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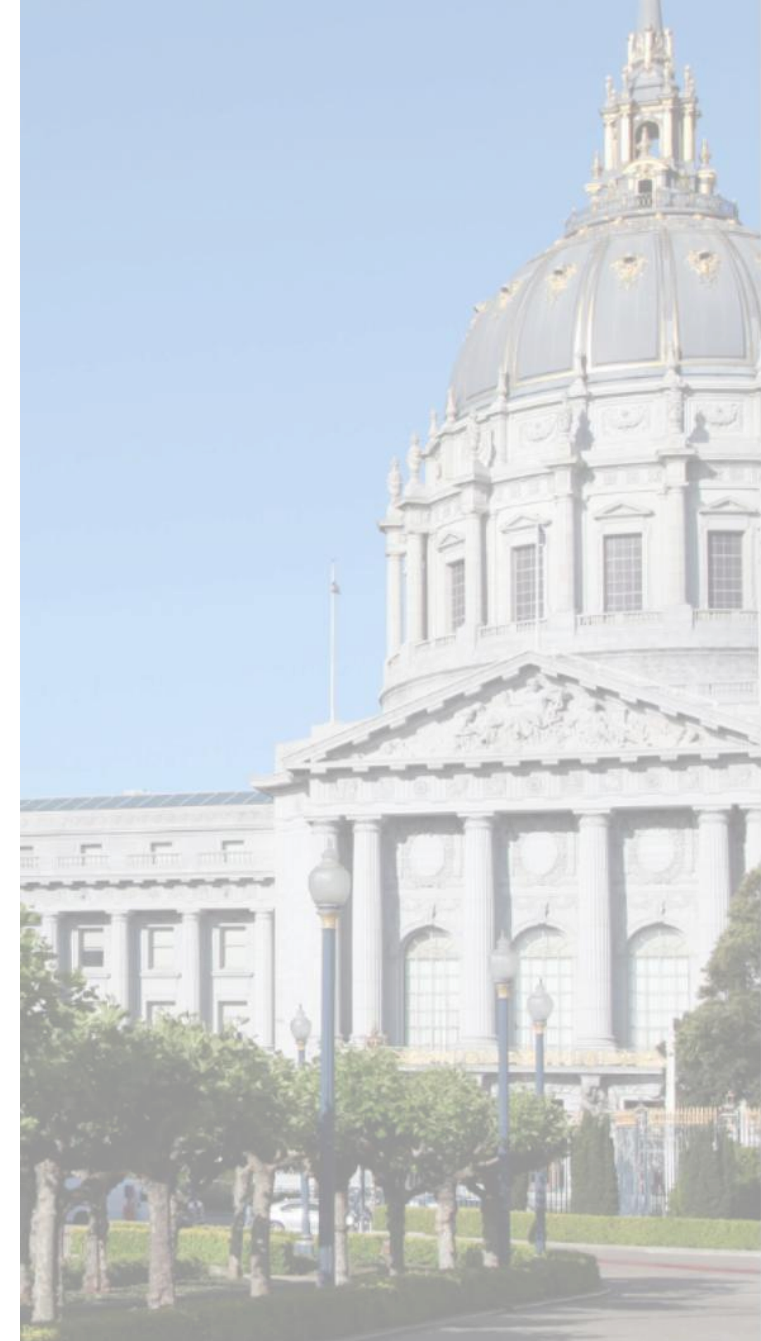
Infrastructure, Climate, & Mobility Bodies

Commission Streamlining Task Force

September 17, 2025

Staff Recommendations for Public Safety Bodies

- **20 Infrastructure, Climate, and Mobility policy bodies** identified
- Staff evaluated each of these against the Task Force's evaluation criteria, contacted City departments to gather more information, and considered any public input received
- After further investigation, **staff recommend the Task Force keep 12 and consider combining or eliminating 8**



Recommended Actions for Infrastructure Bodies

Keep (12)

Commission on the Environment

Committee for Utility Liaison on Construction and Other Projects (CULCOP)

Interdepartmental Staff Committee on Traffic and Transportation (ISCOTT)

Joint Zoo Committee

Municipal Green Building Task Force

Municipal Transportation Agency Board of Directors

Port Commission*

Recreation and Park Commission

Public Utilities Commission

Public Utilities Rate Fairness Board

Southeast Community Facility Commission

Treasure Island Development Authority Board of Directors*

Consider Combining or Eliminating (8)

