directly involved with the developers in trying to destroy the Harding Theater. I do not know what the mayor was thinking when he submitted Mr. Pearlman's name as a candidate for the SF Historic Preservation Commission. With friends like that you wonder how much will really actually be earmarked for preservation. This Tuesday, January 6 there is a meeting of the Rules Committee of the Board of Supervisors to consider the slate of candidates for this commission and later that day the full board of supervisors will vote on the submitted slate. I hope you will vote against appointing Mr. Pearlman to this important commission and also instruct the mayor to submit a further list of appropriate candidates. Let us not rush the vetting or selection process. Lets take our time and appoint concerned citizens who actually want SF landmarks reserved. Let candidates be approved that truly are on the side of preservation and are not not a wolf in sheep's clothing.

Sincerely,

Jason Mass





Jim Meko

01/05/2009 11:11 AM

To Aaron Peskin <Aaron.Peskin@sfgov.org>, Michela.Alioto-Pier@sfgov.org, David.Campos@sfgov.org, Carmen.Chu@sfgov.org, Chris Daly
cc Christina Olague <c_olague@yahoo.com>, Ron Miquel

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Subject WSoMa planning (this week) ... please forward

Happy New Year and welcome back to real community-based planning. The draft Western SoMa Community Plan is currently undergoing environmental review. The choice of an outside consultant should be announced soon and the public scoping process will begin shortly thereafter. A select committee of the Task Force sits at the table in the role of project sponsor. In the meantime, the full Task Force will continue to meet on the fourth Wednesday of every month. Our Complete Neighborhood Fabric Committee meets monthly on the second Thursday and the Business and Land Use Committee on the third Thursday. The Transportation Focus Group will hold joint meetings with whichever subcommittee is most appropriate each month.

Complete Neighborhood Fabric Committee meeting (click here for agenda)
Thursday, January 8, 2009
6:00 PM in Room 421 of City Hall

The discussion of Design Controls continues. The focus this week is on large development sites, the Service, Arts and Light Industrial zone (the SALI) and the Mixed Use Office zone (MUO-SOMA). We will continue our discussion of environmental air quality for infill development, particularly along the Regional Commercial District corridors (RCDs), in light of the Board of Supervisor's recently passed legislation recognizing "potential roadway exposure zones."

TASK FORCE VACANCIES: Seats representing families, youth, SRO residents, the disabled and seniors are currently open. The Western SoMa Task Force is enabled by Board of Supervisors Resolution 731-04. Visit our website for more information.

<http://www.sfgov.org/site/westernsoma>

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Appointments

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To <board.of.supervisors@sfgov.org>,

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Subject Historic Preservation Commission: Candidate Appointments

Dear Board of Supervisors ,

As an architect who voted for this proposition I want to see qualified candidates appointed, those with architectural experience. I am writing to urge you to do the following:

* slow down and reconsider the Mayor's appointments to the Historic Preservation Commission

* ask for a more appropriate and better qualified slate of candidates

Sincerely,

Clare Hyland, *Architect*

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Verna Shaheen

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Subject Proposed Historic Preservation Commissioners

Mr. Charles Chase is highly qualified per my personal knowledge of his experience. Please don't hesitate to approve his appointment. Thank you. Verna Shaheen

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To <board.of.supervisors@sfgov.org>,
<gavin.newsom@sfgov.org>

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Subject Disband Muni and start over

Muni

Why are 6 Muni supervisors making almost \$200,000 a year (examiner 1/5) ? This is an abuse of my taxes. This is not a liberal or conservative issue ,it is an issue of incompetence by a city government that is completely out of touch with what things should cost.

If those 6 people were fired ,I doubt Muni would grind to a halt. We won't find out because SF city government are too gutless to make budget cuts that make sense. Instead, you would rather fire teachers and charge citizens for fire and emergency services that they already paid for once with their taxes.

You are not governing the city the way it deserves to be governed. The citizens who voted for you deserve far better value for money than we are getting.

I can't believe you idiots are actually having problems deciding what to cut in the budget.

Should we lay off teachers or Muni employees who are clearly playing the system for all it is worth ? Hmm... tough one.

