



SAN FRANCISCO PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION
City and County of San Francisco

Daniel Lurie
Mayor

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
Tuesday, March 24, 2026
1:30 PM
(Approved April 14, 2026)

1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place, City Hall, Room 400

Commissioners

Joshua Arce, President
Stephen E. Leveroni, Vice President
Avni Jamdar
Kate H. Stacy
Meghan Thurlow

Dennis J. Herrera
General Manager

Tiffany Lennear
Director of Commission Affairs

ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. Call to Order

President Arce called the meeting to order at 1:30 P.M.

2. Roll Call

Present: Arce, Leveroni, Jamdar, Stacy, and Thurlow

3. Approval of the Minutes of March 10, 2026

No public comment provided.

On motion to approve the Minutes of March 10, 2026:

Ayes: Arce, Leveroni, Jamdar, Stacy, and Thurlow

4. General Public Comment

- *Francisco Da Costa provided comment about standards, his relationship with the “first people” and suggested they be invited to the Tuolumne River.*
- *Peter Drekmeier, Yosemite Rivers Alliance, provided comment about his review of the Urban Water Management Plan, stating it is well-written with good information; however, believes it is biased in support of an SFPUC anti-Bay Delta Plan narrative.*

5. Report of the General Manager (discussion only)

a) Report on Recent San Francisco Public Utilities Commission Activities, Events and Announcements

General Manager Herrera introduced Dr. Marco Barco as the new SFPUC Chief Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion Officer.

No public comment provided.

6. **CONSENT CALENDAR**

- a) Approve Amendment No. 1 to Contract No. PRO.0229, Emergency Planning, Response, Training and Technical Support, with AECOM Technical Services, Inc., increasing the contract duration by five years, for a total contract duration of nine years, with no change to the contract amount, for project continuity of several emergency planning projects in the Plan Update Schedule that require consultant support. (Flynn)
- b) Award professional services Contract No. PRO.0286, As-Needed Technical Support Services for Electrical Distribution Systems, to E2 Consulting Engineers, Inc., in the amount not-to-exceed \$5,000,000 and with a duration of five years. (26-0040)
- c) Accept work performed by M Squared Construction, Inc., under Contract No. WD-2874, 8- and 16-Inch Ductile Iron Water Main Replacement on Joost Avenue from Ridgewood Avenue to Congo Street and Various Side Streets; approve Modification No. 7 (Final) decreasing the contract amount by

\$1,030,562, with no change to the contract duration, for a total contract amount of \$6,276,367 and a total contract duration of 745 consecutive calendar days (approximately two years and one month), to adjust the final contract amount to the value of actual contract quantities completed; and authorize final payment to the contractor. (26-0041)

- d) Award Contract No. WW-789R, Southeast Water Pollution Control Plant 516 and 516A Sodium Bisulfite Storage Tanks and Fill Station, to the responsible bidder that submitted the lowest responsive bid, Western Water Constructors, Inc., in the amount of \$12,190,000 and with a duration of 910 consecutive calendar days (approximately two years and six months), to replace the aging sodium bisulfite tanks and ancillary system and construct the new system closer to the chemical injection point. This action constitutes the Approval Action for the Project for the purposes of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), pursuant to San Francisco Administrative Code Section 31.04(h). The San Francisco Planning Department has determined that the Project is exempt from the CEQA. The Commission will rely on the determination to make its decision on this action. (26-0042)

No public comment provided.

On motion to approve the Consent Calendar:

Ayes: Arce, Leveroni, Jamdar, Stacy, and Thurlow

REGULAR CALENDAR

7. Award a lease for approximately 3.092 acres of Parcel No. 122 (Assessor's Parcel No. 97-84-029) located in the City of San Jose to Tasman Zanker San Jose, LLC, for an initial annual \$348,152.89 base rent and a term of 11 years, subject to approval by the Board of Supervisors under Charter Section 9.118. (26-0043)

Josh Gael, SFPUC Emergency Planning and Response, presented Item 7.

No public comment provided.

On motion to approve Item 7:

Ayes: Arce, Leveroni, Jamdar, Stacy, and Thurlow

8. Approve Modification No. 3 to Contract No. DB-126, Wastewater Enterprise Distributed Control System Upgrades, with Emerson Process Management Power & Water Solutions, Inc., increasing the contract amount by \$35,500,000, for a total not-to-exceed contract amount of \$83,050,600, with no change to the contract duration, to enable the Design-Builder to provide services at Treasure Island and Yerba Buena Island facilities and integrate them into the new system-wide Distributed Control System, to continue providing the necessary system replacement, upgrade, and support services at all San Francisco Public Utilities Commission Wastewater facilities, and to continue coordinating with other ongoing Sewer System Improvement Program capital projects that are being implemented simultaneously within the same facilities. (26-0044)

Kristel Cruz, PMB Project Manager, presented Item 8.

