

City and County of San Francisco

Meeting Agenda

City Hall 1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place San Francisco, CA 94102-4689

Government Audit and Oversight Committee

Members: Dean Preston, Catherine Stefani, Connie Chan

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| Thursday, October 17, 2024 | 10:00 AM | City Hall, Legislative Chamber, Room 250 |
| Regular Meeting | | |

ROLL CALL AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

COMMUNICATIONS

AGENDA CHANGES

REGULAR AGENDA

1.

240799 [Administrative Code - "Cash Not Drugs" Sobriety and Recovery Pilot Program]

Sponsors: Dorsey; Mandelman and Safai

Ordinance amending the Administrative Code to authorize the Human Services Agency, in coordination with the Department of Public Health, to establish a voluntary three-year sobriety and recovery incentive treatment program, known as "Cash Not Drugs," to provide a weekly payment of up to \$100 to eligible beneficiaries of the County Adult Assistance Programs ("CAAP") who have been screened for a substance use disorder and referred to substance use disorder treatment as a condition of further receipt of CAAP benefits, and who test negative for illicit drugs once per week; exempting the Cash Not Drugs payments from the CAAP eligibility calculation; providing for a six-month implementation plan before the program becomes operational; and revising the Homelessness and Supportive Housing Fund to include the Cash Not Drugs program as a permitted use of funds.

(Fiscal Impact)

7/30/24; ASSIGNED UNDER 30 DAY RULE to the Rules Committee.

9/3/24; REFERRED TO DEPARTMENT.

9/11/24; TRANSFERRED to the Government Audit and Oversight Committee.

2. <u>240333</u> [Police Code - Notice of Supermarket Closure]

Sponsors: Preston; Peskin

Ordinance amending the Police Code to require large supermarkets to provide six months notice to their customers and the City before permanently closing, and to explore ways to allow for the continued sale of groceries at the location.

4/2/24; ASSIGNED UNDER 30 DAY RULE to the Public Safety and Neighborhood Services Committee.

4/10/24; REFERRED TO DEPARTMENT.

7/10/24; TRANSFERRED to the Government Audit and Oversight Committee.

3. <u>240914</u> [Hearing - Investigating the Lack of Oversight of Fraudulent Activities Within Executive Branch Departments, including SFPD and HRC, and the Need to Ensure Corrective Actions and Systemic Reforms] Sponsors: Peskin; Safai

Hearing to identify what and when departments knew about fraudulent activities within the Executive Branch Departments, such as the San Francisco Police Department (SFPD) and Human Rights Commission (HRC), and their contractors, as well as what preventative follow-up steps were implemented after, including review for conflicts of any staff taking over these functions and duties; and requesting the Mayor, City Controller, Human Resources Department, and SFPD to report.

9/17/24; RECEIVED AND ASSIGNED to the Government Audit and Oversight Committee.

LITIGATION

Conference with City Attorney

[Convene in Closed Session - Existing Litigation - City as Plaintiff and/or Defendant] Motion that the Government Audit and Oversight Committee of the Board of Supervisors convene in closed session with the City Attorney for the purpose of conferring with, or receiving advice from, the City Attorney regarding the following existing litigation and anticipated litigation. Administrative Code Section 67.10(d) permit this closed session. Discussion in open session concerning these matters would likely and unavoidably prejudice the position of the City in the pending lawsuits and claims listed below.

4. <u>240823</u> [Settlement of Lawsuit - San Francisco Apartment Association, San Francisco Association of Realtors, Coalition for Better Housing, and Small Property Owners of San Francisco Institute - \$93,000]

Ordinance authorizing settlement of the lawsuit filed by San Francisco Apartment Association, San Francisco Association of Realtors, Coalition for Better Housing, and Small Property Owners of San Francisco Institute against the City and County of San Francisco for \$93,000; the lawsuit was filed on May 12, 2020, in San Francisco County Superior Court, Case No. CPF 20-517087; entitled San Francisco Apartment Association, et al. v. City and County of San Francisco; the lawsuit involves a Petition for Writ of Mandate challenging Ordinance No. 36-20, which amended San Francisco Administrative Code § 37.9E to revise the requirements that landlord must follow when engaging in buyout negotiations with tenants. (City Attorney)

8/14/24; RECEIVED FROM DEPARTMENT.

