

Honorable Mayor Breed and Board of Supervisors  
City Hall  
#1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place  
San Francisco, CA 94102

Dear Honorable Mayor Breed and Supervisors:

At the meeting of the Sanitation and Streets Commission on \_\_\_\_\_, 2024, the following resolution was adopted:

**RESOLUTION NO. 2024-**

**APPROVAL TO FORWARD THE SANITATION AND STREETS COMMISSION'S  
"STATEMENT OF PURPOSE" TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AND MAYOR FOR  
APPROVAL**

RESOLVED, That pursuant to San Francisco Charter Section 4.102 the Sanitation and Streets Commission hereby approves forwarding the Commission's "Statement of Purpose" to the Mayor and Board of Supervisors for approval.

Votes in favor:

Votes opposed:

Very truly yours,

Bob Fuller  
Commission Affairs Manager  
San Francisco Sanitation and Streets Commission

## **San Francisco Sanitation and Streets Commission** ***Statement of Jurisdiction and Purpose***

The San Francisco Sanitation and Streets Commission (Commission) is a five-member volunteer body tasked with providing public oversight of San Francisco Public Works Department – Operations Division (Department).

### **Composition**

Two of the Commission's five members are appointed by the Mayor, subject to confirmation by the Board of Supervisors. Two members are appointed by the Board of Supervisors. One member is appointed by the Controller, subject to confirmation by the Board of Supervisors. Commission meetings are open to the public and are generally held once per month at San Francisco City Hall.

### **Jurisdiction and Authority**

As provided in Section 4.139 of the San Francisco Charter, with regard to the Department, the Commission shall exercise all powers and duties of boards and commissions set forth in Sections 4.102, 4.103, and 4.104, except for the authority conferred to the Public Works Commission in Section 4.141. In addition, the Commission may take other actions as prescribed by City ordinances.

The Commission's primary powers include but are not limited to:

1. Review and evaluation of data regarding condition of the public right of way.
2. Establish minimum standards of cleanliness for the public right of way, and set baselines for services to be administered by the Department to maintain cleanliness of the public right of way.
3. Recommendation of rates, fees, and similar charges to the Mayor for approval by the Board of Supervisors.
4. Conducting investigations into Department operations and making recommendations to the Board of Supervisors.

The Commission does not have power over hiring decisions, workforce deployment, or other day-to-day departmental operations. The Department head exercises those operational powers.

### **Purpose and Goals**

1. Enhance the quality of life in San Francisco by providing effective oversight of the cleaning and maintenance of public facilities and the public right-of-way.
2. Evaluate the performance of the Department in executing its responsibilities.

3. Set Department policies that reflect industry best practices and the input of San Franciscans.
4. Create a forum for the public to learn about and comment on the work of the Department.
5. Serve the public interest with integrity, openness, and independence.