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**Subject:** FW: \*\*\* PRESS RELEASE \*\*\* MAYOR LONDON BREED AND TREASURER JOSÉ CISNEROS ANNOUNCE SAN FRANCISCO TO CLEAR PUNITIVE TRAFFIC COURT PENALTIES THAT DISPROPORTIONATELY AFFECT LOW-INCOME RESIDENTS  
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**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:**

Tuesday, April 16, 2019

Contact: Mayor's Office of Communications, 415-554-6131

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**MAYOR LONDON BREED AND TREASURER  
JOSÉ CISNEROS ANNOUNCE SAN FRANCISCO TO CLEAR  
PUNITIVE TRAFFIC COURT PENALTIES THAT  
DISPROPORTIONATELY AFFECT LOW-INCOME  
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*Collaboration between the City and Superior Court makes San Francisco first in nation to lift tens of thousands of driver's license holds for people who missed traffic court appearances*

**San Francisco, CA** — Mayor London N. Breed and Treasurer José Cisneros today announced that the City has collaborated with the San Francisco Superior Court to clear up to 88,000 outstanding holds placed on people's driver's licenses as a result of missing their traffic court date.

A working group of community, City, and court leaders studied the issue as part of their work

on the City's Fines and Fees Task Force. The group determined that the primary reason people miss traffic court dates is because they cannot afford to pay their traffic tickets, which average several hundred dollars in California and are among the most expensive in the nation. In San Francisco, a report found that residents from Bayview-Hunters Point had their licenses suspended at a rate of more than three times the state average. The working group concluded that the practice is overly harsh and punitive, and research shows that taking away someone's driver's license makes it difficult for them to get or keep a job.

San Francisco is the first locality in the nation to lift all outstanding driver's license holds for individuals who miss traffic court dates. The San Francisco Superior Court ended the practice two years ago, but lacked the resources and capacity to lift the tens of thousands of driver's license holds that had already been filed with the California Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV). The City partnered with the courts to bring resources and capacity to the effort and remove this barrier to employment for thousands of local residents.

"For many people, losing their driver's license means not being able to pick up their kids, go to work, pay off their bills, and get back on their feet," said Breed. "It is an unnecessarily punitive measure that is ultimately counterproductive for both the City and the individual. We will continue to lead on this issue because it is a matter of equity in how we treat all San Franciscans, and ensuring that we are not harming our low-income residents over small violations."

"We collaborated with the courts to take this action because we believe that suspending people's driver's licenses for missing their traffic court date places an undue burden on low-income residents, creates barriers to employment, and can keep people in a cycle of poverty and debt that is hard to escape," said San Francisco Treasurer José Cisneros, whose office houses [The Financial Justice Project](#), which staffed the Fines and Fees Task Force. "Of course we need to have consequences and penalties when people break the law or don't follow the rules. In the work we've done locally on fine and fee reform and with the Financial Justice Project, we've come to realize that we can hold people accountable without putting them in financial distress."

San Francisco's action builds on efforts by local leaders in 2015, when San Francisco Superior Court became the first court in the California to stop the suspension of driver's licenses for Failure to Pay (FTP) traffic fines. Other counties followed suit, and Governor Jerry Brown ended the use of this onerous penalty in 2017. Legislation to stop the suspension of driver's licenses for the inability to pay traffic fines is now pending in several states, according to the Fines and Fees Justice Center.

"San Francisco is once again at the forefront of meaningful criminal and economic justice reform. Suspending a driver's license is a draconian sanction that should only be imposed because of dangerous driving," said Lisa Foster, Co-Director of The Fines and Fees Justice Center in Washington, D.C. "Missing a court date has nothing to do with dangerous driving and everything to do with poverty. Often people don't come to court because they know they can't afford to pay the exorbitant fines and fees the California Legislature has imposed. Taking a license only makes it harder for people get to court, harder to get to work, and harder to take care of themselves and their families. We applaud San Francisco for ending this harmful practice."