Bicycle Advisory Committee

Mission Bay Transportation Improvement Fund Advisory Committee

Municipal Transportation Agency Citizens' Advisory Council

Park, Recreation, and Open Space Advisory Committee (PROSAC)

Public Utilities Commission Citizens' Advisory Committee

Public Works Commission

Sanitation and Streets Commission

Urban Forestry Council

*legally required



Today's Process

- **Agenda Item 6: Required Bodies**
- **Agenda Item 7: Department of Public Works**
- **Agenda Item 8: Department of Environment**
- **Agenda Item 9: Municipal Transportation Agency**
- **Agenda Item 10: Public Utilities Commission**
- **Agenda Item 11: Recreation and Parks**
- **For each agenda item, we will...**
 - Briefly introduce bodies and recommendations
 - Optional: Task Force member opening statements
 - Public Comment
 - Task Force member discussion and (optional) voting

Agenda Item 6

Required Infrastructure Bodies

a) Port Commission

b) Treasure Island Authority Board of Directors (TIDA BOD)

Port

	Port Commission
Purpose	Oversees the Port, which has the power and duty to use, conduct, operate, maintain, manage, regulate, and control the City's port area. The Port consists of property along the Bay waterfront transferred by the State and held by the City in trust for the people of the State.
Annual Cost (FY25)	\$470k
Current Type	Governance
Criteria Outcome	Consider keeping (legally required) and expanding scope (assume responsibilities of the Waterfront Design Advisory Committee, which was recommended for elimination at a prior TF meeting)
Template Alignment	1) Add three term limits 2) Appointees serve at will ¹ 3) Remove department head hiring/firing authority ¹
Exceptions	3) Allow BOS confirmations ²
Other	4) Establishing authority: remain in Charter ² 5) Remove voters' ability to recall commissioners

1. TF may want to allow exceptions for political protection/insulation

2. Required under state law (the Burton Act)

City Administrator's Office

	Treasure Island Authority Board of Directors
Purpose	Governs the Treasure Island Development Authority (TIDA), a City agency and non-profit corporation which promotes planning, redevelopment, reconstruction, rehabilitation, reuse and conversion of a former naval station
Annual Cost (FY25)	\$365k
Current Type	Governance
Criteria Outcome	Keep (legally required)
Template Alignment	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Add three term limits 2) Remove department head hiring/firing authority
Exceptions	None
Other	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 3) Maintain in Administrative Code, do not move to Charter 4) Memorialize elements of by-laws into recently-enacted Administrative Code section (term length and qualifications)



Agenda Item 7

Department of Public Works

- a) Public Works Commission**
- b) Sanitation and Streets Commission**
- c) Committee for Utility Liaison on Construction and Other Projects (CULCOP)**

Public Works (1 of 2)

	Public Works Commission	Sanitation and Streets Commission
Purpose	Sets policy directives for and reviews and evaluates performance of the Department of Public Works (DPW), which is responsible for the design, building, repair, and improvement of the City's infrastructure.	Sets policy directives for and oversees performance of DPW's Operations Division, establishing minimum standards of cleanliness for and baselines for services to maintain cleanliness of the public right of way.
Annual Cost (FY25)	\$716k	\$252k
Current Type	Governance	Governance
Criteria Outcome	Consider combining or eliminating (limited public engagement vs need for transparency re: contracts)	Consider combining or eliminating (it is atypical for a commission to oversee a division of a department)
Template Alignment	No recommendations issued – Task Force to discuss alignment to Governance or Advisory template	No recommendations issued – Task Force to discuss alignment to Governance or Advisory template
Exceptions	None	None
Other	None	None

Public Works Commission

Template component	Current State	Advisory Committee Template	Governance Commission Template	Currently Aligned?
Number of Members	5	15 maximum	5-7	Yes – Both
Appointing authority	Mayor (2 seats), Board of Supervisors (2 seats), Controller (1 seat)	N/A	Mayor	No
Appointment confirmations	BOS has 60 days to act on a mayoral or controller nomination; otherwise, the nominee is automatically approved	None	None ¹	No
Member removal	At will	At will	At will	Yes
Term length	4 years	3 years maximum	4 years	Yes – Governance
Term limits	None	Case-by-case ²	3 terms	No
Qualifications	Desirable, but not required: a background or experience in urban management and development	None required ³	None required ³	Yes
Establishing authority	Charter	Administrative Code	TBD	No
Sunset date	None	3 years	None	Yes – Governance
Hiring and firing authority	Yes	N/A	Consultative responsibilities only	No
Contract approval authority	Yes	N/A	Retain status quo	Yes
Budget approval authority	Yes	N/A	Yes	Yes
Employee discipline authority	No	N/A	No role	Yes

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2. For Advisory Committees, term limits are handled on a case-by-case basis if the body re-authorized. Suggested maximum service per member is 12 years total (4 terms).

