Petitions and Communications received from August 11, 2009, through September 4, 2009, for reference by the President to Committee considering related matters or to be ordered filed by the Clerk on September 15, 2009. File 091079 (items 40-91)

From Office of the Mayor, submitting copy of letter sent to Supervisor Daly regarding the process for addressing State and Local revenue shortfalls. (40)

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From Police Commission, submitting resolution urging the Board of Supervisors and the Mayor to enact an ordinance authorizing the Chief of Police to appoint to the command staff qualified sworn law enforcement officers from outside the Police Department, subject to appropriate limitations. Copy: Each Supervisor (48)

From Municipal Transportation Agency, submitting the Transit Impact Development Fee Update pursuant to Administrative Code Section 38.7. Copy: Each Supervisor (49)

From Roland Wong, regarding the need to install swing doors at the Forest Hill Muni Station to make it accessible to all San Franciscans. (50)

From Bill Quan, submitting opposition to proposed ordinance that classifies families as a protected class under the Owner Move-in legislation. Copy: Each Supervisor (51)
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From Planning Department, regarding the proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration for proposed project at 246 Ritch Street. (53)

From Johann Stahl, commenting on the newly installed planter boxes at Ellis and Jones Streets. (54)

From Boris Erlikh, thanking the Board of Supervisors for keeping the Neighborhood Emergency Response Team (NERT) program around amidst the economic chaos and budget limitation. (55)

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From Emil Lawrence, regarding statement related to a complaint to be filed with the City Attorney and or Superior Court requesting fines of $10,000.00 per day from the Municipal Transportation Agency starting March 1, 2009. (61)

From Aaron Goodman, urging the Board of Supervisors to halt all alterations to the Merced Branch Library, until the proposed changes are reviewed by a preservationist that comprehends the effects of the changes proposed for the Merced Branch Library Renovation project. Copy: Supervisor Elsbernd (62)

From concerned citizens, submitting support for preserving the historic 18-hole Sharp Park Golf Course. Copy: Each Supervisor, 10 letters (63)

From Gene Maguire, submitting support for putting the Tenderloin “street animals and Broadway power drinkers” together on Alcatraz Island. (64)

From Stephen Williams, regarding certification of the Final Environmental Impact Report (FEIR) and Conditional Use Authorization for the proposed project at 2901 California Street/1831-1835 Broderick Street (Drew School Addition). Copy: Each Supervisor (65)
From Office of the Controller-City Service Auditor, submitting the Annual Work Plan for FY 2009-2010. (66)

From Department of Public Works, regarding the status of removing graffiti from various locations in District 5. (Reference No. 20090811-007) (67)

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From Francisco Da Costa, regarding the Bayview Hunters Point Restoration Advisory Board. (73)

From Department of Public Works, submitting report regarding the Department of Public Works Adopt-A-Tree Account for the period of FY 2008-09. (74)

From Planning Department, submitting notice of a public hearing to be held on September 30, 2009 regarding the Environmental Impact Report for the 2004 and 2009 Housing Element. Copy: Each Supervisor (75)

From Office of the Mayor, submitting the appointment of Luke O’Brien as a member of the Small Business Commission and Richard J. Guggenhime as a member of the Airport Commission. Copy: Rules Clerk (76)

From concerned citizens, submitting opposition to proposed legislation regarding confidentiality of juveniles’ immigration status. File No. 091032, 2 letters (77)

From Karen Melander-Magoon, regarding the “homeless hot team” and calling 311. (78)

From Lee Goodin, urging the Board of Supervisors to urge ISCOTT to grant an indefinite extension for the little plaza park on Mason Street between Columbus Avenue and Lombard Street. (79)
From Sunshine Ordinance Task Force, regarding complaint filed before the Sunshine Task Force by David Schneider. (80)

From Sunshine Ordinance Task Force, responding to complaint filed by David Schneider. (81)

From Alvin Johnson, submitting letter entitled: wrongful incarceration II, the IT Story. (82)

From concerned citizens, commenting on the newly appointed San Francisco Police Chief. 2 letters (83)

From Francisco Da Costa, submitting letter entitled: U.S. Navy fails to have a meaningful dialog with the community on superfund, cleanup and related issues. (84)

From Francisco Da Costa, submitting letter entitled: corrupt politicians that are shewed in while they deserve to be booted out. (85)

From Francisco Da Costa, submitting letter entitled: land grab by Mark Leno. (86)

From Francisco Da Costa, submitting letter entitled: Senator Mark Leno fails to find support with SB 792. (87)

From Philip Snyder, regarding the HAIA Community forum meeting on the homeless population in the Haight. (88)

From State Fish and Game Commission, submitting notice of proposed regulatory actions relative to “Sport Fishing Regulations.” (89)

From State Fish and Game Commission, submitting notice of proposed regulatory action relating to incidental take of the California tiger salamander. (90)

From Secretary of State, submitting notice that a public hearing will be held on September 15, 2009, at the Secretary of State’s office to take public testimony on the proposed Trustworthy Electronic Document or Record Preservation regulations. (91)
August 31, 2009

Supervisor Chris Daly
Board of Supervisors
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place, Room 244
San Francisco, CA 94102-4689

Dear Supervisor Daly,

This letter is in response to your inquiry (20090811-005), submitted at the August 11 meeting of the Board of Supervisors and forwarded to the Mayor’s Office of Public Policy and Finance on August 14, regarding the process for addressing state and local revenue shortfalls. The inquiry received by the Mayor’s Office of Public Policy and Finance reads:

“The California State Budget was passed on July 28, 2009. According to Section 9.3 of the Administrative Provisions outlines a process for addressing state or local revenue shortfall. Please indicate the dates as prescribed by section 9.3 for reporting, implementing reductions in spending, etc. and your offices plan to implement the prescribed timeline.”

Section 9.3 of the Administrative Provisions of the Annual Appropriation ordinance directs the Controller to issue a report to the Mayor and Board of Supervisors within one week of the adoption of the State budget with an estimate of the State revenue impact on the City’s General Fund. On August 4, 2009, the Controller issued a report with initial estimates of the impacts of the State budget on the General Fund. The report concluding that there are “large uncertainties regarding these estimates,” and stated that “given these uncertainties, we regard this report as preliminary and plan to submit an updated report to the Mayor and Board of Supervisors by September 14, 2009. The updated report will trigger the FY 2009-10 AAO provision requiring the Mayor’s Office to issue a report to the Board of Supervisors outlining a plan to address the shortfall within 21 days.

Assuming the Controller’s Office issues a final report on September 14 that triggers the provisions of Section 9.3 of the Administrative Provisions of the Annual Appropriation Ordinance, the Mayor’s Office anticipates the following timeline:

- September 14, 2009: Controller issues report on impacts of the State budget
- On or before October 5, 2009 (21 days after the Controller’s report is issued): The Mayor will issue a report to the Board of Supervisors outlining his plan to address the shortfall.
- October 5 through November 19, 2009: During this period, reductions in proposed spending levels proposed by the Mayor will not take effect, to allow for review of the plan as described in Section 9.3.

If the Controller’s report is issued on a date other than September 14, or contains information that changes the date on which the provisions of Section 9.3 are triggered, the Mayor’s Office will adjust its timeline to meet the requirements of Section 9.3.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you would like more information or to discuss this matter further.

Sincerely,

Greg Wagner
Mayor’s Budget Director
August 24, 2009

President Ron Miguel
San Francisco Planning Commission
1650 Mission Street, Suite 400
San Francisco, CA 94103-2479

RE: California Pacific Medical Center Plan

Dear President Miguel and Members of the Planning Commission:

I write to express the Bay Area Council support for California Pacific Medical Center’s ("CPMC") vision for the future of health care in San Francisco. Its long-term and holistic plan to upgrade our city’s health facilities will provide both state-of-the-art services for San Franciscans, support the public's safety by making buildings seismically adequate, and create thousands of much-needed jobs in the City.

CPMC's Institutional Master Plan is innovative and promises to propel San Francisco's livelihood forward: from both a health and business standpoint. CPMC’s plan to replace its seismically inadequate hospitals by 2015 is responsible, will inject $2.5 billion into our local economy, create 1,500 local union construction jobs, and revitalize business around the new campuses. Additionally, CPMC's plans to build "green" and energy efficient campuses establish San Francisco as a leader in the swiftly developing green economy.

The Bay Area Council strongly supports CPMC's Institutional Master Plan and encourages the Planning Commission to approve the project, thus investing in San Francisco's health care future.

Thank you for your leadership and consideration.

Sincerely,

Jim Wunderman
President & CEO

Cc: Planning Commission Members
San Francisco Board of Supervisors
June 30, 2009

Anna Hom  
Consumer Protection and Safety Division  
California Public Utilities Commission  
505 Van Ness Avenue  
San Francisco, CA 94102

RE: OMNIPOINT COMMUNICATIONS, INC. d/b/a T-MOBILE (Wireless ID #: U-3056-C) Notification Letter for T-Mobile Site No. SF13993B:

This letter provides the Commission with notice pursuant to the provisions of General Order No. 159A of the Public Utilities Commission of the State of California (CPUC) that with regard to the project described in Attachment A:

☐ (a) T-Mobile has obtained all requisite land use approval for the project described in Attachment A.

☐ (b) No land use approval is required because

A copy of this notification letter is being sent to the local government agency identified below for its information. Should the Commission or the local government agency have any questions regarding this project, or if anyone disagrees with the information contained herein, please contact Joni Norman, Senior Development Manager for T-Mobile, at (925) 521-5987, or contact Ms. Anna Hom of the CPUC Consumer Protection and Safety Division at 415-703-2699.

Sincerely,

Joni Norman  
Sr. Development Manager  
Omnipoint Communications, Inc. dba T-Mobile

Enclosed: Attachment A

CC:
City of San Francisco, Attn: City Manager, 1 Carlton B. Goodlett Place, San Francisco, CA 94102  
City of San Francisco, Attn: City Clerk, 1 Carlton B. Goodlett Place, San Francisco, CA 94102  
City of San Francisco, Attn: Planning Director, 1 Carlton B. Goodlett Place, San Francisco, CA 94102
ATTACHMENT A

1. Project Location

Site Identification Number: SF13993

Site Name: Sankowich Alta Investments

Site Address: 1453 Mission Street

County: San Francisco

Site Location: San Francisco, CA

Assessor's Parcel Number: 3510-057

Latitude: 37.774955 ° N

Longitude: -122.415783 ° W

Project Description

Number of Antennas to be installed: Three (3) total. One (1) new panel antenna, to be flush-mounted on existing penthouse and enclosed in FRP box; two (2) new panel antennas, to be flush-mounted on existing building and enclosed in FRP boxes.

Tower Design: Attaching to existing building.

Tower Appearance: Antennas mounted to penthouse and building façade.

Tower Height: A) 87 feet
             B) 87 feet

Size of Buildings: 25’ x 10’

2. Business Addresses of all Governmental Agencies

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4. Land Use Approvals

Date Zoning Approval Issued: On May 12, 2009, the City of San Francisco issued Planning Department approval for this project.

Land Use Permit #: Planning Approval: file #: Planning portion of BP No. 2006.0721.7259 Issued: 5/12/2009 Building Permit: ISSUANCE PENDING.

If Land use Approval was not required: N/A
August 24, 2009

Anna Horn
Consumer Protection and Safety Division
California Public Utilities Commission
505 Van Ness Avenue
San Francisco, CA 94102

RE: T-Mobile West Corporation as successor in interest to Omnipoint Communications, Inc. d/b/a T-Mobile (U-3056-C).
Notification Letter for T-Mobile Site No. SF13006A:

This letter provides the Commission with notice pursuant to the provisions of General Order No. 159A of the Public Utilities Commission of the State of California (CPUC) that with regard to the project described in Attachment A:

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Sincerely,

Rana Ayyoub
Regulatory, Compliance, & Acquisition Program Manager
T-MOBILE WEST CORPORATION a Delaware corporation

Enclosed: Attachment A

CC:
City Manager, City of San Francisco, 1Carlton B. Goodlett Place, San Francisco, CA 94102
City Clerk, City of San Francisco, 1Carlton B. Goodlett Place, San Francisco, CA 94102
Planning Director, City of San Francisco, 1Carlton B. Goodlett Place, San Francisco, CA 94102
ATTACHMENT A

1. Project Location

   Site Identification Number: SF13006A
   Site Name: Presidio Crissy Fields
   Site Address: 603 Mason St., San Francisco, CA 94129
   County: San Francisco
   Assessor’s Parcel Number: Block 1300 Lot 1
   Latitude: 37° 48’ 13.55” N
   Longitude: 122° 27’ 20.48” W

2. Project Description

   Number of Antennas to be installed: 6 panel antennas
   Tower Design: Antennas will be located on a COW
   Tower Appearance: COW
   Tower Height: 50’
   Size of Building: 40’ x 40’

3. Business Addresses of all Governmental Agencies

   City of San Francisco          City of San Francisco          City of San Francisco
   Attn: City Manager            Attn: City Clerk               Attn: Planning Director
   1 Carlton B. Goodlett Place   1 Carlton B. Goodlett Place   1 Carlton B. Goodlett Place
   San Francisco, CA 94102       San Francisco, CA 94102       San Francisco, CA 94102

4. Land Use Approvals

   Date Zoning Approval Issued: Planning Approval ~ planning portion of BP No. 091158-0017
   Issues: 05/14/09
   Building Permit: NOT ISSUED YET.

   If Land use Approval was not required:
We have paved potholes located at 485 Waller / Steiner.

Kingsley Roberts  
Assistant Superintendent  
Department of Public Works, BSSR  
2323 Cesar Chavez  
San Francisco, CA 94124  
Phone: 415-695-2087  
Fax: 415-695-2097

-----Original Message-----
From: Kelly, Mike
Sent: Wednesday, August 26, 2009 3:11 PM
To: Roberts, Kingsley; Potholes; Mulkerrin, Martin
Cc: McDaniels, Chris
Subject: RE: BOARD OF SUPERVISORS INQUIRY # 20090818-002

Completed 485 Waller/ Steiner 8/26/09.

Could not find anything at 1321 Fulton.

Thanks,

Mike Kelly  
Supervisor II  
SF DPW BSSR  
415.725.1501

-----Original Message-----
From: Roberts, Kingsley
Sent: Monday, August 24, 2009 8:27 AM
To: Potholes; Mulkerrin, Martin; Kelly, Mike
Subject: FW: BOARD OF SUPERVISORS INQUIRY # 20090818-002

-----Original Message-----
From: McDaniels, Chris  
Sent: Friday, August 21, 2009 4:24 PM  
To: Roberts, Kingsley  
Subject: FW: BOARD OF SUPERVISORS INQUIRY # 20090818-002

Sent from my Windows Mobile(r) phone.

-----Original Message-----
From: Rodis, Nathan <Nathan.Rodis@sfdpw.org>  
Sent: Friday, August 21, 2009 2:47 PM  
To: McDaniels, Chris <Chris.McDaniels@sfdpw.org>  
Cc: Nuru, Mohammed <Mohammed.Nuru@sfdpw.org>  
Subject: FW: BOARD OF SUPERVISORS INQUIRY # 20090818-002

Chris,

Please respond directly to the Board of Supervisors and copy Supe. Mirkarimi. Please use the reference number in your reply title, and copy Frank W. Lee and myself because we are tracking these requests.

Thank you!

Nathan Rodis  
Assistant to the Director's Office  
Department of Public Works  
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place  
City Hall, Room 348  
San Francisco, CA 94102  
Ph: (415) 554-6932  Fax: (415) 554-6944

-----Original Message-----
From: Board of Supervisors  
Sent: Thursday, August 20, 2009 5:03 PM  
To: Reiskin, Ed  
Subject: BOARD OF SUPERVISORS INQUIRY

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS INQUIRY
For any questions, call the sponsoring supervisor

TO: Edward Reiskin
Public Works

FROM: Clerk of the Board
DATE: 8/20/2009
REFERENCE: 20090818-002
FILE NO.

Due Date: 9/19/2009

This is an inquiry from a member of the Board of Supervisors made at the Board meeting on 8/18/2009.

Supervisor Mirkarimi requests the following information:

To report on the status of repairing potholes on Eddy Street between
Pierce and Steiner, north side, road uneven and potholes.

Please indicate the reference number shown above in your response, direct the original via email to Board.of.Supervisors@sfgov.org and send a copy to the Supervisor(s) noted above.

Your response to this inquiry is requested by 9/19/2009
Thank you for taking the first step to transform our publicly owned land at Sharp Park from an exclusive, underused, and budget-breaking golf course into a community-centered model for endangered species recovery, natural flood control, outdoor recreation, and sustainable land use.