"Losing a driver's license can be catastrophic for families, as 78% of Californians drive to

work. License suspensions become incarceration for people who drive their kids to school or parents to the doctor,” said Elisa Della Piana, Legal Director for Lawyers’ Committee for Civil Rights of the Bay Area. “These consequences are too high for simply missing a court date, especially when many courts still require payment of late fees before allowing people into traffic court. We urge other jurisdictions to follow San Francisco's lead in this important reform.”

While San Francisco has restored access to thousands of driver’s licenses, hundreds of thousands of people across California still have their license suspended for failing to appear in court to pay their traffic tickets. Courts across California submit approximately 41,000 requests per month to the DMV to put a hold on driver’s licenses as a result of missing traffic court date.

“San Francisco’s decision to stop suspending driver's licenses for failures to appear and to lift thousands of license suspensions is good for the city and its residents, and puts San Francisco on the right side of the law,” said Rebekah Evenson, Director of Litigation and Advocacy for Bay Area Legal Aid. “Suspension of a driver's license is a severe penalty and should be reserved for severe offenses. For our low-income clients, loss of a license often means loss of a job, and with it the means to economic stability.”

The San Francisco Superior Court recently [adopted ability to pay guidelines](#) for traffic court that provide discounts on citations to people with lower incomes. More information about these discounts for low-income residents is available on their [website](#). The Financial Justice Project and many community groups collaborated with the San Francisco Superior Court to develop these ability to pay guidelines.

**To find out if your driver’s license suspension has been lifted:**

- If your driver’s license was suspended for failing to appear in the San Francisco Traffic Court, you may be able to get your license back.
- Call the DMV Mandatory Actions Unit at **916-657-6525** to find out if you have any other holds on your record.
- You will need your name, date of birth, and driver’s license number.

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**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:**

Monday, April 15, 2019

Contact: Mayor's Office of Communications, 415-554-6131

**\*\*\* PRESS RELEASE \*\*\***

**MAYOR LONDON BREED AND SUPERVISOR MATT HANEY  
ANNOUNCE UPDATE FOR SEA WALL LOT 330 SAFE  
NAVIGATION CENTER**

*After soliciting feedback from stakeholders, Mayor Breed and Supervisor Haney announce the  
SAFE Navigation Center will ramp up to 200 clients within six months of opening,  
surrounding area will have increased presence of police beat officers*

**San Francisco, CA** — Mayor London N. Breed and Supervisor Matt Haney today announced an update on the proposed SAFE Navigation Center at Seawall Lot 330 on the Embarcadero, which will serve 200 clients as part of Mayor Breed's plan to open 1,000 new shelter beds by the end of 2020.

Mayor Breed and Supervisor Haney crafted the updated proposal following weeks of community outreach and conversations with stakeholders. It includes starting the number of clients that the Navigation Center will serve when it opens at 130 individuals, which mirrors other existing Navigation Centers. After opening, the SAFE Navigation Center will have



ramp-up to add an additional 70 beds over a six-month period to reach 200 beds. Additionally, the area surrounding the Navigation Center will receive an increased presence of beat officers. The lease for the SAFE Navigation Center will be for an initial two years, after which the Port Commission will have the option to extend the lease for an additional two-years.

“We are focused on addressing our homelessness crisis and helping our unhoused residents get the care and shelter they need while also doing our best to address some of the concerns that we have heard from neighbors,” said Mayor Breed. “Over the last month, we had heard ideas and feedback from residents and people who live in the area, whether they support the idea or oppose it, and we have incorporated some of those ideas so we can move forward with this SAFE Navigation Center on the Seawall Lot. We know that these Centers have been successful in other neighborhoods and in helping people to exit homelessness, and I believe this Center will help us continue to address the challenges of people living on our streets.”

