



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

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Thursday, November 20, 2025

10:00 AM

City Hall, Legislative Chamber, Room 250

Regular Meeting

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

The Government Audit and Oversight Committee met in regular session on Thursday, November 20, 2025, with Chair Jackie Fielder presiding. Chair Fielder called the meeting to order at 10:02 a.m.

ROLL CALL AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

COMMUNICATIONS

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

AGENDA CHANGES

There were no agenda changes.

REGULAR AGENDA

251107 [Behested Payment Waiver - Temporary Shelter and Homeless Services]

Sponsors: Mayor; Mandelman

Resolution authorizing the Department of Homelessness and Supportive Housing's Executive Director, Chief Deputies, Deputy Directors and Program Directors to solicit donations from various private entities and organizations to support the expansion of temporary shelter and other homeless services to support people experiencing homelessness, notwithstanding the Behested Payment Ordinance. (Department of Homelessness and Supportive Housing)

11/04/25; RECEIVED AND ASSIGNED to Government Audit and Oversight Committee.

Heard in Committee. Speaker(s): Shireen McSpadden (Department of Homelessness and Supportive Housing); provided an overview and responded to questions raised throughout the discussion. Taylor Jackson; spoke in support of the Resolution matter.

Chair Fielder moved that this Resolution be AMENDED, AN AMENDMENT OF THE WHOLE BEARING SAME TITLE, on Page 4, Lines 1-6, to read 'WHEREAS, The parties receiving this waiver have agreed to report to the Board of Supervisors donations to the City and any third party that were solicited under this waiver; such reports will identify the donor, the amount of the donation, the party that received the donation, and the interested relationship the donor has with the department that solicited the donation; the department or office will submit the reports to the Board within 60 days of the expiration of the 6-month period authorized by this waiver; now, therefore, be it'. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 3 - Fielder, Sauter, Sherrill

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

Ayes: 3 - Fielder, Sauter, Sherrill

251083 [Behested Payment Waiver - Economic Revitalization Efforts]

Sponsors: Mayor; Sherrill

Resolution authorizing a six-month waiver of the City's Behested Payments Ordinance for the Mayor, members of the Mayor's Office, and the Executive Director of the Office of Economic and Workforce Development to solicit donations from nonprofits, private organizations, grantmakers, foundations, and other persons and entities for the purpose of supporting the continued economic revitalization of San Francisco, pursuant to Section 3.620(f) of the Campaign and Governmental Conduct Code.

10/28/25; RECEIVED AND ASSIGNED to Government Audit and Oversight Committee.

Heard in Committee. Speaker(s): Crezia Tano (Office of Economic and Workforce Development); provided an overview and responded to questions raised throughout the discussion.

Chair Fielder moved that this Resolution be CONTINUED TO CALL OF THE CHAIR. The motion FAILED by the following vote:

Ayes: 1 - Fielder

Noes: 2 - Sauter, Sherrill

Chair Fielder moved that this Resolution be **AMENDED, AN AMENDMENT OF THE WHOLE BEARING SAME TITLE**, on Page 2, Lines 12-18, to read 'WHEREAS, The parties seeking this waiver have not yet identified any specific interested parties who they intend to solicit under this waiver; in the past, the City has collaborated with other nonprofit organizations, private entities, grantmakers, foundations, businesses, and other entities, including through contracts or grants or permits, and the parties seeking this waiver may solicit such entities and individuals affiliated with such entities, who may be interested parties under the Behested Payments Ordinance based on lobbying contacts with the departments in the past 12 months or other grounds'; and'; on Page 3, Line 1, by replacing 'forty' with '50'; on Lines 4-9, by inserting 'WHEREAS, The parties receiving this waiver have agreed to report to the Board of Supervisors donations to the City and any third party that were solicited under this waiver; such reports will identify the donor, the amount of the donation, the party that received the donation, and the interested relationship the donor has with the department that solicited the donation; the departments will submit the reports to the Board within 60 days of the expiration of the six-month period authorized by this waiver; and'; on Lines 19-21, by replacing 'from private individuals and organizations' with 'from nonprofit organizations, private entities, grantmakers, foundations, businesses, and other entities, and individuals affiliated with such organizations and entities'; and by making other clarifying and conforming changes throughout the resolution text. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 3 - Fielder, Sauter, Sherrill

Member Sherrill moved that this Resolution be **RECOMMENDED AS AMENDED**. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 2 - Sauter, Sherrill

Noes: 1 - Fielder

251086 [Agreement - Owners' Association for Administration/Management Renew and Expand of Dogpatch and Northwest Potrero Hill Green Benefit District]

Sponsor: Walton

Resolution approving an agreement with the nonprofit Owners' Association for the administration and management of the property-based business improvement district known as the "Dogpatch & Northwest Potrero Hill Green Benefit District;" pursuant to California Streets and Highway Code, Section 36651, for a period commencing January 1, 2026, through December 31, 2040.

