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"Comparing the list of 'Deferred Decisions' in the November 21 'Decision Log' to the list of 'Deferred or Additional Decisions' in the 'Planned Meeting Calendar,' there appears to be many glaring omissions!"

Re: **Discrepancies Between "Deferred Decisions" List in "Decision Log," and "Planned Meeting Calendar"**

Dear Chair Harrington and Commission Streamlining Task Force Members,

Comparing the list of "Deferred Decisions" listed on pages 27 and 28 in the November 21 "Decision Log" posted on the Commission Streamlining Task Forces web site as of November 30, 2025 to the list of "Deferred or Additional Decisions" for the December 3, December 12, and December 18 Streamlining Task Force in the "Planned Meeting Calendar" dated November 26 also posted on the Task Force's web site, there appears to be many glaring omissions!

The "Deferred Decisions" list on pages 27 and 28 in the "Decision Log" lists a total of 36 deferred decisions, six of which were "revisited" and determined during the Task Force's November 19 meeting, leaving 30 decisions still to be made, several of which involved multiple, or all, governance and advisory bodies.

"Will there be an additional meeting, or meetings, calendared to address the 10 or more items not yet calendared for a specific meeting date, to resolve all of the 30 outstanding deferred decisions, before the 'Draft Report' is first presented?"

By contrast, pages 13 through 15 in the November 26 "Planned Meeting Calendar" only lists a total of 20 bodies as topic areas to determine deferred and additional items, all of them including single governance and advisory bodies, and none of them involving multi-body, or all bodies, facing a deferred item contained in the "Decision Log."

Will there be an additional meeting, or meetings, calendared to address the 10 or more items not yet calendared for a specific meeting date, to resolve all of the 30 outstanding deferred decisions, before the "Draft Report" is presented?

On pages 3 and 4 of this letter, I have scanned pages 27 and 28 of the "Decision Log" into a graphic format, and then applied yellow shading to the list of 17 deferred items that are **not** yet calendared for discussion, with my handwritten annotated dates of 11 items that are scheduled to be resolved on December 3, December 12, and December 18.

I am assuming, of course, that all 36 of the "Deferred Decisions" listed on pages 27 and 28 of the "Decision Log" will need to be resolved **before** your draft report will be presented for a second time on January 14.

Frankly, I'm at a loss of understanding why all of the 36 "Deferred Decisions" **weren't** resolved **before** the Task Force is presented its "Draft Report" for the first time on December 18.

The gap in timing and meeting logistics just don't make logical sense.

In addition, although I had written to Ms. Alonso separately on November 18, there are two other unaddressed decisions that are not scheduled on the three meetings in December, and don't appear on the list of "Deferred Decisions" on pages 27 and 28 in the "Decision Log," including:

1. **Disaster Council:** The meeting minutes of the Public Safety policy topic meeting on September 3 reports on page 5:

"Mr. Givner replied that the [Disaster Council] membership qualifications will need to be codified by seat. He recommended that DEM work with his office to **draft the updated qualifications which could be introduced to the Task Force at a later date** so it could be included in the final Task Force report and drafted legislation sent to the Board of Supervisors."

While the 11/21/25 “*Decision Log*” (page 10) reports the membership qualifications for the Disaster Council will be updated, there is nothing in the list of “*Deferred Decisions*” on pages 27 and 283 of the 11/21/25 “*Decision Log*” describing the updated qualifications for the Disaster Council members that were to be introduced to the Task Force at a later date on November 19 or December 18. Why not?

2. **Long-Term Care Coordinating Council (LTCCC).** The meeting minutes of the Public Health and Wellbeing policy topic meeting on October 15 only reports on page 11 that the Streamlining Task Force voted to eliminate the LTCCC, but neither the meeting minutes nor the “*Decision Log*” (page 16) report what decision the Streamlining Task Force made with respect to the LTCCC’s nominating and appointing authority to appoint three members to the Dignity Fund Oversight and Advisory Committee (DF OAC).

Shouldn’t the Streamlining Task Force be deciding what to do with the three appointments to the DF OAC during one of the three meetings in December? And shouldn’t that be explicitly stated in the “*Decision Log*”?||

Finally, Task Force member Sophie Hayward asked for a list showing the establishing authorities (i.e., “Charter” vs. “Admin Code”) for all bodies, presumably to reflect all decisions the Task Force has made between the “*Public Safety Bodies*” discussion on September 3, through today’s date. But so far, such a list has not been published (as far as I can tell) on the Task Force’s web site, and it isn’t listed as a handout for the December 3 meeting, either. When will that list be prepared and provided to Member Hayward and to members of the public?