Since Mayor Breed announced the proposed SAFE Navigation Center on March 4<sup>th</sup>, the City has held more than a dozen meetings with community groups and residents to detail the need for the SAFE Navigation Center and how the center would work, as well as solicit feedback. The proposal unveiled today incorporates elements of that feedback, including the six-month ramp-up period and the expanded beat officer presence, which will be in effect seven days a week. Additionally, the proposed lease for the SAFE Navigation Center will be for two years, after which the Port Commission will have the option to extend the lease for an additional two-years.

“Navigation Centers work because when done right and run well, they result in positive outcomes for both the people they serve, and for the neighborhoods where they are located,” said Supervisor Matt Haney. “The Mayor’s Office and Department of Homelessness have committed to me and to the community that this Center will be well-run and safe, and be a true “navigation” center, which effectively transitions people from homelessness into services and housing. These changes reflect that commitment, and they come as a result of dozens of community meetings and collaboration with neighborhood leaders and service providers.”

“The Embarcadero SAFE Navigation Center will be a key tool to bring more of those suffering on our streets indoors, and to ultimately help them end their homelessness,” said Jeff Kositsky, Director of the Department of Homelessness and Supportive Housing. “We appreciate the leadership of Mayor Breed and Supervisor Haney to come together with community and people experiencing homelessness to learn, understand concerns, and take steps to address them.”

The Port Commission is scheduled to vote on the proposal at their April 23<sup>rd</sup> meeting.

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**Cc:** [Feliciano, Josephine \(CPC\)](#)  
**Subject:** FW: Gender Analysis of Commission and Boards: Please Complete Survey by March 29 Deadline  
**Date:** Monday, April 15, 2019 11:24:49 AM  
**Attachments:** [Memo to Commission Secretaries 2019.pdf](#)  
[DOSW Data Collection Sheet 2019.pdf](#)

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Commissioners,  
Some of you have already completed this survey and may ignore this reminder. The Dept of the Status of Women is requesting your assistance in completing this survey.

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**Subject:** FW: Gender Analysis of Commission and Boards: Please Complete Survey by March 29 Deadline

Hi Jonas,

Below is the forward of the initial survey request. Thank you.

Best,  
Diana

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**Cc:** Newman, Elizabeth (WOM) <[elizabeth.newman@sfgov.org](mailto:elizabeth.newman@sfgov.org)>  
**Subject:** Gender Analysis of Commission and Boards: Please Complete Survey by March 29 Deadline

Dear Jonas,

We have you on file as the staff contact for both the **Historic Preservation Commission** and the **Planning Commission**. If this is incorrect, please let me know. The Department on the Status of Women is required to conduct and publish a gender analysis of Commissions and Boards every 2 years per a 2008 city charter amendment (section 4.101). As such, we are asking every policy body contact to assist us in compiling disaggregated data for each respective policy body by **Friday, March 29, 2019**. More details can be found in the attached memo.

For your convenience, we have two options for capturing the requested information:

- There is an attached paper survey that can be printed and filled out by members, which you can use to compile the data for your policy body and complete the digital survey on behalf of all members.
- You can use the digital survey to respond to questions 1-11 and send the [link to the digital survey](#) to members to identify themselves. Please note that we will be following up with you to ensure all members complete the survey by the requested date.

**Here is the digital survey link:** <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/2019GenderAnalysis>. We greatly appreciate your cooperation and assistance. Please contact me for more information or with any questions at [Diana.McCaffrey@sfgov.org](mailto:Diana.McCaffrey@sfgov.org) or (415)252-3205. We look forward to hearing from you soon.

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**Subject:** HPC Calendars for April 17, 2019  
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[20190417\\_hpc.pdf](#)  
[HPC Advance - 20190417.xlsx](#)  
[HPC Hearing Results 2019.docx](#)

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Commissioners,  
Attached are your Calendars for April 17, 2019.

Should be short.

