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**Sunshine Ordinance Task Force  
Complaint Summary**

File No. 23052

Stiliyan Bezhanski vs Treasurer and Tax Collector

Date filed with SOTF: 5/10/2023

Contact information (Complainant information listed first):

Stiliyan Bejanski (bejanski@gmail.com) (Complainant)

Debra Lew and Treasurer and Tax Collector (Respondent)

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**File No. 23052** Complaint filed by Stiliyan Bejanski against Debra Lew and the Office of the Treasurer and Tax Collector for allegedly violating Administrative Code (Sunshine Ordinance), Section(s) 67.21, and California Government Code Section(s) 6253(c), by failing to respond to a records request in a timely and/or complete manner.

# Petition/Complaint

**From:** [Google Forms](#)  
**To:** [SOTF, \(BOS\)](#)  
**Subject:** New Response Complaint Form  
**Date:** Wednesday, May 10, 2023 9:56:15 AM

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Your form has a new entry.  
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<b>Complaint against which Department or Commission</b>	Treasurer and Tax Collector
<b>Name of individual contacted at Department or Commission</b>	Debra Lew
<b>Alleged Violation</b>	Public Records
<b>Date of public meeting (if checked)</b>	N/A
<b>Sunshine Ordinance Section:</b>	Violation of Sunshine Ordinance Code 67.21 and California Govt. Code§ 6253(c) for maximum allowed time to comply with public requests
<b>Please describe alleged violation</b>	Public Request 23-1965 was submitted on April 11th 2023 to this date (May 10th 2023) it's still open.
<b>Date</b>	May 10 2023
<b>Name</b>	Stiliyan
<b>Address</b>	28 Allen
<b>City</b>	San Francisco
<b>Zip</b>	94109
<b>Telephone</b>	650-534-5422
<b>Email</b>	<a href="mailto:beianski@gmail.com">beianski@gmail.com</a>

**From:** [Cheryl Leger](#)  
**To:** [SOTF \(BOS\)](#)  
**Subject:** Re: New Response Complaint Form  
**Date:** Wednesday, May 10, 2023 11:36:50 AM  
**Attachments:** Request 23-1965 - NewRequest May 10th.pdf

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Good Morning Cheryl and TTX Team,



Please see attached the screenshot of the complaint I submitted earlier today.  
TTX is in violation of Sunshine Ordinance Code 67.21 and California Govt. Code§ 6253(c) for maximum allowed time to comply with public requests.

As you can see from the screenshot the request #23-1965 was submitted back on April 11th 2023. As per the guidelines of Govt. Code§ 6253(c) the maximum allowed time to comply with this request is 24 days. (Which means the due date was 6th of May, but since it was Saturday, the actual due date was Monday May 8th 2023)

Kindly confirm receipt and provide us with a complaint /file number.

Thank you!

Best,

 [Screenshot 2023-05-10 at 11:36:50 AM](#)  
 [\(650\)-534-5422](#)  
[bejanski@gmail.com](mailto:bejanski@gmail.com)

On May 10, 2023, at 11:17 AM, SOTF, (BOS) <[sotf@sfgov.org](mailto:sotf@sfgov.org)> wrote:

Hello Mr. Bejanski: I am in receipt of and thank you for your complaint form. As you are aware, I cannot process your complaint without your initial records and any responsive documents you have received thus far. Once I receive that information, I will process your complaint and get it scheduled to be heard before a SOTF Committee. Thank you.

Cheryl Leger  
Sunshine Administrator  
Board of Supervisors  
phone 415-554-7724 | fax 415-554-5163  
[cheryl.leger@sfgov.org](mailto:cheryl.leger@sfgov.org) | [www.sfgov.org](http://www.sfgov.org)

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**Name of individual**

**contacted at Department or Commission** Debra Lew

**Alleged Violation** Public Records

**Date of public meeting (if checked)** N/A

**Sunshine Ordinance Section:** Violation of Sunshine Ordinance Code 67.21 and California Govt. Code § 6253(c) for maximum allowed time to comply with public requests

**Please describe alleged violation** Public Request 23-1965 was submitted on April 11th 2023 to this date (May 10th 2023) it's still open.

**Date** May 10 2023

**Name** Stiliyan

**Address** 28 Allen

**City** San Francisco

**Zip** 94109

**Telephone** 650-534-5422

**Email** [stevanstin@gmail.com](mailto:stevanstin@gmail.com)

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## Request 23-1965



### Dates

**Received**

April 11, 2023 via web

### Staff Assigned

**Departments**

TTX - Treasurer &amp; Tax Collector

**Point of contact**

Debra Lew

### Request

Good afternoon TTX Team,

I would like to make immediate Disclosure Request production of all emails within the TTX department that contain the following "Bejanski" and/or "28 Allen" and/or email address bejanski@gmail.com between February 1st and April 10th 2023.

Please redact any personal information prior to publishing the records!

Thank you so much!

Best,

### Timeline

### Documents

**Document(s) Released to Requester**

Public



2022 secured annual roll info.pdf  
Property Owner Email List FEB FINAL  
REDACTED.pdf  
RE\_CVT Property Owner Emails - Input Needed (2).pdf  
RE\_Empty Homes data - next step.pdf  
TTX Response to Complaint #23002-ROOT.pdf  
TTX Response to SOTF FILE No. 23002  
Attachment-REDACTED\_Redacted.pdf

