The Government Audit and Oversight Committee met in special session, in-person with remote access and public comment via telephone, on Thursday, July 13, 2023, with Chair Dean Preston presiding. Chair Preston called the meeting to order at 1:03 p.m.

Remote Access to Information and Participation

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ROLL CALL AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

On the call of the roll, Chair Preston, Vice Chair Stefani, and Member Chan were noted present. A quorum was present.

COMMUNICATIONS

Stephanie Cabrera, Government Audit and Oversight Committee Clerk, instructed members of the public, when general public comment is called, to contribute live comments for up to two minutes in-person or by dialing the provided telephone number. In-person public comment will be taken before remote public comment is called.

(Those who are providing public comment remotely must dial * 3 to be added to the remote queue to speak. Written comments may be submitted through email (stephanie.cabrera@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

[Development Agreement - 98 Franklin Street, LLC - 98 Franklin Street; Certain Administrative Code Waivers]

Sponsors: Preston; Dorsey, Walton, Ronen, Peskin and Safai

Ordinance approving a Development Agreement between the City and County of San Francisco and 98 Franklin Street, LLC, for certain real property at 98 Franklin Street (Assessor’s Parcel Block No. 0836; Lot Nos. 008, 009, and 013), consisting of three parcels located in the Van Ness & Market Residential Special Use District on the east side of Franklin Street, between Oak and Market Streets; waiving certain provisions of Administrative Code, Chapter 56; adopting findings under the California Environmental Quality Act; and making findings of conformity with the General Plan, and the eight priority policies of Planning Code, Section 101.1(b), and findings of public necessity, convenience, and general welfare under Planning Code, Section 302.

(Fiscal Impact)

11/15/22; ASSIGNED UNDER 30 DAY RULE to Land Use and Transportation Committee, expires on 12/15/2022.

11/22/22; REFERRED TO DEPARTMENT. Referred to the Planning Department and the Mayor's Office of Housing and Community Development for informational purposes.

12/02/22; TRANSFERRED to Budget and Finance Committee. President Walton transferred this matter from Land Use and Transportation Committee to Budget and Finance Committee.

05/04/23; TRANSFERRED to Government Audit and Oversight Committee. President Peskin transferred this matter from the Budget and Finance Committee to Government Audit and Oversight Committee.

06/26/23; REFERRED TO DEPARTMENT. Referred to the Planning Department for informational purposes and requesting a California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) determination.

06/30/23; NOTICED. 10-Day Notice Published in the Examiner (7/02/23), posted, and mailed (6/30/23) to property owners and local agencies pursuant to Planning Code Section 56.8, 306.3, and 56.14 and Government Code Section 65867.

07/03/23; RESPONSE RECEIVED. The proposed ordinance is within the scope of The Hub Plan, 30 Van Ness Avenue Project, 98 Franklin Street Project, and Hub Housing Sustainability District Final Environmental Impact Report, Planning Department Case Nos. 2015-000940ENV, 2017-008051ENV, 2016-014802ENV, State Clearinghouse No. 2018052060, certified May 21, 2020.

07/11/23; RESPONSE RECEIVED. On March 30, 2023, the Planning Commission met and held a duly notice hearing and recommended approval for the proposed legislation.

Heard in Committee. Speakers: Leigh Lutenski (Office of Economic and Workforce Development); presented information and answered questions raised throughout the discussion.

Chair Preston moved that this Ordinance be RECOMMENDED AS COMMITTEE REPORT. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 3 - Preston, Stefani, Chan
[Audit of the Public Utilities Commission’s Water and Wastewater Enterprises, Rate Setting and Oversight Processes With a Focus on Reducing Rate Increases]

Sponsor: Safai

Motion directing the Budget and Legislative Analyst, on a priority basis, to audit the Public Utilities Commission’s Water and Wastewater Enterprises, rate setting, and contract oversight processes, with a focus on reducing rate increases.

06/06/23; REFERRED FOR ADOPTION WITHOUT COMMITTEE REFERENCE AGENDA AT THE NEXT BOARD MEETING.

06/13/23; REFERRED to Government Audit and Oversight Committee. Although it was not required, Supervisor Safai, seconded by Supervisor Melgar, moved that this Motion be APPROVED. Before the vote was taken, Supervisor Dorsey requested this Motion be sent to committee.

Heard in Committee. Speakers: Supervisor Ahsha Safai (Board of Supervisors); presented information and answered questions raised throughout the discussion. Eileen Boken (Sunset Parkside Education and Action Committee); Molly (Sierra Club California); Jake Warner; spoke in support of the hearing matter. David Hooper; Peter Drekmeier (Tuolumne Trust); spoke on various concerns relating to the hearing matter.

Chair Preston moved that this Motion be CONTINUED to the Government Audit and Oversight Committee meeting of July 20, 2023. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 3 - Preston, Stefani, Chan

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the Government Audit and Oversight Committee adjourned at the hour of 1:36 p.m.

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