

AMENDED 3/31/2026



City and County of San Francisco

Sunshine Ordinance Task Force

City Hall
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place,
Room 244
San Francisco, CA 94102-4689

Meeting Agenda

Members:

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| Seat 1 | Dean Schmidt | Seat 7 | Matthew Yankee - Chair |
| Seat 2 | Lila LaHood | Seat 8 | Chris Hyland |
| Seat 3 | Saul Sugarman | Seat 9 | David Pilpel |
| Seat 4 | Ankita Kumar | Seat 10 | Joe Sangirardi |
| Seat 5 | Maxine Anderson | Seat 11 | Bruce Wolfe |
| Seat 6 | Laura Stein - Vice-Chair | | |
| Ex-officio | <i>(non-voting)</i> Clerk of the Board of Supervisors or their designee | | |
| Ex-officio | <i>(non-voting)</i> Michael Adams, Mayor's designee | | |

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**Wednesday, April 1,
2026**

**4:00 p.m.
Regular Meeting**

City Hall, Room 408

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1. **CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL, AND AGENDA CHANGES** (*Discussion and Action*)
2. **Approval of the March 4, 2026 Sunshine Ordinance Task Force Regular meeting minutes.** (*Discussion and Action*) ([attachments](#))
3. **Approval of Orders of Determination** (*Discussion and Action*) ([attachments](#))
 - **File No. 25087** Anonymous (GRA) against Mayor’s Office of Housing and Community Development
 - **File No. 25134** Minh Cantarutti v. Homelessness and Supportive Housing
 - **File No. 26002** Charles Denny against the San Francisco Police Department
 - **File No. 26011** HVSafe against San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency
 - **File No. 26015** Jason Gibbs against the San Francisco Library Commission
 - **File No. 26016** Paul Kniha against the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency
 - **File No. 26017** Michael Petrelis against Office of the Mayor
4. **Hearing – Department of Technology presentation on Redaction Software for Metadata** (*Discussion only*) ([attachments](#))
5. **Proposed Amendments to the Sunshine Ordinance Task Force’s By-Laws related to Article I, Section 3, and Article IV, Sections 4, 5, 6, 9, and 11.** (*Discussion and Action*) ([attachments](#))
6. **Chair and Committee Reports:** Opportunity for the Task Force Chair and Committee Chairs to update the entire Sunshine Ordinance Task Force on their recent activities. The Chair’s Report will include the topics listed below. (*Discussion only*) ([attachments](#))
 - Board of Supervisors File No. 260236 (Settlement of Lawsuit - Ladies & Gentlemen, Inc. - \$40,612.45) related to SOTF File No. 22010
 - Supreme Court of California Opinion in *City of Gilroy v. The Superior Court of Santa Clara County*, issued on January 15, 2026

7. **Administrator's Report.** *(Discussion and Action)* ([*attachments*](#))
- Task Force and Committee tentative hearing schedule with potential adjustments
 - Website Update
 - Pending Petitions / Complaints
 - SOTF Member Attendance
 - Communications

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SPECIAL ORDER 5:00 P.M.
Public Comment, Consent Agenda, and Complaint Hearings Agenda

**(Note: Public Comment, Consent Agenda, and hearings on
Complaints listed below will begin at 5:00 P.M.
or as soon thereafter as possible.)**

8. **Public Comment:** Members of the public may address the Committee on matters that are within the Committee's jurisdiction but not on today's agenda. *(No Action)*

CONSENT AGENDA – Items 9 through 13

The Sunshine Ordinance Task Force shall review **File Nos. 25090, 25091, 26019, 26024, and 26026** to affirm the Committee's findings regarding the Sunshine Ordinance Task Force's jurisdiction; violations of the Sunshine Ordinance, Brown Act, or California Public Records Act; and, if applicable, to issue an Order of Determination and refer matters to a Committee for monitoring. The Complainant and Respondent are *not required to attend the April 1, 2026* Sunshine Ordinance Task Force meeting but may attend to provide testimony during the public comment period for this item related to the determinations listed below. *(Discussion and Action)*

9. **File No. 25090:** Complaint filed by HVSafe against Supervisor Bilal Mahmood, Board of Supervisors, for allegedly violating Administrative Code (Sunshine Ordinance), Section(s) 67.21 for failure to respond to a public records request in a timely and/or complete manner. *(attachments)*

(On 3/17/2026, the Complaint Committee found that the Task Force has jurisdiction and forwarded the matter to the Consent Agenda with a recommendation of a finding of no violation, because the questions asked by Petitioner do not constitute a public records request.)

10. **File No. 25091:** Complaint filed by HVSafe against the San Francisco to Municipal Transportation Agency, for allegedly violating Administrative Code (Sunshine Ordinance), Section(s) 67.21 for failure to respond to a public records request in a timely and/or complete manner. *(attachments)*

(On 3/17/2026, the Complaint Committee found that the Task Force has jurisdiction and forwarded the matter to the Consent Agenda with a recommendation of a finding of no violation, because the questions asked by Petitioner do not constitute a public records request.)