**Document(s) Released to Requester**

Public



2 - SOTF - Order of Determination\_ File 21126 PDF  
- F.pdf  
2.a - SOTF\_ORDER\_21126 - F.pdf  
3 - SOTF - Order of Determination\_ File 22084 pdf  
F.pdf  
3.a - SOTF\_ORDER\_22084 F.pdf  
4 - TTX Response to Complaint #23002 pdf F.pdf  
4.a - TTX Response to SOTF FILE No. 23002 PDF-  
REDACTED\_Redacted.pdf  
Re\_ SOTF - Order of Determination\_ File 21126  
PDF-REDACTED\_Redacted.pdf  
SOTF - Compliance and Amendments Committee  
February 21\_ 2023 Meeting - Agenda and Packet  
Online-REDACTED\_Redacted.pdf  
1 - SOTF - Notice of Complaint Committee  
hearing\_ February 14\_ 2023 - 5\_30 PM - Remote  
Meeting PDF - F.pdf  
1.a - SOTF - Complaint Procedure 2019-10-02  
FINAL F.pdf  
2022 secured annual roll info.pdf  
CVT Business Email List 02-21-23 FINAL (1).pdf  
CVT Business Email List 02-21-23 FINAL (2).pdf  
CVT Business Email List 02-21-23 FINAL (3).pdf  
CVT Business Email List 02-21-23 FINAL.pdf  
Property Owner Email List FEB FINAL.pdf  
RE\_ [TEST] Reminder\_ Commercial Vacancy Tax  
Fil....pdf  
RE\_ CVT Email Blast - Property  
Owner\_Redacted.pdf  
RE\_ CVT Property Owner Emails - Input  
Needed.pdf  
RE\_ Empty Homes data - next step.pdf

**Department Assignment**

Public

TTX - Treasurer &amp; Tax Collector

**Request Opened**

Public

Request received via web

April 11, 2023 8:12am by the requester

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**City** San Francisco

**Zip** 94109

**Telephone** 650-534-5422

**Email** [bejanski@gmail.com](mailto:bejanski@gmail.com)

Sent via [Google Form Notifications](#)

# Respondent's Response

**Leger, Cheryl (BOS)**

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**From:** Sachs, Catherine (TTX)  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 23, 2023 3:02 PM  
**To:** Leger, Cheryl (BOS); SOTF, (BOS)  
**Cc:** Stiliyan Bejanski; Lew, Debra (TTX); Tirrell, Christopher (TTX)  
**Subject:** TTX Response to Complaint #23052  
**Attachments:** TTX Response to SOTF FILE No. 23052.pdf

Dear SOTF,

Attached please find TTX's Response to Complaint #23052.

Kindly notify us once a hearing date is set for this complaint.

Thank you,  
Catherine

Catherine Sachs  
Legal Assistant  
Office of the Treasurer & Tax Collector  
City and County of San Francisco  
415.554.7474  
[Catherine.sachs@sfgov.org](mailto:Catherine.sachs@sfgov.org)

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**Office of the Treasurer & Tax Collector**  
City and County of San Francisco

**Legal Section**



**José Cisneros, Treasurer**

May 23, 2023

VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL

Honorable Members of the Sunshine Ordinance Task Force  
c/o: Clerk of the Board of Supervisors  
Attn: Cheryl Leger, Administrator  
Room 244, City Hall  
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place  
San Francisco CA 94102  
Cheryl.leger@sfgov.org

Re: Sunshine Ordinance Task Force ("SOTF") Complaint #23052  
*Stiliyan Bezhanski vs. Office of the Treasurer and Tax Collector*

Dear Honorable Task Force Members:

We write in response to the complaint submitted by Petitioner Stiliyan Bezhanski, aka Stiliyan Bejanski, ("PETITIONER"), received by Respondent, the Office of the Treasurer and Tax Collector ("TTX"), on May 17, 2023. We respectfully deny the allegations made in the complaint.

**I. Background – Serial Public Records Requests**

PETITIONER has submitted 24 Public Record Act requests to TTX in the past 23 months. He has been a direct sender or recipient of many of the responsive, disclosable emails or otherwise copied in the emails or copied TTX in his emails. Many of the other disclosable documents are items that can be found on the SOTF website.

**II. SOTF Previously Found in NO Violation in Similar Complaint**

On July 22, 2022, PETITIONER submitted an SOTF complaint (SOTF #22084, attached hereto as Exhibit 1) that is nearly identical to the present one. The issues raised in that complaint and this one are essentially the same, as are TTX's procedure and responses (see TTX's Response to Complaint #22084, attached hereto as Exhibit 2). Complaint #22084 resulted in the Complaint Committee's August 16, 2022, motion to find no violation. The Full Task Force, on December 7, 2022, found that TTX *did not* violate Administrative Code (Sunshine Ordinance), Section(s) 67.21 and 67.25, or California Government Code, Section(s) 6253(c). (See Exhibit 3, SOTF's Order of Determination, attached hereto.)

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**III. PETITIONER'S Public Records Act Request of April 11, 2023, Labeled "Immediate Disclosure Request," Was Not Simple, Routine or Otherwise Readily Answerable**

On April 11, 2023, at 9:12 AM, the Office of the Treasurer and Tax Collector ("TTX") received a public records request from PETITIONER. The requester labeled his request an immediate disclosure request ("IDR"). Within 15 minutes of receiving PETITIONER'S request, TTX Legal staff assigned its IT section to pull responsive records. IT staff provided email records for 26 TTX staff members. Based on that number, TTX estimated that there would be at least 200 items to review, sort, and redact. Ultimately, there were 240 responsive items.

Although this request was submitted as an IDR, TTX was not able to complete the request in one day because, given the large quantity of emails to review, sort, and redact, the request was not "simple, routine, or otherwise readily answerable," as is required by San Francisco Administrative Code Section 67.25(a).

Accordingly, on April 11, 2023, TTX responded to PETITIONER, advising him that his request was not simple, routine, or otherwise readily answerable, and that TTX would be in touch with the requester no later than Friday, April 21, 2023.

**IV. The TTX Legal Assistants Assigned to Review the 240 Responsive Items Worked Diligently and Quickly to Respond**

As promised, TTX provided the first tranche of responsive emails to the requester on Friday, April 21, 2023. The two assigned Legal Assistants worked swiftly and efficiently -- reviewing, sorting, and redacting an average of 44 items per week. The Public Records request that is the basis of this complaint is now closed.

Because many of the responsive documents contained sensitive information (personal email addresses, attorney-client privileged information, taxpayer-confidential information, etc.), the TTX Legal Assistants had to pay close attention to every document, ensuring that redactions are made where appropriate, and taking care that no privileged documents or information were inadvertently released.

The Table below shows the total number of emails reviewed, released, and withheld, and the time spent by the assigned TTX Legal Assistants each week.