Instead of passing symbolic resolutions that prove what a right on city we all live in why don't you pass some legislation that address where the money goes ? Perhaps putting a limit that says city employees can't make more than a third of their salary in overtime ? No ,that would be the easy way of trimming the budget.

Get it together, Team Gavin and the Supervisors Gravy Train.

-Paul Nisbett

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"Cynthia Servetnick"

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To "Aaron Peskin" <Aaron.Peskin@sfgov.org>,
chris.daly@sfgov.org, "Bevan Dufty"
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Subject Proposed Historic Preservation Commissioners

Supervisors Peskin, Daly and Dufty:

Having evaluated the Mayor's nominees to the SF Historic Preservation Commission, I urge you to take the following actions in the Rules Committee Meeting on Tuesday, January 6th:

Alan Martinez, AIA - Seat 1, 4 yrs: Recommend BOS Approval
(Approved by Rules Committee on December 30, 2008. Meets minimum qualifications.)

Jonathan Pearlman, AIA - Seat 2, 2 yrs: Not Endorsed.
(Concerns raised regarding preservation track record.)

Charles Chase, AIA - Seat 3, 4 yrs: Recommend BOS Approval with stipulation, that candidate be re-nominated to Seat 2 ASAP. (Well-qualified for Seat 2 v. Seat 3.)

Sue Lee - Seat 4, 2 yrs: Not Endorsed.
(Not qualified for Seat 4. Concerns raised regarding preservation track record.)

Courtney Damkroger - Seat 5, 4 yrs: Recommend BOS Approval
(Well-qualified for Seat 5.)

Karl Hasz - Seat 6, 2 yrs: Recommend BOS Approval
(Approved by Rules Committee on December 30, 2008. Meets minimum qualifications.)

Tammy Chan - Seat 7, 4 yrs: Not Endorsed.

Please recommend the full Board approve the Mayor's nominees to Seats 1, 3, 5 and 6 so the Commission can start meeting right away. Note: Mr. Chase should be re-appointed to Seat 2 when a well-qualified nominee is approved for Seat 3. Also recommend the full Board pass a resolution urging the Mayor to: 1) re-appoint all qualified candidates from the former Landmarks Preservation Advisory Board who are willing to serve in the appropriate seats, and 2) ensure a neighborhood preservation activist be appointed to Seat 7.

Sincerely,

Cynthia Servetnick, AICP
Writing as an individual. Associations listed for information only:

eGroup Moderator, SF Preservation Consortium
Board Member, Friends of 1800
Director, Save the Laguna Street Campus

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From: sfpreservationconsortium <sfpreservationconsortium@yahoo.com>
Date: Sat, Jan 3, 2009 at 8:31 PM
Subject: [SF Preservation Consortium] *ALERT Re: Proposed Historic Preservation Commissioners
To: sfpreservationconsortium@yahoogroups.com

All:

The BOS Rules Committee (Chris Daly, Bevan Dufty, Aaron Peskin) will hold a public hearing this Tuesday, January 6, 2009 at 10:00 AM in City Hall, Room 263 to vet the Mayor's appointees to the Historic Preservation Commission per:

http://www.sfgov.org/site/bdsupvrs_page.asp?id=95448

The full Board will then meet on Tuesday, January 6, 2009 at 2:00 PM in the Legislative Chamber - Second Floor, City Hall to vote on the Mayor's appointees to the Historic Preservation Commission. See Items 41-44 and 47-56 per:

http://www.sfgov.org/site/bdsupvrs_page.asp?id=95476

All of the relevant materials follow. Please take the time to evaluate the nominees qualifications and express your opinions to the Board via email to:

Board.of.Supervisors@sfgov.org

with a cc: to

gavin.newsom@sfgov.org, michael.yarne@sfgov.org,
marlena.byrne@sfgov.org, mary.red@sfgov.org,
angela.calvillo@sfgov.org.