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**Cc:** [Feliciano, Josephine \(CPC\)](#)  
**Subject:** FW: SB 50 and SB 4 Proposed Amendments - Sign-on letter  
**Date:** Thursday, April 11, 2019 9:41:21 AM  
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[ATT00001.htm](#)

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Please forward to the HPC

- Tim

Begin forwarded message:

**From:** Mike Buhler <[MBuhler@sfheritage.org](mailto:MBuhler@sfheritage.org)>  
**Date:** April 10, 2019 at 4:55:30 PM PDT  
**To:** "Frye, Tim (CPC)" <[tim.frye@sfgov.org](mailto:tim.frye@sfgov.org)>  
**Subject:** SB 50 and SB 4 Proposed Amendments - Sign-on letter

This message is from outside the City email system. Do not open links or attachments from untrusted sources.

FYI, Tim – forgot to mention this letter – coordinated by Heritage and CPF – during our call today. CPF’s lobbyist in Sacramento, among others, are distributing and talking to Wiener, McGuire, and committee members...

**From:** [Rahaim, John \(CPC\)](#)  
**To:** [Richards, Dennis \(CPC\)](#); [Johnson, Milicent \(CPC\)](#); [Koppel, Joel \(CPC\)](#); [Moore, Kathrin \(CPC\)](#); [Melgar, Myrna \(CPC\)](#); "Rich Hillis"; [Aaron Jon Hyland - HPC](#); [andrew@tefarch.com](#); [Black, Kate \(CPC\)](#); [Diane Matsuda](#); [Ellen Johnck - HPC](#); [Jonathan Pearlman](#); [Richard S. E. Johns](#); [Feliciano, Josephine \(CPC\)](#)  
**Cc:** [Ionin, Jonas \(CPC\)](#); [Feliciano, Josephine \(CPC\)](#)  
**Subject:** Survey on Gender Analysis of Commissions  
**Date:** Wednesday, April 10, 2019 1:33:03 PM

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Commissioners:

The Department on the Status of Women has asked us for our help in encouraging you fill out the survey on gender inclusion in the city. They've asked us to emphasize that the information will be strictly confidential, and will be presented in an anonymous format.

I would encourage you all to take the time to do this survey. Thank you!

John

**From:** Ionin, Jonas (CPC)  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 07, 2019 10:41 AM  
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Commissioners,

Please take the time to fill out the data collection sheet and submit to me at your earliest convenience. It is due March 29<sup>th</sup>. This is not mandatory, nor are you obligated to complete every section in order to submit.

Thank you,

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**\*\*\* PRESS RELEASE \*\*\***

**MAYOR LONDON N. BREED'S PROP C WAIVER  
LEGISLATION PASSES BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

*Mayor Breed's legislation will allow companies to voluntarily agree to waive their rights to a refund should Prop C be found invalid by the courts, in return for a 10% deduction on their tax liability*

**San Francisco, CA** — The Board of Supervisors today passed Mayor London N. Breed's legislation that will allow companies subject to November 2018's Proposition C gross receipts tax to voluntarily agree to waive their right to a refund should that legislation be found invalid by the courts. In return for this agreement, the company would receive a 10% deduction on their tax liability and the City would be available to spend the funding immediately instead of waiting for any legal uncertainty to be resolved. Supervisor Vallie Brown co-sponsored the legislation.

Proposition C, a tax to support homelessness and housing services, passed with roughly 61% of the vote and is currently held up due to legal uncertainty. The funding from the legislation is being collected, but the Controller is not authorizing the City to spend the funding due to the

litigation risk. Should the courts rule that Prop C was required to meet a 2/3 vote threshold, the money being held by the Controller will have to be refunded.

With Mayor Breed's legislation, companies can choose to waive their right to have a portion or the total of their taxes refunded if the courts ultimately require the 2/3 threshold to be met. In return for waiving these recovery rights, the companies would receive a 10% tax liability deduction. This would potentially free up funding that the City would otherwise be unable to spend until the matter is settled in court.