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Week Ending	Number of Emails Reviewed by TTX Legal Assistants	Number of Items Released to Requester	Number of Emails Withheld due to Privileges (Attorney-Client, Attorney Work Product, Taxpayer Confidentiality, etc.)	Time Spent by Legal Assistants
<b>April 21, 2023</b>	58	20	38	10.75 hours
<b>April 28, 2023</b>	42	6	36	10 hours
<b>May 5, 2023</b>	43	0	43	14.5 hours
<b>May 12, 2023</b>	28	9	19	6.5 hours
<b>May 19, 2023</b>	69	2	67	5 hours
<b>TOTAL through May 19, 2023</b>	240	37	203	TOTAL HOURS: 46.75

**V. If TTX Staff Spent More Time on PETITIONER'S Public Records Requests, It Would Jeopardize Our Ability to Respond to Other Requesters**

TTX Legal Assistants process multiple Public Records Requests every week, including IDR's, voluminous requests, and many routine requests. TTX's Legal Assistants assigned to PETITIONER'S request have spent an average of 8.63 hours per week responding to PETITIONER'S current request. To spend more time on PETITIONER'S request would mean taking time away from other public records requests. It would also mean that the requester would be getting special treatment. That would be unfair to other requesters.

During the time that the two Legal Assistants were assigned to respond to this Public Records request, TTX staff was also responding to requester's appeal of a Superior Court Judgment entered against him earlier this year.

**Information Requested by SOTF**

- SOTF REQUEST: What was the original request you received?** Attach a copy of the original request.

TTX RESPONSE: The image below reflects the request as it came in through the Next Request system.

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## &lt; Request #23-1965

☒ CLOSED

24 of 24 filtered by: Requester: Stiliyan Bezhaniski; Department: TTX - Treasurer &amp; Tax Collector

Good afternoon TTX Team,

I would like to make immediate Disclosure Request production of all emails within the TTX department that contain the following "Bejanski" and/or "28 Allen" and/or email address bejanski@gmail.com between February 1st and April 10th 2023.

Please redact any personal information prior to publishing the records!

Thank you so much!

Best,

**2. SOTF REQUEST: What records have you provided in response to the request, and on what date did you provide them?** We suggest a simple table here with three columns: name of record, brief description, date provided.

TTX RESPONSE:

Records Provided for Week Ending:	Description of Released Items
<b>April 21, 2023</b>	Emails related to Sunshine Ordinance Complaint filed by requester; emails related to San Francisco property owners.
<b>April 28, 2023</b>	Emails related to Sunshine Ordinance Complaint filed by requester; emails related to San Francisco property owners.
<b>May 5, 2023</b>	There were no disclosable records this week.
<b>May 12, 2023</b>	Emails related to San Francisco property owners.
<b>May 19, 2023</b>	Emails related to Sunshine Ordinance Complaint filed by requester.

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**3. SOTF REQUEST: What method did you use to locate these records?** Your response should include:

- a. The name and job title of the **person who performed the search**.
- b. The **method and search terms** utilized.
- c. The **devices, forms of communication, and/or systems** that were searched.
- d. The **dates** of these searches.
- e. Copies of **communications used to conduct the search** (such as emails to staff directing them to conduct a search, IT tickets/queries, etc.).
- f. Any other information that will help us understand your search methods.

**TTX RESPONSE:**

- a. Kevin Lee, IT Operations Support Admin V
- b. Method: Department-wide email (Outlook) search. Search terms: "Bejanski," "28 Allen," and "bejanski@gmail.com."
- c. Email via Outlook
- d. TTX submitted the request to IT on April 11, 2023.
- e. Copy of IT Support Desk ticket is pictured below.

### Emails needed

Name: Catherine Sachs   Email: catherine.sachs@sfgov.org   about a month ago

Good morning, IT,

Can Legal please have the following records expedited?

ITEM SOUGHT: TTX Emails

FROM WHOM: All TTX Employees

TIME PERIOD: February 1, 2023, through April 10, 2023

KEYWORDS (3):

"Bejanski"

"28 Allen"

"bejanski@gmail.com"

Thank you, Catherine

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f. n/a

**4. Did you withhold any information or documents from the requester prior to the filing of the complaint?** If yes, explain what documents were withheld and why. Drawing primarily on the Sunshine Ordinance, provide any supporting argument or evidence that each exemption in fact applies.

TTX RESPONSE: Documents were withheld from the requester because they were protected by Attorney-Client Privilege, Attorney Work Product Privilege, Taxpayer Confidentiality, etc.

**Did you provide written justification for all withholding of information prior to the filing of the complaint?** If yes, attach evidence.

TTX RESPONSE: Yes, written justification for all withholding of information was provided to the requester by advising the requester of the following, in part or in whole, where applicable:

- “We have withheld records responsive to your request (and/or redacted parts of the records provided in response to your request) per California Evidence Code 1040(b)(2). Due to privacy concerns, personal information, such as personal phone numbers and email addresses, has been redacted from the documents that we are making available to you. We redacted this personal information pursuant to Section 7927.700 and Section 7927.705 of the California Public Records Act and Article I, Section 1 of the California Constitution. Additionally, some and/or all documents may be otherwise confidential and/or privileged but are being provided because you are requesting records about and/or involving yourself.”
- “We have withheld records responsive to your request (and/or redacted parts of the records provided in response to your request) which contain confidential taxpayer information, pursuant to California Government Code section 7925.000 and 7927.705 and San Francisco Business and Tax Regulations Code Section 6.22-1; Article I, Section 1 of the California Constitution and California Evidence Code section 1040.”
- “Some documents have been withheld pursuant to Government Code section 7927.200(a), which does not require the production of documents related to pending litigation to which this Office or the City and County are a party; the attorney-client privilege (Evidence Code section 954) and/or the attorney work product privilege (Code of Civil Procedure section 2018.030).”

**5. Did you redact any information from the documents prior to the filing of the complaint?** If yes, explain what information you redacted and why. Drawing primarily on the Sunshine Ordinance, provide any supporting argument or evidence that each exemption in fact applies.

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**TTX RESPONSE:**

Requester's email address was redacted pursuant to requester's express request that we do so, even though requester's email can readily be found in linked documents on the SOTF website and the San Francisco Superior Court website.