9/3/24; RECEIVED AND ASSIGNED to the Government Audit and Oversight Committee.

5. <u>240824</u> [Settlement of Lawsuits - Park Hotels & Resorts Inc. - Stipulated Assessed Value of \$140,700,000 and Refund of \$943,740 Plus Statutory Interest]

Ordinance authorizing settlement of two related lawsuits filed by Park Hotels & Resorts Inc. et al. against the City and County of San Francisco concerning the real property located at 555 North Point, San Francisco, CA (Assessor's Parcel Block No. 0029, Lot No. 007) (the "Subject Property") for a stipulated assessed value of the Subject Property of \$140,700,000 as of September 17, 2019, contingent upon the Assessment Appeals Board's approval, and a refund of \$943,740 plus statutory interest; the first lawsuit was filed on August 7, 2023, in San Francisco Superior Court, Case No. CGC-23-608156; entitled Park Hotels & Resorts Inc., et al. v. City and County of San Francisco; the second lawsuit was filed on June 27, 2023, in San Francisco Superior Court, Case No. CGC-23-607311; entitled Park Hotels & Resorts Inc. v. City and County of San Francisco, et al.; the lawsuits involve the assessed value of the Subject Property for property tax purposes as of the September 17, 2019 change in ownership date and a transfer tax refund. (City Attorney)

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6. <u>240825</u> [Settlement of Lawsuits - Park Hotels & Resorts Inc. - Stipulated Assessed Value of \$93,237,202 and Refund of \$785,531 Plus Statutory Interest]

Ordinance authorizing settlement of two related lawsuits filed by Park Hotels & Resorts Inc. et al. against the City and County of San Francisco concerning the real property located at 542-550 Geary Street, San Francisco, CA (Assessor's Parcel Block No. 0305, Lot No. 008 and Assessor's Parcel Block No. 0305, Lot No. 009) (the "Subject Property") for a stipulated assessed value of \$93,237,202 as of September 18, 2019, contingent upon the Assessment Appeals Board's approval, and a refund of \$785,531 plus statutory interest; the first lawsuit was filed on August 18, 2023, in San Francisco Superior Court, Case No. CGC-23-608476; entitled Park Hotels & Resorts Inc., et al. v. City and County of San Francisco; the second lawsuit was filed on June 27, 2023, in San Francisco Superior Court, Case No. CGC-23-607309; entitled Park Hotels & Resorts Inc. v. City and County of San Francisco, et al.; the lawsuits involve the assessed value of the Subject Property for property tax purposes as of the September 18, 2019 change in ownership date and a transfer tax refund. (City Attorney)

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7. <u>240826</u> [Settlement of Lawsuits - Park Hotels & Resorts Inc. - Stipulated Assessed Value of \$222,145,336 and Refund of \$1,636,749 Plus Statutory Interest]

Ordinance authorizing settlement of two related lawsuits filed by Park Hotels & Resorts Inc. et al. against the City and County of San Francisco concerning the real property located at 375 Battery Street, San Francisco, CA (Assessor's Parcel Block No. 0229, Lot No. 020) (the "Subject Property") for a stipulated assessed value of the Subject Property of \$222,145,336 as of September 18, 2019, contingent upon the Assessment Appeals Board's approval, and a refund of \$1,636,749, plus statutory interest; the first lawsuit was filed on August 18, 2023, in San Francisco Superior Court, Case No. CGC-23-608468; entitled Park Hotels & Resorts Inc., et al. v. City and County of San Francisco; the second lawsuit was filed on June 27, 2023, in San Francisco Superior Court, Case No. CGC-23-607304; entitled Park Hotels & Resorts Inc. v. City and County of San Francisco, et al.; the lawsuits involve the assessed value of the Subject Property for property tax purposes as of the September 18, 2019, change in ownership date and a transfer tax refund. (City Attorney)

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8. <u>240830</u> [Settlement of Unlitigated Claims - Maplebear, Inc. - \$8,250,342.21]