I strongly support Supervisor Mirkarimi's proposed ordinance to transfer Sharp Park to the National Park Service as part of the Golden Gate National Recreation Area or to jointly manage the park with the Park Service. The ordinance would also require the city's Recreation and Parks Department to develop a plan, schedule, and budget for restoring Sharp Park habitat for endangered species on the site, a welcome change from the mismanagement of recent years. I urge the city and county of San Francisco to restore Sharp Park as a coastal lagoon and wetland habitat for endangered species. Please follow through by passing this important legislation.

Sharp Park Golf Course has a long history of environmental problems because of its poor design and unfortunate placement on a coastal lagoon. The course has had problems with flooding and drainage ever since opening, and the Department has created new and significant environmental impacts. The current operation of the golf course harms wetland habitat and causes illegal take of two federally listed species, the California red-legged frog and the San Francisco garter snake.

The golf course is a significant money-loser for San Francisco that makes no sense to maintain at a time when the city has cut the Recreation and Parks Department staff and the long-term golf prospects at the site are slim. Combine that with the problems with endangered species, wetland destruction, flooding, and sea-level rise, and it is clear that restoration of Sharp Park to a natural state is the best option for the area.

Ecological restoration is the most fiscally responsible method of managing Sharp Park and dealing with flood management issues at the site. Compared to the costs of implementing capital improvements necessary to maintain the golf course combined with the high potential for massive civil penalties for harming endangered species, restoration alternatives seem to be the most fiscally prudent method for retaining recreational uses of the area.

San Francisco's 2004 recreational study shows that the number-one recreational demand in San Francisco is more hiking and biking trails – and golf came in 16th. San Francisco already has six public golf courses, and about 50 other golf courses are within a 45-minute drive of Sharp Park. Restoring Sharp Park will help meet recreational demand through hiking and biking trails, picnicking spots, camping facilities, a world-class nature center, a gateway to the San Mateo County Golden Gate National Recreation Area lands, and educational opportunities sorely needed in San Mateo County. Restoration will also ensure the continued existence and abundance of endangered species at Sharp Park.

Please transfer Sharp Park to the National Park Service or jointly manage the property with the Service to restore Sharp Park as a coastal lagoon and wetland habitat for endangered species.
For Immediate Release, August 19, 2009

Contact: Jeff Miller, Center for Biological Diversity, (510) 499-9185

Scientists Support Restoration of Sharp Park
**Current Golf-course Management Incompatible With Restoring Endangered Species**

SAN FRANCISCO — A group of prominent scientists today sent a letter to the San Francisco Recreation and Park Department urging restoration of wetlands habitat at Sharp Park Golf Course in Pacifica for the benefit of endangered San Francisco garter snakes and California red-legged frogs, and contending that current golf-course management activities are incompatible with restoring healthy populations of these endangered species. The signatories to the letter are biologists, herpetologists, ecologists, and hydrologists with collective expertise regarding wetlands habitats, the endangered species at the site, and amphibians and reptiles.

"Scientists familiar with Sharp Park have made it clear that restoration of the Sharp Park wetlands and surrounding habitat is a superior alternative for the long-term survival of the San Francisco garter snake and California red-legged frog than maintaining the current golf course," said Jeff Miller, conservation advocate with the Center for Biological Diversity. "This should put to rest the misguided notion that maintaining the current golf course is somehow compatible with restoring endangered species at this site."

The scientists note that restoration of Sharp Park wetlands and uplands habitats and connectivity with protected adjacent open space is the best option to ensure the long-term survival of the San Francisco garter snake and the California red-legged frog in the area. The scientists cited impacts to the endangered species at the golf course from mowing of greens and fairways, water pumping at a golf-course pond, destruction of gopher burrows that garter snakes and red-legged frogs depend upon, loss of upland habitat needed by the species for hibernation and cover due to vegetation management, and potentially harmful use of pesticides and fertilizers.

Sharp Park Golf Course is owned by the city and county of San Francisco but is located to the south of the city on the coast, in Pacifica. Its ongoing environmental problems are largely due to poor design and unfortunate placement. To create the course in the early 1930s, the Recreation and Park Department dredged and filled areas around a lagoon known as Laguna Salada for 14 months. Not surprisingly, Sharp Park has had problems with flooding and drainage ever since.
In May of 2009 the San Francisco Board of Supervisors unanimously passed a Sharp Park restoration planning ordinance, which requires the Recreation and Park Department to develop a plan, schedule, and budget for restoring Sharp Park habitat for the California red-legged frog and the San Francisco garter snake, and to consider whether to transfer the property to, or develop a joint management agreement with, the Golden Gate National Recreation Area, Pacifica, or San Mateo County. An environmental review process is also underway for San Francisco’s Natural Areas Program that will evaluate restoration alternatives for Sharp Park. Numerous conservation groups are advocating for review and selection of a full restoration alternative for Sharp Park.

The Department is reviewing three options for the park: closing the golf course and restoring it to create a natural preserve, keeping it as an 18-hole course while restoring some areas, or cutting the course to nine holes. In July the Recreation and Park Department attempted to appoint an infamous consultant known as a hired gun and advocate for development and anti-environmental interests as a so-called “peer reviewer” of the Sharp Park restoration alternatives, a divisive proposal that was shot down by conservation groups. The Department has missed the July 31 deadline for the alternatives report required by the supervisors’ legislation.

“The Recreation and Park Department seems to believe the current golf course should be maintained, even though the scientific consensus is that the golf course and its management activities harm endangered species and are incompatible with their recovery,” said Miller. “San Francisco has a golden opportunity to save taxpayers’ money, preserve endangered species, and improve recreational access to our coast by choosing a full restoration option.”

The operation and mismanagement of the golf course is undermining habitat-restoration work within the nearby Golden Gate National Recreation Area for the garter snake and the frog at adjacent Mori Point. Golf-course operations continue to illegally kill California red-legged frogs by draining and pumping the frog’s aquatic habitats, stranding and desiccating frog eggs and killing tadpoles. Extremely rare San Francisco garter snakes have been killed by mowing grass in areas that snakes use for basking.

The Pacifica Planning Commission is considering a proposal to designate the golf course as a historic landmark, a tactic by the city of Pacifica to block any changes at the golf course. Such designation would harm restoration and recovery efforts for the endangered species at Sharp Park and would likely provoke a takings lawsuit by San Francisco and expose Pacifica to millions of dollars in liability. The National Park Service has adopted “no position” on the politically motivated landmark designation since it fails to provide any historic recognition to American Indian and World War II historic elements of the property. The Commission deadlocked on a vote on landmark status in July.
Last September the Center for Biological Diversity filed a notice of intent to sue San Francisco for illegally killing and harming endangered species at Sharp Park in violation of the federal Endangered Species Act. The Center has called on San Francisco to cease harming endangered species, restore wetlands and surrounding uplands habitat for endangered species, and provide more diverse recreational opportunities for the public at the site, including hiking trails and picnicking and camping facilities.

A broad coalition of community and conservation groups support Sharp Park restoration proposals, including the Center for Biological Diversity, Nature in the City, Neighborhood Parks Council, San Francisco Tomorrow, Golden Gate Audubon Society, Sequoia Audubon Society, Pacifica Shorebird Alliance, San Francisco League of Conservation Voters, Yerba Buena Chapter of the California Native Plant Society, Action for Animals, and Transportation for a Livable City.

The scientists that sent the letter are:

Robert Battalio, an engineer and consultant with Philip Williams & Associates, with extensive experience with coastal engineering and restoration of coastal lagoons and estuarine areas;

Peter Baye, Ph.D., a botanist and coastal plant ecologist with 30 years professional experience in applied ecology and botany, and with a career focus on coastal wetlands, dunes, and beaches;

Carlos Davidson, Ph.D., a conservation biologist and ecologist with expertise in conservation ecology and California amphibians, and director and associate professor in the Environmental Studies Program at San Francisco State University;

Robert C. Drewes, Ph.D., a biologist with expertise in herpetological systematics and ecological physiology, and curator of herpetology at the California Academy of Sciences;

Ted Papenfuss, Ph.D., a zoologist with expertise in biogeography and systematics of amphibians and reptiles, and an amphibian and reptile research specialist with the Museum of Vertebrate Zoology at the University of California, Berkeley;

Peter H. Raven, Ph.D., a renowned botanist and president of the Missouri Botanical Garden, with expertise and many years of study on the plants of Central California;

H. Bradley Shaffer, Ph.D., an evolutionary and conservation biologist with expertise in conservation genetics and herpetology, with ongoing research on the California red-legged frog and other declining California amphibians and reptiles, and a professor in the Department of Evolution and Ecology at the University of California, Davis;

Todd Steiner, a biologist who conducted an early study of garter snakes and red-legged frogs at Shark Park for San Francisco in the 1990s, and the executive director of Turtle
Island Restoration Network; and

Samuel S. Sweet, Ph.D., a zoologist with expertise in vertebrate systematics, evolutionary morphology, and herpetology, and a professor in the Department of Ecology, Evolution and Marine Biology at the University of California, Santa Barbara.

The Center for Biological Diversity is a national nonprofit conservation organization with more than 225,000 members and online activists dedicated to the protection of endangered species and wild places.

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At the Center for Biological Diversity, we believe that the welfare of human beings is deeply linked to nature — to the existence in our world of a vast diversity of wild plants and animals. Because diversity has intrinsic value, and because its loss impoverishes society, we work to secure a future for all species, great and small, hovering on the brink of extinction. We do so through science, law, and creative media, with a focus on protecting the lands, waters, and climate that species need to survive. We want those who come after us to inherit a world where the wild is still alive.
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I strongly support Supervisor Mirkarimi's proposed ordinance to transfer Sharp Park to the National Park Service as part of the Golden Gate National Recreation Area or to jointly manage the park with the Park Service. The ordinance would also require the city's Recreation and Parks Department to develop a plan, schedule, and budget for restoring Sharp Park habitat for endangered species on the site, a welcome change from the mismanagement of recent years. I urge the city and county of San Francisco to restore Sharp Park as a coastal lagoon and wetland habitat for endangered species. Please follow through by passing this important legislation.

Sharp Park Golf Course has a long history of environmental problems because of its poor design and unfortunate placement on a coastal lagoon. The course has had problems with flooding and drainage ever since opening, and the Department has created new and significant environmental impacts. The current operation of the golf course harms wetland habitat and causes illegal take of two federally listed species, the California red-legged frog and the San Francisco garter snake.

The golf course is a significant money-loser for San Francisco that makes no sense to maintain at a time when the city has cut the Recreation and Parks Department staff and the long-term golf prospects at the site are slim. Combine that with the problems with endangered species, wetland destruction, flooding, and sea-level rise, and it is clear that restoration of Sharp Park to a natural state is the best option for the area.

Ecological restoration is the most fiscally responsible method of managing Sharp Park and dealing with flood management issues at the site. Compared to the costs of implementing capital improvements necessary to maintain the golf course combined with the high potential for massive civil penalties for harming endangered species, restoration alternatives seem to be the most fiscally prudent method for retaining recreational uses of the area.

San Francisco's 2004 recreational study shows that the number-one recreational demand in San Francisco is more hiking and biking trails -- and golf came in 16th. San Francisco already has six public golf courses, and about 50 other golf courses are within a 45-minute drive of Sharp Park. Restoring Sharp Park will help meet recreational demand through hiking and biking trails, picnicking spots, camping facilities, a world-class nature center, a gateway to the San Mateo County Golden Gate National Recreation Area lands, and educational opportunities sorely needed in San Mateo County. Restoration will also ensure the continued existence and abundance of endangered species at Sharp Park.

Please transfer Sharp Park to the National Park Service or jointly manage the property with the Service to restore Sharp Park as a coastal lagoon and wetland habitat for endangered species.
Ms. Calvillo,

Please find attached below the Real Estate Fraud Annual Report for fiscal year 2008-2009 for the San Francisco District Attorney's Office, pursuant to Government Code section 27388(d), along with a cover letter to you regarding this same report. I am sending you this report and cover letter via U.S. mail as well. A copy of this report is also being sent to the state Legislative Analyst's Office, as required by statute. I have also sent a copy to Board President David Chiu. Government Code section 27388(d) was amended this past year to require this report to be filed by September 1 of each year by District Attorney's Offices which prosecute real estate fraud cases using money from the Real Estate Fraud Prosecution Trust Fund. Our Office does handle such prosecutions using this money. Should you have any questions about this report, please contact me at the number or email address below.

Thank you

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August 18, 2009

By Hand Delivery

President David Chiu and Members
San Francisco Board of Supervisors
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place, Room 244
San Francisco, CA 94102

Re: Proposed Ordinance No. 90933

Dear President Chiu:

This office represents the owner of a retail and office building located at the intersection of Stockton Street and O’Farrell Street in San Francisco, California. We understand that the portion of Stockton Street on which the building fronts lies within the subway alignment of the new Central Subway project.

We have received a copy of proposed Ordinance No. 90933 (“Proposed Ordinance”), the purpose of which is to add to the San Francisco Public Works Code a new Section 723.3 entitled “Unpermitted Subsidewalk Encroachment into the Public Right of Way Along the Central Subway Corridor”. We have several concerns about the Proposed Ordinance.

As an initial matter, the Proposed Ordinance unfairly singles out certain property owners in the City and County of San Francisco for disparate and unequal treatment as compared to all other property owners in the City. The Proposed Ordinance makes only property owners along the “Central Subway Corridor” whose properties abut or are adjacent to certain subsidewalk obstructions or encroachments liable for committing a public nuisance. All other property owners in the City, including property owners who obstruct or encroach into public rights-of-way without authorization, are unaffected by the Proposed Ordinance.

In addition, the central provision of the Proposed Ordinance abrogates the affected property owners’ existing rights. The Section 723.3(b) provides as follows:

“(b) Notwithstanding any permit, license, easement or authorization of any kind, an unpermitted subsidewalk obstruction or other encroachment into the public right of way along the Central Subway Corridor shall constitute a public nuisance that the City may abate by any legal means, and the
abatement of such nuisance shall be at the expense of the
Property Owner (emphasis supplied).

The term “unpermitted” is defined as an unauthorized subsidewalk obstruction or other
encroachment, including obstructions or encroachments for which a permit has not been issued.
Therefore, under proposed Section 723.3(b), notwithstanding that an obstruction or encroachment
has been authorized or permitted (by a “permit, license, easement or authorization of any kind”), that
obstruction or encroachment is now not authorized or permitted and is now a public nuisance. The
Proposed Ordinance needs to make clear that uses that have been authorized or for which permits
have been issued are not public nuisances and not subject to its provisions.

We also have some other concerns about the Proposed Ordinance. For example, under
Section 723.3(g), the City’s expenses of abatement of a subsidewalk improvement, including the cost
of enforcement proceedings, are charged to the property owner and made a lien against its property.
These expenses include the hourly rates of personnel time and attorneys’ fees, and are calculated
beginning with the City’s initial inspection of the property in question. However, in at least some
cases, that initial City inspection took place long ago, but the property owners still hold valid rights
to maintain their subsidewalk improvements in their current location. Therefore, if these property
owners do not agree that their use is unauthorized or with the City’s abatement expenses, the price
they will have to pay will include significant City time and expenses incurred when the property
owners clearly were not responsible for any public nuisance.

For the foregoing reasons and others, we respectfully submit that the Proposed Ordinance
should be the subject of further review, examination and revision before the City considers its
adoption.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Very truly yours,

Carl B. Johnson
of
LUCE, FORWARD, HAMILTON & SCRIPPS LLP

CBJ/cle
Enclosures
cc: San Francisco City Attorneys’ Office

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August 28, 2009

Honorable Mayor Gavin Newsom  
Mayor, City and County of San Francisco  
#1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place, Room 200  
San Francisco, CA 94102

Honorable Members of the Board of Supervisors  
#1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place, Room 244  
San Francisco, CA 94102

Dear Mayor Newsom and Supervisors:

At the meeting of the Police Commission on Wednesday, August 26, 2009, the following resolution was adopted:

**RESOLUTION NO. 80-09**

**URGING THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AND THE MAYOR TO ENACT AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CHIEF OF POLICE TO APPOINT TO THE COMMAND STAFF QUALIFIED SWORN LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS FROM OUTSIDE THE POLICE DEPARTMENT, SUBJECT TO APPROPRIATE LIMITATIONS**

WHEREAS, the Police Commission recognizes and honors the many talented and dedicated career officers in the Police Department who daily serve the residents of San Francisco; and

WHEREAS, the Police Commission supports promotional practices that place a high value on service in San Francisco and provide appropriate advancement opportunities for qualified and talented career officers in the Department; and

WHEREAS, the Department encourages lateral hiring in order to attract the most qualified professional law enforcement officers from other local, state and federal agencies; and

WHEREAS, the San Francisco Administrative Code currently provides that appointment to the Command Staff may be made only from incumbents within the Department at the rank of Lieutenant or above; and

WHEREAS, qualified and talented candidates for certain Command Staff positions may be found among sworn law enforcement officers with supervisory experience who serve not only in the Department but also in other local, state or federal agencies that employ law enforcement officers; and

WHEREAS, the Police Commission supports extending the lateral hiring program to the Command Staff level with appropriate limitations; therefore
LET IT BE RESOLVED, that the Police Commission urges the Board of Supervisors and the Mayor to enact an ordinance authorizing the Chief of Police to appoint to the Command Staff qualified sworn law enforcement officers from outside the Department, subject to appropriate limitations to be enumerated in the ordinance.