Confidential Taxpayer Information was redacted pursuant to one or more of the following authorities: California Government Code section 7925.000 and 7927.705 and San Francisco Business and Tax Regulations Code Section 6.22-1; Article I, Section 1 of the California Constitution and California Evidence Code section 1040."

**Did you provide a written justification keyed to each instance of redaction prior to the filing of the complaint?** If yes, attach the original keyed justifications provided to the requester (if any), and any new keyed justifications for each redaction. Drawing primarily on the Sunshine Ordinance, provide any supporting argument or evidence that each exemption in fact applies.

TTX RESPONSE: Yes, every instance of redaction was justified with a keyed description. The keyed justification for redactions included "Protected Personal Contact Information," and "Privacy."

**6. At the time the request was made, did you search employee personal property (such as mobile phones and computers) for responsive records about the conduct of public business?** If yes, describe your method for conducting this search. If appropriate, provide supporting documentation in your packet.

TTX RESPONSE: TTX did not search employee personal property for responsive records.

**7. At the time the request was made, did you request relevant records from contractors your agency has funded, managed or hired?** If yes, describe how you communicated this request. Provide supporting documentation in your packet, including communications to and from the contractor.

TTX RESPONSE: TTX did not request records from contractors.

**8. Are there any known responsive records that you have yet to review for potential redaction and disclosure to the respondent?** If yes, provide the approximate quantity and timeline of future expected disclosures.

TTX RESPONSE: All responsive records have been released. The Public Records request is now closed.

**Conclusion**

TTX staff began working on PETITIONER'S Public Records request within minutes of its receipt. The initial contact with the requester was made on the same day the request

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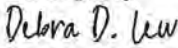
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was received, and TTX staff released the first set of documents within ten days of the request. Staff put in many hours of work, every week, to conclude the request as quickly as possible. The Office of the Treasurer and Tax Collector has worked conscientiously and swiftly to prepare and provide records in response to this now-closed request.

Finally, PETITIONER'S nearly identical complaint (SOTF #22084) resulted in a finding of no violation by TTX. It would make no sense to come up with a different or inconsistent finding of the almost identical complaint, processing procedure and response.

For these reasons, we respectfully request that this SOTF Complaint be dismissed.

Very truly yours,

DocuSigned by:  
  
DF898FC69041432

DEBRA D. LEW  
Debra.Lew@sfgov.org  
Custodian of Records

## Exhibit 1

**Sunshine Ordinance Task Force  
Complaint Summary**

File No. 22084

Stiliyan Bezhanski vs. Office of the Treasurer and Tax Collector

Date filed with SOTF: 7/22/22

Contact information (Complainant information listed first):

bejanski@gmail.com (Complainant)

(Respondent)

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**File No. 22084:** Complaint filed by Stiliyan Bezhanski against Debra Lew and the Office of the Treasurer and Tax Collector for allegedly violating Administrative Code (Sunshine Ordinance), Section(s) 67.21 and 67.25, and California Government Code, Section(s) 6253(c), by failing to respond to an Immediate Disclosure Request in a timely and/or complete manner.

**Administrative Summary if applicable:**

June 24, 2022 request submitted online (22-3702) for the following:

All emails within the TTX Department that contains "Bezhanski" and/or "28 Allen" and/or emails address [BJanski@gmail.com](mailto:BJanski@gmail.com) between May 4, 2022 and June 23<sup>rd</sup> 2022.

**Leger, Cheryl (BOS)**

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<b>Name of individual contacted at Department or Commission</b>	Debra Lew
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<b>Alleged Violation</b>	Public Records
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<b>Date of public meeting (if checked)</b>	N/A
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**Sunshine Ordinance  
Section:**

Violation of Sunshine Ordinance Code 67.21 and California Govt. Code § 6253(c) for maximum allowed time to comply with public requests

**Please describe alleged  
violation**

Public Request 22-3702 was submitted on June 24th 2022 to this date (July 22) it's still open.

**Date**

July 22nd 2022

**Name**

Stiliyan Bezhanski

**Address**

28 Allen street

**City**

San Francisco

**Zip**

94109

**Telephone**

650-534-5422

**Email**

[bejanski@gmail.com](mailto:bejanski@gmail.com)

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**Leger, Cheryl (BOS)**

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**Sent:** Friday, July 22, 2022 8:20 AM  
**To:** Leger, Cheryl (BOS); Lew, Debra (TTX); Sachs, Catherine (TTX)  
**Subject:** TTX violation of 67.21 and 6253c

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Good Morning Cheryl and TTX Team,

Please see attached the screenshot of the complaint I just submitted.  
TTX is in violation of Sunshine Ordinance Code 67.21 and California Govt. Code§ 6253(c) for maximum allowed time to comply with public requests.

As you can see from the screenshot the request #22-3702 was submitted back on June 24th 2022. As per the guidelines of Govt. Code§ 6253(c) the maximum allowed time to comply with this request is 24 days. Which means the due date was July 18th. To this day the Public Request is still open and I'm not sure how much information was released until now and how much information is yet to be released.

Please do not confuse this complaint with the File Number 22057, which was scheduled for June 28 2022, but I had problems with Internet connection and based on my conversation with SOTF will be rescheduled for August SOTF Compliance Meeting.

Kindly confirm receipt and provide us with a complaint /file number

Thank you so much!

Have a great day!

Best,

Stiliyan



## Exhibit 2

**Office of the Treasurer & Tax Collector**  
City and County of San Francisco

**Legal Section**



**José Cisneros, Treasurer**

August 3, 2022

VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL

Honorable Members of the Sunshine Ordinance Task Force  
c/o: Clerk of the Board of Supervisors  
Attn: Cheryl Leger, Administrator  
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San Francisco CA 94102  
Cheryl.leger@sfgov.org

Re: Sunshine Ordinance Task Force Complaint #22084  
*Stiliyan Bezhanski vs. Office of the Treasurer and Tax Collector*

Dear Honorable Task Force Members:

We write in response to the complaint submitted by Stiliyan Bezhanski ("BEZHANSKI"), received by the Office of the Treasurer and Tax Collector ("TTX") on July 29, 2022.

