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**SAN FRANCISCO PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION
 RATE FAIRNESS BOARD
 CITY AND COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO**

**Minutes of Special Meeting
 Friday, January 6, 2023, 1:00 – 3:00 PM
 (Approved February 7, 2023)**

In-person Meeting: San Francisco Public Utilities Commission (SFPUC), 525 Golden Gate Avenue, 3rd Floor, Tuolumne Conference Room, San Francisco, CA 94102

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- Comments will be read out loud by meeting moderator. If you have technical issues or questions, you may also send a private message to the moderator using direct message.
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Commissioner
- Kate H. Stacy**
Commissioner
- Dennis J. Herrera**
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43 **MEETING AGENDA**

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45 *Materials Distributed: Regular Meeting Agenda for January 6, 2023; Adopt*
46 *State Urgency Legislation 54953(e); Draft Regular Meeting Minutes of*
47 *November 7, 2022; CleanPowerSF Electric Home (E-ELEC) Rates*
48 *presentation; Stormwater Charge Background presentation; 2023 Water &*
49 *Wastewater Rate Study: Cost of Service presentation; Draft SFPUC Rate*
50 *Fairness Board Bylaws as of May 11, 2022 with Edits*

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52 **1. Call to Order and Roll Call**

Member Name/Title	Appointed By
Howard Ash, Chair, Residential City Retail Customer	Board of Supervisors
Vacant, City Retail Small Business Customer	Board of Supervisors
Vishal Trivedi, Financial Analyst of Office of Public Finance	Controller's Office
Vacant, Residential City Retail Customer	Mayor's Office
Trisha McMahon, Budget and Planning Manager	City Administrator
Vacant, City Retail Large Business Customer	Mayor's Office
Ken Hinton, Budget and Revenue Analyst	Controller's Office

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55 *The regular meeting of the Rate Fairness Board was called to order at 1:03 PM*
56 *in-person and via teleconference.*

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58 *Roll Call:*

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 - *Present: Chair Ash, Member Hinton, Member McMahon, Member*
- 60 *Trivedi*

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62 **2. Adopt renewed findings under [State Urgency Legislation](#) to allow**
63 **hybrid in-person meetings during the COVID-19 Emergency and direct**
64 **the Rate Fairness Board Secretary to agendize a similar resolution at**
65 **a Board Meeting within the next 30 days.**

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67 *Roll-call Vote:*

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 - *Ayes: Chair Ash, Member Hinton, Member McMahon, Member Trivedi*

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70 *Public Comment: None*

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72 **3. General Public Comment**

73 Members of the public may address the Rate Fairness Board (RFB) on
74 matters that are within the Board's jurisdiction but not on today's
75 agenda.

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77 *Public Comment: None*

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79 **4. Approval of the Regular Meeting Minutes of November 7, 2022**
80 **(Discussion and Action)**

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82 *Chair Ash asked Board for comments, questions, or concerns.*

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84 *Members of the Board did not have any comments, questions, or concerns on*
85 *the Minutes of the regular meeting of November 7, 2022.*

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87 *The Minutes of the regular meeting of November 7, 2022, were adopted, as*
88 *amended, unanimously upon a motion by Member McMahon and seconded by*
89 *Member Trivedi.*

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91 *Public Comment: None*

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93 *Roll Call Vote:*

94 • *Ayes: Chair Ash, Member Hinton, Member McMahon, Member Trivedi*

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96 **5. Report of the Chair**

97 **a. CleanPowerSF Electric Home (E-ELEC) Rates**

98 *(Presentation and Discussion)*

99 *Yee Nwe (Ma Yee) H Yap, SFPUC Principal Revenue/Rates*
100 *Analyst*

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102 *Yee Nwe (Ma Yee) H Yap, SFPUC Principal Revenue/Rates*
103 *Analyst, presented the CleanPowerSF electric home (E-ELEC)*
104 *rates, which included CleanPowerSF rates background, rate*
105 *schedules, E-ELEC generation rates, bill comparison and*
106 *recommendation. Discussion followed.*

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108 *Chair Ash requested that future CleanPowerSF rate discussions*
109 *compare rate options available to each specific customer class, and*
110 *to discuss the changes in the PG&E distribution charges for each*
111 *rate.*

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113 *Public Comment: None*

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115 **b. Stormwater Charge Background**

116 *(Presentation and Discussion)*

117 *Erin Corvinova, SFPUC Acting Financial Planning Director*

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119 *Erin Corvinova, SFPUC Acting Financial Planning Director,*
120 *presented the stormwater charge background, which included*
121 *stormwater runoff charge drivers and background, proposed rate*
122 *structure, resources for customers to reduce their bill and next*
123 *steps. Discussion followed.*

