

# SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT OVERSIGHT BOARD

## CITY AND COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO

### MEETING MINUTES – DRAFT

Friday, September 18, 2026 – 2:00 PM

San Francisco City Hall  
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place, Room 408  
San Francisco, CA 94102-4689  
Special Meeting

WILLIAM PALMER II, PRESIDENT • ESTELA ORTIZ, VICE PRESIDENT  
CARLA CUEVAS • SCOTT DIGNAN • DIANE LOZANO • GALE ROSBORO • JULIE D. SOO

DAN LEUNG, BOARD SECRETARY

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**Members Present:** Carla Cuevas, Scott Dignan, Diane Lozano, Estela Ortiz, William Palmer II, Gale Rosboro, and Julie D. Soo

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*The Sheriff's Oversight Board of the City and County of San Francisco met in special session on Friday, September 18, 2026, with President William Palmer, II presiding.*

*President Palmer called the meeting to order at 2:12 p.m.*

### ROLL CALL AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*On the call of the roll. Board Members Cuevas, Dignan, Lozano, Ortiz, Palmer, and Rosboro were noted present. Member Soo arrived at 2:30 p.m.*

*A quorum of the Board was present.*

*Board Secretary Leung thanked SFGovTV for recording and televising the meeting on Cable Channel 26, and welcomed members of the public to attend board meetings and provide public comment in-person, by email at [sdob@sfgov.org](mailto:sdob@sfgov.org), or by US Postal mail addressed to the Office of the Inspector General, 1 South Van Ness Ave, 8th Floor, San Francisco, CA 94103; and noted that in person comment was limited to 2 minutes with General Public Comment taken at the end of the meeting.*

### CIVIL GRAND JURY REPORT

*President Palmer led the discussion regarding the review process for the Civil Grand Jury report, receiving a procedural motion and input from Members Lozano, Dignan, and Ortiz.*

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

*There was no public comment.*

**Member Lozano, seconded by Member Dignan, made a procedural motion to proceed one item at a time to vote on whether the Board agrees or disagrees on each of the Civil Grand Jury findings and recommendations before discussing the substantive written responses. The motion carried the following vote:**

*In favor: Cuevas, Dignan, Lozano, Ortiz, Palmer, Rosboro, Soo*

*Opposed: None*

**APPROVED.**

*President Palmer led the discussion regarding Civil Grand Jury Finding F1. The Board reviewed jail inspection parameters, including Brown Act compliance, unannounced site visits, and regional facility scopes. Following substantive input and real-time amendments from Members Cuevas, Lozano, Soo, Ortiz, and Rosboro.*

**President Palmer introduced a consolidated motion to adopt the final response language, which was seconded by Member Lozano. The motion carried the following vote:**

*In favor: Cuevas, Dignan, Lozano, Ortiz, Palmer, Rosboro, Soo*

*Opposed: None*

**APPROVED.**

*President Palmer led the discussion regarding Civil Grand Jury Finding F3. The Board reviewed jail capacity parameters, including systemic external drivers, mental health housing, separate data tracking intervals, and Crowding Committee meeting frequencies, following substantive input and real-time amendments from Members Cuevas, Rosboro, Soo, Ortiz, and Lozano.*

**President Palmer introduced a consolidated motion to adopt the final response language, which was seconded by Member Lozano. The motion carried the following vote:**

*In favor: Cuevas, Dignan, Lozano, Ortiz, Palmer, Rosboro, Soo*

*Opposed: None*

**APPROVED.**

*President Palmer led the discussion regarding Civil Grand Jury Finding F13. The Board reviewed jail lockdown parameters, including minimum staffing shortfalls, constitutional right to counsel, voluntary inmate surveys, and compliance with the San Francisco Language Access Ordinance, following substantive input and real-time amendments from Members Soo, Lozano, Ortiz, and Rosboro.*

**President Palmer introduced a consolidated motion to adopt the final response language, which was seconded by Member Lozano. The motion carried the following vote:**

*In favor: Cuevas, Dignan, Lozano, Ortiz, Palmer, Rosboro, Soo*

*Opposed: None*

**APPROVED.****PUBLIC COMMENT/GRAND JURY UPDATE:**

*Margaret Keane, representing the Civil Grand Jury, addressed the Board regarding the legislative progress of the investigative report. She noted that the report was recently presented to*

*a Board of Supervisors committee and clarified that various municipal entities must individually address specific segments of the 13 total recommendations. Ms. Kean reported that once voted on, the consolidated package will be monitored by the City Controller via a master tracking spreadsheet over a two- to three-year period. She offered to provide a condensed 12-slide presentation to Chief of Staff Wong for Board distribution and welcomed future Brown Act-compliant discussion.*

## **INDEPENDENT OVERSIGHT AND BOARD GOVERNANCE**

*Due to time constraints, the matter was tabled to a future meeting.*

## **ANNOUNCEMENT AND ORGANIZATION OF PRESIDENTIAL ADVISORY COMMITTEES**

*Due to time constraints, the matter was tabled to a future meeting.*

## **BOARD MEMBER LEGACY PORTRAITS AND ADMINISTRATIVE PHOTOGRAPHY**

*Due to an administrative miscommunication regarding the scheduling of the photographer for this meeting, the matter was tabled, and a request was made to coordinate the photography session for the next board hearing.*

## **GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT**

*There was no general public comment.*

## **ADJOURNMENT**

*There being no further business—and having continued the remaining items due to a combination of time constraints, and administrative miscommunications, the Board adjourned at the hour of 4:30 p.m.*

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