**I. Background – Serial Public Records Requests**

BEZHANSKI has submitted 17 Public Record Act requests to TTX in the past 13 months. He has been a direct sender or recipient of many of the responsive, disclosable emails or otherwise copied in the emails or copied the CITY in his emails. Most of the other disclosable documents are items that have been filed with the San Francisco Superior Court, and are available to the public, or are items that can be found on the SOTF website.

**II. BEZHANSKI'S Public Record Act Request of June 24, 2022 (Next Request #22-3702) Did Not Meet the Guidelines of an Immediate Disclosure Request**

On June 24, 2022, the Office of the Treasurer and Tax Collector ("TTX") received a public records request from BEZHANSKI. The requester labeled his request as an immediate disclosure request ("IDR"). On the same day, TTX Legal staff asked its IT section to pull responsive records. Approximately 1500 potentially responsive items (including email attachments) were produced.

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Although the requester labeled his request as an IDR, the request did not meet the requirements of an IDR because it was not “simple, routine, or otherwise readily answerable,” as is required by San Francisco Administrative Code Section 67.25(a).

Accordingly, on June 24, 2022, TTX responded to BEZHANSKI, advising him that his request did not qualify as an IDR, and that the request would be handled as a standard public records request, subject to the normally applicable 10-day response time, with a possible extension. TTX informed the requester that we would be in touch no later than July 5, 2022.

III. **Two TTX Legal Assistants are Assigned to Review the Approximately 1500 Potentially Responsive Items and Have Worked Diligently and Quickly to Respond**

Of the approximately 1500 potentially responsive items, TTX Legal Assistants have reviewed 1202 items as of July 29, 2022. Of these 1202 items, 199 items have been released to the requester. The other 1003 have been withheld under Attorney-Client privilege, Attorney Work Product privilege, Tax-Payer Confidentiality, or other privileges as set by law.

Because many of the potentially responsive documents have sensitive information (cell phone numbers, personal email addresses, attorney-client privileged information, taxpayer-confidential information, etc.), TTX Legal Assistants must pay close attention to every document, ensuring that redactions are made where appropriate, and taking care that no privileged documents or information are inadvertently released.

The Table below shows the approximate number of items released, the release dates, the approximate number of withheld items, and the time spent by TTX Legal Assistants each week.

Time Period Ending	Approximate Number of Items Reviewed by TTX Legal Assistants	Number of Items Released to Requester	Approximate Number of Items Withheld due to Privileges (Attorney-Client, Attorney Work Product, etc.)	Total Time Spent by the Two Legal Assistants (“LA #1,” “LA #2”) Assigned to 22-3702
July 5, 2022	200	10	190	LA #1: 3 hours LA #2: 12 hours
July 8, 2022	150	9	141	LA #1: 3 hours LA #2: 10 hours
July 15, 2022	350	30	320	LA #1: 4 hours LA #2: 6 hours

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July 22, 2022	400	115	285	LA #1: 5 hours LA #2: 7 hours
July 29, 2022	102	35	67	LA #1: 3 hours LA #2: 18 hours
<b>TOTAL as of July 29, 2022</b>	1202	199	1003	<b>TOTAL HOURS: 71 hours</b>

**III. If TTX Staff Spent More Time on BEZHANSKI'S Public Records Requests, It Would Jeopardize Our Ability to Respond to Other Requesters**

TTX Legal Assistants process multiple Public Records Requests every week, including frequent IDR's, many voluminous requests, and a large number of routine requests. TTX's two Legal Assistants assigned to BEZHANSKI'S request have put in an average of 14.2 hours per week responding to BEZHANSKI'S current request. To spend more time on BEZHANSKI'S requests would mean taking time away from other public records requests. That would be inequitable to other requesters.

**Information Requested by SOTF**

- SOTF REQUEST: What was the original request you received? Attach a copy of the original request.**

TTX RESPONSE: The image below reflects the request as it came in through the Next Request system.

< < Request #22-3702 > >
OPEN

Good Afternoon TTX Team,

I would like to make immediate Disclosure Request production of all emails within the TTX department that contain the following "Bezhanaki" and/or "28 Allen" and/or email address bejanski@gmail.com between May 4th 2022 and June 23rd 2022.

Thank you so much!

Best,

Received

Date

Departments

Requester

June 24, 2022 via web

July 29, 2022

TTX - Treasurer & Tax Collector

Stiliyan Bezhanaki

bejanski@gmail.com

28 Allen Street, San Francisco, CA 94109

650-554-5422

Myself

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**2. SOTF REQUEST: What records have you provided in response to the request, and on what date did you provide them?** We suggest a simple table here with three columns: name of record, brief description, date provided.

## TTX RESPONSE:

Time Period Ending	Approximate Number of Items Reviewed by TTX Legal Assistants	Number of Items Released to Requester	Approximate Number of Items Withheld due to Privileges (Attorney-Client, Attorney Work Product, etc.)	Description of Released Items
<b>July 5, 2022</b>	200	10	190	Copies of documents on file with SF Superior Court; copies of documents on file with SOTF, etc.
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<b>July 15, 2022</b>	350	30	320	Copies of emails written by requester, copies of emails where requester is "cc'd," copies of emails from TTX to requester, copies of documents on file with SF Superior Court; copies of documents on file with SOTF, etc.
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**3. SOTF REQUEST: What method did you use to locate these records?** Your response should include:

- The name and job title of the **person who performed the search**.
- The **method and search terms** utilized.
- The **devices, forms of communication, and/or systems** that were searched.
- The **dates** of these searches.
- Copies of **communications used to conduct the search** (such as emails to staff directing them to conduct a search, IT tickets/queries, etc.).
- Any other information that will help us understand your search methods.

**TTX RESPONSE:**

- Kevin Lee, IT Operations Support Admin V
- Method: Department-wide email (Outlook) search. Search terms: "Bezanski," "28 Allen," and "bejanski@gmail.com."
- Email via Outlook
- TTX submitted the request to IT on 6-24-22.
- Copy of IT Support Desk ticket is attached below.

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**Records Request**

Name: Arash Razavi Email: arashrazavi@sfgov.org about a month ago

Hello,

This is a records request for all emails within the TTX department that contain the following "Bezanski" and/or "28 Allen" and/or email address bejanski@gmail.com between May 4th 2022 and June 23rd 2022.