You may also wish to contact the Supervisors or their aides by phone to advocate for the best qualified candidates which may require additional nominees be put forth by the Mayor per:

http://www.sfgov.org/site/bdsupvrs_index.asp?id=7271

The Charter Amendment (Proposition J) that established the Historic Preservation Commission (HPC) as passed by the voters in November 2008 states:

QUALIFICATIONS. In addition to the specific requirements set forth below, members of the Historic Preservation Commission shall be persons specially qualified by reason of interest, competence, knowledge, training and experience in the historic, architectural, aesthetic, and cultural traditions of the City, interested in the preservation of its historic structures, sites and areas, and residents of the City. Six of the members of the Historic Preservation Commission shall be specifically qualified in the following fields:

Seats 1 and 2: licensed architects meeting the Secretary of the Interior's Professional Qualifications Standards for historic architecture;

Seat 3: an architectural historian meeting the Secretary of the Interior's Professional Qualifications Standards for architectural history with specialized training and/or

demonstrable experience in North American or Bay Area architectural history;

Seat 4: an historian meeting the Secretary of the Interior's Professional Qualifications Standards for history with specialized training and/or demonstrable experience in North American or Bay Area history;

Seat 5: an historic preservation professional or professional in a field such as law, land use, community planning or urban design with specialized training and/or demonstrable experience in historic preservation or historic preservation planning.

Seat 6 shall be specially qualified in one of the following fields or in one of the fields set forth for Seats 1, 2, or 3:

a. A professional archaeologist meeting the Secretary of the Interior's Professional Qualification Standards for Archeology;

b. A real estate professional or contractor who has demonstrated a special interest, competence, experience, and knowledge in historic preservation;

c. A licensed structural engineer with at least four years of experience in seismic and structural engineering principals applied to historic structures; or

d. A person with training and professional experience with materials conservation.

Seat 7 shall be an at large seat subject to the minimum qualifications set forth above.

The full Charter Amendment may be downloaded per:

<http://www>.

The HPC must meet the requirements of the Certified Local Government (CLG) Program in accordance with the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA) per:

<http://>.

The Secretary of Interior's Professional Qualifications are summarized per:

The see the below files for the resumes of the following nominees:

Alan Martinez. AIA - Seat 1. 4 yrs

Jonathan Pearlman, AIA - Seat 2, 2 yrs

Charles Chase, AIA - Seat 3, 4 yrs

Sue Lee - Seat 4, 2 yrs

Courtney Damkroger - Seat 5, 4 yrs

Karl Hasz - Seat 6, 2 yrs

Tammy Chan - Seat 7, 4 yrs

Thanks in advance for taking action to ensure the HPC is made up of well-qualified candidates.

Cynthia Servetnick, AICP
eGroup Moderator



Aaron Goodman

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To Aaron Peskin <Aaron.Peskin@sfgov.org>, chris.daly@sfgov.org, Bevan Dufty <Bevan.Dufty@sfgov.org>, cc Board.of.Supervisors@sfgov.org, gavin.newsom@sfgov.org, michael.yarne@sfgov.org, marlena.byrne@sfgov.org, Mark Luellen bcc

Subject Re: [SF Preservation Consortium] Proposed Historic Preservation Commissioners

Supervisors Peskin, Daly, & Dufty;

I would like to second and re-affirm the information and suggested changes/adjustments by Cynthia Servetnick.

Although I myself am not personally qualified to judge the overall records of the preservationists, and their experience or prior efforts, I feel it is a strong concern of communities and neighborhoods that feel "bull-dozed" by current re-planning efforts, retain and are supported by the placement of a Neighborhood representative who respectfully "understands" the multiple issues of gentrification, and demolition/destruction of existing preservable designs, districts, buildings and landscapes in their communities.

The positions should include a neighborhood representative, and the need for a person also versed in urban planning + landscape design in SF, due to the large scale proposals and changes to whole neighborhoods, such as the presidio, eastern neighborhoods, parkmerced, and other "zones/areas" requires that a person with significant historical understanding and oversight be appointed to one of the seats being made available. I am concerned also that some of the appointees are meant more to maintain some sense of "control" by the mayor over large scale development proposals, and thus they should be rejected in favor of more seasoned and community respected preservationists that comprehend the real gems of SF. The SF Preservation Consortium may have suggestions on whom to include, I for one would nominate Cynthia Servetnick, F. Joseph Butler, and I am sure many other possibilities. (not sure they would want to do this but they should be asked for suggestions)

Please do take the time to REVIEW ALL PROPOSED Historic Preservation Commission members thoroughly to meet the requirements, and needs currently of our city.