"While we expected that this funding would likely be tied up in litigation due to the legal uncertainty, this is one way to make some of the funding available sooner rather than later," said Mayor Breed. "In the meantime, we are moving forward with my shelter crisis legislation and my plan to open 1,000 new shelter beds by the end of next year, in addition to increasing resources for behavioral health and substance use treatment and more permanent supportive housing for our homeless."

In October 2018, Mayor Breed announced a plan to add 1,000 new shelter beds by 2020, with 500 of them being built by this summer. In order to achieve this goal, she today signed into law her legislation to streamline the creation of new shelters and Navigations Centers. Since taking office, Mayor Breed has opened a total of 338 new Navigation Center beds.

"San Franciscans are in dire need on our streets right now. We need San Francisco businesses to step up, make use of the waiver, and help us meet the need," said Supervisor Vallie Brown. "The courts can be slow, and this legislation frees up funds to move more quickly. We're in crisis – let's act like it."

The legislation passed today on the first reading. The second reading is scheduled for Tuesday, April 16.

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**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:**

Monday, April 8, 2019

Contact: Mayor's Office of Communications, 415-554-6131

**\*\*\* PRESS RELEASE \*\*\***

**MAYOR LONDON BREED ANNOUNCES MEMBERS OF  
JUVENILE JUSTICE REFORM BLUE RIBBON PANEL**

*Panel of juvenile justice experts will begin meeting in April in order to make recommendations  
for comprehensive reform to the entire juvenile justice system*

**San Francisco, CA** — Mayor London N. Breed today announced the composition of her Juvenile Justice Reform Blue Ribbon Panel, which will focus on comprehensive and system-wide reform to San Francisco's juvenile justice system. The first meeting of the Blue Ribbon Panel is tentatively scheduled for April 18<sup>th</sup> and their report is expected to be filed within six months of the first meeting.

The panel will be co-chaired by San Francisco Human Rights Commission Executive Director Sheryl Davis and Corey Monroe, a twenty year member of the Omega Boys Club of San Francisco who works with incarcerated youth in the juvenile justice system, teaching them how to avoid the risk factors that lead to violence and drug abuse. The panel will consist of elected officials, City representatives, Superior Court Judges, advocacy group members, service providers, and residents with lived experiences in the juvenile justice system. The

effort will be facilitated and assisted by experts and leaders in criminal justice reform with decades of experience, including David Muhammed, Executive Director of National Institute for Criminal Justice Reform, and Shawn Ginwright, author and Professor of Ethnic Studies at San Francisco State University. A complete list of participants is included below.

“I am proud that we are able to bring together such a diverse group of leaders to provide their expertise, insight, and experiences on how to best reform our juvenile justice system,” said Mayor Breed. “While we have had success in greatly reducing the number of incarcerated youth in San Francisco, we need to take the next step and reimagine what our system will be in the future. I am confident that we can enact equitable, comprehensive reforms that better serve both our young people and the City.”

The juvenile justice system is the structure of the criminal justice system that deals with crimes allegedly committed by minors, and is focused on rehabilitation. It includes both government and community agencies that work with at-risk youth, ranging from non-profit contractors providing community-based advocacy and counseling; juvenile probation and group homes; the county Juvenile Justice Center (formerly known as the Youth Guidance Center, or YGC); and the state-run Division of Juvenile Justice detention facilities. San Francisco has emphasized rehabilitation and counseling, reducing the number of detained youth by two-thirds over the last fifteen years.

“Juvenile justice reform is not new to San Francisco or to Mayor Breed,” said Human Rights Commission Director Sheryl Davis, who has over 15 years of experience overseeing community-based organizations that work with low-income youth and families on economic development and violence prevention. “At the heart of this should be addressing the systemic issues that contribute to the inequities we see in our communities and prisons. An approach void of exploring prevention, systems change, resource allocation and alternative supports is doomed to fail. We want to ensure youth are prepared for success that we are prepared to help them be the best person they can be.”