The date range: May 4th 2022 and June 23rd 2022.

The keywords: "Bezanski" and/or "28 Allen" and/or email address bejanski@gmail.com"

Thank you in advance.

Sincerely,

Arash Razavi

f. n/a

**4. Did you withhold any information or documents from the requester prior to the filing of the complaint?** If yes, explain what documents were withheld and why. Drawing primarily on the Sunshine Ordinance, provide any supporting argument or evidence that each exemption in fact applies.

**TTX RESPONSE:**

Documents were withheld from the requester because they were categorized as protected by Attorney-Client Privilege, Attorney Work Product Privilege, or Taxpayer Confidentiality, etc.

**Did you provide written justification for all withholding of information prior to the filing of the complaint?** If yes, attach evidence.

**TTX RESPONSE:**

Yes, written justification for all withholding of information was provided to the requester by advising the requester of the following: "We have withheld records responsive to your request (and/or redacted parts of the records provided in response to your request) per California Evidence Code 1040(b)(2). Due to privacy concerns, personal information, such as personal phone numbers, cell numbers and email addresses, has been redacted from the documents that

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we are making available to you. We redacted this personal information pursuant to Section 6254(c) and Section 6254(k) of the California Public Records Act and Article 1, Section 1 of the California Constitution.”

**5. Did you redact any information from the documents prior to the filing of the complaint?** If yes, explain what information you redacted and why. Drawing primarily on the Sunshine Ordinance, provide any supporting argument or evidence that each exemption in fact applies.

TTX RESPONSE: Nearly all information that was redacted was requester’s personal contact information including email addresses and mobile phone number. Other individuals’ personal emails were also redacted.

**Did you provide a written justification keyed to each instance of redaction prior to the filing of the complaint?** If yes, attach the original keyed justifications provided to the requester (if any), and any new keyed justifications for each redaction. Drawing primarily on the Sunshine Ordinance, provide any supporting argument or evidence that each exemption in fact applies.

TTX RESPONSE: The keyed justification for most instances of redaction was “Protected Personal Contact Information.”

**6. At the time the request was made, did you search employee personal property (such as mobile phones and computers) for responsive records about the conduct of public business?** If yes, describe your method for conducting this search. If appropriate, provide supporting documentation in your packet.

TTX RESPONSE: TTX did not search employee personal property for responsive records.

**7. At the time the request was made, did you request relevant records from contractors your agency has funded, managed or hired?** If yes, describe how you communicated this request. Provide supporting documentation in your packet, including communications to and from the contractor.

TTX RESPONSE: TTX did not request records from contractors.

**8. Are there any known responsive records that you have yet to review for potential redaction and disclosure to the respondent?** If yes, provide the approximate quantity and timeline of future expected disclosures.

TTX RESPONSE: There are approximately 298 items that have been reviewed and sorted but are pending redaction of those which are disclosable. We estimate it will take two to three days to finish redacting and releasing the remaining items.

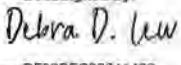
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**Conclusion**

TTX staff began working on PRA #22-3702 within hours of its receipt, and have continued to put in many hours of work, every week, to try to conclude the request as quickly as possible. As previously stated, to put any more time into BEZHANSKI'S request would be unfair to our other public records requesters who also have a right to have their requests worked promptly. The Office of the Treasurer and Tax Collector has – and continues to – work conscientiously to prepare and provide records in response to this and complainant's multiple previous public records requests.

For these reasons, we respectfully request that this SOTF Complaint be dismissed.

Very truly yours,

DocuSigned by:  
  
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DEBRA D. LEW  
Debra.Lew@Sfgov.org  
Custodian of Records

## Exhibit 3

**SUNSHINE ORDINANCE  
TASK FORCE**



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**ORDER OF DETERMINATION  
February 1, 2023**

**DATE DECISION ISSUED**  
December 7, 2022

**CASE TITLE:** Stiliyan Bezhanski vs. Debra Lew and the Office of the Treasurer and Tax Collector  
File No. 22084

Complaint filed by Stiliyan Bezhanski against Debra Lew and the Office of the Treasurer and Tax Collector for allegedly violating Administrative Code (Sunshine Ordinance), Section(s) 67.21 and 67.25, and California Government Code, Section(s) 6253(c), by failing to respond to an Immediate Disclosure Request in a timely and/or complete manner.

**HEARING AND ACTION ON THE COMPLAINT**

On August 16, 2022, the Complaint Committee found acting in its capacity to hear petitions/complaints heard the matter.

Moved by Member Stein, seconded by Chair Schmidt, to find that the SOTF has jurisdiction, find that the requested records are public and to refer the matter to the SOTF for hearing with the recommendation that there is no violation.

The motion PASSED by the following vote:

Ayes: 3 - Stein, Schmidt, Wolfe  
Noes: 0 - None

On December 7, 2022, the SOTF held a hearing to review the recommendation form committee and/or to review the merits of the petition/complaint.

Moved by Member Stein, seconded by Member Hyland, to find that the Office of the Treasurer and Tax Collector (TTX) **DID NOT** violate Administrative Code (Sunshine Ordinance), Section(s) 67.21 and 67.25, or California Government Code, Section(s) 6253(c).

The motion PASSED by the following vote:

Ayes: 8 - Stein, Hyland, Schmidt, Wolfe, Padmanabhan, LaHood, Yankee,  
Wong

Noes: 0 - None

Absent: 1 - Hill

The Order of Determinations was approved  
by the Sunshine Ordinance Task Force  
on: February 1, 2023

Matthew Yankee, Chair  
Sunshine Ordinance Task Force

cc. Stiliyan Bezhanski, (Petitioner)  
Debra Lew, Office of Treasurer and Tax Collector (Respondent)

**Leger, Cheryl (BOS)**

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**From:** SOTF, (BOS)  
**Sent:** Wednesday, May 10, 2023 11:18 AM  
**To:** Stiliyan Bejanski  
**Subject:** FW: New Response Complaint Form

Hello Mr. Bejanski: I am in receipt of and thank you for your complaint form. As you are aware, I cannot process your complaint without your initial records and any responsive documents you have received thus far. Once I receive that information, I will process your complaint and get it scheduled to be heard before a SOTF Committee. Thank you.