Sincerely

Aaron Goodman VP @ PRO



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An Organization of Professional, Technical, and Administrative Employees

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January 2, 2009

MEMORANDUM

TO: Each Member, San Francisco Board of Supervisors

FROM: Robert Muscat, Executive Director

RE: Letter to the Civil Service Commission concerning Personal Services Contracts
For information purposes only

Attached please find a copy of the letter we recently sent to the Civil Service Commission. We are requesting that they postpone action on more than \$320K in contracts scheduled for consideration at their meeting on January 5, 2009. Given the dire financial straits the City is facing, a one month postponement will allow for a more detailed analysis of the contracts.

Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact Rachel Richman, Local 21's Political and Policy Director, at 415-864-2100.

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PROFESSIONAL & TECHNICAL ENGINEERS, LOCAL 21, AFL-CIO
An Organization of Professional, Technical, and Administrative Employees

December 24, 2008

TO: Donald A. Casper, President
Civil Service Commissioners
Civil Service Commission

FR: Bob Muscat, Executive Director, IFPTE Local 21

RE: Request to Postpone Personal Services Contracts Scheduled Before Civil Service
Commission on January 5, 2009

IFPTE Local 21 respectfully requests that all itemized Personal Services Contract (PSCs) (attached) which are scheduled before the Civil Service Commission on January 5, 2009 be postponed and rescheduled to the next regularly scheduled Civil Service Commission Meeting in February, 2009. Thank you for consideration of our request which is based on several grounds.

An initial review of the Personal Services Contracts approved by the Civil Service Commission and recorded in the Civil Service Commission minutes from January through December 2008 indicates that the total amount approved was \$1,453,975,675. The total requested for PSCs scheduled before the Civil Service Commission on January 5, 2009 is \$327,408, 615.

As the attached document indicates, Civil Service classifications may perform many of these services, including many classifications represented by IFPTE Local 21. The City is in the process of laying off Civil Service employees, including in at least one case all employees in a particular classification. Work proposed to be contracted out in the current PSCs includes work that may be performed by these employees.

In addition to layoffs, the City is requesting that unionized city employees forgo a negotiated wage increase. In the case of Local 21, represented employees are being asked to make an economic sacrifice by giving back a 3.5% negotiated increase.

In these difficult economic times, it is especially important to evaluate proposed contracts for outsourcing city work to determine whether this work should be performed by Civil Service employees. Local 21 is contacting the departments which have submitted PSCs requests for PSCs to be heard January 5. However, the short notice that Local 21 has received for review of these PSCs, combined with the challenge of scheduling meetings with the departments during the holiday season has made it difficult to fully assess the appropriateness of these contracts at this time. We therefore request that all of the itemized PSCs (attached) be postponed. Local 21 will keep the Commission directly informed in the event that we are able to meet with affected departments and have our concerns addressed before the next CSC meeting.

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Personal Services Contracts Scheduled Before Civil Service Commission 1/05/2009

PSC #	Department	L21 Rep	Service	Amount	Duration	Scope of Work	Applicable Civil Service Positions
4075-08/09	Controller	Susan	Independent Audit & Actuarial Services	\$9,000,000	5/1/2009-6/30/14	Selected firm(s) must be Certified Public Accountants that has successfully provided independent Audit Services .	
2013-04/05	Dept. of Public Health	Kim	Behavioral Health Services	\$310 million (modification)	7/1/05 - 6/30/09	Perform behavioral health services	2930 (Psych Soc. Worker), 2574 (Psychologist), 2305 (Psych. Tech), 2320 (Nurse), 2910 (Social Worker), 2552 (Recreation Therapist), 2230 (Physician), 2110 (Med. Records Clerk), 2328 (Nurse Practitioner), 2589/2591/2593 (Health Program Coordinators), 2585/86/87/88 (Health Workers), 2822 (Health Educators)
4083-08/09	General Services Agency/ County Clerk	Criss	Professional Services & Software Development	\$208,000	12/1/08-1/14/10	Knowledge, skills and abilities in providing professional services and software development for proprietary DataCard MX6000 controller and printer equipment, laser beam train.	Local 21 classes involved 1070, 1053, 1054, 1043, 1044, 1063 1064, 5320, 5322, 1232 and 1237
4076-08/09	Juvenile Probation	Criss	Ombudsperson services at Juvenile Hall and Log Cabin Ranch	\$150,000	1/1/09 - 12/31/11	Demonstrated knowledge of the issues facing, youth and families involved in the juvenile justice system in SF and the services available to those clients,	