“As someone who has worked for decades to change and save lives of those who have entered juvenile hall, we know that we can help those kids, especially young men of color who are disproportionately represented in the system,” said Corey Monroe. “When these young people do get into trouble, we are there to ensure that they don’t begin a pattern of incarceration. That is how we have reduced the number of kids in juvenile hall, and we will continue to do that work through this panel.”

The Panel is charged with identifying systematic, implementable, and compassionate reforms to drastically reduce the number of youth detained in both Juvenile Hall and the state Division of Juvenile Justice. They will evaluate existing programming, facilities, and the statutory requirements of the juvenile justice system, with a focus on reinvestment and creating opportunities for at-risk youth. With an emphasis on feasibility and implementation, the Panel will recommend alternatives to detention and appropriate funding levels for related programming; compatible uses and investments for the City’s existing facilities at the Log Cabin Ranch and the Juvenile Justice Center; and will create a plan for eliminating discretionary youth detention in San Francisco.

### ***Mayor Breed’s Blue Ribbon Panel on Juvenile Justice Reform***

#### **Co-Chairs**

Sheryl Davis, Executive Director, San Francisco Human Rights Commission  
Corey Davis, Community Partner

### **City Leaders**

Chief Allen Nance, Juvenile Probation Department  
Patti Lee, Deputy Public Defender  
Tiffany Sutton, Director of Crime Strategies Division, Police Department  
Katherine Weinstein Miller, Deputy District Attorney  
Maria Su, Executive Directive, Department of Children, Youth and Families  
Joan Miller, Director of Child Welfare, Human Services Agency  
Ben Rosenfeld, Controller  
Naomi Kelly, City Administrator  
Vincent Matthews, Superintendent, San Francisco Unified School District  
Dr. Anton Nigusse Bland, Director of Mental Health Reform, Department of Public Health  
Youth Commissioner to be announced  
Juvenile Probation Commissioner to be announced

### **Superior Court**

Judge Roger Chan, Presiding Judge  
Judge Monica Wiley  
Judge Pat Mahoney (ret.)

### **Advocacy Organizations**

Dan Macallair, Executive Director, Center on Juvenile and Criminal Justice (CJ CJ)  
Dawn Stueckle, Co-Founder & Executive Director, Sunset Youth Services  
Rudy Corpuz, Executive Director, United Playaz  
Jessica Nowlan, Executive Director, Young Women's Freedom Center  
Allison Magee, Executive Director, Zellerbach Family Foundation  
Kasie Lee, San Francisco Bar Association

### **Community Members**

Liz Jackson-Simpson, Executive Director, Success Center  
Michael Texada, Social Work Associate, UCSF Wraparound Project  
Sarah Wan, Executive Director, Community Youth Center  
Arturo Carillo, Program Director, Street Violence Intervention Program  
Robert Figone, Retired YGC, education programming

### **Consultants**

David Muhammad, Executive Director, National Institute for Criminal Justice Reform  
Shawn Ginwright, Professor, San Francisco State University

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**Subject:** RE: Recusal Forms

Commissioners,

Below, is a link to the new Recusal Form due within 15 days of recusal from any item. Including, items you would have recused yourself from even if you were not present at the time of the hearing.

Once completed, submit to me and I will forward to Ethics.

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**Subject:** RE: Recusal Forms

Hello, Jonas –

The Recusal forms are available [here](#). You can also navigate to it from <https://sfethics.org> > compliance  
> city officers > conflict of interest – city officers.

Thank you,

Pat

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Any update?

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**Subject:** RE: Recusal Forms

Jonas, as I'd mentioned, the recusal forms are in draft. We're shooting for having them ready by early next week.

In the meantime, as events unfurl on your end, would you please us posted as to the need for the recusal forms?

Thanks,  
Pat

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Jonas, here's San Francisco Campaign & Governmental Conduct Code [Sec. 3.209](#) re Recusals.

I'm checking on the status of the draft Forms.

Pat

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**Subject:** Recusal Forms

Patricia,

I can't seem to find any links to the required form for recusals...any assistance would be appreciated.