AYES: Commissioners Marshall, Mazzucco, DeJesus, Pan
ABSENT: Commissioners Lee, Onek

Very truly yours,

[Signature]
Lieutenant Joseph Reilly
Secretary
San Francisco Police Commission

1497/ret
DATE: August 24, 2009

TO: SFMTA Board of Directors
    Tom Nolan, Chairman
    Rev. Dr. James McCray Jr., Vice Chairman
    Cameron Beach, Director
    Shirley Breyer Black, Director
    Malcolm Heinicke, Director
    Jerry Lee, Director
    Bruce Oka, Director

THROUGH: Nathaniel P. Ford Sr.
         Executive Director/CEO

FROM: Sonali Bose
      CFO/Director of Finance and Information Technology

SUBJECT: Transit Impact Development Fee (TIDF) Update

Beginning September 4, 2009 and every five years thereafter, Section 38.7 of the San Francisco Administrative Code requires that the "Director shall prepare a report for the SFMTA Board and the Board of Supervisors with recommendations as to whether the TIDF should be ... increased, decreased, or remain the same." In making such recommendations, the Director is required to update specific information contained in the TIDF nexus study prepared in support of the 2004 revisions to the TIDF.

In June 2009, in preparation for the submission of the report to the Board of Supervisors, the SFMTA Board authorized a contract with a team of consultants led by Cambridge Systematics to conduct three transportation nexus studies, the first of which involved the update of the TIDF information and calculations used in 2004. SFMTA staff is working on this project closely with staff from San Francisco City Planning, City Attorney's Office, Mayor's Office of Economic Development and San Francisco County Transportation Authority.

The consultants have completed the preliminary update of the TIDF information and calculations in order to meet the September 4, 2009 requirement. This analysis updates the 2004 information and calculation and determines that the TIDF rates remain relatively the same and well within the range authorized previously by the Board of Supervisors. However, the outcome of the two additional nexus studies...
that are currently underway could impact future recommendations concerning the TIDF rate structure.

We will provide the SFMTA Board of Directors and Board of Supervisors with the final studies and seek approval when the remaining nexus studies have been completed. These additional nexus studies are currently scheduled for completion in the first quarter of calendar year 2010.

Following completion of the studies, we will provide more specific policy and technical recommendations concerning the TIDF Ordinance and program for consideration by the SFMTA Board of Directors and Board of Supervisors.

cc: Board of Supervisors
To follow up of the MAAC meeting on 8/20/09 about the accessibility of enter and exit Forest Hill Station: day out and probably don't give it a thought of improving its accessibility. I can't speak for others but I find someone to open them. The MAAC committee was informed that Forest Hill Station is a "historic landmark MAAC coordinators may look at the history of the station as to why Muni decided not to install auto door of"

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Please view the attached, a couple pictures of City Hall accessible doors.

My recommendation to Muni and The City review and strongly consider installing access door openers at Fo

Respectfully yours,

Roland Wong
MAAC Member
Jose has given me permission to forward his message about the Forest Hill Station doors. I received comments and concerns from friends about about the exact same issue. The City and Muni really need to improve the accessibility of the station.

Please take the time to read.

To whom it May Concern:

My name is Jose Santamaria and I use Forest Hill Station on a weekly basis and I also find it very difficult to due to the approximity of stairs. In order to open swinging doors, I must set my power chair to "Hi" mode as entrance stairs.

I would like to advise you to install a automatic door system of some kind in order to avoid any possible injuy believe that it is not in full compliance with the ADA accessibility guidelines. San Francisco City Hall is also

Please make Forest Hill Station accessible to all San Franciscans by installing an automatic door system and

Sincerely,
Jose Santamaria

--- On Mon, 8/24/09, ROLAND WONG <roland.wong@usa.net> wrote:

From: ROLAND WONG <roland.wong@usa.net>
Subject: Forest Hill Station Doors
To: "Chava Kronenberg" <chava.kronenberg@usa.net>
William"
>, "Bruce Morgan" <bmcgill@usa.net>
"Elizabeth Dawson"


FYI. This message has already been forwarded to the MTA Board.

Need to improve the accessibility of Forest Hill Station swing doors

Not sure if the original can view therefore, I attached it to this e-mail. See attached pictures of City Hall auto access doors.

---------- Forwarded message ----------
From: ROLAND WONG <suilung@gmail.com>
Date: Mon, Aug 24, 2009 at 11:43 AM
Subject: Forest Hill Station Doors
To: Chava Kronenberg

Holloway-Briggs

To follow up of the MAAC meeting on 8/20/09 about the accessibility of enter and exit Forest Hill Station: For many, many years and currently, the doors at the station are swing doors. Muni passengers use Forest Hill Station, day in day out and probably don't give it a thought of improving its accessibility. I can't speak for others but I find it difficult to push the doors to enter/exit the station, having use my motor chair to push the doors or having to wait and ask
someone to open them. The MAAC committee was informed that Forest Hill Station is a "historic landmark" and is to retain its originality as much as possible; therefore, the city didn't add auto push button access door openers. MAAC coordinators may look at the history of the station as to why Muni decided not to install auto door openers when the subway was built years ago.

The next day, 8/21, I was so curious, I made a visit to City Hall (Van Ness Avenue side) to see if there are push button devices to automatically open the doors. In light of my visit, City Hall center doors does have auto door openers. The center doors of City Hall are the same as Forest Hill Station, swing-type doors. City Hall is a historic landmark and like many public buildings, Forest Hill Station is also "historic landmark," the Muni should consider installed the auto door openers.

Please view the attached, a couple pictures of City Hall accessible doors.

My recommendation to Muni and The City review and strongly consider installing access door openers at Forest Hill Station to improve accessibility for all. Thank you.

Respectfully yours,

Roland Wong
MAAC Member

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August 28, 2009

David Chiu, President of the SF Board of Supervisors
Supervisors Alioto-Pier, Avalos, Campos, Chu, Daly, Dufty, Elsbernd, Mar, Maxwell,
and Mirkarimi
1 Dr. Carlton Goodlett Place
San Francisco, CA. 94102

RE: Supervisor Eric Mar’s Proposed Legislation To Classify Families as a Protected Class under Owners Move-ins.

Dear Supervisors:

I am writing to urge you to vote against the subject proposed legislation. It is my understanding that were only 18 families affected by owners move-ins in the previous year and a total of 76 families were evicted from March 2008 to February 2009 as reported by the San Francisco Rent Board. Out of these 76 families, 57 families were evicted during the school year, if we may use these percentage perhaps 14 families affected by owners move-ins occurred during the school year.

In any case, the number of families have been declining since 1960, well before OMGs appeared on the radar; OMGs does not seem to be the primary reason for this exodus. In a October 2005 report the Public Research Institute at San Francisco State University reported that most families want to leave the city primarily because of affordability, homelessness, and safety; that families with children under 6 are more prone to do so. At the same time the report stated that San Francisco “ranks well among other large cities for family-friendly planning”, ranking 4th or A minus. In a 2006 Coleman Advocates report it stated that “San Francisco is losing families with children because the city has become extraordinary expensive”. Furthermore, in a April 20, 2007 story by San Francisco Chronicle writer, Cecilia Vega, N’Tanya Lee, Executive Director of Coleman Advocates wanted the city to increase from 1,700 to 3,100 units being built for families. In my opinion, it is clear that OMGs is a miniscule factor for the decrease in the number of families in the city.

I believe that the Mar legislation will lead to unintended consequences and may lead to even much fewer families living in the City. Property owners will be looking to do the legally minimum when it comes to renting to families.

Sincerely,

Bill Quan

MarFamilyProtectedClassLegislationAugust2009CommentsToBdofSupervisors.wd
Hello,

I want to express my view that it is very important to support the declaw ban. I am amazed the California Veterinary Medical Association could get a measure barring "laws contradictory to the practice of veterinarian medicine." How can mutilating an animal and causing cruelty be within the practice of medicine? These vets just want to make money. Obviously, a declaw ban is the only way to ensure the safety of cats.

I do not live in San Francisco, but I do travel there and I do marketing for a large travel company. I will be watching this issue closely.

Thank you,
Kim Murdock, MBA
To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing to express my strong support for the proposed ban on the practice of declawing cats (onychectomy) within the city limits of San Francisco, and to urge the Board of Supervisors to continue the fight against the California Veterinary Medical Association in this matter.

The practice of declawing cats is condemned as animal cruelty throughout most of Europe as well as a number of other countries, as well as by the American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals and by the Cat Fancier's Association. I would love to see San Francisco take a stand alongside West Hollywood, CA and Norfolk, VA as precedent-setting, forward-thinking American cities that may lead the way for the United States to become a more humane nation.

While I am not a resident of California, I do hope to visit your state, and San Francisco in particular is high on my list of vacation destinations. I know I will be much more likely to visit a city that has done its best to protect the welfare of animals. I have been following the battle between West Hollywood and the CVMA closely for several years now, and will continue to monitor new developments. I hope to see San Francisco remaining a city I can visit in good conscience!

"The greatness of a nation and its moral progress can be judged by how its animals are treated." -- Mahatma Ghandi

Sincerely,
Lorelei K. Hickman
New Orleans, LA

Hotmail® is up to 70% faster. Now good news travels really fast. Try it now.
Its hideous, painful, cats often become biters too defend themselves (since no nails) and can results in tipping the bladder which can create urinary tract issues because their equilibrium is off.

Have a vet put those nail covers for cats on! It will cost less and save a lot of trial and tribulations.

Maryann Stanco
San Diego Resident (Constant SF visitor)
Kimberly McShane
08/27/2009 01:49 PM

Subject declawing

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

08/27/2009 03:47 PM

Board of Supervisors/BOS/SFGOV
To Ross Mirkarimi/BOS/SFGOV,
cc
bcc
Subject Fw: declawing

I am behind you 100% in outlawing declawing - it makes me want to visit your city!

The greatness of a nation and its moral progress can be judged by the way its animals are treated. - Gandhi

Cooper is available for Adoption
from PAWS.

Please help to bring about a time when homeless, unwanted animals are no longer being destroyed in shelters.

SPAY, NEUTER AND ADOPT FOR LIFE!

Kimberly
Board of Supervisors/BOS/SFGOV
09/01/2009 03:02 PM

To Victor Young/BOS/SFGOV, Chris Daly/BOS/SFGOV, Staff Duty/BOS/SFGOV, Sean Elsbernd/BOS/SFGOV,
cc
bcc
Subject File 091039: ban cat declawing

Lester Yagoda
08/31/2009 07:08 PM

To board.of.supervisors@sfgov.org
cc
Subject ban cat declawing

people

urging your support of this measure, please.
prohibiting by law this cruelty would be only humane, and would set a precedent for which we can all be proud.

thnx,
Lester Yagoda, San Rafael
Notice of Availability of and Intent to Adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration

Date: August 19, 2009
Case No.: 2006.1348E
Project Title: 246 Ritch Street
Zoning: SLI (Service/Light Industrial) Use District
55-X Height and Bulk District
Block/Lot: 3776/092
Staff Contact: Jessica Range – (415) 575-9018
jessica.range@sfgov.org

To Whom It May Concern:

This notice is to inform you of the availability of the environmental review document concerning the proposed project as described below. The document is a Preliminary Mitigated Negative Declaration, containing information about the possible environmental effects of the proposed project. The Preliminary Mitigated Negative Declaration documents the determination of the Planning Department that the proposed project could not have a significant adverse effect on the environment. Preparation of a Mitigated Negative Declaration does not indicate a decision by the City to carry out or not to carry out the proposed project.

Project Description: The approximately 4,130 square foot (sf) project site at 246 Ritch Street (Assessor’s Block 3776, Lot 092), is located mid-block along Ritch Street, between Bryant and Brannan Streets within the East South of Market (East SoMa) neighborhood. The proposed project includes demolition of an existing vacant building, totaling 4,130 sf and construction of a new five-story, 50-foot-tall building with 19 Single Room Occupancy (SRO) residential units totaling approximately 15,442 gross square feet (gsf). Each SRO unit would be about 350 sf with 8,690 gsf dedicated to common areas, circulation, garage and storage. The project includes a ground floor parking garage for four off-street parking spaces, one car share space, and six bicycle spaces. Floors 2 through 5 would contain 19 SRO units. The project would include planting three street trees along the Ritch Street frontage. Construction of the proposed project is anticipated to take approximately 18 months. The project site is within the SLI (Service/Light Industrial) zoning district and is within a 55-X height and bulk district. The proposed project would require Conditional Use authorization for construction of SROs in an SLI use district.

If you would like a copy of the Preliminary Mitigated Negative Declaration or have questions concerning environmental review of the proposed project, contact the Planning Department staff contact listed above.

Within 20 calendar days following publication of the Preliminary Mitigated Negative Declaration (i.e., by close of business on September 8, 2009); any person may:

1) Review the Preliminary Mitigated Negative Declaration as an informational item and take no action.
2) Make recommendations for amending the text of the document. The text of the Preliminary Mitigated Negative Declaration may be amended to clarify or correct statements and/or expanded to include additional relevant
issues or cover issues in greater depth. One may recommend amending the text without the appeal described below. -OR-

3) Appeal the determination of no significant effect on the environment to the Planning Commission in a letter which specifies the grounds for such appeal, accompanied by a check for $500 payable to the San Francisco Planning Department. An appeal requires the Planning Commission to determine whether or not an Environmental Impact Report must be prepared based upon whether or not the proposed project could cause a substantial adverse change in the environment. Send the appeal letter to the Planning Department, Attention: Bill Wycko, 1650 Mission Street, Suite 400, San Francisco, CA 94103. The letter must be accompanied by a check in the amount of $500.00 payable to the San Francisco Planning Department, and must be received by 5:00 p.m. on September 8, 2009. The appeal letter and check may also be presented in person at the Planning Information Counter on the first floor at 1660 Mission Street, San Francisco.

In the absence of an appeal, the Mitigated Negative Declaration shall be made final, subject to necessary modifications, after 20 days from the date of publication of the Preliminary Mitigated Negative Declaration.

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1 Upon review by the Planning Department, the appeal fee may be reimbursed for neighborhood organizations that have been in existence for a minimum of 24 months.
Dear Boardmembers:

Recently there were a series of yellow dirt-filled plant boxes installed around the area of Ellis and Jones. Apparently this was a decision made by someone who does not live here like I do.

The boxes take up considerable space on the sidewalks that are already overcrowded with lines for Glide and Youth with a Ministry. In addition, it provides cover for shooting drugs and crap games as well as promoting the idea to urinate on the street (no further encouragement needed). People already stand on them as lookouts for the police. How long will palm plantings last in this area? Please look into this. It is making an already difficult neighborhood even worse.

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Tschüß!
Cheers!

Johann Stahl
skype: sfjohann
AIM/ICQ
Dear Ladies and Gentlemen:

I am sending you my compliments on the San Francisco NERT program and a thank you for keeping it around amidst the economic chaos and budget limitations.

Initially I was asked to sign up for NERT by my employer, and the experience was intended to offer me some basic training on the "do's and don'ts" of entering and working a disaster situation. But in addition to the basics, I also received great hands-on training on triage, light search & rescue, working with gas and water meters (shutoffs at the unit/street levels), building an emergency kit and much more. The NERT ID that I received at the end of training changed my perspective on my surroundings. Driving past the scene of an accident does not feel the same anymore. And I am now more prepared for a disaster than anybody else in my family or anyone among my friends.

Again, thanks for all your help in keeping NERT around.

Boris Erlikh
Senior Manager, Emergency Preparedness and Disaster Restoration
ServiceMaster of San Francisco
415-584-6100 x112

This message was also sent to:
To: Fire Commission
To: David Chiu
Cc: Erica Arteseros

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Excerpts:

But across all city departments, 985 employees in the 1400-series clerical job classifications and 811 Certified Nursing Assistants face 17.5 percent to 20.5 percent pay cuts in November. Some clerical employees will receive pay cuts of $10,530, while full-time nursing assistants will suffer $12,714 pay cuts annually. This will be devastating, and will wipe out salary gains hard fought for during the past 25 years.