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4128-06/07	MTA	Ging	Transportation & Environmental Planning Professional Services	\$523,915 - modification	2/28/0-12/31/09	Expertise in Transportation Impact Analysis; expertise in Environmental Review and the preparation of Environmental Impact Reports(EIRs)	Local 21 classes involved 5283 - Planner V
4026-07/08	Office of Economic and Workforce Development	Criss	Marketing and outreach consulting services related to new labor laws	\$150,000	extension of period from 6/30/08 - 1/31/09	Outreach to SF community about new labor laws	2900 series (social work series), classes in OLSE (0932, 2978, 2992, 1823)
4080-08/09	Port	Pam	Coastal and Civil Engineering Design Services	\$400,000	4/01/09 - 12/31/10	Geotechnical engineering that includes soil analysis and slope stabilization, and Coastal Engineering	5241 Engineer, 5211 Senior Engineer
4084-08/09	Public Works	Ging	As-Needed Civil Engineering Services	\$3,000,000 (3@ \$1million each)	5/01/09 - 5/0/14	Expertise and familiarity with public works projects	5201 (Jr. Engineer), 5203 (Asst. Eng.), 5207 (Assoc. Eng.), 5211 (Sr. Eng.), 5212 (Prin. Eng.), 5241 (Eng.), 5362 (Eng. Asst.), 5364 (Eng. Assoc.1), 5366 (Eng. Assoc.2), 5302 (Traffic Survey Tech.)
4085-08/09	Public Works	Ging	Geotechnical Engineering Services on an As-Needed Basis	\$3,000,000 (3@ \$1million each)	5/01/09 - 5/0/14	Geotechnical engineers with expertise and familiarity with public works projects	Local 21 classes: IT series
4082-08/09	PUC	Ging	Procurement of proprietary software and system installation	\$132,000	2/01/09 - 1/31/10	Integrate software into existing SFPUC data historian and GIS programs	Classes involved include 7371-Electrical Transit System Mechanics

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4078-08/09	SF MTA	Criss	Drive Axle Replacement for ETI Trolley Coaches	\$484,700	1/2/09-6/30/09	The skill and ability to use precision measuring instruments are required.	Programmers 1063/1064, and Business Analyst positions 1053/54
4074-08/09	Treasurer/Tax Collector	Susan	Implementing a Treasury Workstation in the invest. Banking, and Treasury Acctg. Units.	\$360,000	03/1/09 - 03/1/14	The Staff who should be working on this project should have had past experience as a treasury practitioner, past experience implementing at least two treasury workstations.	

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MONDAY, DECEMBER 29, 2008

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TO: SF BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ^{BY} SW
RE: CHANGING "NO PARKING"
SIGNS BACK AND FORTH

ATTACHED IS A COPY OF A LETTER
I SENT TO THE DEPT. OF PARKING
AND TRAFFIC.

BEST REGARDS,
LINDA WHEELER

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MONDAY, DECEMBER 29, 2008

REQUEST FOR REVIEW

CITATION NUMBER: 758 886 365

REASON FOR REQUEST:

PARKING RULES CONFUSION

RECENTLY THE PARKING RULES ON HIGHLAND AVENUE WERE CHANGED FROM "MONDAYS - NO PARKING EVERY MONDAY" TO "NO PARKING ONLY ON THE SECOND AND FOURTH MONDAY" DUE TO STREET CLEANING.

TODAY IS THE 5TH MONDAY OF THE MONTH, SO I, LIKE EVERYONE ELSE ON THE STREET, DIDN'T MOVE MY CAR.