Resolution approving the settlement of the unlitigated claims filed by Maplebear, Inc. against the City and County of San Francisco for \$8,250,342.21; the claims were filed on February 28, 2023, and February 9, 2024; the claims involve a refund of payroll expense, gross receipts, and homelessness gross receipts taxes, and business registration fees for the 2019 to 2022 tax years; other material terms of the settlement are that Maplebear, Inc. shall take certain filing positions with respect to its gross receipts, homelessness gross receipts, and overpaid executive gross receipts taxes, as applicable, for the 2023 and subsequent tax years, and the City will not impose penalties arising from those filing positions for the 2023 tax year. (City Attorney)

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9. 240831 [Settlement of Unlitigated Claim - Bechtel Group, Inc. - \$43,235.10]

Resolution approving the settlement of the unlitigated claim filed by Bechtel Group, Inc. against the City and County of San Francisco for \$43,235.10; the claim was filed on May 8, 2024; the claim involves a refund of commercial rents taxes. (City Attorney)

8/14/24; RECEIVED FROM DEPARTMENT.

9/3/24; RECEIVED AND ASSIGNED to the Government Audit and Oversight Committee.

10. <u>240861</u> [Settlement of Claims for Stolen Property - Brian McSharry - Not to Exceed \$2,117.88]

Resolution approving the settlement of claims for cost of personal property of City and County Employee damaged/stolen in the line of duty in the amount of \$2,117.88 subject to Board of Supervisors approval under Administrative Code, Section 10.25-9. (Public Utilities Commission)

9/6/24; RECEIVED FROM DEPARTMENT.

9/17/24; RECEIVED AND ASSIGNED to the Government Audit and Oversight Committee.

The Chair intends to entertain a motion to refer this item to the full Board as a Committee Report for consideration on October 22, 2024.

11. 240894 [Settlement of Lawsuit - Yulanda Williams - \$625,000]

Ordinance authorizing settlement of the lawsuit filed by Yulanda Williams against the City and County of San Francisco for \$625,000; the lawsuit was filed on May 29, 2019, in San Francisco Superior Court, Case No. CGC-19-576323; entitled Yulanda Williams v. City and County of San Francisco et al.; the lawsuit involves an employment dispute. (City Attorney)

9/12/24; RECEIVED FROM DEPARTMENT.

9/24/24; RECEIVED AND ASSIGNED to the Government Audit and Oversight Committee.

12. 240895 [Settlement of Lawsuit - Jane Doe - \$200,000]

Ordinance authorizing settlement of the lawsuit filed by Jane Doe against the City and County of San Francisco for \$200,000; the lawsuit was filed on September 12, 2022, in United States District Court, Northern District of California, Case No. 22-cv-05179; entitled Jane Doe v. City and County of San Francisco, et al.; the lawsuit involves an alleged civil rights violation. (City Attorney)

9/12/24; RECEIVED FROM DEPARTMENT.

9/24/24; RECEIVED AND ASSIGNED to the Government Audit and Oversight Committee.

13. 240896 [Settlement of Lawsuit - Barnard Jones and Patricia Farrell - \$475,000]

Ordinance authorizing settlement of the lawsuit filed by Barnard Jones and Patricia Farrell against the City and County of San Francisco for \$475,000; the lawsuit was filed on June 28, 2023, in San Francisco Superior Court, Case No. CGC-23-607339; entitled Barnard Jones, et al. v. City and County of San Francisco, et al.; the lawsuit involves alleged personal injury on a City street. (City Attorney)

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After a closed session, if one occurs, the Committee shall adopt a motion either to disclose or not to disclose.

[Elect To Disclose] Motion that the Board finds it is in the public interest to disclose information discussed in closed session, and directs the Chair immediately to disclose that information.

[Elect Not To Disclose] Motion that the Committee finds that it is in the best interest of the public that the Committee elect at this time not to disclose its closed session deliberations listed above.

ADJOURNMENT

LEGISLATION UNDER THE 30-DAY RULE

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(There is no legislation pending under the 30-Day Rule.)

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