These 1,800 employees are being asked to sacrifice another $11.2 million in salary discrimination this year, so the Newsom administration can maintain its bloated ranks of senior management.

The combined $12.3 million increase in manager salaries stands in stark conflict with the $11.2 million clerical employees and nursing assistants are now expected to sacrifice.

Citywide, employees earning over $100,000 annually grew between calendar year 2007 and 2008 by 732 employees, costing an additional $111.2 million annually in base pay, overtime, and “other” pay.
Dear Mayor Newsom and Supervisor Mirkarimi,

You may or may not be following the exchange on HAIA about tonight’s homeless forum. But I am writing in regard to something that was mentioned in the course of conversation: that we as residents can call the police if someone is blocking the sidewalk.

I am glad to know that residents can call. Not only do I feel my own path impeded sometimes, but when I’m walking my baby I feel extra uncomfortable because the homeless people’s dogs are often in our path and I don’t know how they will react to the baby or the motion of the stroller wheels. I’m forever crossing from one side of the street to the other to avert homeless people blocking my and my baby’s path and end up just avoiding Haight Street most of the time. That's too bad, because I miss out on seeing the latest offerings from some of my favorite businesses, like Booksmith, Roberts Hardware, Ambiance, Haight Street Market and Cocoa-luxe.

As a father-to-be and as a new father (Mayor Newsom and Supervisor Mirkarimi, respectively), perhaps you can appreciate the apprehension it will bring/brings now to walk your baby on a street where your child regularly may have smoke blown directly in their face by someone loitering on the ground, where you constantly worry that you or your child may be confronted by a mentally unstable person, or that one or both of you will be attacked by a mangy dog as you attempt to patronize your local businesses.

The City enforces cars blocking the sidewalk (and I'm glad of this!). It's long overdue to make our sidewalks safe from the hazards the homeless present as well. I have been a City resident for over 10 years and appreciate that progress has been made in addressing them, but these ongoing issues continue to be unacceptable.

Sincerely,
Elizabeth Misner
District 5 Resident

> --- On Mon, 8/24/09, aevans604@aol.com <aevans604@aol.com> wrote:
> > From: aevans604@aol.com <aevans604@aol.com>
> > Subject: Re: [HAIA] Community forum on homeless in the Haight
> > To: HAIA@yahoogroups.com
> > Cc: gavin.newsom@sfgov.org, Ross.Mirkarimi@sfgov.org,
> > cwnevis@sfchronicle.com, george.gascon@sfgov.org,
> > board.of.supervisors@sfgov.org
> > Date: Monday, August 24, 2009, 4:19 PM
> >
> > Dear Neighbors and Friends,
I hope you saw the letter by Praveen & Christin Evans in regard to the upcoming forum on homelessness in the Haight (see copy of their letter below). They deserve thanks for their many efforts on behalf of the neighborhood. They have the best of intentions and are clearly good people.

However, those of us who have lived in the Haight for decades know that the problem in dealing with the area's nomadic addicts and alcoholics is not lack of information. There have been countless forums over the years on the subject. They have not improved the situation one bit. In fact, they lull people into thinking that something is happening when it is not.

The problem is the failure of political leadership at City Hall, particularly on the part of Mayor Gavin Newsom and Supervisor Ross Mirkarimi. If the mayor and the supervisor demanded effective follow-through with law enforcement in the Haight, after the police issue their citations, the situation would greatly improve.

But neither Newsom nor Mirkarimi is willing to make this effort. Both are afraid of the phalanx of nonprofit organizations that are in an unhealthy symbiotic relationship with the city's nomadic addicts and alcoholics.

This phalanx of nonprofits - Homelessness Inc - receives over $100 million a year from the city. It funnels money and volunteers to the political campaigns of the politicians. It turns out its clients to demonstrate at political rallies for its budgets and agendas.

If homelessness in the city suddenly disappeared, scores of officers and staff people in Homelessness Inc would suddenly be out of jobs, and many of the nonprofits that hire them would fold. They aren't going to let that happen without a fight.

I have much personal experience dealing with Homelessness Inc. For example, in the mid 1990s, some neighbors and I tried to get the Police Commission to revise an absurd Standing Order on the books, which makes it hard to control the nomadic addicts and alcoholics.

This Standing Order forbids the police from directing people who are blocking the sidewalk to move along, unless there is formal complaint from a civilian. The police are legally forbidden to act on their own initiative in this matter, at the risk of being charged with misconduct.

Imagine how absurd it would be if the police witnessed a robbery, but were forbidden to intervene unless there was a formal complaint from a civilian! But they can't intervene on their own in the case of blocking a public sidewalk.

My neighbors and I organized hearings before the Police Commission to change this absurd Standing Order. Homelessness Inc got scores of its clients to testify that the proposed change was "an attack on the homeless." The Commission got cold feet. As a result, this ridiculous Standing Order is still on the books.

I could go on and on with many other examples, going back many years. The bottom line is that the politicians will never act on behalf of neighborhood interests until the neighbors can muster enough political clout to counter the influence of Homelessness Inc.

The first step in making this happen is to frankly acknowledge that words and forums are no longer enough. We've had enough of jabber!

Next, we need to start getting tough with the politicians down there at City
Hall, especially Mayor Newsom and Supervisor Mirkarimi. Their ongoing
negligence and incompetence are absolutely inexcusable. They need to be held
accountable for their failed leadership.

Make sure you tell them that, repeatedly - through letters, e-mails, and
phone calls. And then start thinking about ways to appear in person at City
Hall, individually and in groups, in order grab the attention of the media
and rattle the cages of the politicians, until they deliver the goods.

That's what it will take. I'm ready, and have been for a long time. Who else
is?

Yours for rationality in government,

Arthur Evans

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[Prior Note from Praveen & Christin Evans:]

Hello Arthur,

We can understand your frustration with the homeless situation. As a
resident and merchant in the Haight, we face the same issues every day
ourselves. We all want a cleaner and friendlier neighborhood and fewer or
no homeless living on our streets.

You might have all the answers about how to achieve this, but some of us are
new to the neighborhood and have many questions about the homeless
situation. In our experience good reliable information has been hard to
find. So, we started this community forum last fall as a way to inform and
educate ourselves as well as a means to bring the community together. The
community forums are free and open to everyone. HAIA awarded Booksmit its
neighborhood treasure award last December for our community service and the
HAIA board specifically highlighted the value of our community forums in
their award announcement. At the second homeless community forum in the
Spring we discovered Karen Gowney, a local resident who was also very
motivated to help with neighborhood issues. Karen was able to use the
relationships built at the Booksmit community forum to lead and organize a
community clean-up which was deemed a big success by all neighborhood
groups. So, there is concrete evidence of the forums leading to specific
actions, not just talk.

We are trying to help. We are an independent bookstore and we help best by
bringing people together, inviting speakers to come and talk with us, and
holding discussions. We hope that positive ideas and initiatives to improve
the neighborhood will continue to come out of these discussions. If you
have any constructive suggestions about future forums or other activities we
might undertake, you are welcome to come and speak with either Christin or
me. We are in the bookstore most days.

Best regards
- Praveen Madan & Christin Evans
August 24, 2009
Mayor Gavin Newsom,
Members of the City Council
To whom it may concern:

I would like to take this opportunity to “Thank you “! For relieving us of our former police chief “George Gascon”. We, my friends and I thought that we would never be so fortunate to have any city want his services. He stated that he had to leave because of the pressure put on him, “Gascon” made our city “Mesa” into a sanctuary for illegals, but, that is not what did him in, his down fall was when he went to Washington to testify against our beloved, 5 times elected “Sheriff Joe Arpiao”. “Gascon” did his best to hinder “Sheriff Joe’s” enforcing the laws. What is not to understand? Illegal immigrants are not just cooks and gardeners as “Gascon” once said “THEY ARE CRIMINALS” they are in our country draining our system. They are costing us, the tax payers millions !! Instead of encouraging people to obey the laws, “Gascon” lead them to believe that they are being discriminated against.

........... Now, on the bright side, in “Mesa, George Gascon” is history..

“Thank you, thank you, San Francisco”, once again on behalf of my friends I extend our sincere appreciation and gratitude!

Bill Frankenberg

Mesa, Az. 85208

Andrew Thomas “Maricopa county attorney
Sen. Russell Pearce
Sheriff Sheriff Joe Arpiao
Mayor Scott Smith
Mayor Phil Gordon, City of Phoenix
se.letters@arizonarepublic.com

Bob Schuster: “Arizona Republic”

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Mayor Gavin Newsom
San Francisco Members of the City Council
Submitted to the SF Bayview Newspaper

AHIMSA PORTER SUMCHAI, M.D.

more. The Bomb In Our BackYard.doc
No they are BUMS not visitors to Broadway! Just this Friday when I arrived in the afternoon there were two of them “enjoying” the new park. The same ones are around everyday. They are drunks, drug users and thieves. They represent the number one complaint we get from visitors to our city.

The “homeless hot team” is worthless. These BUMS don’t want help they want their drugs and booze. Just why do you think we should put up with them? What gives them the right to live on the streets, shit and piss on our property and disrupt the lives of visitors and residents? Please explain.

From: Jeanne Milligan
Sent: Friday, August 14, 2009 10:32 AM
To: Robert Mittelstadt; gavin.newsom@sfgov.org; David.Chiu@sfgov.org; Bob Home

Subject: Re: "bums"

Thank you Bob Mittelstadt for identifying the issue; the "bums" may also be the hordes of outside the neighborhood people who come in, for instance on Broadway at night and on weekends consuming liquor and generally disturbing the neighborhood. The local police captain is especially responsive to any complaints about disruptive behaviour and if the issue is one of people who appear to be vagrants, the Mayor’s office has set up a “homeless hot team” accessed by calling 311, which sends out workers to interview and talk with people who appear to be homeless.

Get rid of the bums is not a very useful concept for solving the problem, and hopefully not as mean spirited as it sounds.

Jeanne Milligan
Bob & Jinx:
What park do you mean?
We send our Washington Square "bums" to North Beach Citizens at 720 Columbus Avenue, where they receive and identity, hot showers, use of the 800 phone line and the internet, some TLC, and those who stay with the program are eventually placed in permanent supportive housing, thereby saving the City around $40,000 per year per "bum."
This is an organization that is worth supporting and can certainly help alleviate the homeless problem in North Beach.
Regards,
Bob Mittelstadt

--- On Thu, 8/13/09, Bob Home

From: Bob Home
Subject: RE: Mason Street Closure

n.
Date: Thursday, August 13, 2009, 2:32 PM
Now if we could only get the bums out of the park.

Bob and Jinx Larive - Proprietors
Fior d' Italia - America's Oldest Italian Restaurant

San Francisco CA 94133

From: [mailto:lgoodin1@mindspring.com]
Sent: Thursday, August 13, 2009 11:37 AM
To: gavin.newsom@sfgov.org; David.Chiu@sfgov.org

Subject: Mason Street Closure

Mayor Newsom
BoS President/ Supervisor Chiu

My wife, Terry, and I joined a group of other neighborhood volunteers and enthusiastic workers from several city agencies on a recent weekend to change a half block of Mason Street between Columbus Avenue and Lombard Street from asphalt into an urban pocket park with trees, plants, and picnic tables.

This little plaza/park has already created that sense of place so important to human existence – a
place for people to meet informally, to talk to each other. Before we had even finished putting in all the plants and other elements, people were gathering, using the picnic tables, and saying what a great idea it is. Now, after several weeks, some of those who were dead set against the closure are coming around and agree that there has been no impact on traffic.

Unfortunately, just as quickly as the plaza went in, it will have to be taken out by the end of September.

Here’s my and my wife’s vote to allow the two-month trial to remain beyond the deadline. Please urge ISCOTT to grant an indefinite extension.

Lee Goodin
Therese “Terry” Grenchik

North Beach
San Francisco CA 94133

PS: A response would be appreciated.
August 4, 2009

MTA Commission and CEO/Director
Municipal Transportation Agency
1 South Van Ness Avenue, 7th Floor
San Francisco, CA 94103

Re: Statement Related to a Complaint to be filed with the City Attorney and or Superior Court Requesting Fines of $10,000.00 per day from the MTA starting March 1, 2009

Commissioners:

This letter is a short composite of statements made under the Sunshine Act with respect to public access and official transparency, at MTA’s August 4, 2009 meeting at City Hall. It is my belief the MTA is failing to comply with laws regarding transparency and public access in all taxi issues since the MTA absorbed the Taxi Commission on March 1, 2009.

Due to this absolute failure to address taxi driver needs, I have requested transparency and the keys to all bathrooms used by the Department of Public Works, Muni personnel and other City workers while on route attempting to aid the transportation network in this City. At the present time, taxi drivers: while under the umbrella of the MTA do not have access to public toilets that the City bus drivers use. City taxi drivers do not have keys to these locked units and these locked toilets are paid for by the City and County where all taxi drivers work.

If these issues are not addressed, immediately, I will seek fines of $10,000 per day, per violation either from the City Attorney’s office or Superior Court in San Francisco.

If this letter is not filed with the minutes of August 4th, 2009 meeting, I will re-introduce it in the following meeting.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

Emil Lawrence MBA

San Francisco, CA 94128

CC: Board of Supervisors, City Attorney’s Office
SF Board of Supervisors;

As a concerned neighborhood resident of District 7 and President of the Parkmerced Residents Organization, I just received yesterday a copy of the Cat-Ex at the HPC meeting August 19th 2009 on the Merced Branch Library Renovation. We are listed on the neighborhood organization list, and have been the recognized neighborhood organization for Parkmerced which is the largest rental neighborhood adjacent to the Merced branch public library. The proposed renovations alters significantly the roof-line, north lighting, and set back terraced landscaped entry that are the architectural dominant features of the design by the firm of Appleton and Wolfard Architects. The changes proposed would make the library altered to the point of excluding it from the continuous contiguous district that many preservationists have stated would include 8 libraries in the city and county of SF.

It was also brought up during the HPC meeting that the merced branch DID NOT have a preservationist architect involved in the proposed changes of the Merced branch, and this is a solid well-liked designed building by this architectural firm and represents a modern styled library adjacent to one of the first shopping malls (stonestown) in the USA.

There are many segments of the SF General Plan that state clearly per CEQA the need to look at alternatives rather than affect negatively a building especially if it qualifies as does the Merced Branch to meet the guidelines to achieve local/state recognition for landmark status. The lack of notification to residents and preservationists on the changes proposed has been noted at the hearing on Aug. 19th.

There are distinct needs for additional libraries in areas surrounding Parkmerced, METNA (neighborhood), and Brotherhood Way, Lake Merced surrounding area, condo's and housing. A solid suggestion for an alternative is the 800 Brotherhood Way Site, or Cambon Drive Shopping Center which is seeing a revitalization in use, and should per any "better-neighborhood" plan be part of the solution and total planning involved in any proposed zoning or changes for this district and neighborhood. A simple satellite library could help determine the usage, and demand for a new area library, and provide a significant alternative site than the proposed renovations that drastically affect a possible landmark candidate. I strongly urge the SF Board of Supervisors to halt the alterations of the Merced Branch Library, until the proposed changes are reviewed by a preservationist organization that comprehends the effects of the changes proposed.

I intend to file an appeal, as an individual based upon the proposed changes, and issues regarding the approval of the project without a preservationist involved in its review, and the negative
cumulative effect it would have on a non-continuous district formed by the libraries noted as
designed by the firm of Appleton and Wolfard.

I am concerned that based upon the Cat-Ex date of issuance, that I do not have time to appeal this
issue, and thus, directly request that the SF Board of Supervisors steps in to assure that the effects
and concerns of preservationists and the newly appointed HPC have the ability and time to weigh
in on a planning decision that appears to have occurred without adequate review or input by
preservationists or neighborhood organizations.

Sincerely

Aaron Goodman
Dear Mayor Newsom, Mayor Lancelle, Honorable Supervisors and Commissioners,

I am a San Francisco resident, writing to urge you to preserve the historic 18-hole Sharp Park Golf Course.

While I have never played golf there I have walked around the course and love the beauty of it and the way the course integrates in with the natural surroundings. Being a staunch environmentalist I would be most disappointed if the Sharp Golf Course was done away with because it truly helps support all of what I believe in when it comes to the environment.