I HEARD THE STREET SWEEPER GO BY SO I WENT UP THE BLOCK TO CHECK MY CAR AND I FOUND A TICKET !!!

I COUNTED AT LEAST NINE OTHER TICKETS AND SO I LOOKED FOR A SIGN AND SAW THAT THE RULES HAD CHANGED BACK TO "NO PARKING EVERY MONDAY"

I AM VERY CAREFUL ABOUT THE PARKING RULES AND I THINK THAT HAVING THE RULES CHANGED SO QUICKLY IS AN OUTRAGEOUS WAY OF TRICKING

PEOPLE INTO GETTING TICKETS AS
A WAY OF RAISING MONEY,
I THINK THAT WHOEVER DECIDED TO
CHANGE THE RULES SO QUICKLY
SHOULD HAVE REALIZED THAT AT
THIS TIME OF YEAR, PEOPLE ARE HIGHLY
PRE-OCCUPIED WITH OTHER PROBLEMS
AND ALSO IT GETS DARK SO EARLY
THAT THE STREET SIGNS ARE NOT
VERY VISABLE.

I AM VERY UPSET ABOUT THIS TICKET,
I THINK IT IS UNFAIR AND DISHONEST.
IF IT IS SO EASY TO HAND OUT
TICKETS, IT SHOULD BE JUST AS
EASY TO HAND OUT NOTICES OF A
WARNING THAT THE RULES ARE
CHANGING - AGAIN!

THANK YOU FOR CONSIDERING A REVIEW,
LINDA WHEELER

Linda Wheeler 12/29/08
CC: SF BOARD OF SUPERVISORS



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Sent by:

12/30/2008 08:53 PM

Please respond to

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Subject SFBG OpEd "Mayor Newsom's YouTube hypocrisy"
12/31/08

This is online now for the print edition tomorrow. Thanks to Doug Comstock for inspiring me and Joe Lynn and Patrick Monette-Shaw for their valuable input.

Wednesday December 31, 2008

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Mayor Newsom's YouTube hypocrisy

It appears the mayor just doesn't want anyone to see the sausage he's making

By Kimo Crossman

OPINION Mayor Gavin Newsom's "State of the City" YouTube fiasco — in which city SFGTV employees helped create 7.5 hours of non-mandated programming — is complete hypocrisy.

While the mayor touts technology and transparency of his efforts, he has opposed using available technology to broaden access to public meetings in City Hall, even though that is now mandated under the Sunshine Ordinance. Why are we getting Internet speechifying, rather than transparent access to City Hall meetings?

If you've ever wanted to listen in on what are now essentially secret, backroom policy discussions and decisions being made in San Francisco's City Hall, you're not alone.

If you've ever imagined being able to hear those conversations — while you're sitting at home or in your office, during your drive to work, while on Muni/BART, enjoying a java in your favorite café, or really anywhere — the technology is already in place. You could use your iPod or MP3 player, or listen to a podcast, similar to using Books on Tape.

Right now only about 30 of the 80-plus regular City Hall meetings are televised and posted online for on-demand or downloaded viewing. Some of the remaining 50-plus

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meetings are at least audiotaped, but they require awkward and costly procedures to obtain them.

In an effort to increase transparency of San Francisco's government, Sup. Ross Mirkarimi introduced legislation earlier this year to expand the recording mandate and require online posting within 72 hours after a meeting. Currently only policy bodies must audiotape their meetings, but Mirkarimi's mandate extended the recording requirement to other City Hall agency and departmental hearings, and to lesser-known passive meeting bodies. It was such an obvious and popular idea that the Board of Supervisors overwhelmingly supported it and subsequently overrode Newsom's veto.

Newsom continues to claim the enhanced transparency mandate would be too costly, but simple research has shown that the city has all the equipment, contracts, and staff in place to implement Mirkarimi's transparency mandate today. In fact, any laptop or \$40 digital recorder can make the recording, and posting online is similar to the few steps needed to upload a YouTube video.

It appears the mayor just doesn't want anyone to see the sausage he's making, unless he can script and control it. Other City Hall bureaucrats blocking this include Jack Chin, head of SFGTV; Angela Calvillo, clerk of the board; and Frank Darby, Calvillo's administrator of the Sunshine Task Force. They all raise spurious complaints, pass the buck, and refuse to discuss reasonable accommodations, apparently following mayoral prohibitions despite the board's veto override.

