

**SUNSHINE ORDINANCE  
TASK FORCE**



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## ORDER OF DETERMINATION

DATE DECISION ISSUED: 3/4/2026

**File No. 26002:** Complaint filed by Charles Denny against San Francisco Police 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, 67.26, by failing to keep withholdings to a minimum, and 67.27, by failing to provide written justification of withholdings.

### HEARING AND ACTION ON THE COMPLAINT

On 1/20/2026, the Complaint Committee, acting in its capacity to hear petitions/complaints, heard the matter.

**Action: Moved by Schmidt, seconded by Vice-Chair Stein, to find that the Task Force has jurisdiction, that the requested records are public, and refers the matter to the full Task Force for consideration. There is no recommendation, but the Task Force should consider among other possible violations 67.21(c) 67.22(a) in its determinations.**

The motion **PASSED** by the following vote:

Ayes: 3 – Schmidt, Stein, Sugarman  
Noes: 0 - None  
Absent: 0 - None

On 3/4/2026, the Sunshine Ordinance Task Force held a hearing to review the recommendation from the Committee and/or review the merits of the petition/complaint.

**Action: Moved by Member Pilpel, seconded by Member Anderson, to find that the San Francisco Police Department violated Administrative Code (Sunshine Ordinance), Section(s) 67.21(c), by failing to provide public records in a timely and/or complete manner. The Task Force orders the Police Department to provide a response pursuant to California Government Code Sections 7922.700 through 7922-725 in regard to describing the systems used to track Homicide Division investigative case files. The Task Force further refers the matter to a Task Force Committee to monitor compliance.**

The motion **PASSED** by the following vote:

Ayes: 11 – Pilpel, Anderson, Schmidt, LaHood, Sugarman, Kumar, Hyland, Sangirardi,  
Wolfe, Stein, Yankee

Noes: 0 – None

This Order of Determination was approved  
by the Sunshine Ordinance Task Force  
on: 4/1/2026

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