10/28/25; RECEIVED AND ASSIGNED to Government Audit and Oversight Committee.

11/04/25; REFERRED TO DEPARTMENT. Referred to the Planning Department for environmental review.

11/04/25; RESPONSE RECEIVED. Not defined as a project under CEQA Guidelines Sections 15378 and 15060(c)(2) because it would not result in a direct or indirect physical change in the environment.

Heard in Committee. Speaker(s): Esther Lee (Public Works); Donovan Lacy (Green Benefit District); provided an overview and responded to questions raised throughout the discussion.

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

Ayes: 3 - Fielder, Sauter, Sherrill

LITIGATION

Chair Fielder requested File Nos. 251042, 251043, 251044, 251045, 251046, 251047, 251048, 251074 and 251075 be called together.

Heard in Committee. Speaker(s): None.

Conference with City Attorney

[Convene in Closed Session - Existing Litigation - City as Plaintiff and/or Defendant]

Motion that the Government Audit and Oversight Committee of the Board of Supervisors convene in closed session with the City Attorney for the purpose of conferring with, or receiving advice from, the City Attorney regarding the following existing litigation and anticipated litigation. Administrative Code Section 67.10(d) permit this closed session.

Discussion in open session concerning these matters would likely and unavoidably prejudice the position of the City in the pending lawsuits and claims listed below.

Chair Fielder elected not to convene in Closed Session.

251042 [Settlement of Lawsuit - Bruno Mincin - \$140,000]

Ordinance authorizing settlement of the lawsuit filed by Bruno Mincin against the City and County of San Francisco for \$140,000; the lawsuit was filed on June 25, 2024, in San Francisco Superior Court, Case No. CGC-24-615897; entitled Bruno Mincin v. City and County of San Francisco, et al; the lawsuit involves alleged personal injury on a City sidewalk. (City Attorney)

10/14/25; RECEIVED FROM DEPARTMENT.

10/28/25; RECEIVED AND ASSIGNED to Government Audit and Oversight Committee.

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

Ayes: 3 - Fielder, Sauter, Sherrill

251043 [Settlement of Lawsuit - Jonathan Manalang - \$105,000]

Ordinance authorizing settlement of the lawsuit filed by Jonathan Manalang against the City and County of San Francisco for \$105,000; the lawsuit was filed on August 26, 2024, in the United States District Court for the Northern District of California, Case No. 3:24-cv-05972; entitled Jonathan Manalang v. City and County of San Francisco, et al.; the lawsuit involves an employment dispute. (City Attorney)

10/20/25; RECEIVED FROM DEPARTMENT.

10/28/25; RECEIVED AND ASSIGNED to Government Audit and Oversight Committee.

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

Ayes: 3 - Fielder, Sauter, Sherrill

251044 [Settlement of Lawsuit - Californians For Equal Rights Foundation - \$50,000]

Ordinance authorizing settlement of the lawsuit filed by Californians For Equal Rights Foundation, Ruth Parker, and Ellen Lee Zhou against the City and County of San Francisco for \$50,000 and non-monetary terms; the lawsuit was filed on May 31, 2023, in San Francisco Superior Court, Case No. CGC-23-606796; entitled Californians For Equal Rights Foundation et al. v. City and County of San Francisco et al.; the lawsuit involves Plaintiffs' allegation that the City participated in one or more guaranteed income program the terms of which violated the Equal Protection Clause of the Fourteenth Amendment to the United States Constitution, the equal protection guarantee in Article I, section 7 of the California Constitution, and/or Title VI of the Civil Rights Act. (City Attorney)

10/20/25; RECEIVED FROM DEPARTMENT.

10/28/25; RECEIVED AND ASSIGNED to Government Audit and Oversight Committee.

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

Ayes: 3 - Fielder, Sauter, Sherrill

251045 [Settlement of Lawsuit - Tommy O. Johnson, John Doe, and Others Similarly Situated - \$5,845,000]

Ordinance authorizing settlement of the lawsuit filed by Tommy O. Johnson, by and through his Attorney-in-Fact Rev. Doris White and John Doe, by and through his conservator Thomas O'Connor, on behalf of themselves and all others similarly situated, against the City and County of San Francisco for \$5,845,000; the lawsuit was filed on March 24, 2020, in San Francisco Superior Court, Case No. CPF-20-517064; entitled Tommy O. Johnson, by and through his Attorney-in-Fact Rev. Doris White and John Doe, by and through his conservator Thomas O'Connor, on behalf of themselves and all others similarly situated v. City and County of San Francisco, et al.; the lawsuit involves claims of elder/dependent adult abuse, invasion of privacy, negligence, and violations of patients' rights brought by over 700 former and current residents of Laguna Honda Hospital. (City Attorney)

10/20/25; RECEIVED FROM DEPARTMENT.