The Sunshine Ordinance requires all civil servants to prioritize compliance over any other duties when there is a conflict, and failure to obey the law is official misconduct.

It's sad that Newsom, city employees, and City Attorney Dennis Herrera are doing everything they can (by action or by ignoring these daily violations) to prevent the ability of the media and the public to have this transparency. Needless to say, with the looming city budget deficit, our interest in following these detailed machinations is at an all-time high.

We should demand that City Hall's foot-dragging cease, by implementing Mirkarimi's legislation immediately.

Kimo Crossman is a government watchdog and a member of San Francisco's Sunshine Posse. Crossman can be reached at [redacted]. Open government advocates Joe Lynn and Patrick Monette-Shaw contributed to this report.

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TO: Deards of sup FROM: Rita Clark
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- URGENT FOR REVIEW PLEASE COMMENT PLEASE REPLY PLEASE RECYCLE

NOTES/COMMENTS:

Funding for this shelter
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 still be going on

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To whom it may concern,
Chief of police Ms. Fong
Shelter Monitor Committee
State of Cal Governor office
District Attorney Office
Board of Supervisors
Mayor office

Since I have been back in this shelter at 260 Golden Gate I have been repeated
Threaten, Harass, stock , and with threaten to harm my daughter talking
About molesting my child by the same gang that keeps getting favors from
Your trouble clients whom want to force drugs on you. to either use
. buy. Drugs. Same people please I had to leave this shelter on Sunday because
I no longer fell safe staying there that Jan 4, because wanting to lie and say was using
Drugs and call child protecting services on me because they want to protect your
Trouble client that sell dope in the building.

Thank You
Rita Lark

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To whom it may concern,
Chief of police Ms. Fong
Shelter Monitor Committee
State of Cal Governor office
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Mayor office

This is an another problems with Hamilton Family Shelter With staff and some of There clients that sell and use drugs there. Some of your staff that know whom the Trouble clients are keeping them there even when police have busted them in the building They continue to let them live there and harass other clients whom don't used drugs They break into people locker that hooks to the beds. The kitchens keeps getting Broking in to and Dave the cook there knows this instead of throwing out the food He will cook it and serve it just like it is. You may talk to the director Monica until You're blue in the face. About these trouble clients. And she will only go so far to handle These on going problems the only thing I see these are concern with are there statistic On whom is there at the shelter. Just like you re did the welfare program back to work , or school or recovery programs because without some kind of guide line. There not going no where with helping with housing nor staying to of the shelter programs and for your trouble client names Tatiana and Megan and there three woman in the room 402 one from east Africa Fillmore slim daughter and white lady all whom have been doing favor for this Mexican gang from Marin city Then there Ray whom like to open the doors to let the same members in the building

Thank you
Rita Lark



Patrick Giannetto

01/03/2009 08:05 PM

To board.of.supervisors@sfgov.org

cc

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Subject SF Zoo

ZOO

I implore you to take a closer look at the management of teh San Francisco zoo. More progressive and professional maeasures need to be taken to ensure animal welfare. Exploitation of animals is not the purpose of zoos. Especially, here in San Francisco. Please put the emphaisis on education and rehabilitation.

Sincerely,

Dr. Patrick Giannetto

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SOTF/SOTF/SFGOV

12/29/2008 03:52 PM

cc David Campos/BOS/SFGOV@SFGOV, Zach Tuller/BOS/SFGOV@SFGOV
bcc Board of Supervisors/BOS/SFGOV

Subject Response to IDR: (D9) Supervisors Office: NOW ONLY TWO (2) Months! (All) E-Mails Associated With Tom Ammiano's City Hall Offices

Mr. Holmer,

The e-mail file size that you have requested is approximately 5 Gb.