Respectfully yours,

Jay Johnston
Dear Mayor Newsom, Mayor Lancelle, Honorable Supervisors and Commissioners,

I am a San Francisco resident, writing to urge you to preserve the historic 18-hole Sharp Park Golf Course. It would be a terrible mistake to close Sharp Park GC when with a few modifications we could create a habitat to save the critters the environmentalists want to save. Please use common sense here!

Steve Meeker
Dear Mayor Newsom, Mayor Lancelle, Honorable Supervisors and Commissioners:

I am a San Francisco Bay Area resident (and frequent bridge toll patron and SF sales tax contributor) writing to urge you to preserve the historic 18-hole Sharp Park Golf Course.

Garter snakes and red-legged frogs will survive. Destroying a golf course that SF residents (and people everywhere!) esteem as a treasure handed down by Alister McKenzie makes no sense as a response to the specious contention that, by such destruction, the snakes and the frogs will be "saved."

At a time when people need at least as much help as the snakes and the frogs (and golf is a vital tonic for millions of people), let's make sure we keep our priorities straight on this issue.

Thank you.

Respectfully,

Andrew M. Wilcox
Dear Mayor Newsom, Mayor Lancelle, Honorable Supervisors and Commissioners,

I am a San Francisco resident, writing to urge you to preserve the historic 18-hole Sharp Park Golf Course.

I have a 10 year old son...no sanctuary in the world could replace the use and pleasure we receive from playing sharp park. It is the most historically significant golf course in the bay area...please protect this slice of bay area history..

Charles Royals
Dear Mayor Newsom, Mayor Lanceilie, Honorable Supervisors and Commissioners,

I am a Bay Area resident, writing to urge you to preserve the historic 18-hole Sharp Park Golf Course.

[INSERT PERSONALIZED MESSAGE HERE]
Please keep Sharp Park as it is, a wonderful Golf Course.

Sincerely, Gene Brooks
Dear Mayor Newsom, Mayor Lancelle, Honorable Supervisors and Commissioners,

I am a San Francisco resident, writing to urge you to preserve the historic 18-hole Sharp Park Golf Course.

[I play this course because it is available, fun, challenging, a "talkaboutier" and AFFORDABLE. Close it down and you won't get my resident card fee, my green fees and the extra I spend. What happened to common sense??? I vote and ALL my friend vote, remember that!]
August 31, 2009

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1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Pl.  
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170 Santa Maria Ave.  
Pacifica, CA. 94044

Pacifica City Council  
c/o Kathy O’Connell  
170 Santa Maria Ave.  
Pacifica, CA. 94044

Re: SAVE SHARP PARK GOLF COURSE

Dear Mayor Newsom, Mayor Lancelle and Honorable Supervisors, Commissioners and Council Members,

I am a long time resident of San Francisco and proudly hold a Resident golf card to play our municipal golf courses which include Sharp Park. My four children, all born here in the City are golfers and are regular public facility players. The purpose of this letter is to urge you to preserve the historic 18-hole Sharp Park Golf Course in Pacifica. Part of my introduction to golf in the Bay Area was with my father-in-law, John Sullivan, born and raised in San Francisco who was a regular at Sharp Park and took me along for some very memorable rounds of golf there. I am fortunate enough now to play regularly at another Alistair McKenzie course in the area, but am very disturbed by the potential that one of this great architect’s courses could be plowed under, never to be used again by the multitudes of people who might not otherwise be able to play a McKenzie designed golf course. I have played in numerous charity golf events at Sharp Park which have raised many thousands of dollars for those in need. What other non golf facilities can boast that? With the upcoming President’s Cup at Harding Park, I am sure the world’s golfers
would be pleasantly surprised to know that there is a public McKenzie designed golf course within minutes of San Francisco.

Public golf may be the most unifying of outdoor activities, bringing people of all backgrounds together for 5 hours of competition, camaraderie and fellowship. Many lifelong friends are made on the golf course. It is certainly possible that golf has broken down more barriers between people than any other public activity.

It is difficult to imagine that our society has lost its way to the extent that a relaxing and healing round of golf with family, friends or new acquaintances could be taken away by a few short sighted and misguided special interests.

Yours truly,

Peter J. Van Zandt

cc: San Francisco Public Golf Alliance
220 Montgomery Street, #303
San Francisco, CA 94104
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[INSERT PERSONALIZED MESSAGE HERE]

Joe Pierce
8/19/09

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501 Stanyan St.
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Dear Mayor Newsom, Mayor Lancelle and Honorable Supervisors and Commissioners,

I am a San Francisco resident and voter, writing to urge you to preserve the historic 18-hole Sharp Park Golf Course. One of the reasons I chose to return to my hometown of San Francisco was because of the outdoor activities available on the weekends, particularly the great golf courses the city has preserved. Having lived in many cities around the U.S. and abroad, there are few places where great golf is so accessible and affordable to city residents. We should preserve these irreplaceable assets that make our city and the surrounding area such a great place to live.
Sharp Park in particular is a world treasure, designed by the greatest course architect in history, and is heavily played by men and women of all ages, ethnic groups, and types. Fortunately, this historic course is also affordable. To give you a sense, a round of golf at Sharpe Park costs $20, whereas a round at Pasatiempo in Santa Cruz (designed by the same architect) costs $220. There are few places where golf remains this affordable and in tough economic times, it is important that we keep our great recreational and public spaces open to residents.

At the end of the day, there are only four 18-hole public courses left in San Francisco and as our city grows, these courses will get more crowded and expensive. It is near impossible to build a new course, but it is possible to save one from being destroyed. Please do your best to help preserve this historic site that is used everyday by the people of San Francisco.

Yours truly,

[Signature]

Mayo A. Shattuck IV

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Respectfully yours,

Jay Johnston
311 Customer Service Center

Enter Personal Details > Enter Service Request Details > Review & Submit > Attach Photo(s) / File(s) > Print & Track

Successfully Submitted

Thank you for your submission. You will receive an email confirmation with a link to follow the progress of your submission.

If you have any additional requests or questions, you can call us 7 days a week, 24 hours a day at 311 (for calls outside of San Francisco please dial 415.701.2311).

Your Tracking Number is: 497902

Sep 2 2009 8:55AM.

Please print a copy for your records. You may close your browser when done.

Location Information:

Incident Location:

Location Type:

Type Details:

Corner Information:

Location Description:

Request Details:

Category: Complaint
Department: 311 Customer Service Center
Sub-Division: 311 Customer Service Center

Additional Information:

Additional Request Details: Forward to Board of Supervisors: Put the Tenderloin street animals and Broadway power drinkers together on Alcatraz, let them kill each other off. We get clean, safe streets- cops earn their pay.

Customer Contact Information:

First Name: gene
Last Name: maguire
Primary Phone:
Alternate Phone:
Address Number:
Street Name:
City, State:
ZIP Code:
Email: gcali57@aol.com

Customer requested to be contacted by the department servicing their request:

Print:
September 2, 2009

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
San Francisco Board of Supervisors
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place
San Francisco, CA 94102

(via hand-delivery and first class mail)

Document is available at the Clerk’s Office Room 244, City Hall

Re: Notice of Commencement of CEQA Action - Board of Supervisors No. 090773 (August 4, 2009) (Pub. Resources Code, §21167.5)

Certification of the FEIR and Conditional Use Authorization for the Proposed Project at 2901 California Street/1831-1835 Broderick Street (Drew School Addition)

Dear Clerk of the San Francisco Board of Supervisors:

Pursuant to section 21167.5 of the Public Resources Code, this letter provides written notice of my clients', Pacific Heights Residents' Association, commencement of a CEQA action on Thursday, September 3, 2009, challenging the above-identified certification of the FEIR and accompanying Conditional Use Authorization for the Drew School Project at 1831-1835 Broderick Street.

My client is willing to forego this lawsuit if the City and County will promptly contact me to set forth its plan for rescinding the above-identified resolution and approval, or to propose alternative, potential terms of settlement acceptable to my client.

This letter and my clients' prior participation in the City and County's administrative processes leading up to its approval the above-identified resolution satisfy my clients' obligations under section 1021.5 of California's Code of Civil Procedure, as amplified by the California Supreme Court in Graham v. DaimlerChrysler (2004) 34 Cal.4th 553, 578.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

Stephen M. Williams
Superior Court of California in and
The City and County of San Francisco
Unlimited Jurisdiction

Pacific Heights Residents' Association (a California non-profit 501 (c)(3) corporation),

Plaintiff,

v.

City and County of San Francisco Board of Supervisors, San Francisco Planning Commission, San Francisco Planning Department and Does 1 through 50, inclusive,

Respondents

THE DREW SCHOOL, and Does I-X, inclusive,

Real Parties in Interest.

Case No.:

VERIFIED PETITION FOR WRIT OF MANDATE AND COMPLAINT FOR DECLARATORY RELIEF AND STAY OF ADMINISTRATIVE DECISION (CCP §1094.5; PUBLIC. RESOURCES CODE §§21168, 21168.5)

BY THIS PETITION AND COMPLAINT ("Petition"), Petitioner and Plaintiff allege:

I. INTRODUCTION

1. Petitioner and Plaintiff Pacific Heights Residents Association ("PHRA" or "Petitioner"),

challenge Respondents and Defendants City and County of San Francisco Board of Supervisors et. al. ("Respondents" or "CCSF"), approval and granting to the Real Party in
Here's the status of removing graffiti from the following locations:

Garbage Cans:
Southwest corner of Eddy and Scott   SR# 953767 Abated 8-24-09
Northwest corner Masonic and Hayes  SR# 954641 Abated 8-24-09
Northeast corner Masonic and Fell   SR# 953642 Abated 8-24-09

Mailbox:
Southeast corner Fulton and Laguna SR# 954644 Abated 8-24-09

Vacant Lots:
Northeast corner of Eddy and Scott  SR# 954647 (Construction started on this vacant lot, no visible graffiti)

Jonathan C. Vaing
SF DPW Graffiti Unit
415-695-2181

-----Original Message-----
From: Rodis, Nathan
Sent: Friday, August 21, 2009 2:26 PM
To: Vaing, Jonathan
Cc: Nuru, Mohammed; Stringer, Larry
Subject: FW: BOARD OF SUPERVISORS INQUIRY # 20090811-007

Jonathan,

Please respond directly to the Board of Supervisors and copy Supe. Mirkarimi. Please use the reference number in your reply title, and copy Frank W. Lee and myself because we are tracking these requests.

Thank you!

Nathan Rodis
Assistant to the Director's Office
Department of Public Works
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place
City Hall, Room 348
San Francisco, CA 94102
Ph: (415) 554-6932  Fax: (415) 554-6944

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From: Board of Supervisors
Sent: Friday, August 14, 2009 9:27 AM
To: Reiskin, Ed
Subject: BOARD OF SUPERVISORS INQUIRY
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For any questions, call the sponsoring supervisor

TO: Edward Reiskin
Public Works

FROM: Clerk of the Board
DATE: 8/14/2009
REFERENCE: 20090811-007
FILE NO.

Due Date: 9/13/2009

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Northeast corner Masonic and Fell

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Southeast corner Fulton and Laguna

Vacant Lots
Northeast corner of Eddy and Scott

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Your response to this inquiry is requested by 9/13/2009.
Here's the status of removing graffiti from utility poles at the following locations:

Metal Pole:
Northeast corner Boswell and Geary STREET DO NOT CROSS

On Eddy between Divisadero and Scott, SR# 953767 Abated 9/1/09
4 metal poles

Jonathan C. Vaing
SF DFW Graffiti Unit
415 695-2181

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Utility Boxes:
Southeast corner Fell and Scott  SR# 954652 Abated 8-24-09
Near 1140 Oak  SR# 954654 Abated 8-24-09
Northeast corner Stanyan and Fell  SR# 954655 Abated 8-24-09
Northeast corner Broderick and Oak  SR# 954656 Abated 8-24-09

Bus Shelters:
Northeast corner Masonic and Turk  SR# 954657 e-mail to 311 9-3-09
Southwest Oak and Masonic  SR# 954658 e-mail to 311 9-3-09
Fillmore and Haight (all 4 bus stops, graffiti and grime) SR# 953844
  e-mail to 311 9-1-09

Emergency Boxes:
Northwest corner Post and Webster  SR# 954659 Abated 8-24-09

Jonathan C. Vaing
SF DPW Graffiti Unit
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Cc: Nuru, Mohammed; Stringer, Larry
Subject: FW: BOARD OF SUPERVISORS INQUIRY # 20090811-011

Jonathan,

Please respond directly to the Board of Supervisors and copy Supe. Mirkarimi.
Please use the reference number in your reply title, and copy Frank W. Lee and
myself because we are tracking these requests.

Thank you!

Nathan Rodis
Assistant to the Director's Office
Department of Public Works
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place
City Hall, Room 348
San Francisco, CA 94102
Ph: (415) 554-6932  Fax: (415) 554-6944

-----Original Message-----
From: Board of Supervisors
Sent: Friday, August 14, 2009 9:27 AM
To: Reiskin, Ed
Subject: BOARD OF SUPERVISORS INQUIRY

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS INQUIRY
For any questions, call the sponsoring supervisor

TO: Edward Reiskin
Public Works

FROM: Clerk of the Board
DATE: 8/14/2009
REFERENCE: 20090811-011
FILE NO.

Due Date: 9/13/2009

This is an inquiry from a member of the Board of Supervisors made at the Board meeting on 8/11/2009.

Supervisor Mirkarimi requests the following information:

- Requesting the Department of Public Works to report on the status of removing graffiti from the following public property locations:
  - Utility Boxes
    - Southeast corner Fell and Scott
    - Near 1140 Oak
    - Northeast corner Stanyan and Fell
    - Northeast corner Broderick and Oak
  - Bus Shelters
    - Northeast corner Masonic and Turk
    - Southwest Oak and Masonic
    - Fillmore and Haight (all 4 bus stops, graffiti and grime)
  - Emergency Boxes
    - Northwest corner Post and Webster

Please indicate the reference number shown above in your response, direct the original via email to Board.of.Supervisors@sfgov.org and send a copy to the Supervisor(s) noted above.

Your response to this inquiry is requested by 9/13/2009.
Here's the status of removing graffiti from the following locations:

**Garbage Cans:**
- Southeast corner of Eddy and Gough- SR# 953780 Abated 9/1/09
- Northwest corner of Baker and Fell- SR# 953781 Abated 9/1/09
- Northeast corner of Cole and Haight- SR# 953787 Abated 9/1/09
- SEC of Buena Vista West and Haight- SR# 953792 Abated 9/1/09
- Northwest corner of Grove and Fillmore- SR# 953793 Abated 9/1/09

**Mailboxes:**
- Southeast corner of Golden Gate and Scott- SR# 953795 Abated 9/1/09
- Southeast corner of Buchanan and Hayes- SR# 953797 Abated 9/1/09

Jonathan C. Vaing  
SF DFW Graffiti Unit  
415- 695-2181

-----Original Message-----
From: Rodis, Nathan
Sent: Friday, August 21, 2009 2:41 PM
To: Vaing, Jonathan
Cc: Nuru, Mohammed; Stringer, Larry
Subject: FW: BOARD OF SUPERVISORS INQUIRY # 20090818-003

Jonathan,

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Thank you!

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-----Original Message-----
From: Board of Supervisors
Sent: Thursday, August 20, 2009 5:03 PM
To: Reiskin, Ed
Subject: BOARD OF SUPERVISORS INQUIRY
TO: Edward Reiskin  
   Public Works

FROM: Clerk of the Board
DATE: 8/20/2009
REFERENCE: 20090819-003
FILE NO.

Due Date: 9/19/2009

This is an inquiry from a member of the Board of Supervisors made at the Board meeting on 8/18/2009.

Supervisor Mirkarimi requests the following information:

   To report on the status of removing graffiti from the following locations:
   Garbage Cans
   Southeast corner of Eddy and Gough
   Northwest corner of Baker and Fell
   Northeast corner of Cole and Haight
   Southeast corner of Buena Vista West and Haight
   Northwest corner of Grove and Fillmore
   Mailboxes
   Southeast corner of Golden Gate and Scott
   Southeast corner of Buchanan and Hayes

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Your response to this inquiry is requested by 9/19/2009
Here's the status of removing graffiti from utility poles from the following locations:

Metal Poles:
Northeast corner of Eddy and Fillmore- SR# 953799 Abated 9/1/09
Northeast corner of Grove and Gough- SR# 953800 Abated 9/1/09

Wood Poles:
In front of 477 Grove- SR# 953801 Abated 9/1/09
In front of 500 Fillmore- SR# 953802 Abated 9/1/09

Jonathan C. Vaing
SF DPW Graffiti Unit
415-695-2181

-----Original Message-----
From: Rodis, Nathan
Sent: Friday, August 21, 2009 2:44 PM
To: Vaing, Jonathan
Cc: Nuru, Mohammed; Stringer, Larry
Subject: FW: BOARD OF SUPERVISORS INQUIRY # 20090818-004

Jonathan,

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Thank you!

