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 SFPUC Citizen"s Advisory Committee feedback

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Hello,

I am reaching to provide comment on the Commission Streamlining Task Force evaluation of the SFPUC Citizen's Advisory Committee(CAC).

The recommendations published online do not capture the oversight role the SFPUC CAC provides to the SFPUC. CY2024 meeting frequency is indicated as 4, while we had 8 meetings.

The SFPUC CAC provides a detailed level of review and feedback to the SFPUC that the SFPUC Commissioners are generally not able to achieve in their leadership roles. SFPUC Commissioners come to the SFPUC CAC to get citizen feedback on SFPUC in greater detail than is possible in a two-minute public comment period. SFPUC staff typically provide filtered feedback to SFPUC Commissioners when they receive requests for information.

SFPUC Commissioners also come to the SFPUC to get detailed technical understanding of SFPUC water, wastewater and power enterprises, as SFPUC Commissioners typically have a certain areas of expertise, and do not have proficiency in the full range of SFPUC enterprise operations.

SFPUC staff come to the CAC to receive feedback prior to making reports and presentation to the general public. This feedback helps SFPUC staff with effective communication of highly technical content. The SFPUC CAC makes requests of SFPUC staff where deficienies are identified, with follow ups at future meetings.

The recommendation to eliminate the CAC would significantly reduce public oversight of the SFPUC, and disconnect the SFPUC from the general public that it serves.

Thanks,



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