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Hello,

Please forward the attached Categorical Exemptions to HPC Commissioners.

Thank You,

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**Subject:** Spring 2019 Pictorial / Face Sheet

Hi all –

The updated staff pictorial / face sheet is now available.

For future reference, you can download the pictorial from the Plan-Net Portal's homepage.

Thanks,  
Candace

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**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:**

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**\*\*\* PRESS RELEASE \*\*\***  
**MAYOR LONDON BREED ANNOUNCES BRIDGE TO  
EXCELLENCE SCHOLARS PROGRAM**

*Mayor Breed's Bridge to Excellence Scholars Program will provide scholarship awards to graduating high school seniors from low-income backgrounds to overcome financial barriers in attending college*

**San Francisco, CA** — Today Mayor London Breed announced her Bridge to Excellence Scholars Program, which will provide scholarships to highly-motivated graduating high school seniors from low-income and under-resourced communities in order to help overcome financial barriers they face to attend college.

The Bridge to Excellence Scholars Program will award up to two students from each of San Francisco's 18 public high schools with \$2,500 each in scholarship awards. This will be the largest scholarship program run by the Mayor's Office since it began in 2011. Funding for the scholarship comes from the generous sponsorship of business and philanthropic partners.

"Having grown up in poverty I understand firsthand the life-changing impact that higher

education can provide. I would not be serving as the Mayor of San Francisco were it not for the doors that my education opened for me,” said Mayor Breed. “I look forward to seeing what these students will accomplish, and all that they will one day give back to our city.”

To be eligible for the scholarship, applicants must be a San Francisco Unified School District High School Senior graduating in Spring 2019 with a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.20. Applicants must demonstrate a significant financial need and be the first in their family to attend a four-year college. The application window will be open until Monday, April 29, 2019. The Mayor’s Office will review all qualified candidates and notify recipients by the end of May.

Applicants can find more information and apply at <https://sfmayor.org/priorities/education>.

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**Subject:** FW: Mayor's Office staffing changes

PLEASE DISTRIBUTE TO COMMISSIONERS

Good morning Commission Secretaries-

I wanted to make sure that you were aware of the staffing changes in the Mayor's office. As described below, Kanishka Karunaratne Cheng will be taking over as Commission Liaison and I will be moving on to a new role as public safety and criminal justice advisor.

It has been a great pleasure working with you all and I am sure we will have opportunities to work together in the near future.

One matter of business before my duties in this role have officially ended – This week marks the beginning of the new fiscal quarter, **please send quarterly attendance reports directly to Kanishka AND Rebecca** (both copied). The Mayor is very much interested in commissioner attendance so please do not delay in sending if possible. I am attaching a template, should you choose to use it.

Regards,

**Mawuli Tugbenyoh 杜本樂**  
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**Subject:** Mayor's Office staffing changes

Department Heads,

Good afternoon. I would like all of you to be aware of the following staffing changes in the Mayor's Office effective today. Please inform your staff of these changes.

Sophia Kittler will now be Mayor Breed's Liaison to the Board of Supervisors. Please direct all non-Budget Board related questions/issues/concerns to her. Budget issues will continue to run through Kelly Kirkpatrick and her team, although Sophia will be working with Kelly throughout the budget season. You can reach Sophia by phone at (415) 554-6153.

Kanishka Cheng will move on from her service as Board Liaison and now be responsible for monitoring and serving as a liaison to all City Commissions, and will be responsible for all nominations/confirmations of commissioners. For those of you with Commissions, please direct your Commission related questions/issues/concerns to her. She can be reached by phone at (415) 554-6696.

Finally, Mawuli Tugbenyoh will be taking over a new position for the Mayor, identified by her as a need in our current structure, as her policy advisor on public safety. Mawuli will coordinate the Mayor's policy positions on all things public safety, criminal justice, and violence prevention, and be available to the Mayor on other issues on an as-needed basis. Mawuli can be reached at (415) 554-6298.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at (415) 554-6650.