Nathan Rodis
Assistant to the Director's Office
Department of Public Works
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place
City Hall, Room 348
San Francisco, CA 94102
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-----Original Message-----
From: Board of Supervisors
Sent: Thursday, August 20, 2009 5:03 PM
To: Reiskin, Ed
Subject: BOARD OF SUPERVISORS INQUIRY

BOARAD OF SUPERVISORS INQUIRY
For any questions, call the sponsoring supervisor
TO: Edward Reisnkin  
Public Works

FROM: Clerk of the Board
DATE: 9/20/2009
REFERENCE: 20090818-004
FILE NO.

Due Date: 9/19/2009

This is an inquiry from a member of the Board of Supervisors made at the Board meeting on 8/18/2009.

Supervisor Mirkarimi requests the following information:

- To report on the status of removing graffiti from utility poles from the following locations:
  - Metal Poles
  - Northeast corner of Eddy and Fillmore
  - Northeast corner of Grove and Gough
  - Wood Poles
  - In front of 477 Grove
  - In front of 500 Fillmore

Please indicate the reference number shown above in your response, direct the original via email to Board.of.Supervisors@sfgov.org and send a copy to the Supervisor(s) noted above.

Your response to this inquiry is requested by 9/19/2009
Here's the status of removing graffiti from the public property located at the following locations:

Utility Boxes:
- Southwest corner of Turk and Scott - SR# 953803 Abated 9/1/09
- Southeast corner of Fell and Broderick - SR# 953804 Abated 9/1/09
- Northeast corner of Grove and Gough - SR# 953805 Abated 9/1/09

Bus Shelters:
- NEC Masonic and Turk - SR# 953819 E-mail sent to 311 9/1/09
- SEC Stanyan and Haight - SR# 953823 E-mail sent to 311 9/1/09
- SEC Buena Vista West and Haight - SR# 953827 E-mail sent to 311 9/1/09
- SEC Pierce and Haight - SR# 953831 E-mail sent to 311 9/1/09
- SEC Buchanan and Haight - SR# 953842 E-mail sent to 311 9/1/09
- Fillmore and Haight (all 4 bus stops, graffiti and grime) SR# 953844 E-mail sent to 311 9/1/09

Emergency Boxes:
- Northeast corner of Sutter and Octavia - SR# 953846 Abated 9/1/09

Jonathan C. Vaing
SF DPW Graffiti Unit
415-695-2118

-----Original Message-----
From: Rodis, Nathan
Sent: Friday, August 21, 2009 2:53 PM
To: Vaing, Jonathan
Cc: Nuru, Mohammed; Stringer, Larry
Subject: FW: BOARD OF SUPERVISORS INQUIRY # 20090818-005

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-----Original Message-----
From: Board of Supervisors
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS INQUIRY
For any questions, call the sponsoring supervisor

TO: Edward Reiskin
Public Works
FROM: Clerk of the Board
DATE: 8/20/2009
REFERENCE: 20090818-005
FILE NO.
Due Date: 9/19/2009

This is an inquiry from a member of the Board of Supervisors made at the Board meeting on 8/18/2009.

Supervisor Mirkarimi requests the following information:

To report on the status of removing graffiti from the public property located at the following locations:
Utility Boxes
Southwest corner of Turk and Scott
Southeast corner of Fell and Broderick
Northeast corner of Grove and Gough
Bus Shelters
Northeast corner of Masonic and Turk
Southeast corner of Stanyan and Haight
Southeast corner of Buena Vista West and Haight
Southeast corner of Pierce and Haight
Southeast corner of Buchanan and Haight
Fillmore and Haight (all 4 bus stops, graffiti and grime)
Emergency Boxes
Northeast corner of Sutter and Octavia

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Your response to this inquiry is requested by 9/19/2009
Mr. Gilkey:

I worked for the Federal Government in many capacities and do not like the manner in which you and the Coordinator for all the activities at Hunters Point Naval Shipyard in going about trying to dissolve the Restoration Advisory Board (RAB).

The RAB is essential and the one word you have to emphasize is Advisory. So what is it that makes the United States Navy so scared and afraid of the RAB? I have attended the RAB meetings at many other places and the Hunters Point Naval Shipyard is no different.

The Hunters Point Naval Shipyard has been involved in too many atrocities. The Shipyard was the site of the National Defense Radiological Laboratory and its many nefarious operations. Do you know of any site where there are conditions prevailing as we have on Parcel and Parcel E2? Was Depleted Uranium first test at Hunters Point Naval Shipyard?

Amy Brownell from the San Francisco Health Department has LIED at the many RAB meetings and I have been a witness to her lies. Of course I try always to be civil and my role as the Representative of the First People of San Francisco is to pay careful attention to what is being deliberated. I have not always agreed with the U.S. Navy and have an avenue to say so in my writings - some of my articles I have sent to you, Mr. Keith Forman and to Ms. Diane Silva.

Initially, as the coordinator at the Hunters Point Naval Shipyard, Mr. Keith Forman tried to address some issues but he cannot fool all the people all the time. The Radiological concerns are serious and one has just to read the Final Historical Radiological Assessment Report to learn some but there is more. This all is the tip of the iceberg.

As the Representative of the First People, the Muwekma Ohlone I have requested that the Tribe is interested in the Water Shed being cleaned up all over the Shipyard. You know that the U.S. Navy with all the operations and
many of them nefarious in nature, have adversely impacted not only the watershed, but the air, the land, the Bay and more.

For many years we had RAB members that could be bought and many were there to have their five minutes of fame. The U.S. Navy chose to have a paid facilitator to treat those that attend the RAB meeting like babies. Some of us sat through the meetings for hours only not to be granted Public Comment at the end of the meeting. The RAB meeting adjourned and comments made by the facilitator: "come to the next RAB and have your say".

The Hunters Point RAB has every right to state that they were not satisfied with Mr. Keith Forman and Amy Brownell. In my subjective opinion I could live with Mr. Keith Forman but not for a second with the slithering snake Amy Brownell. I have very good relations with many U.S. Navy personnel working on the Shipyard. Many of them are decent men and women just doing their job.

Mr. Gilkey do not think for a moment that you can convey huge areas so that they can be capped and conveyed to the City and County of San Francisco. We will sue the United States Navy and believe me Mayor Gavin Newsom, Michael Cohen, Sophina Maxwell, and others that we know should NOT have to play havoc with the community at large.

In recent months, I would say that last nine months, the U.S. Navy has decided to play hard ball and go on the defensive. This is not Iraq or Afghanistan where as much as some dubious forces try to use force and dictatorial tactics they got and are getting their asses kicked big time.

The Hunters Point Restoration Advisory Board to their credit had a meaningful dialog on Liquefaction and Flooding. The same RAB convinced the U.S. Navy to hold a meeting about Asbestos and Toxic dirt that the City and County of San Francisco and Amy Brownell in particular was accusing the U.S. Navy of generating. At that time the community appreciated the forum and the U.S. Navy's sincere explanation.

At the Hunters Point Naval Shipyard that consists of over 980 acres of mostly toxic land the First People have brought to the attention of the U.S. Navy about archaeological remains. Not one square inch of the Hunters Point Naval Shipyard has been archaeologically survey. The dubious U.S. Navy now calling itself DON reminding us of the Mafia, does not want to venture and discuss this important issue.
There is nothing like a frank discussion that the U.S. Navy for some strange reason does not want to engage the community, to better understand the many complex issues linked to Cumulative Pollution. The Bay is polluted mostly by the former activities of the U.S. Navy. Even now there is an underground fire and thousands of pounds of Methane Gas has been spewing at the Shipyard. One ton of Methane Gas equals twenty two tons of Carbon Dioxide. You can reveal this to Mayor Gavin Newsom and as and when there is a future fire or explosion on the Shipyard - I wish you and Mayor Gavin Newsom the very best if you dare convey the Shipyard not following the mandate of Proposition P passed in the year 2000 by over eighty seven percent of the San Francisco voters.

The last Dog and Pony show, held at 1800 Oakdale, revealed to me how far the inept, arrogant, and dubious United States Navy has come in its understanding to underestimate the constituents of the Bayview Hunters Point. The U.S. Navy had a Open House with some photographs and information. There was no introduction, no explanation, nothing what so ever. What does the U.S. Navy think about the constituents of Bayview Hunters Point? Do you think we are fools and that your Dog and Pony show would some how instill in us some strange affect and that by OSMOSIS, we the people, would learn about your fake exhibit of sorts. I find this type of behavior disgusting.

Do not think for a second that you can run away without doing due diligence at the Shipyard to the mess the United States of America using the United States to do their dirty work, leaving a Superfund with proper abatement and mitigation? You the U.S. Navy created the mess and so far your so called abatement and mitigation lacks Accountability and Transparency. You may fool the Environmental Protection Agency but I want to hear personally what Director of the EPA, Lisa Jackson and President Barrack Hussein Obama has to say about the U.S. Navy and its intention to convey parcels that are carved daily without any meaningful dialog with the community.

Mr. Gilkey at some point I would like to meet you face to face and share with you all that I know about the Shipyard. You may think you are informed and feel that certain EVIL powers are assuring you that all will be well. This responsibility is yours and yours alone. The RAB has a role, be it small it is called the Restoration Advisory Board and has every right to advise the U.S. Navy. Feel free to abolish the RAB and face the wrath of the people that are outside the RAB and are fully cognizant of the ploys and machinations that the U.S. Navy loves to exhibit as part of the Psychological Warfare that has
failed this Nation.

Francisco Da Costa  
Director  
Environmental Justice Advocacy  

San Francisco, CA 94124
September 1, 2009

Ms. Angela Calvillo
Clerk of the Board
San Francisco Board of Supervisors
City Hall, Room 244
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place
San Francisco, California 94102-4845

Subject: Report of the Department of Public Works Adopt-A-Tree Account

Dear Ms. Calvillo:


Sincerely,

[Signature]

Edward D. Reiskin
Director

Attachment: As noted
Department of Public Works  
Adopt - A - Tree Fund  
Annual Report  
Fiscal year ending June 30, 2009

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September 2, 2009

Subject: Case No. 2007.1275E: San Francisco 2004 and 2009 Housing Element

To Responsible Agencies, Trustee Agencies, and Interested Parties:

A Notice of Preparation (NOP) of an Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for the above-referenced project, described below, has been issued by the Planning Department. The NOP/Notice of Public Scoping Meeting is either attached or is available upon request from Jessica Range, whom you may reach at (415) 575-9018. A copy of the NOP can also be obtained for public review and comment at the Planning Department offices at 1660 Mission Street, 1st Floor Planning Information Center or the report can be viewed on-line starting September 3, 2009 at www.sfgov.org/planning/mea. Referenced materials are available for review at the Planning Department’s office at 1650 Mission Street, 4th Floor. This notice is being sent to you because you have been identified as potentially having an interest in the project or in the project area.

Project Description: The City and County of San Francisco is preparing an EIR for the 2004 and 2009 Housing Element. The Housing Element is a policy document that consists of goals and policies to guide the City and private and non-profit developers in providing housing for existing and future residents to meet projected housing demand, as required under Government Code section 65580 et seq (“State housing element law”). State law requires the housing element to be updated periodically, usually every five years. The most recent update of the housing element occurred in 2004, when the City adopted the 2004 Housing Element, an update to the 1990 Residence Element. Subsequent to adoption of the 2004 Housing Element, the California Court of Appeals determined the environmental document prepared for the 2004 Housing Element inadequate, and directed the City to prepare an EIR for the 2004 Housing Element. The City must also comply with state housing element law and prepare a periodic update (usually every five years) of the Housing Element. The City has undergone a comprehensive planning process and prepared the next update of the housing element, the 2009 Housing Element. This EIR will satisfy the City’s legal requirements for preparing an EIR on the 2004 Housing Element and will also analyze the environmental effects of the 2009 Housing Element.

A Public Scoping Meeting will be held by the Planning Department pursuant to the State of California Public Resources Code Section 21083.9 and California Environmental Quality Act Guidelines Section 15206 to receive oral comments concerning the scope of the EIR. The meeting will be held on September 30, 2009 from 6:30 pm to 8:00 pm at 1650 Mission Street, Suite 400, San Francisco, CA 94103, Room 431. Written comments will also be accepted at this meeting and until the close of business on October 5, 2009. Written comments should be sent to Bill Wycko, San Francisco Planning Department, 1650 Mission Street, Suite 400, San Francisco, CA 94103.

If you work for a responsible State agency, we need to know the views of your agency regarding the scope and content of the environmental information that is germane to your agency’s

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statutory responsibilities in connection with the proposed project. Your agency may need to use
the EIR when considering a permit or other approval for this project. Please include the name of a
contact person in your agency.

Sincerely,

Jessica Range
Major Environmental Analysis
San Francisco Planning Department
MEMORANDUM

Date: September 4, 2009
To: Honorable Members, Board of Supervisors
From: Angela Calvillo, Clerk of the Board
Subject: APPOINTMENTS BY THE MAYOR

The Mayor has submitted appointments to the following Commissions:

- Richard J. Guggenheim, Airport Commission, term ending on August 31, 2013

Under the Board's Rules of Order, a Supervisor can request a hearing on an appointment by notifying the Clerk in writing.

Upon receipt of such notice, the Clerk shall refer the appointment to the Rules Committee so that the Board may consider the appointment and act within thirty days of the appointment as provided in Section 3.100(17) of the Charter.

Please notify me in writing by 2:00 p.m., Wednesday, September 9, 2009, if you wish this appointment to be scheduled.

Attachments
September 2, 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 Luke O’Brien as a member of the Small Business Commission effective today, September 2, 2009. Luke O’Brien will fill a seat that was previously held by Gus Murad, and the term of Luke O’Brien will expire on December 5, 2009.

Please see the attached biography which will illustrate that Luke O’Brien’s qualifications allow him 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
Notice of Appointment

September 2, 2009

Honorable Board of Supervisors:

I hereby appoint Luke O'Brien to serve as member of the Small Business Commission for a 4-year term commencing September 2, 2009, in accordance with the 1996 Charter, Section 3.100, (17).

I am confident that Luke O'Brien will serve our community well. Attached are his 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.

[Signature]

Gavin Newsom
Mayor
LUKE A. O’BRIEN

PROFILE

Experienced business executive with proven track record of starting, managing and developing companies in various sectors of the economy including electronic engineering, telecommunications and real estate. Founding member of Murphy & O’Brien Real Estate Investments head quartered in San Francisco. Prior to that worked as General Manager of local development company Pattani Construction. Strengths include strategic, analytical, entrepreneurial and decision making skills in both domestic and international business environments, founding member and elected inaugural President of the San Francisco Coalition For Responsible Growth.

PROFESSIONAL ACCOMPLISHMENTS

MURPHY O’BRIEN REAL ESTATE INVESTMENTS – San Francisco, California 2004 – Present
Real Estate Brokerage and Investment Company.
Secretary and Vice-President
• Founding member of company and appointed Vice-President & Secretary. Oversee all aspects of company business including management, sales force and real estate portfolio valued at over 20M dollars.
• Responsible for day to day operations including marketing, budgeting, forecasting and sales support.
• Liaison to other business interests in both the private and public sector and local business community.