3. Neither Advisory Committees nor Governance Commissions are required to have specific qualifications. However, if there are no explicit requirements, the appointing authority must submit some information on why a candidate is qualified.

Sanitation and Streets Commission

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Number of Members	5	15 maximum	5-7	Yes – Both
Appointing authority	Mayor (2 seats), Board of Supervisors (2 seats), Controller (1 seat)	N/A	Mayor	No
Appointment confirmations	BOS has 60 days to act on a mayoral or controller nomination; otherwise, the nominee is automatically approved	None	None ¹	No
Member removal	At will	At will	At will	Yes
Term length	4 years	3 years maximum	4 years	Yes - Governance
Term limits	None	Case-by-case ²	3 terms	No
Qualifications	Desirable, but not required: a background or experience in urban management and development	None required ³	None required ³	Yes
Establishing authority	Charter	Administrative Code	TBD	No
Sunset date	None	3 years	None	Yes – Governance
Hiring and firing authority	No	N/A	Consultative responsibilities only	Yes
Contract approval authority	No	N/A	Retain status quo	Yes
Budget approval authority	No	N/A	Yes	No
Employee discipline authority	No	N/A	No role	Yes

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Public Works (2 of 2)

	Committee for Utility Liaison on Construction and Other Projects (CULCOP)
Purpose	Coordinates street excavation, utility work, paving and other construction projects in the public right of way in order to minimize the impact of construction.
Annual Cost (FY25)	\$4k
Current Type	Staff Working Group
Criteria Outcome	Consider keeping (if eliminated, external agencies may not participate)
Template Alignment	None – there is no Staff Working Group template and Advisory Committee elements are not relevant
Exceptions	None
Other	1) Update 25-year-old qualifications (i.e. Municipal Railway, Redevelopment Agency, Pacific Telephone Company, Television Signal Corporation)



Agenda Item 8

Environment Department

- a) Commission on the Environment
- b) Urban Forestry Council
- c) Municipal Green Building Task Force

Environment (1 of 2)

	Commission on the Environment	Urban Forestry Council
Purpose	Sets policy for the Environment Department and advises the mayor and Board of Supervisors on environmental matters. Develops policies and programs in recycling, toxics reduction, environmental justice, energy efficiency, commute alternatives, climate change, and the city's urban forest	Advises city departments, including the Board of Supervisors and the Mayor, on urban forestry issues. Guides the stewardship of San Francisco's trees by promoting a healthy and sustainable urban forest that benefits all San Franciscans while ensuring public health and safety
Annual Cost (FY25)	\$181k	\$109k
Current Type	Governance	Advisory Committee
Criteria Outcome	Consider keeping and expanding scope (with Urban Forestry Council)	Consider combining or eliminating (creation of Urban Forestry Plan and StreetTreeSF)
Template Alignment	No recommendations issued – Task Force to discuss alignment to Governance or Advisory template	If kept: 1) Establishing authority: move to Admin. Code from Environment Code 2) Add a 3-year sunset date
Exceptions	None	None
Other	None	None

Commission on the Environment

Template component	Current State	Advisory Committee Template	Governance Commission Template	Currently Aligned?
Number of Members	7	15 maximum	5-7	Yes – Both
Appointing authority	Mayor	N/A	Mayor	Yes
Appointment confirmations	None; appointments are effective immediately unless rejected by 2/3 of the Board of Supervisors within 30 days (per Charter § 3.100.18)	None	None ¹	Yes – Governance
Member removal	At will	At will	At will	Yes – Both
Term length	4 years	3 years maximum	4 years	Yes – Governance
Term limits	None	Case-by-case ²	3 terms	No
Qualifications	None	None required ³	None required ³	Yes
Establishing authority	Charter	Administrative Code	TBD	TBD
Sunset date	None	3 years	None	Yes – Governance
Hiring and firing authority	Nominate for hiring. Sole authority in firing	N/A	Consultative responsibilities only	No
Contract approval authority	Yes	N/A	Retain status quo	Yes
Budget approval authority	Yes	N/A	Yes	Yes
Employee discipline authority	None	N/A	No role	Yes

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Environment (2 of 2)