Thank you for all that you do for the City,  
Sean



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*New poll shows 68 percent of respondents in favor of San Francisco favor building on success of CleanPowerSF program to provide power to the City*

**San Francisco, CA** — Nearly 70 percent of respondents support San Francisco providing power to City residents and businesses, according to a new survey carried out by a third-party polling firm.

Following an announcement in January that PG&E would seek bankruptcy protection, Mayor Breed, City Attorney Dennis Herrera, and other City leaders have been exploring ways to potentially acquire PG&E infrastructure. Mayor Breed directed the San Francisco Public Utilities Commission (SFPUC) to conduct a feasibility study on the near and long-term impacts of PG&E's bankruptcy, and to identify all possible options to ensure continuity for San Francisco power customers, including the potential acquisition of the company's assets. The initial findings from the feasibility study will be released later this month.

Of the 435 residents queried in the poll, 68 percent were in favor of the SFPUC delivering public power to the City, citing more affordable rates, increased accountability and better service as reasons for their support. Many residents noted SFPUC's 100-year history of reliably delivering greenhouse gas-free hydroelectricity from the Hetch Hetchy Reservoir as an additional reason for their backing of the plan.

"These results show that San Franciscans believe we can reliably provide power for our residents and businesses. The City has consistently demonstrated the ability to provide affordable water, power, and sewer services, and with PG&E's bankruptcy we may have an opportunity to better secure San Francisco's energy future," said Mayor Breed. "The success of our CleanPowerSF program has laid the groundwork for potentially acquiring assets from PG&E, and we are exploring that option."

The poll was conducted by Goodwin Simon Strategic Research, an opinion research firm. The respondents were all registered San Francisco voters who were contacted via landline, cell phone and text messages. The survey was conducted in English, Cantonese and Spanish.

The objective of the poll was to gather feedback on public power options for San Francisco residents, and to move forward strategically with plans based on the priorities of the respondents. In the poll, affordability, cleaner energy and safety were listed as the three most important considerations—objectives that the SFPUC will prioritize when making recommendations to the Mayor and Board of Supervisors regarding acquisition and other options.

"PG&E has been putting profits before public safety for years. Their track record is clear, from transformers blowing up in San Francisco to the deadly explosion in San Bruno to the utter devastation of the Northern California wildfires," said City Attorney Dennis Herrera. "We have a duty to San Francisco residents to thoroughly explore whether the City can provide power that is cheaper, cleaner and safer. That's exactly what we're doing."

After hearing arguments both supporting and opposing the plan, 68 percent of the respondents were in favor of SFPUC acquiring the assets, accounting for the final tally of the poll.

"The poll results clearly show that the majority of San Franciscans are ready to embrace public power," said Supervisor Aaron Peskin, who sponsored last year's Proposition A: Clean, Safe & Affordable Energy Act. "What began with overwhelming support for Prop A last year -- which enabled the City to begin local build-out of our own clean energy infrastructure -- has expanded to widespread support for the acquisition and operation of PG&E's existing utilities by and for the public. San Franciscans support clean, green and affordable energy and they trust the City to do it."

"We have a proven track record of delivering power to this City for more than 100 years," said SFPUC General Manager Harlan L. Kelly, Jr. "If our City leaders and our residents want us to move in the direction of acquiring electric infrastructure, we have confidence in our ability to deliver public power to San Francisco."

SFPUC is currently carrying out its largest and last major enrollment of CleanPowerSF, the City's community choice energy program. By the end of April, more than 360,000 customers will be enrolled in the program, which offers cleaner energy options at rates that are below the

costs of PG&E. Combined with the hydroelectricity provided by the Hetch Hetchy regional system—which powers Muni vehicles, City Hall and Zuckerberg San Francisco General Hospital, among others—SFPUC will meet 80 percent of the electricity demand in the City, following the complete rollout of CleanPowerSF.

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