Cheryl Leger  
Sunshine Administrator  
Board of Supervisors  
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[cheryl.leger@sfgov.org](mailto:cheryl.leger@sfgov.org) | [www.sfbos.org](http://www.sfbos.org)

**From:** Google Forms <sfbdsupvrs@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, May 10, 2023 9:56 AM  
**To:** SOTF, (BOS) <sotf@sfgov.org>  
**Subject:** New Response Complaint Form

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Your form has a new entry.  
Here are the results.

**Complaint against which  
Department or  
Commission**

Treasurer and Tax Collector

**Name of individual  
contacted at Department  
or Commission**

Debra Lew

**Alleged Violation**

Public Records

**Date of public meeting (if checked)**

N/A

**Sunshine Ordinance Section:**

Violation of Sunshine Ordinance Code 67.21 and California Govt. Code § 6253(c) for maximum allowed time to comply with public requests

**Please describe alleged violation**

Public Request 23-1965 was submitted on April 11th 2023 to this date (May 10th 2023) it's still open.

**Date**

May 10 2023

**Name**

Stiliyan

**Address**

28 Allen

**From:** SOTF, (BOS)  
**Sent:** Wednesday, May 17, 2023 9:18 AM  
**To:** Lew, Debra (TTX)  
**Cc:** Stiliyan Bejanski  
**Subject:** SOTF - Complaint Filed with the Sunshine Ordinance Task Force - File No. 23052  
**Attachments:** SOTF - Complaint Procedure 2019-10-02 FINAL.pdf; Preparing SOTF Respondent Materials FINAL for PILOT.pdf

Good Morning:

Debra Lew and the Treasurer and Tax Collector's Office have been named as Respondents in the attached complaint filed with the Sunshine Ordinance Task Force (SOTF). In an effort to provide the SOTF information in an easy to understand format the SOTF has prepared a revised request format for responding to complaints (attached). **The SOTF requests that you submit your response to our office the allegations including any and all supporting documents, recordings, electronic media, etc., to the Task Force within five (5) business days of receipt of this notice.** In developing and submitting your response, please use the attached instructions, "Preparing San Francisco Sunshine Ordinance Task Force Respondents Materials," to address your defense of this complaint. This is your opportunity to provide a detailed explanation to allow the Task Force to be fully informed in considering your response prior to the meeting.

Please refer to the File Number 23052 when submitting any new information and/or supporting documents pertaining to this complaint.

Cheryl Leger  
Assistant Clerk, Board of Supervisors  
Tel: 415-554-7724

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City Hall, Room 244  
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May 17, 2023

Ms. Debra Lew  
San Francisco Treasurer and Tax Collector's Office

Re: Sunshine Ordinance Task Force, File No. 23002

Dear Ms. Lew:

Please review the complaint as described below and acknowledge your department's position on File No. 23052 regarding an alleged violation of the Sunshine Ordinance.

**File No. 23052** Complaint filed by Stiliyan Bejanski against Debra Lew and the Office of the Treasurer and Tax Collector for allegedly violating Administrative Code (Sunshine Ordinance), Section(s) 67.21, and California Government Code Section(s) 6253(c), by failing to respond to a records request in a timely and/or complete manner.

Please choose ONE answer. You may, if you wish, also attach any additional explanation.

- [a] acknowledge noncompliance for all allegations below
- [b] department/agency declares no-contest to all allegations below
- [c] deny one or more allegations below (please state an additional explanation which of the allegations you deny, and supporting evidence and/or argument)

If you or your entity acknowledges noncompliance or declares no-contest, the SOTF may, at its discretion, issue an Order of Determination against you or your entity for the allegations listed above without a hearing, and thereafter refer the matter to the Compliance & Amendments Committee for monitoring as needed.

Please respond within the next five business days of the date on this notice, with your acknowledgment. If it is not received within five business days, we will assume that you have acknowledged no-contest.

Very Truly Yours,

Matthew Yankee, Chair  
Sunshine Ordinance Task Force

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cc: Stiliyan Bezhanski, Petitioner

**Leger, Cheryl (BOS)**

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**From:** Stiliyan Bejanski <bejanski@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 23, 2023 3:21 PM  
**To:** SOTF, (BOS)  
**Subject:** Re: FW: TTX Response to Complaint #23052

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Ms. Leger

Please schedule a full communute for this complaint. The request was completed well beyond the deadline for both local sunshine ordinance and state government code.

Thank you!

Best,

Stiliyan

On Tue, May 23, 2023 at 3:12 PM SOTF, (BOS) <[sotf@sfgov.org](mailto:sotf@sfgov.org)> wrote:

Mr. Bejanski: Please let me know if this response satisfied your request. If so, then I will close the complaint. If not, we will schedule it for a committee meeting in the near future.

Cheryl Leger

Sunshine Administrator

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**From:** Sachs, Catherine (TTX) <[catherine.sachs@sfgov.org](mailto:catherine.sachs@sfgov.org)>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 23, 2023 3:02 PM  
**To:** Leger, Cheryl (BOS) <[cheryl.leger@sfgov.org](mailto:cheryl.leger@sfgov.org)>; SOTF, (BOS) <[sotf@sfgov.org](mailto:sotf@sfgov.org)>  
**Cc:** Stiliyan Bejanski <[bejanski@gmail.com](mailto:bejanski@gmail.com)>; Lew, Debra (TTX) <[debra.lew@sfgov.org](mailto:debra.lew@sfgov.org)>; Tirrell, Christopher (TTX) <[christopher.tirrell@sfgov.org](mailto:christopher.tirrell@sfgov.org)>  
**Subject:** TTX Response to Complaint #23052

Dear SOTF,

Attached please find TTX's Response to Complaint #23052.

Kindly notify us once a hearing date is set for this complaint.