11. **File No. 26019:** Complaint filed by Minh Cantarutti against the Department of Emergency Management for allegedly violating Administrative Code (Sunshine Ordinance), Section(s) 67.21, by failing to respond to a public records request in a timely and/or complete manner. ([attachments](#))
(On 3/17/2026, the Complaint Committee found that the Task Force has jurisdiction, that the requested records are public, and forwarded the matter to the Consent Agenda with a recommendation to find the Department of Emergency Management violated Administrative Code (Sunshine Ordinance), Section 67.21 for failing to respond in a timely manner. The Complaint Committee noted that Respondent acknowledged a timeliness violation and that there are still records to produce, ordered Respondent to do so, and asked that the matter be referred to a Committee for compliance. The Complaint Committee further noted that proper response includes seeking external contractor documents under the constructive possession obligation set forth in the Community Youth Action Center v. National City case, 220 Cal App. 4th (13-85 (2013)).)

12. **File No. 26024:** Complaint filed by Michael Petrelis against Supervisor Rafael Mandelman for allegedly violating Administrative Code (Sunshine Ordinance), Section(s) 67.25, by failing to respond to an immediate disclosure request in a timely and/or complete manner. ([attachments](#))
(On 3/17/2026, the Complaint Committee found that the Task Force has jurisdiction, that the requested records are public, and referred the matter to the Consent Agenda with a recommendation to find that Supervisor Rafael Mandelman violated Administrative Code (Sunshine Ordinance), Section 67.29-5(a) by failing to provide a calendar in a timely fashion. The Complaint Committee asks that Respondent comply with Section 67.29-5(a), which requires that a calendar be made available within 3 days and justify any withholdings per Administrative Code Section 67.27.)

13. **File No. 26026:** Complaint filed by Stiliyan Bezhanski against the Office of the Assessor-Recorder for allegedly violating Administrative Code (Sunshine Ordinance), Section(s) 67.21, by failing to respond to a public records request in a timely and/or complete manner. ([attachments](#))
(On 3/17/2026, the Complaint Committee found that the Task Force has jurisdiction, that the requested records are public, and referred the matter to the Consent Agenda with a recommendation to find no violation. The Complaint Committee noted that the email did not contain a public records request or ask for documents within the custody of the office, the body did not recognize the correspondence as a public records request and responded to Petitioner that they did not know of legislation governing the informal review process.)

COMPLAINT HEARING AGENDA – Items 14 through 19

14. **File No. 25028:** Complaint filed by Anmarie against the Fine Arts Museums of San Francisco for allegedly violating Administrative Code (Sunshine Ordinance), Section(s) 67.5, by failing to hold open meetings, 67.7 by failing to post an agenda, 67.15 by failing to allow public testimony, and 67.16, by failing to record and post minutes of regular and special meetings of the board or commission. (*attachment*)

(On 5/20/2025, the Complaint Committee referred the matter to the full Task Force for consideration of whether there is a violation of Administrative Code (Sunshine Ordinance), Section 67.21 for failing to produce public records.

On 7/2/2025, the Task Force continued the matter to the call of the Chair.

On 8/6/2025, the Task Force found that the Fine Arts Museums of San Francisco (FAMSF) violated Administrative Code (Sunshine Ordinance) Section 67.21. by failing and refusing to seek and produce the requested documents and ordered that they do so. In addition, the Task Force found that the attendance by a majority the FAMSF trustees at meetings of the Corporation of the Fine Arts Museums of San Francisco implicates Section 67.3(b) and thus those are public meetings and the meetings proffered by Petitioner were done in violation of Section 67.5 by failing to hold open and public meetings, Section 67.7 by failing to post an agenda with a meaningful description of each item to be transacted or discussed at the meeting, Section 67.15 by failing to provide an opportunity for members of the public to directly address a policy body on items of interest to the public that are within the policy body's subject matter jurisdiction, and Section 67.16 by failing to record the minutes for each regular and special meeting of the board or commission. The matter was referred to a Committee for compliance and follow up.

On 9/3/2025, the Task Force approved the Order of Determination as amended.

On 10/15/2025, the Task Force continued the matter for compliance to the call of the Chair.

On 11/25/2025, the Education, Outreach, and Training Committee meeting was cancelled due to the lack of a quorum.

On 12/30/2026, the Compliance and Amendments Committee referred the matter to the full Task Force, noting that no changes in the production of records have occurred since the Order of Determination.)

The matter was agendized before the full Task Force on 3/4/2026. On 3/2/2026, the parties agreed to a continuance to the 4/1/2026 Regular Meeting of the Task Force.)

a. Hearing on the Complaint (*Discussion and Action*)

15. **File No. 25033:** Complaint filed by Joudere Gaines against the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency for allegedly violating Administrative Code (Sunshine Ordinance), Section(s) 67.21, by failing to respond to a public records request in a timely and/or complete manner. ([attachment](#))

(On 9/23/2025, the Education, Outreach, and Training Committee continued and forwarded the matter to the Complaint Committee and asked that the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency provide a point-by-point response to each of the requested listed in NR-24-6646 located on pages 3-8 of the meeting packet.