	Municipal Green Building Task Force
Purpose	Oversees and assists in enhancing the environmental performance of municipal construction projects pursuant to Chapter 7 of the San Francisco Environment Code, which outlines municipal green building requirements
Annual Cost (FY25)	\$67k
Current Type	Staff Working Group and Advisory Committee hybrid
Criteria Outcome	Consider keeping (responsible for issuing recommendations re: waiver requests)
Template Alignment	1) Remove the one public seat 2) Move to the Administrative Code from the Environment Code
Exceptions	3) Allow 21 members
Other	None



Agenda Item 9

Municipal Transportation Agency

- a) MTA Board of Directors
- b) MTA Citizens' Advisory Council (CAC)
- c) Bicycle Advisory Committee (BAC)
- d) Interdepartmental Staff Committee on Traffic and Transportation (ISCOTT)
- e) Mission Bay Transportation Improvement Fund Advisory Committee (MBTIFAC)

Municipal Transportation Agency (1 of 3)

	Municipal Transportation Agency Board of Directors (MTAB)	Municipal Transportation Agency Citizens' Advisory Council (MTA CAC)
Purpose	Oversees the SFMTA and has exclusive authority over the acquisition, construction, and management of its property; the legislative adoption and enforcement of parking and traffic regulations; the adoption of fares, fines, and fees; and contracting, leasing, and purchasing.	Provides recommendations to the Municipal Transportation Agency regarding any matter within the jurisdiction of the Agency
Annual Cost (FY25)	\$1.2M	\$178k
Current Type	Governance	Advisory
Criteria Outcome	Consider keeping and expanding scope	Consider combining or eliminating (adds review time but enhances public trust, which is critical as MTA seeks to resolve its fiscal crisis; could be a passive meeting body)
Template Alignment	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Remove BOS appointment confirmations of Mayoral appointees 2) Appointees serve at-will¹ 3) Remove department head hiring/firing authority¹ 	If kept: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Reduce term length from four to three years 2) Add three term limits 3) Move to Administrative Code from Charter 4) Add a three-year sunset date
Exceptions		None
Other	4) Establishing authority: remain in charter ¹	None

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Municipal Transportation Agency (2 of 3)

	Bicycle Advisory Committee (BAC)
Purpose	Advises the SFMTA, Board of Supervisors, and other city agencies on how to make bicycling safer and more accessible
Annual Cost (FY25)	\$1k
Current Type	Advisory
Criteria Outcome	Consider combining or eliminating (outlived its useful life)
Template Alignment	If kept: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Eliminate appointment confirmations 2) Require a written statement specifying why an appointee is qualified 3) Add six term limits 4) Add a three-year sunset date
Exceptions	None
Other	None

Municipal Transportation Agency (3 of 3)

	Interdepartmental Staff Committee on Traffic and Transportation (ISCOTT)	Mission Bay Transportation Improvement Fund Advisory Committee (MBTIFAC)
Purpose	Holds hearings and reviews temporary street closure permits for special events including neighborhood block parties, street fairs, and road races	Advises on the allocation of funds to support transportation services and infrastructure improvements related to events at the Chase Center
Annual Cost (FY25)	\$10k	\$80k
Current Type	Staff Working Group	Advisory
Criteria Outcome	Consider keeping (delegated decision; ensures interdepartmental coordination)	Consider eliminating (funds fully allocated, operations have settled as Chase Center has been open for 6 years)
Template Alignment	Per Advisory Committee template: 1) Move to Administrative Code from Transportation Code	If not eliminated: 1) Add 3-year terms and four term limits 2) Add 3-year sunset date
Exceptions	None	None
Other	2) Clarify “Director of Administrative Services” responsibility	



Agenda Item 10

Public Utilities

- a) Public Utilities Commission
- b) Public Utilities Citizens' Advisory Committee
- c) Public Utilities Rate Fairness Board
- d) Southeast Community Facility Commission

Public Utilities Commission (1 of 3)

	Public Utilities Commission	Public Utilities Citizens' Advisory Committee
Purpose	Oversees the department of the same name. Has exclusive charge of the construction, management, supervision, maintenance, extension, expansion, operation, use and control of all water, clean water, and energy supplies and utilities of the City.	Provides recommendations on the success of the PUC department in achieving the goals and objectives set related to water and clean water.
Annual Cost (FY25)	\$2.3M	\$58k
Current Type	Governance	Advisory
Criteria Outcome	Consider keeping	Consider combining or eliminating (redundant subject matter, could be a passive meeting body)
Template Alignment	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Remove BOS majority confirmation requirement 2) Appointees serve at-will¹ 3) Add three term limit 4) Remove department head hiring/firing authority¹ 	If kept: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Reduce members from 17 to 15 2) Reduce term length from four to three years 3) Move to Administrative Code from Charter 4) Add a three-year sunset date
Exceptions		None
Other	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 5) Establishing authority: remain in charter¹ 	None