Thank you,

Catherine

Catherine Sachs

## Legal Assistant

Office of the Treasurer &amp; Tax Collector

City and County of San Francisco

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**Leger, Cheryl (BOS)**

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**From:** SOTF, (BOS)  
**Sent:** Friday, July 7, 2023 9:51 AM  
**To:** Matthew Wong; Amy Silverstein; Lew, Debra (TTX); Stiliyan Bejanski; Michael Turon; Ah Nin, Derek (ASR); Library Users Association; Shaub, Margot (LIB); Lambert, Michael (LIB); Michael Petrelis; Peskin, Aaron (BOS); Angulo, Sunny (BOS); Yan, Calvin (BOS); Hsu, Melody (BOS); Souza, Sarah (BOS)  
**Cc:** Somera, Alisa (BOS); Calvillo, Angela (BOS); Young, Victor (BOS)  
**Subject:** SOTF - Notice of Complaint Committee hearing, July 18, 2023  
**Attachments:** SOTF - Complaint Procedure 2019-10-02 FINAL.pdf

Good Morning:

Notice is hereby given that the Complaint Committee of the Sunshine Ordinance Task Force (Task Force) shall hold hearings on complaints listed below to: 1) determine if the Task Force has jurisdiction; 2) review the merits of the complaints; and/or 3) issue a report and/or recommendation to the Task Force. ***Please confirm your attendance for this hearing.***

Date: July 18, 2023

Location: Room 408, City Hall

Time: 5:30 p.m.

THE INFORMATION BELOW IS FOR TELEPHONE AND WEBSITE APPEARANCES. LET ME KNOW IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS.

**July 18, 2023 – Complaint Committee Information for Log-in.**

**Webex Remote Link/Log-in:**

**<https://tinyurl.com/22er35k9>**

**Password: sunshine**

**Telephone Call-in:**

**1 (415) 655-0001 / Meeting ID: 2598 795 5499 # #**

**(press \*3 to enter the speaker line)**

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Complainants: Your attendance is required for this meeting/hearing.

Respondents/Departments: Pursuant to Section 67.21 (e) of the Ordinance, the custodian of records or a representative of your department, who can speak to the matter, is required at the meeting/hearing.

**File No. 23006** Complaint filed by Amy Silverstein against the Office of the Treasurer and Tax Collector's Office for allegedly violating Administrative Code (Sunshine Ordinance), Section(s) 67.1(a) by failing to serve the public and reach its decisions in full view of the public, (d) by failing to let the public know what their government and those acting on behalf of their Government are doing; 67.24(b)(1)(i)-(ii), (i) by failing to provide information on litigation materials; and 67.36 by failing to allow the Sunshine Ordinance to supersede other local laws.

**File No. 23052** Complaint filed by Stiliyan Bejanski against Debra Lew and the Office of the Treasurer and Tax Collector for allegedly violating Administrative Code (Sunshine Ordinance), Section(s) 67.21, and California Government Code Section(s) 6253(c), by failing to respond to a records request in a timely and/or complete manner.

**File No. 23030** Complaint filed by Michael Turon against the Assessor-Recorder's Office 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; 67.26 by failing to keep withholding to a minimum; California Public Records Act (CPRA) Section 6253(b), by failing to provide "exact copies of records; CPRA 6253.9 by failing to provide the "electronic format in which you hold the information"; and CPRA 6254.5 by withholding exemptions already waived by providing the records to the public before this request.


**File No. 23034** Complaint filed by the Library Users Association against the San Francisco Public Library 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.

**File No. 23050** Complaint filed by Michael Petrelis against Supervisor Aaron Peskin, President of the Board of Supervisors, for allegedly violating Administrative Code (Sunshine Ordinance), Section(s) 67.29-5, by failing to respond to a request for Proposition G Calendar in a timely and/or complete manner.

**File No. 23051** Complaint filed by Michael Petrelis against Supervisor Dean Preston, Board of Supervisors, for allegedly violating Administrative Code (Sunshine Ordinance), Section(s) 67.29-5, by failing to respond to a request for Proposition G Calendar in a timely and/or complete manner.

***For inclusion into the agenda packet, supplemental/supporting documents must be received by 5:00 pm, July 12, 2023.***

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**Subject:** Re: SOTF - Notice of Complaint Committee hearing, July 18, 2023

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Thank you! I will appear remotely.

Best,



Stiliyan Bezhanski

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M: (650)-534-5422  
E: bejanski@gmail.com  
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**File No. 23006** Complaint filed by Amy Silverstein against the Office of the Treasurer and Tax Collector's Office for allegedly violating Administrative Code (Sunshine Ordinance), Section(s) 67.1(a) by failing to serve the public and reach its decisions in full view of the public, (d) by failing to let the public know what their government and those acting on behalf of their Government are doing; 67.24(b)(1)(i)-(ii), (i) by failing to provide information on litigation materials; and 67.36 by failing to allow the Sunshine Ordinance to supersede other local laws.

**File No. 23052** Complaint filed by Stiliyan Bejanski against Debra Lew and the Office of the Treasurer and Tax Collector for allegedly violating Administrative Code (Sunshine Ordinance), Section(s) 67.21, and California Government Code Section(s) 6253(c), by failing to respond to a records request in a timely and/or complete manner.

**File No. 23030** Complaint filed by Michael Turon against the Assessor-Recorder's Office 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; 67.26 by failing to keep withholding to a minimum; California Public Records Act (CPRA) Section 6253(b), by failing to provide "exact copies of records; CPRA 6253.9 by failing to provide the "electronic format in which you hold the information"; and CPRA 6254.5 by withholding exemptions already waived by providing the records to the public before this request.

**File No. 23034** Complaint filed by the Library Users Association against the San Francisco Public Library 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.

**File No. 23050** Complaint filed by Michael Petrelis against Supervisor Aaron Peskin, President of the Board of Supervisors, for allegedly violating Administrative Code (Sunshine Ordinance), Section(s) 67.29-5, by failing to respond to a request for Proposition G Calendar in a timely and/or complete manner.

**File No. 23051** Complaint filed by Michael Petrelis against Supervisor Dean Preston, Board of Supervisors, for allegedly violating Administrative Code (Sunshine Ordinance), Section(s) 67.29-5, by failing to respond to a request for Proposition G Calendar in a timely and/or complete manner.

***For inclusion into the agenda packet, supplemental/supporting documents must be received by 5:00 pm, July 12, 2023.***

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