On 11/18/2025, the Complaint Committee found that the Task Force has jurisdiction, that the requested records are public, and referred the matter to the full Task Force with no recommendation.)

On 12/3/2026, the Task Force closed the matter per Sunshine Ordinance Task Force Complaint Procedure, Section C(7)(b).

On 12/4/2025, Petitioner's written request that the matter be reopened was granted by the Task Force Chair.

On 3/4/2026, the Task Force continued the matter to the April 1, 2026 meeting of the Sunshine Ordinance Task Force to determine the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency's compliance specific to Item 6 of Petitioner's records request.)

a. Hearing on the Complaint (*Discussion and Action*)

16. **File No. 25088:** Complaint filed by Rick Sanders against the Office of the Mayor for allegedly violating Administrative Code (Sunshine Ordinance), Section(s) 67.21, by failing to respond to a public records request in a timely and/or complete manner. ([attachment](#))

(On 12/16/2025, the Complaint Committee found that the Task Force has jurisdiction, that the requested records are public, and referred the matter to the full Task Force with a recommendation that the Office of the Mayor violated Administrative Code (Sunshine Ordinance), Section 67.21, by applying inappropriate standards for withholding privileged documents and that Respondent be order to apply the correct standards in a second attempt to respond and to produce the documents.

On 1/7/2026, the Task Force that the Office of the Mayor violated Administrative Code (Sunshine Ordinance), Section 67.21(b), by failing to respond to a public records request in a timely and/or complete manner, and 67.21(c), by failing to assist a requester in identifying the records or information available, ordered Respondent to apply the correct standards in a second attempt at a response to produce the records, and referred the matter to a Committee for compliance.

On 1/27/2026, the Education, Outreach and Training Committee continued the matter to the call of the Chair.)

a. Hearing on the Complaint (*Discussion and Action*)

17. **File No. 25094:** Complaint filed by HVSafe against Supervisor Bilal Mahmood, for allegedly violating Administrative Code (Sunshine Ordinance), Section(s) 67.25 for failure to respond to an Immediate Disclosure Request in a timely and/or complete manner. ([attachment](#))

(On 3/17/2026, the Complaint Committee found that the Task Force has jurisdiction, that the requested records are public, and forwarded the matter to the full Task Force with no recommendations.)

a. Hearing on the Complaint (*Discussion and Action*)

18. **File No. 26013:** Complaint filed by Chris Cugliari against the San Francisco Recreation and Park Department for allegedly violating Administrative Code (Sunshine Ordinance), Section(s) 67.21, by failing to respond to a public records request in a timely and/or complete manner. ([attachment](#))

(On 3/17/2026, the Complaint Committee found that the Task Force has jurisdiction, that the requested records are public, and referred the matter to the full Task Force for consideration of a finding that the San Francisco Recreation and Park Department violated Administrative Code (Sunshine Ordinance), Section 67.21, by failing to respond to a public records request in a timely and/or complete manner.)

a. Hearing on the Complaint (*Discussion and Action*)

19. **File No. 26021 (25-10755):** Complaint filed by Grant Ingram against the San Francisco Recreation and Park Department for allegedly violating Administrative Code (Sunshine Ordinance), Section(s) 67.21, by failing to respond to a public records request in a timely and/or complete manner. ([attachment](#))
(On 3/17/2026, the Complaint Committee found that the Task Force has jurisdiction, that the requested records are public, and referred the matter to the full Task Force with no recommendation. The Complaint Committed noted that Respondent should find out how the consultation fees related to a Request for Proposal (RFP) and how that is a justification for not providing the document.)
 - a. Hearing on the Complaint (*Discussion and Action*)
20. **Hearing on Sunshine Ordinance Amendments:** Discussion and potential action regarding proposed amendments to the Sunshine Ordinance. (*Discussion and Action*) ([attachments](#))
21. **Commission Streamlining Task Force Update:** Review recommendations from the Commission Streamlining Task Force (CSTF) and its staff which may affect the Sunshine Ordinance Task Force (SOTF) and potentially take action to communicate suggestions or concerns from the SOTF to the Board of Supervisors. (*Discussion and Action*) ([attachments](#))
22. **Announcements, Comments, Questions, and Future Agenda Items by Members of the Sunshine Ordinance Task Force.** (*Discussion and Action*)
(Note: Public Comment on this item is limited to subject matters presented by members of the SOTF.)
23. **ADJOURNMENT**

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Agenda Item Information

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Meeting Procedures

1. Complainant presents his/her facts and evidence 5 minutes
Other parties of Complainant present facts and evidence Up to 3 minutes each
2. City responds 5 minutes
Other parties of City respond Up to 3 minutes each
Above total speaking times for Complainant and City to be the same.
3. Matter is with the Task Force for discussion and questions.
4. Respondent and Complainant presents clarification/rebuttal 3 minutes
5. Matter is with the Task Force for motion and deliberation.
6. Public comment (Excluding Complainant & City response, witnesses) Up to 3 minutes each
7. Vote by Task Force (Public comment at discretion of chair on new motion and/or on new motion if vote fails.)

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