

PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION

CITY AND COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO

Daniel Lurie, Mayor

REGULAR MEETING Thursday, October 23, 2025 / 11:00 a.m. Minutes: Draft

1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place, City Hall, Room 201 San Francisco, CA 94102

COMMISSIONERS

Lauren Post, Chair Fady Zoubi, Vice Chair Eleanor Blume, Commissioner Gerald Turner, Commissioner Paul Woolford, Commissioner

Carla Short, Public Works Director
Robert Fuller, Public Works Commission Secretary



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Minutes: Draft

Call to Order, Roll Call and Agenda Changes

Chair Lauren Post called the meeting to order at 11:11 a.m.

On the roll call, commissioners Eleanor Blume, Lauren Post, Gerald Turner, Paul Woolford and Fady Zoubi and were present.

With five members present, the Commission met quorum.

Key staff present: Director Carla Short, Deputy City Attorney Christopher Tom, Deputy Director Bruce Robertson, Deputy Director Alaric Degrafinried, Deputy Director Scott Anderson, Director of Communications and Policy Rachel Gordon, Commission Secretary Bob Fuller and Commission Administrator Jackie Vo.

1. Announcements by Chair, Commissioners and Secretary

Heard by the Commission. Speaker: Chair Lauren Post.

- **Commissioner Woolford** announced he will be speaking at the International Green Business Conference
- **Commissioner Zoubi** thanked Department staff for their efforts to clean the Financial District.
- Secretary Fuller reported on the most recent meeting of the Sanitation and Streets Commission

Public Comment - None

2. Director's Report and Communication

Heard by the Commission. Speaker: Director Carla Short.

- **Director Short** reported on the Department's efforts to keep high-traffic areas clean during the Dream Force conference.
- Discussed the Department's support of the seismic upgrade to Pump Station No. 2 that provides emergency backup water for firefighting.
- Reported on the October 8th activation of the Department Operation Center for a disaster scenario training.
- Discussed the annual employee health fair for all Public Works staff.

Public Comment - None

3 General Public Comment

- **Ellis Powell** from Walk SF urged the support of continued pedestrian improvements and implementation of the <u>Street Safety Act</u>.
- Fiona Yim from Walk SF urged Public Works to operationalize the Street Safety Act.
- Susan Georege of Walk SF expressed support of the Street Safety Act.
- **Glynnis Fowler** of Walk SF relayed her experience witnessing a traffic fatality and expressed her support of the Street Safety Act.

Commissioner Requests:

- Chair Post requested Staff present the plan for implementation of the Street Safety Act.
- Vice Chair Zoubi requested the Street Safety Act presentation include a comparison with Vision Zero.

4. Minutes from the September 25, 2025 Meeting of the Public Works Commission Heard by the Commission. Speaker: Secretary Fuller

Public Comment - None

On the motion by Commissioner Blume and seconded by Commissioner Woolford, the Commission adopted the draft minutes from the September 25, 2025 meeting via a unanimous voice vote in favor.

Members present and voting: Blume, Post, Turner, Woolford and Zoubi. Motion passed.

5. Public Works Oversight Discussion

Heard by the commission. Speaker: Chair Post

Public Comment - None

6. New Business Initiated by Commissioners

Heard by the commission. Speaker: Commissioners

- Chair Post reiterated her request for presentation about the Street Safety Act.
- Commissioner Woolford relayed his professional experience with Deputy Director Scott Anderson and praised him as a great addition to the Department.

Public Comment - None

7. General Public Comment Continued from item 3

Not necessary

Closed Session

8. Closed Session – Conference with Legal Counsel Regarding Existing Litigation

Public Comment - None

On the motion by Commissioner Post and seconded by Commissioner Zoubi, the Commission voted to enter closed session via a unanimous voice vote in favor.

Members present and voting: Blume, Post, Turner, Woolford and Zoubi. Motion passed.

The Commission entered closed session at 12:08 p.m.

On the motion by Commissioner Woolford and seconded by Commissioner Blume, the Commission approved the proposed settlement via a voice vote in favor.

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Members present and voting in favor: Blume, Post, Woolford and Zoubi. Motion passed.

On the motion by Commissioner Woolford and seconded by Commissioner Zoubi, the Commission voted to return to open session via a unanimous voice vote in favor.

Members present and voting in favor: Blume, Post, Turner, Woolford and Zoubi. Motion passed.

The Commission returned to open session at 12:51 p.m.

9. Announcements Following Closed Session

Heard by the commission. Speaker: Chair Post

No announcements.

Public Comment - None

10. Motion regarding whether to disclose the discussions during Closed Session pursuant to San Francisco Administrative Code Section 67.12(a).

Heard by the commission. Speaker: Chair Post

Public Comment - None

On the motion by Commissioner Zoubi and seconded by Commissioner Post, the Commission voted to not disclose discussions during closed session via a unanimous voice vote in favor.

Members present and voting in favor: Blume, Post, Turner, Woolford and Zoubi. Motion passed.

Adjournment at 12:54 p.m.