No public comment provided.

On motion to approve Item 8:

Ayes: Arce, Leveroni, Jamdar, Stacy, and Thurlow

9. COMMUNICATIONS (information only)

- a. Advance Calendar
- b. Contract Advertisement Report
- c. Correspondence Log
- d. Water Supply Conditions Update
- e. 2009 Water Supply Agreement Quarterly Update
- f. Annual Report on the Low Carbon Fuel Standard Credit Sales Fund Pursuant to Administrative Code Section 10.100-92

10. Items initiated by Commissioners (discussion only)

No items were initiated by Commissioners.

11. Public Comment on matters to be addressed during Closed Session

No public comment provided.

12. Motion on whether to assert the attorney-client privilege regarding the matters listed below:

On motion to assert the attorney-client privilege:

Ayes: Arce, Leveroni, Jamdar, Stacy, and Thurlow

The Commission entered Closed Session at 2:05 P.M.

CLOSED SESSION

SFPUC Officials and Staff members present during Closed Session: Josh Arce, Commission President; Stephen Leveroni, Commission Vice President; Commissioner Avni Jamdar; Commissioner Kate Stacy; Commissioner Meg Thurlow; Dennis Herrera, SFPUC General Manager; Ron Flynn, Deputy General Manager; Sheryl Bregman, Utilities General Counsel; Nancy Hom, Chief Financial Officer and Assistant General Manager – Business Services; Steve Ritchie, Assistant General Manager – Water Enterprise; Jannie Ram, Executive Assistant; Tiffany Lennear, Director of Commission Affairs.

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL regarding anticipated litigation (Government Code §54956.9, Administrative Code §67.10(d)):

Charles Reiter v. City and County of San Francisco

Unlitigated Claim File No.: 26-00148

Date Filed: July 21, 2025

Proposed settlement of an unlitigated claim for property damage resulting from a water main break with the City to pay claimant Charles Reiter \$31,095.31, in exchange for a full and final release, subject to final approval by the Board of Supervisors.

(Action Item) (26-0039)

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL regarding anticipated litigation (Government Code §54956.9, Administrative Code §67.10(d)):

Amy Yanyu Chen v. City and County of San Francisco

Unlitigated Claim File No.: 26-01171

Date Filed: December 19, 2025

Proposed settlement of an unlitigated claim for property damage resulting from a water main break with the City to pay claimant Amy Yanyu Chen \$80,000, in exchange for a full and final release, subject to final approval by the Board of Supervisors.

(Action Item) (26-0045)

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL regarding anticipated litigation (Government Code §54956.9, Administrative Code §67.10(d)):

Warren Guan v. City and County of San Francisco

Unlitigated Claim File No.: 26-00968

Date Filed: November 21, 2025

Proposed settlement of an unlitigated claim for property damage resulting from a water main break with the City to pay claimant Warren Guan \$67,572.61, in exchange for a full and final release, subject to final approval by the Board of Supervisors.

(Action Item) (26-0046)

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL regarding anticipated litigation (Government Code §54956.9, Administrative Code §67.10(d)):

The Market of Insurance Carriers a/s/o The Related Companies of California, LLC v. City and County of San Francisco

Unlitigated Claim File No.: 25-01441

Date Filed: January 15, 2025

Proposed settlement of an unlitigated claim for property damage resulting from a water main break with the City to pay claimant The Market of Insurance Carriers a/s/o The Related Companies of California, LLC \$2,434,348, in exchange for a full and final release, subject to final approval by the Board of Supervisors. (Action Item) (26-0047)

The Commission exited Closed Session at 2:13 P.M.

13. Report following Closed Session

President Arce reported that the Commission recommends the Board of Supervisors approve the settlements referenced under Item 12.

14. Motion regarding whether to disclose the discussion during Closed Session pursuant to San Francisco Administrative Code Section 67.12(a).

*On motion not to disclose the discussion during Closed Session:
Ayes: Arce, Leveroni, Jamdar, Stacy, and Thurlow*

15. Adjournment

President Arce adjourned the meeting at 2:14 P.M.