

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

# Regular Meeting Wednesday, September 28, 2022, 2:00 – 4:00 PM

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

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## **MEETING AGENDA**

#### 1. Call to Order and Roll Call

## **Member Name/Title**

Howard Ash, Chair, Residential City Retail Customer Vacant, City Retail Small Business Customer Vishal Trivedi, Financial Analyst of Office of Public Finance Reese Isbell, Residential City Retail Customer Trisha McMahon, Budget and Planning Manager Vacant, City Retail Large Business Customer Vacant

## **Appointed By**

Board of Supervisors Board of Supervisors Controller's Office Mayor's Office City Administrator Mayor's Office Controller's Office

2. Adopt renewed findings under <u>State Urgency Legislation</u> to allow hybrid in-person meetings during the COVID-19 Emergency and direct the Rate Fairness Board Secretary to agendize a similar resolution at a Board Meeting within the next 30 days.

## 3. General Public Comment

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

#### 4. Instate New Rate Fairness Board Member

Ken Hinton, Controller's Office Designee (Instate to Board)

Approval of the Regular Meeting Minutes of May 11 and May 16, 2022 (Discussion and Action)

#### 6. Report of the Chair

## a. 2023 Water Wastewater Rate Study Kickoff

Matthew Freiberg, SFPUC Project Manager (Presentation and Discussion)

- i. Introduction of the Rate Study Team
- ii. Background on SFPUC Rates
- iii. Proiect Goals
- iv. Overview of the Rate Setting Process
- v. Key Topics in this Rate Study
- vi. Timeline
- vii. Questions

## 7. Announcements, Comments, Questions

(Discussion)

## 8. Adjournment

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