PATTANI CONSTRUCTION – San Francisco, California 2003 – 2004
Real Estate Development Company.
General Manager
• Project manager on multimillion dollar developments.
• Responsible for coordinating employee assignments
• Manage material requirement evaluations and estimates and employee supervision
• Interface with city inspectors and verify project completion and sign-off

Start-up with a Digital Subscriber Line (DSL) modem product.
Director of Technical Services
Responsible for a million dollar budget, a team of six engineers, development, testing and building a support organization for this start-up company with a new DSL modem product capable of supporting eight phone voice lines and high speed data.
• Constructed a lab network and developed and executed test plans to ensure DSL, TCP/IP stack and voice communication integrity while operating in various modes and with multiple data streams.
• Coordinated flow of information, resources and strategy between CEO, engineering, marketing, beta testers and business development team.
• Built a support organization that featured engineers, incident reporting, tracking, process flow charts and problem resolution procedures for customer service using Support Logix and Microsoft Excel.
• Managed team that achieved stringent reliability and quality standards essential in deploying product in voice networks.
LUKE A. O'BRIEN (RESUME CONTINUED)

LUCENT TECHNOLOGIES – Alameda, California
Global technology leader in Telecommunications.
(Acquired Ascend Communications in 1999 – leading provider of voice, video and data networks)
Manager, Corporate Sales Engineering 1998 – 2001
Responsible for 10 SEs located throughout US to deliver technical support to sales organization in Asia, Europe, Pacific Rim, North and South America.
- Improved sales effectiveness with development and delivery of training programs and classes to sales and sales engineering personnel on new products, feature updates and software upgrades.
- Identified a lack of understanding of LAN technology within sales force, post merger. Designed and delivered a series of classes, with hands-on training, covering all aspects of this area including TCP/IP, Radius Authentication, VPNs, Routing protocols RIP and OSPF, Optical OC3, Ethernet switches, and network management that improved the performance of sales engineering group. Overall program was managed using Microsoft Project and course presentations in Microsoft PowerPoint.
- Managed corporate sales engineering team and demo facilities. Coordinated personnel resources, delegated tasks and responsibilities. Conducted quarterly reviews, coached individual members of group with their career development and target objectives.
- Designed a web site for department using Microsoft FrontPage

ASCEND COMMUNICATIONS
Senior Network Support Engineer 1998 – 1999
Responsible for delivery of technical expertise to TAC and customers through training, telephone support and development of effective VOIP product design and diagnostic test.
- Delivered effective troubleshooting and software debugging through Technical Assistance Center that saved and preserved frustrated customer accounts.
- Built simulated networks combining both voice and data used to test new software releases.
- Designed and executed construction of various multinode networks supporting voice of ip technology.
- Authored book and gave a series of lectures on theory and operation of T1 networks.

VIDEOSERVER – San Francisco, California
Technology company with a video/audio multipoint conferencing bridge product.
Sales Engineer 1996 – 1998
Managed corporate relations for a difficult customer account, based in West Coast, with direct technical support and problem resolution.
- Achieved first strong customer satisfaction for previously unsupported West Coast customers with rapid resolution of all outstanding problems, primarily through redesign of poorly implemented networks.
- Improved sales and product positioning through on-site training of third party reseller engineers.
- Demonstrated excellent interpersonal and customer service skills that fostered goodwill.
- Developed and coordinated sales-building trade shows for Asian market.

TELEOS COMMUNICATIONS – Mountain View, California
Start-up company with an integrated services digital network (ISDN) switch.
Completed field installations and training on voice, video and data networks designed, manufactured, sold and supported by this start-up.
- Saved a large account by spending 24 continuous hours on-site resolving all mis-configurations, faulty hardware installations and mismatched software releases.
- Demonstrated technical support expertise during sales presentations.
- Traveled throughout United States to test, configure and repair client systems.
September 3, 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 reappointed Richard J. Guggenhime as a member of the Airport Commission effective today, September 3, 2009, and the term of Richard J. Guggenhime will expire on August 31, 2013.

Please see the attached biography which will illustrate that Richard J. Guggenhime's qualifications allow him 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,

[Signature]

Gavin Newsom
Mayor

1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place, Room 200, San Francisco, California 94102-4641
gavin.newsom@sfgov.org • (415) 554-6141
Notice of Appointment

September 3, 2009

Honorable Board of Supervisors:

I hereby reappoint Richard J. Guggenhime to serve as member of the Airport Commission for a 4-year term commencing September 3, 2009, in accordance with the 1996 Charter, Section 3.100, (17).

I am confident that Richard J. Guggenhime will serve our community well. Attached are his 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
Richard J. Guggenhieme

Business:
Schiff Hardin LLP
One Market Street
Spear Street Tower, 32nd Floor
San Francisco, CA 94105
(415) 901-8726
rguggenhieme@schiffhardin.com

Employment:
Schiff Hardin LLP
2008 – Present Of Counsel

Heller Ehrman LLP
1987 – 2008 Chairman Trusts and Estates Group and Wealth Management Group
2006 – 2008 Of Counsel
1972 – 2005 Partner (Shareholder)
1965 – 1972 Associate

Education:
Grant School, 1953
Lowell High School, San Francisco, 1957
Stanford University, A.B., 1961 with Distinction in Political Science and Economics
Harvard Law School, J.D., 1964

Personal:
Born and raised in San Francisco
Born: March 6, 1940, San Francisco, California
Married: Judith H. Swift – 1992
Children: Andrew L. Guggenheim (40), Graduate of Middlebury College;
Kellogg Business School; Senior Vice President and CFO-PDL, BioPharma, Inc.
Lisa J. Hauswirth (38), Graduate of Brown University,
Stanford Business School; Brand Manager-Clorox
Molly E. Howson (36), Graduate of Wellesley College;
Consultant – Bank of America – New York City

Grandchildren: Ten
Diplomatic Experience:

Honorary Consul General of Finland in Northern California 1988-2003

Legal Organization and Activities:

Member of American College of Trust and Estate Counsel
San Francisco Bar Association
California State Bar Association
American Bar Association

Lecturer -- Continuing Education of the Bar on Estate Administration and Estate Planning

Charitable Affiliations:

Past Chairman of the Board of Trustees, San Francisco University High School
Past Director and Member of Executive Committee, San Francisco Opera Association
President, Board of Trustees, Stanley S. Langendorf Foundation
Past Member of Board of Regents, St. Ignatius College Preparatory School
Stanford Associates
President, The Olympic Club 2002

Corporate Boards:

Past Director, Commercial Bank of San Francisco
Past Director, Global Savings Bank
Past Director, North American Trust Company
Director, Maier, Siebel Baber, Real Estate Funds

Political Activities:

Commissioner, Airport Commission 2006 -
Commissioner, Recreation and Parks Commission 1989-1993 (Vice President 1993), 2003-2004
Commissioner, Fire Commission 1985-1989 (Vice President 1989)
Commissioner, Board of Permit Appeals 1978-1985 (President three years)
Commissioner, Parking Authority 1975-1978

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Law & Politics® 2005 and 2006 named a “Northern California Super Lawyer”
I disagree 110% with David Campos' new proposal on suspected illegal youths accused of felonies. Why turn given to suspected felons, wearing turbans, from middle eastern and west Asian countries? I think not! So with decent, law-abiding citizens of San Francisco. He should be ousted for even suggesting such stupidity.

For the board of supervisors only:

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Thomas P. Murray
San Francisco, CA 94122-1063
USA
Dear Friends and Neighbors,

Should city agencies in SF shield young illegal immigrants who are drug offenders from federal authorities? Rookie supe David Campos thinks so. A few days ago, he introduced legislation to that effect into the board of supes.

Campos doesn’t care about a disturbing development reported in the media. Mexican drug cartels are infiltrating gangs in American cities and sucking their members into the cartels’ drug-dealing operations.

The cartels are ruthlessly violent, torturing and killing anyone who stands in their way. In Mexico itself, the cartels have created a powerful counter-state, with its own army and bevy of supportive politicians. Their corrupting influence has already reached into the political dynamics of some American border towns.

If Campos’ legislation passes, it will make it easier for the cartels to muscle into SF, which is already a magnet for drug dealers of the non-cartel type. The consequences would be devastating for the city in general, and especially its poor and at-risk neighborhoods. In the name of common sense, the board should reject Campos’ measure.

Yours for rationality in politics,

Arthur Evans

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Dear Bob,

I think we all understand the dilemma of dealing respectfully with human beings who seem to be on the fringe of society, for one reason or another, and take public space in a way that makes people uncomfortable and may make children—or any of us—feel unsafe. Loitering is considered a public nuisance and is not tolerated where violence might be suspected on Broadway. It is also not tolerated where drunkenness, drug use or thievery are suspected, and as a general rule, loitering is simply not tolerated when it can be identified as such.

For this reason, we do have the number 311 to call whenever we are concerned about any kind of malingering on the street, adults lying, sitting and squatting in circles on the sidewalks or using public space in a way that constitutes a "public nuisance" through unhygienic activity, drunkenness, littering, etc. or "camping" in public space. My particular concerns have been with adults lying or squatting with suspect paper bags next to children's play areas or on the streets with toddlers passing by.

You have said the "homeless hot team" is "worthless". You may have legitimate complaints, which you can address on 311 or the website SF311. I was pleased that the police have asked us at the North Beach Neighbors meeting to please call 311 whenever we need to report a violation of public space, drunkenness, loitering or any other suspect activity. Often the recipient of the complaint will ask you to wait to be connected to the police, but you are not required to wait after you have filed your complaint on the phone, and normally someone will attend to the situation immediately and in a humane way.

There are neighborhood services for the homeless as well as for drug or alcohol addicts, and it should be considered a service to those human beings on the fringe as well as to the community affected by asocial activities to report loitering or unsavory activities to the 311 line. I think if we help as members of the community, the services that the community provides can be made more effective and will help all of us build a better neighborhood.

Thanks for your concerns,

Karen Melander-Magoon, D.Min.
President, North Beach Neighbors
karenmm
Mayor Newsom
BoS President/Supervisor Chiu

My wife, Terry, and I joined a group of other neighborhood volunteers and enthusiastic workers from several city agencies on a recent weekend to change a half block of Mason Street between Columbus Avenue and Lombard Street from asphalt into an urban pocket park with trees, plants, and picnic tables.

This little plaza/park has already created that sense of place so important to human existence – a place for people to meet informally, to talk to each other. Before we had even finished putting in all the plants and other elements, people were gathering, using the picnic tables, and saying what a great idea it is. Now, after several weeks, some of those who were dead set against the closure are coming around and agree that there has been no impact on traffic.

Unfortunately, just as quickly as the plaza went in, it will have to be taken out by the end of September.

Here’s my and my wife’s vote to allow the two-month trial to remain beyond the deadline. Please urge ISCOTT to grant an indefinite extension.

Lee Goodin
Therese “Terry” Grenchik

North Beach
San Francisco CA 94133

PS: A response would be appreciated.
SUNSHINE ORDINANCE
TASK FORCE

ORDER OF DETERMINATION
August 31, 2009

DATE THE DECISION ISSUED
August 25, 2009

DAVID SCHNEIDER v. SAN FRANCISCO BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, CLERK OF
THE BOARD AND SUPERVISOR CHRIS DALY (09035)

FACTS OF THE CASE

Complainant David Schneider attended the July 2, 2009, Board of Supervisors Rules Committee meeting that was chaired by Supervisor Chris Daly. Item 7, a proposed Charter taxi reform measure, was listed on the agenda for hearing and Mr. Schneider attended the hearing with the intention of making public comment on the item. Mr. Schneider alleges that at the beginning of the hearing, Supervisor Daly, who was the author of the proposed Charter measure, stated that the item was withdrawn from the agenda and did not allow public comment on the withdrawn item.

COMPLAINT FILED

On July 13, 2009, Mr. Schneider filed a complaint against the Board of Supervisors (BOS), the Clerk of the Board and Supervisor Daly for his barring public comment on the item that was withdrawn at the beginning of the afore-cited Rules Committee meeting.

HEARING ON THE COMPLAINT

On August 25, 2009, Mr. Schneider aired his complaint before the Task Force. Respondent Clerk of the Board of Supervisors was represented by BOS Rules Committee Clerk Linda Wong and Legislative Deputy Director Rick Calderia.

FINDINGS OF FACT AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

The Task Force was told that the Sunshine Ordinance clearly states that there has to be public comment before action is taken on an item. But the question was: Does the action to take the item off the agenda warrant public comment? The Task Force was told that there was not any known case law to help adjudicate the matter. The Task Force recalled that at the start of the August 25, 2009 meeting, when the clerk said an item was withdrawn, there was no discussion on whether the item needed to be withdrawn. And, more generally, when an item is continued, it is at the Chair's discretion.
ORDER OF DETERMINATION

on whether or not to have public comment. The Task Force also recognized that because the Task Force provides an item on each agenda for general public comment, members of the public are allowed to comment on withdrawn or continued items during that time. It was noted, however, that BOS committees do not allow for general public comment and, therefore, members of the public have no opportunity to comment on withdrawn or continued matters.

DECISION AND ORDER OF DETERMINATION

In light of 67.15 (a)’s requirement that every agenda of a policy body “provide an opportunity for members of the public to directly address a policy body on items that are within the policy body’s subject matter jurisdiction,” and 67.15 (e)’s requirement that “to facilitate public input, any agenda changes or continuances shall be announced at the beginning of a meeting,” (emphasis added), the Task Force issued an Order of Determination finding a violation of Sec. 67.15 (a) and (e) for the Rules Committee’s failure to provide general public comment or otherwise provide members of the public the right to comment on agenda changes, ( Knoebber / Williams )
Ayes: Craven-Green, Cauthen, Washburn, Knoebber, Johnson, Williams, Knee
Noes: Goldman
Excused: Chan, Chu

A motion was also approved requesting the Chair, Richard Knee, to write to the Clerk of the Board, President David Chiu of the Board of Supervisors and the committee chairs to express the Task Force’s concern over the lack of general public comment at Board of Supervisor’s committee meetings. ( Cauthen / Williams )
Ayes: Craven-Green, Cauthen, Washburn, Knoebber, Johnson, Goldman, Williams, Knee
Excused: Chan, Chu.

This Order of Determination was adopted by the Sunshine Ordinance Task Force on August 25, 2009.

Richard A. Knee, Chair
Sunshine Ordinance Task Force

c: Ernest Llorente, Deputy City Attorney
David Schneider, complainant
Angela Calvillo, Clerk of the Board, respondent
David Chiu, President, Board of Supervisors, respondent
John Avalos, Chair, Budget and Finance Committee
Bevan Dufty, Chair, City Operations & Neighborhood Services Committee
Ross Markarimi, Chair, Government Audit & Oversight Committee
Sophie Maxwell, Chair, Land Use & Economic Development Committee
David Campos, Chair, Rules Committee
Sean Elsbernd, Chair, Joint City & School District Select Committee

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September 2, 2009

Board of Supervisors
David Chiu, Board President and Public Safety Committee Chair
John Avalos, Budget & Finance Committee Chair
Bevan Dufty, City Operations & Neighborhood Services Committee Chair
Ross Mirkarimi, Government Audit & Oversight Committee and Local Agency Formation Commission Chair
Sophie Maxwell, Land Use & Economic Development Committee Chair
David Campos, Rules Committee Chair
Sean Elsbernd, Joint City and School District Select Committee Chair
Angela Calvillo, Clerk of the Board

Dear Ladies and Gentlemen:

A matter of concern regarding the allowing of public comment at Board committee meetings has come to the attention of the Sunshine Ordinance Task Force.

At the Rules Committee meeting of July 2, 2009, interim Chair Chris Daly announced that a proposed Charter taxi reform measure had been pulled from the agenda, and that public comment both on the substance of the item and on the procedural issue of its withdrawal would therefore not be allowed.

The Task Force became aware of this through a complaint (Case #09035) filed by David Schneider, who had wanted to address the Rules Committee on the proposed measure. At its meeting of August 25, 2009, the Task Force found for Mr. Schneider. The Task Force issued an Order of Determination providing the details of its findings on August 31, 2009.

The Task Force believes Mr. Schneider and anyone else wishing to do so should have been permitted to speak either when Supervisor Daly made the withdrawal announcement or during the time set aside for general public comment on non-agendized items falling within the Committee’s jurisdiction.

However, the agenda included no time for general public comment; and a review of other committees’ agendas reveals the same omission.

The Task Force’s opinion is shared by Terry Francke, general counsel of sunshine advocacy organization Californians Aware, who wrote the original draft of the Sunshine Ordinance that the Board of Supervisors passed unanimously and Mayor Frank Jordan subsequently signed in 1993.

Asked directly about whether the afore-cited decision by Supervisor Daly regarding public comment was proper, Mr. Francke replied, “No. The Brown Act requires accepting public comment ‘before or during’ the board’s consideration of the item. In this case the comment would have come either (well) before any action or, as you point out, on a matter not (i.e. no longer) on the agenda, comment which also must be received when offered.”

The Board and/or its committees might argue that Mr. Schneider could have spoken on the proposed reform measure at a subsequent meeting of the full Board or whenever the item is brought back before the Rules Committee. To make that assumption about Mr. Schneider or any other citizen would be unfair to them; it is quite possible that work, family or other obligations limit their ability to attend meetings of the Board and its committees.

The Task Force strongly recommends that the Board and its committees demonstrate a commitment to both the letter and the spirit of sunshine by revising their policies in a way that will maximize allowance for public comment.

http://www.sfgov.org/sunshine/
during their meetings. The Task Force stands ready to assist in any such endeavors. Thank you for your kind attention.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

Richard A. Knee
Sunshine Ordinance Task Force Chair
SFPD Inspector James Ramsey,

1. Can you provide the name of the individual(s) who transferred my emails and attachments to you? I directed this information to the BOS and Gavin Newsom and the District Attorney as well as the past mayor, Willie Brown.