10/28/25; RECEIVED AND ASSIGNED to Government Audit and Oversight Committee.

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

Ayes: 3 - Fielder, Sauter, Sherrill

251046 [Settlement of Lawsuits - Gajanan, Inc. et al. - \$1,191,000]

Ordinance authorizing settlement of the lawsuits filed by AGPME Tenant LLC, KPH Management LLC, Mangal Inc., Gajanan, Inc., Engage Hospitality LLC, Engage with SF Hospitality LLC, and Lombard Hospitality LLC against the City and County of San Francisco for \$1,191,000; the lawsuits were filed on February 9, 2016, and September 16, 2016, in San Francisco Superior Court, Case Nos. CGC-16-554309, CGC-16-550354, CGC-16-550351, and CGC-16-554304, and California Court of Appeal Case Nos. A160539 and A168328; entitled Gajanan Inc. et al. v. City and County of San Francisco et al.; AGPME Tenant, LLC v. City and County of San Francisco et al.; KPH Management LLC et al. v. City and County of San Francisco et al.; and Mangal Inc. et al. v. City and County of San Francisco et al.; the remaining issues in the lawsuits involve claims for attorneys' fees on the City's appeal of the San Francisco Superior Court's decision against the City on attorneys' fees, claims for interest on the City's attorneys' fees payment, and claims for costs on appeal. (City Attorney)

10/20/25; RECEIVED FROM DEPARTMENT.

10/28/25; RECEIVED AND ASSIGNED to Government Audit and Oversight Committee.

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

Ayes: 3 - Fielder, Sauter, Sherrill

251047 [Settlement of Unlitigated Claim - Martha Hidalgo Rosado - \$35,000]

Resolution approving the settlement of the unlitigated claim filed by Martha Hidalgo Rosado against the City and County of San Francisco for \$35,000; the claim was filed on June 16, 2025; the claim involves property damage arising from flooding alleged to have been caused by a water main rupture. (City Attorney)

10/14/25; RECEIVED FROM DEPARTMENT.

10/28/25; RECEIVED AND ASSIGNED to Government Audit and Oversight Committee.

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

Ayes: 3 - Fielder, Sauter, Sherrill

251048 [Settlement of Unlitigated Claims - Ript Labs, Inc. - \$435,014.22]

Resolution approving the settlement of the unlitigated claims filed by Ript Labs, Inc. against the City and County of San Francisco for \$435,014.22; the claims were filed on July 22, 2025; the claims involve a refund of gross receipts and homelessness gross receipts taxes. (City Attorney)

10/20/25; RECEIVED FROM DEPARTMENT.

10/28/25; RECEIVED AND ASSIGNED to Government Audit and Oversight Committee.

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

Ayes: 3 - Fielder, Sauter, Sherrill

251074 [Settlement of Unlitigated Claim - Fuseideas, LLC and EIS Design Inc. - City to Receive \$450,000]

Resolution approving settlement of the unlitigated claim filed by the City and County of San Francisco against Fuseideas, LLC for \$270,000 and EIS Design Inc. for \$180,000 for a total amount of \$450,000; the claim involves compensation for damages arising out of a security breach involving multiple websites of San Francisco International Airport. (City Attorney)

10/21/25; RECEIVED FROM DEPARTMENT.

11/04/25; RECEIVED AND ASSIGNED to Government Audit and Oversight Committee.

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

Ayes: 3 - Fielder, Sauter, Sherrill

251075 [Settlement of Unlitigated Claim - Zurich American Insurance Company - \$400,000]

Resolution approving the settlement of the unlitigated claim filed by Zurich American Insurance Company against the City and County of San Francisco for \$400,000; the claim was filed on June 4, 2024; the claim involves property damage arising from flooding alleged to have been caused by a water main rupture. (City Attorney)

10/27/25; RECEIVED FROM DEPARTMENT.

11/04/25; RECEIVED AND ASSIGNED to Government Audit and Oversight Committee.

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

Ayes: 3 - Fielder, Sauter, Sherrill

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the Government Audit and Oversight Committee adjourned at the hour of 10:48 a.m.

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