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Deferred Decisions

11/21/2025

Deferred Decisions			
Type or Name of Public Body	Item	Date Deferred	Date Revisited
Advisory	Clearly state roles and limitations for advisory bodies	7/16/2025	
All	Sunset dates should be staggered so not all bodies come up for expiration simultaneously	7/16/2025	
All	Should term lengths and limit restrictions apply to existing appointees or only new appointees?	N/A	
All	Validate compensation and benefits decisions and applicability to existing members/bodies vs new members/bodies.	N/A	
Governance	Establishing authority (charter vs code)	8/6/2025	
Appeals	Establishing authority (charter vs code)	8/6/2025	
Appeals	Regarding sunset dates, how to operationalize requiring evaluation of workload and purpose every 5 years?	8/6/2025	
Appeals	Should split appointments be required?	8/6/2025	
Appeals	Define removal authority stricter than "at will" but less than "for cause"	8/6/2025	
✓ Juvenile Justice Coordinating Council	The state requires the body to have 12 members. The relevant template establishes a maximum of 15 members. The JJCC currently has 20 members. The Task Force will decide in a future meeting whether to remove 5 seats from the body.	9/3/2025	12/3
✗ Police Commission	Defer decision on how to handle disciplinary matters originating with the Department of Police Accountability (DPA)	9/3/2025	11/19/2025
✗ Municipal Transportation Agency	Consider requiring a Mayoral appointee to be a resident of Mission Bay or other neighborhoods impacted by commission	9/17/2025	
✗ Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC)	streamlining		
✓ Building Inspection Commission	Implications of making advisory. Which functions should remain in the Charter and which should move to Code?	10/1/2025	12/3
✓ Arts Commission	Implications of making advisory. Which functions should remain in the Charter and which should move to Code?	10/1/2025	
✗ Historic Preservation Commission	Which functions should remain in charter and which should move to code?	10/1/2025	
✗ Film Commission	How to simplify seat requirements/qualifications?	10/1/2025	11/19/2025
✗ Film Commission	Current term length is 4 years, which is the governance template standard. Need to discuss whether to keep a 4-year term x 3 terms (given the body will not sunset) or change to 3-year terms x 4 terms (to align with advisory template)	10/1/2025	11/19/2025
✗ Film Commission	Task Force did not explicitly discuss removing department head firing authority, but change is implied through alignment with advisory template. Will confirm in a subsequent meeting.	10/1/2025	11/19/2025
✗ Governance	For governance bodies with split appointments, revisit whether the Board of Supervisors should have the ability to reject Mayoral appointments	10/1/2025	11/19/2025
SOMA Community Stabilization Fund Community Advisory Committee	Clarify future revenue	10/1/2025	
SOMA Community Stabilization Fund Community Advisory Committee	Discuss term lengths/limits. Currently it is 4 years x 2 terms, which does not align with any template	10/1/2025	
✓ Committee on City Workforce Alignment	Work with OEWD to potentially identify two City seats for removal	10/1/2025	12/18
✗ Family Violence Council	Work with the Mayor's Office of Victim Rights to identify 13 seats to be removed	10/15/2025	11/19/2025
Our Children, Our Family Council	The body has duties assigned elsewhere in the Charter which will need to continue. The City Attorney's Office recommended assigning the work to the OCOF Initiative (a group of City staff), but the Task Force asked to revisit options	10/15/2025	
✓ Commission on Aging Advisory Council	Develop a proposal for how to combine the Commission on Aging Advisory Council and Dignity Fund Oversight and Advisory Committee by investigating functions and composition. Will not need to fit within the advisory template.	10/15/2025	12/3
✓ Homelessness Oversight Commission	Modify qualifications to satisfy HUD. Retain 1 seat for someone currently or formerly homeless.	10/15/2025	12/3
Retiree Health Care Trust Fund Board	Staff to report back to the Task Force about implications of moving from Charter to Code	11/5/2025	

① Listed as R/14, 14, 14 or R/14 as Governance or Advisory on 12/3

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Type or Name of Public Body	Item	Date Deferred	Date Revisited
Commission Streamlining Task Force	Staff to report back to the Task Force about options for the City to periodically convene a Commission Streamlining Task Force. Staff will investigate other jurisdictions' practices as well as moving the body from the Charter to Code.	11/5/2025	12/18
Ethics Commission	Staff to report back to the Task Force about ways to modify ballot measure authority	11/5/2025	
✓ Ballot Simplification Committee	Staff to report back to the Task Force about how to modify qualifications and nomination requirements	11/5/2025	12/5
Refuse Rate Board	Term lengths and limits for public member	11/5/2025	
✓ Sheriff's Department Oversight Board	Revisit authority to hire and fire the Inspector General	11/19/2025	12/12
Police Commission	The Task Force requested additional information about police officer disciplinary processes.	11/19/2025	
Establishing authority	The Task Force discussed, but did not vote, on revisiting at a future meeting moving additional bodies from the Charter and into Code: Library, War Memorial, Juvenile Probation, Historic Preservation, Airport, Health	11/19/2025	
✓ Civil Service Commission	Revisit authority to hire and fire the Director of Human Resources	11/19/2025	12/19
✓ Southeast Community Facility Commission	Revisit authority to hire and fire the facility director	11/19/2025	12/12

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Sincerely,

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