2. Can you provide a copy to me of those emails and attachments that I submitted to Gavin Newsom, the BOS, the Willie Brown Institute, Ethics Commission, Civil Service Commission, that were specifically transferred to you to review and inspect, which led to your request to interview me concerning Terry Childs only?

3. Can you provide the name of all individuals, if any, you interviewed prior to/ and after Terry Childs was arrested and incarcerated in July of 2008?

4. Has District Attorney Kamala Harris approved of your desire to interview me concerning what I recall while working out of CCSF-DTIS' One Market Plaza location from July 2005 to Oct 30, 2006, but not a day beyond, but not any of the (mis)managers such as Herb Tong, Richard Robinson, Chris Vein, Ron Vinson, Micki Callahan, Rod Loucks, Deborah Baker, Denise Brady, Joseph John and John Donohoe, as well as various City Attorney Office personnel and others who continued to work at One Market Plaza up to and through the time and date Terry Childs was arrested in July of 2008 (over 18 months later)

If you have not thought to request an interview from any of the above listed co-conspirators to racial discrimination and retaliation, removal of my family's health care and retirement abuses, ADA and Civil Rights Act violations and abuses, retaliatory wrongful termination and personnel file abuses, identity theft and illegal use of eavesdropping software by DTIS employees, and more, then you have much work to do before we speak. You have stepped into the "twilight zone" of dysfunctional leadership at it highest level with DTIS' trail of abuse.

This is a precedent setting case, its bigger than Terry Childs, we are talking public safety & homeland security here, I don't think you know what you are getting into. Emergency Response Fee funds have been illegally mismanaged and redirected for purposes in which it was not designed for in the first place. The City Attorney's Office and DTIS' Chris Vein, Richard Robinson, Ron Vinson, would love for the
issue of what happened to the funding which went into my being hired for the 911 Project, to just disappear like it never happened. Like what E911 Project?? Or, what Emergency Response Fee?? Or, what classified ad for E911 1044 position?? They all have short-term memory loss, they can't even remember why they came to the city, but they are okay misdefining why I came, even though Chris Vein, Richard Robinson, Ron Vinson, Terry Childs, Jeana Peralde were all not employed by CCSF when I started in November 1999. From my tampered with personnel file it appears that Deborah Baker, a personnel analyst, was illegally acting and signing personnel files as the Department Head and Appointing Officer of DTIS in 1999. Another monumental lie conspired and implemented by DHR, DTIS and the City Attorney's Office, after the fact. Go figure!

Mr Ramsey, I am not convinced of your sincerity or dedication to what is right. You have said nothing of your background or your experience in any matters which are pertinent to my profession or the lynching of Terry Childs by DTIS, DHR and the City Attorney's Office, let alone the incredible amount of abuse I sustained by being transferred all over the place, while others are being promoted two or three times over.

Have you not investigated DHR and DTIS' hiring practices in light of their having hired Terry Childs, knowing that he had a criminal record and was doing time, while I am employed as an senior engineer with Satellite Business Systems Inc. with no criminal record whatsoever?

Do you think you could disregard these discriminatory employment practices, while we discuss password security, because I can't.

The city has been famously wrong before, just look at how much time (14 years) those two men spent in prison before their murder convictions were overturned by a judge who ruled that city police investigators and prosecutors withheld evidence (this month). At a cost of $7.5 million they were allowed to abuse the rights of two citizens. There was no lesson learned whatsoever it appears. You need to check with Board of Supervisors before we proceed. I want to make absolutely sure that you and the prosecute-rs are not intending to do run the same (police investigators and prosecutors withheld evidence) gameplan. No police investigator or District Attorney prosecutor had to answer to anyone for this unforgivable mistake, they probably had many pay raises over the course of the 14 years those guys were in prison. They probably never apologized either.

Well Mr Inspector, guess what, the city has withheld evidence again, this time in my case against them concerning the 911 Project and the employment discrimination practices they supported and manipulated, as well information which would free Terry Childs from his incarceration. Just think, if they can do that in a murder case, they have no conscious whatsoever in crapping all over anyone in an employment discrimination or violating the rights of someone who withheld administrator
passwords to network communications equipment not used for the E911 Project. Go figure!

Alvin Johnson
No Thanks,

Let's discuss a possible meeting with the BOS, the Civil Service Commission, the Mayor, IFPTE21 legal staff and the Ethics Commission, at the EEOC San Francisco office with Willie Brown. I am not interested in any secret unrecorded meetings with you or anyone who calls themselves an inspector after they put someone behind bars. Nothing personal, I just don't like the sound of nothing happening after complaining to the mayor and the likes of Micki Callahan and Phil Ginsburg and Ed Harrington for nearly (4) years.

------------ Original message from James Ramsey <James.Ramsey@sfgov.org>:
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> Mr. Johnson
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> My name is James Ramsey. I am the lead SFPD inspector assigned to the
> Terry Childs case.
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> Your emails have been forwarded to me to schedule a time that I can
> interview you regarding the events at DTIS (Now DT) as they relate to the
> criminal allegations against Mr. Childs.
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> I have read your emails and attached documents.
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> My schedule is this:
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> I work Tuesday - Friday from 7 am to 5 pm. (off Mondays)
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> I am at 850 Bryant Street Room 558 -- Special Investigations Division.
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> I do not know how long our interview will last, but it's probably best not
> to start too late in the afternoon.
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> I have court on Friday 8-21-09 and I am not available that day.
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My schedule is fully open on Tue afternoon/8-18, all day Wed/8-19, and all
day Thu/8-20.

Please give me a call at 415-553-9182 or reply to this email and we will
schedule a time.

I will listen to what you have to say.

Thank you

Insp. James Ramsey #924
San Francisco Police Department
Special Investigations Division
850 Bryant St # 558
SF, CA 94103
Officer: 415-553-1133
Fax: 415-553-1136
Direct: 415-553-9182
Dear Friends and Neighbors,

George Gascón, the new SF Police Chief, said on Monday that he wants to bring “very smart policing” to the department and make SF “the safest city in America.” Speaking before the supes’ Public Safety Committee, Gascón laid out an ambitious agenda for reform. It includes upgrading technology, introducing “robust community policing systems,” raising the moral of the rank and file, and creating an around-the-clock crime center.

He claimed he could achieve much of this reform through better management techniques, with not much additional funding. “I am a fiscal conservative,” he added. To get the ball rolling, he called on the supes to allow him to hire two managerial experts from the outside, which would require a waiver of civil-service rules. The committee seemed receptive to the idea.

Michela Alioto-Pier asked about his policy in regard to undocumented immigrants. Gascón replied that if they are law-abiding, the department will not make an issue of their documented status per se. However, if they are involved in criminal activity, “all the tools available [including deportation] will be used against them.” This policy contrasts with that of David Campos, the former chair of the committee. He wanted the city to provide sanctuary to undocumented youths suspected of felonies. Campos has since been replaced as committee chair by David Chiu.

Will the new chief’s words translate into action? Perhaps there was a clue at today’s meeting. After strongly calling for public input in fighting crime, he left the chamber just as the public-comment period started. This is the sort of behavior we’re accustomed to see from supes. Let’s hope Gascón doesn’t adopt their bad habits.

Yours for rationality in government,

Arthur Evans

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Open letter from George Davis
to George Gascon, Chief of Police, SFPD

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Hi Chief Gascon:

Welcome to San Francisco and the issues of Public Nudity and the Civil Rights of public nudists to expand the Free Body Culture movement in America.

I suspect that this is something that you have not dealt with too much in the Southwest, but it is an issue in the Pacific Northwest. For example, in June 2009, 5000 people in Portland, OR (1% of the population) participated in the World Naked Bike Ride (WNBR), which is not exactly an alienated lunatic fringe minority.

Aside from San Francisco and Portland, there are active Free Body Culture movements in Seattle [Washington], and Vancouver [B.C., Canada].

On an International level, Free Body Culture is a mainstream movement in London, Germany (where the FKK is well over a hundred years old), Scandinavia, the Netherlands, France, Spain, and many other European areas.

I have written two books and many magazine articles on the Free Body Culture movement. I produce a TV show, [www.freebodyculture.blip.tv] on the subject.

During the past five years, I have been arrested for public nudity in San Francisco 20 times by my count. (From my civilian perspective, any time handcuffs are placed on a person, they are arrested.) Probably, I have had a dozen official humiliating and dehumanizing harassment visits and cagings at
850 Bryant. I have been threatened with arrest another 20 or so times. More often, I go out and nothing happens. It just seems to depend on whether the field police officer and their superiors understand the law or not. Some do. Some don't. This is because there is no standardized San Francisco police training on the subject.

I have never, ever been brought to trial, let alone been convicted of anything. All citations have been discharged by the DA's office.

I have filed reports of police incidents, harassments, and arrests with the San Francisco Office of Citizens Complaints (OCC). The July 22 and July 23, 2009 OCC findings, which I agree with, on 13 separate incidents, find that the harassments are a result of "training failure" of the SFPD. These findings are signed by OCC Executive Director, Joyce M. Hicks. [.....]

Chief Gascon. I am calling on you to educate the SFPD to the simple facts that:

1. Nude is Not Lewd. This is the truth. This is reality. This is the law. (In re Smith 1972, California Supreme Court plus supportive follow-up decisions.)
2. "Nudity is not a crime in San Francisco." (2004 pronouncement of the San Francisco District Attorney's Office, which was widely reported in the international media and still viewable on Internet search engines.)
3. In the event of a citizens arrest complaint, which is rare unless unethically solicited by a police officer, [and even rarer if citizens realized that they could be sued for false arrest]; San Francisco General Order 5.04 on Arrests by Private Persons applies:

"Procedures DGO 5.04 Rev. 08/01/07
Whenever a private person summons an officer to take custody of an individual that the private person has arrested or wants to arrest, officer shall:
1. Respond to the location of the "private person arrest."
2. Determine if a crime has, in fact, been committed.
3. Determine if reasonable suspicion exists to detain the individual pending further investigation. If reasonable suspicion does not exist, the individual is free to leave."

I urge you to begin this training ASAP. About two weeks ago, after reporting the OCC findings to Captain James Dudley of San Francisco Central Station in a telephone conversation, he threatened me with arrest for future public nudity. I know that I could file another OCC complaint, but the real goal of this letter is the proper training of Captain James Dudley and all others in the SFPD.
F.Y.I. I would like to give you my very experienced observations of the effect of public nudists to the general public. Most people are mostly oblivious. Their thoughts run, "Oh. I see a naked person. I've got to get to Walgreen's." They don't care, but deep down they appreciate the application of freedom. A few are wildly enthusiastic supporters of what we are doing. Some people just think nudists are absurd. That's a perspective that I don't disagree with. A few are caught surprised and are puzzled about what they are seeing. They are not really having a problem with seeing a nude person. They just don't know how to react. They'll think about it and be prepared for the next time it happens. A few people initially get upset. These people tend to be excessively authoritarian, angry, or religious nut cases. They are not the type of people that San Franciscans want to establish social/cultural policy. Also, these people eventually adapt to the culture change. In fact, later many of them enthusiastically convert to the aims of a Free Body Culture.

Many people bring up the "smokescreen issue" of the presence of children. Children get what we are doing. There is an excellent readily available Internet article on the benefits of nudism, children and body acceptance titled, "Children, Social Nudity, and Scholarly Study" by Mark Story. For years, I have had a published offer of $1000 to anyone who can write an intelligent 500 word essay telling what harm would befall a child who sees a nude adult. The only real answer is "none." That essay can't be written. As you can see, public nudity is beneficial to some and unarguably harmless to all. I quote the old adage, "No harm. No foul."

Come September/October, we are planning a promotion for the Nude Beach Olympics II, Baker Beach, San Francisco, noon, October 10. This is a free event. We did it last year; we had 15 nude participants and about 25 clothing optional spectators. We made no special effort to get the spectators. We all had fun. This year with no special effort, except a few emails, we should have twice as many people. We model the Nude Beach Olympics towards the ancient Greek Olympics. The nude athletes compete to win a wreath and to be champion. The events are 100, 500, 1000 meter runs. Discus. Broad jump. Sumo wrestling. Ancient Greek wrestling. Yes, volleyball too. If he can find an opponent, one person wants to do a nude kickboxing exhibition to see if we want to include that as a future Olympic competition. Another concession to modern times and equality is that we have and welcome female athletes.

This is the kind of event that could grow bigger than Burning Man and Bay-to-Breakers and continue San Francisco's avant garde image. With the Internet and modern uncensored technology we can reach more than a billion people. We could have athletes and visitors from all over the world coming to San Francisco.

To jump start the growth of the event, a friend and I are planning to walk through the streets of San Francisco, after Labor Day through October 10, wearing a wreath, sunscreen and sandals. We are friendly and we expect to meet friendly and well trained professional San Francisco police.
Please realize that the end goals of the Free Body Culture are body acceptance, abolition of censorship, health and fitness, civil liberties, reality, and having fun. We think these ideas meet everyone's check list for a progressive social/cultural movement.

Please let me know of updated police training and police bulletin notices concerning nudity issues.

Thank you,

George Davis
San Francisco

19 August 2009
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cc: San Francisco Police Commission,
Mayor Gavin Newsom,
et alii
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[ Caveat by SUN:
This letter is being e-forwarded by SUN, in August 2009.
The views expressed above are those of George Davis
and his Free Body Culture [FKK] group;
not the views of SUN.]

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U.S. Navy fails to have a meaningful dialog with the community on Superfund and Cleanup and Related Issues:


Francisco Da Costa
Corrupt politicians that are shewed in while they deserve to be booted out:


Francisco Da Costa
Land Grab by Mark Leno:

http://www.indybay.org/newsitems/2009/08/30/18620163.php#
Senator Mark Leno FAILS to find support with SB 792:


Francisco Da Costa
I think that it is correct that the "Forum" was stacked in favor of providing the "homeless" an opportunity to explain their opinions and positions without any real rebuttal. I still think it was valuable, however, in that all level minded people in that audience had a clear opportunity to see just what a bunch of huey their positions are. Nothing could be more effective than allowing this BS to be spread over an audience of renters and homeowners. I believe it was made clear just how destructive this lifestyle is to those the City says it wants to help and the attitudes that come from living off society for too long. It was also made clear that many taxpayers are fed up with the capitol outlay and the degradation of our neighborhood. All in all, the evening was productive and I believe it will help lay a foundation of opposition which it is our responsibility to organize. Then we can begin to make some real headway with the problems which beset our neighborhood.

Philip Snyder
TO ALL INTERESTED AND AFFECTED PARTIES

This is to provide you with a copy of the notice of proposed regulatory actions relative to "Sport Fishing Regulations," in the sections identified in Title 14, California Code of Regulations, which will appear in the California Regulatory Notice Register on August 28, 2009. These documents as well as supporting documents will also be made available on the Commission's website at http://www.fgc.ca.gov/regulations/new/2009/proposedregs09.asp.

Please note the dates of the public hearing related to this matter and associated deadlines for receipt of written and oral comments, found on pages 13 and 14.

Scott Barrow, Department of Fish and Game, phone (916) 445-7600, has been designated to respond to questions on the substance of the proposed regulations.

Sincerely,

Jon D. Snellstrom
Associate Government Program Analyst

Attachment
Public Hearing on Proposed Regulations

Notice/Agenda

Schedule of Meeting

September 15, 2009, 1:00 p.m.

Location

Office of the Secretary of State
1500 11th Street
1st Floor – Multipurpose Room
Sacramento, California 95814

Pursuant to Government Code section 11346.8, notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be held to give interested persons an opportunity to express their views regarding the proposed regulations identified below.

1. Trustworthy Electronic Document or Record Preservation
   a) Introductory Remarks
   b) Public Comment on the Proposed Regulations for Trustworthy Electronic Document or Record Preservation (5 minutes for each speaker)
   c) Adjournment

A listen-only call-in number is available at (877) 455-8695 and the participant code is 509981. The listen-only option is limited to 125 lines.

For more information about the proposed regulations, including answers to the most frequently asked questions, and comments that have been received prior to the hearing, please visit http://www.sos.ca.gov/admin/electronic-documents.htm.

Members of the public are encouraged to submit written comments on agenda items. Written comment should be sent by US mail to the address above or by email to theresa.finger@sos.ca.gov. Those wishing to provide oral comment at a meeting should complete a speaker’s card upon arrival. In all cases, the presiding officer reserves the right to impose time limits on presentations as may be necessary to ensure that the agenda is completed. Those wishing to provide an extended statement should submit a request via the email address above or contact Theresa Finger at (916) 653-7244 at least 24 hours prior to the meeting.