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Complete a SOTF Customer Satisfaction Survey by clicking the link below.
http://www.sfgov.org/site/sunshine_form.asp?id=34307
"Christian Holmer"



"Christian Holmer"

12/26/2008 10:51 AM

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To "SOTF" <sotf@sfgov.org>, "David \Thank God We've Elected Another Smart One!\) Campos" <David.Campos@sfgov.org>, "Zach Tuller" <Zach.Tuller@sfgov.org>, "Jake McGoldrick" <Jake.Mcgoldrick@sfgov.org>, "D2 - Michela Alioto-Pier" <Michela.Alioto-Pier@sfgov.org>, "Aaron Peskin" <Aaron.Peskin@sfgov.org>, <Carmen.Chu@sfgov.org>, <ross.mirkarimi@sfgov.org>, "Chris Daly" <Chris.Daly@sfgov.org>, "Sean Elsbernd" <Sean.Elsbernd@sfgov.org>, "Bevan Dufty" <Bevan.Dufty@sfgov.org>, <tom.ammiano@sfgov.org>, "Sophie Maxwell" <Sophie.Maxwell@sfgov.org>, "Gerardo Sandoval" <Gerardo.Sandoval@sfgov.org>
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Subject New Immediate Disclosure Request: (D9) Supervisors Office:

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NOW ONLY TWO (2) Months! (All) E-Mails Associated With
Tom Ammiano's City Hall Offices

You Are "Unable To *Respond* To This Request..."?

Your SFSM Public Records And Press Request Audit Response Audit Response Is Three Weeks Past Due. You've Been Responding To This Request For SOTF/COB E-Mail Records For Three Years Frank. You Provide Them To Us On A Semi-Weekly Basis.

The COB/SOTF/BOS All Have The Same Record Retention And Destruction Schedule And All Three Fall Under Those Portions of The Administrative Code Governing the Retention Of Electronic Public Records. The Full BOS Voted To Provide Public Records In Their Original Electronic Formats Two Years Ago.

See Attachment "SFBOS UNANIMOUSLY Affirms BOS / COB To Provide Public Records in Their Original Electronic Formats." Tom Voted To Do Just That.

See Attachment #1. Please Honor Former Supervisor Ammianos Commitment To Government Transparency and Full Disclosure.

To Use Your Terminology The "Category" We're Specifying Is *E-Mail Records* and The "Subject" Is *All E-Mail Correspondence To And From The Office of The Former D9 Supervisor* . I'm Kind of Slow So Perhaps It Will Be Necessary To Show Me "Voluminous" Next Week...

Short of Arranging An Office Visit Could You Confirm (Relatively Simple) or Even Ballpark (Roughly Estimate)...

1. Size of Saved .nsf Files.
2. Number of Messages.
3. Size of Unarchived (And As Yet Unpurged?) Subject E-Mail Folders.

New Immediate Disclosure Request (IDR) #3.

You Have Already Consulted With Interested Departments On This Request. The Request (Song) Remains The Same - But We're Now Specifying A Much Briefer Window - Two (2) Months of Subject

**Records Instead Of Six (6) / Three (3) Months. No Ten Day Extensions
Frank. Same Files. Briefer Interval. Immediate Disclosure Request.**

Please Provide the What We've Requested For Three (3) Months Instead
of Six (6) Months. (Insert Sighs of Relief From BOS/COB Staff Here).
Original Request and Comment Attached.

This Is a Significant Accomodation Given The State of California Requires
Your Offices to Maintain E-Mail Records (Electronic Public Documents) For
Two Years. For a Little Local Color Here's A Relevant Section Of The
COB/BOS September 2003 Computer Use E-Mail Policy...

From: SOTF [<mailto:sotf@sfgov.org>]
Sent: Friday, December 19, 2008 4:41 PM
To: mail@csrsf.com
Cc: David Campos; Zach Tuller
Subject: Response to new IDR: (D9) Supervisors Office: THREE (3) Months! (All) E-Mails Associated With Tom
Ammiano's City Hall Offices

Mr. Holmer,

I am writing in response to your request for all e-mails sent and received by former Supervisor Tom Ammiano, his
aides and interns during the last three months ending December 5, 2008. We appreciate your effort to modify your
original request however, your revised request is still broad and voluminous, and therefore we are unable to respond
to the request. I suggest that you narrow your request by identifying the records you seek by category or subject.

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