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125 *Chair Ash expressed that he would like to see the comparison and*
126 *impacts on specific customer classes.*

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128 *Public Comment: None*

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c. 2023 Water & Wastewater Rate Study: Cost of Service

(Presentation and Discussion)

Matthew Freiberg, SFPUC Principal Revenue/Rates Analyst

Matthew Freiberg, SFPUC Principal Revenue/Rates Analyst, presented the 2023 Water & Wastewater Rate Study: Cost of Service. Presentation included the following topics: rate study process overview, rate plan updates, cost of service methodology, overview of cost functionalization, water allocations, wastewater allocations and next steps. Discussion transpired throughout presentation.

Chair Ash requested a future agenda item after the completion of the rates study on how fire sprinkler cost allocation methodologies have changed over time.

Public Comment: None

6. Rate Fairness Board Bylaws Draft (May 11, 2022)

(Discussion)

Nicholas Whipps, Deputy City Attorney, briefly spoke about the updates to the bylaws that will be tied to City and State law which should be ready in a future meeting. He recommended to schedule a meeting with the Chair to work out certain areas in the bylaws.

Public Comment: None

7. Announcements, Comments, Questions

(Discussion)

Chair Ash asked if the next meeting will be scheduled the week of January 23rd. The next meeting is tentatively scheduled for the week of January 23rd.

Public Comment: None

8. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 3:13 PM.

170 **Accessible Meeting Policy:** To obtain meeting materials in alternative format, please
171 contact the Rate Fairness Board Secretary at 415-487-5254 or via email at
172 yrodriguez@sfgwater.org. Providing at least 72 hours notice will help to ensure
173 availability. Written reports or background materials for calendar items are available on-
174 line at <https://sfpuc.org/about-us/boards-commissions-committees/rate-fairness-board>.

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176 **Meeting Procedures:** Public Comment will be taken before or during the
177 Board's consideration of each agenda item. Speakers may address the Board
178 for up to three minutes on that item. During General Public Comment,
179 members of the public may address the Board on matters that are within the
180 Board's jurisdiction and are not on the agenda. Procedures do not permit: 1)
181 persons in the audience to vocally express support or opposition to statements
182 by Board Member, by other persons testifying; 2) ringing and use of cell
183 phones, pagers, and similar sound-producing electronic devices; 3) bringing in
184 or displaying signs in the meeting room; and 4) standing in the meeting room.
185 The ringing of and use of cell phones, pagers and similar sound-producing
186 electronic devices are prohibited at this meeting. Please be advised that the
187 Chair may order the removal from the meeting room of any person(s)
188 responsible for the ringing or use of a cell phone, pager, or other similar sound-
189 producing electronic devices.

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196 San Francisco Administrative Code) or to report a violation of the ordinance,
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198 Place, Room 244, San Francisco, CA 94102; phone at (415) 554-7724; fax at
199 (415) 554-7854; or by e-mail at soff@sfgov.org.

200 Citizens may obtain a free copy of the Sunshine Ordinance by printing Chapter
201 67 of the San Francisco Administrative Code on the Internet, at
202 <http://www.sfbos.org/sunshine>.

203 **311 Free Language Assistance:** 免費語言協助/ Ayuda gratuita con el idioma
204 / Бесплатная помощь переводчиков / Trợ giúp Thông dịch Miễn phí /
205 Assistance linguistique gratuite / 無料の言語支援/ 무료 언어 / 지원 / ការ“មឌជ”
206 មពេលធានី ពង់រា“ម“โดยไม่ว່ ้วยคาศาไซจ้ าย / Libreng tulong para sa wikang Tagalog ຍເລືອດີ

207 **Lobbyist Registration and Reporting Requirements:** Individuals and entities
208 that influence or attempt to influence local legislative or administrative action
209 may be required by the San Francisco Lobbyist Ordinance [SF Campaign &
210 Governmental Conduct Code Sec. 2.100] to register and report lobbying
211 activity. For more information about the Lobbyist Ordinance, please contact the
212 San Francisco Ethics Commission at 25 Van Ness Avenue, Suite 220, San

213 Francisco, CA 94102; telephone (415) 252-3100; fax (415) 252-3112; web site
214 at www.sfgov.org/ethics.

215 **Explanatory documents** that have been provided to the Board in connection
216 with this agenda are available for public inspection online at
217 [https://sfpuc.org/about-us/boards-commissions-committees/rate-fairness-](https://sfpuc.org/about-us/boards-commissions-committees/rate-fairness-board)
218 [board](https://sfpuc.org/about-us/boards-commissions-committees/rate-fairness-board).