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Public Utilities Commission (2 of 3)

	Public Utilities Rate Fairness Board
Purpose	Reviews and advises the SFPUC on water, power, and sewer rates matters
Annual Cost (FY25)	\$10k
Current Type	Advisory
Criteria Outcome	Consider keeping (role in setting rates for large customer base)
Template Alignment	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1) Add three-year term lengths for public members2) Add three term limits for public members3) Move to Administrative Code from Charter4) Add a three-year sunset date
Exceptions	None
Other	None

Public Utilities Commission (3 of 3)

	Southeast Community Facility Commission
Purpose	Reviews and provides guidance on strategic, financial and capital improvement plans, as well as programming and operations for the Southeast Community Facility
Annual Cost (FY25)	\$219k
Current Type	Governance
Criteria Outcome	Consider keeping
Template Alignment	Convert to an Advisory Committee: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Reduce term length from 4 to 3 years 2) Add four-year term limits 3) Add a three-year sunset date 4) Remove hiring/firing authority of facility director 5) Modify authority to allocate surplus funds
Exceptions	None
Other	None

Southeast Community Facility Commission

Template component	Current State	Advisory Committee Template	Governance Commission Template	Currently Aligned?
Number of Members	7	15 maximum	5-7	Yes
Appointing authority	Mayor	N/A	Mayor	Yes
Appointment confirmations	None	None	None ¹	Yes
Member removal	At will	At will	At will	Yes
Term length	4 years	3 years maximum	4 years	Yes – Governance
Term limits	None; President of the commission may serve two 2-year terms maximum	Case-by-case ²	3 terms	No
Qualifications	Reside or work in the Bayview-Hunters Point community	None required ³	None required ³	Yes
Establishing authority	Administrative Code	Administrative Code	TBD	TBD
Sunset date	None	3 years	None	Yes – Governance
Hiring and firing authority	Director of the facility	N/A	Consultative responsibilities only	No
Contract approval authority	Review	N/A	Retain status quo	Yes - Governance
Budget approval authority	Yes	N/A	Yes	Yes – Governance
Employee discipline authority	No	N/A	No role	Yes

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Agenda Item 11

Recreation & Park

- a) Recreation and Park Commission**
- b) Park, Recreation, and Open Space Advisory Committee (PROSAC)**
- c) Joint Zoo Committee**

Recreation & Park (1 of 2)

	Recreation and Park Commission	Park, Recreation, And Open Space Advisory Committee (PROSAC)
Purpose	Sets policies for the Recreation and Park Department, managing all parks and recreation facilities, and has the authority to lease stadiums and fields for events.	Acts as a liaison between the Recreation and Park Commission and the residents, neighborhood groups, and organizations dedicated to park and recreational issues in their districts
Annual Cost (FY25)	\$897k	\$25k
Current Type	Governance	Advisory
Criteria Outcome	Keep	Consider combining or eliminating (overlapping functions, other public engagement strategies)
Template Alignment	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Appointees serve at-will 2) Add three term limits 3) Require a written statement of qualifications 4) Remove department head hiring/firing authority 	If kept: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Remove appointment confirmations 2) Incorporate six term limits 3) Require a written statement specifying why an appointee is qualified 4) Move to Admin. Code from Charter and Park Code 5) Add a three-year sunset date
Exceptions		None
Other	5) Establishing authority: remain in Charter	5) Consider eliminating a requirement to meet in City Hall

Recreation & Park (2 of 2)

	Joint Zoo Committee
Purpose	Hears public testimony regarding major policies affecting the Zoo, including the setting of fees, new animal exhibits, animal acquisition and disposition, land use, and capital and operating budgets
Annual Cost (FY25)	\$2k
Current Type	Advisory
Criteria Outcome	Consider keeping
Template Alignment	1) Add to Administrative Code
Exceptions	2) Term lengths (should be governed by the 'parent' Rec Park and Zoo governance bodies) 3) Sunset date (governed by Management Agreement)
Other	3) Update \$50k limit for capital expenditure approval 4) Clarify undefined animal welfare advisory seats 5) Define clerk role and public meeting requirements 6) Clarify role in enforcing management agreement