

**MEETING AGENDA**  
Refuse Rate Board  
September 30, 2024  
Hearing Room 400, City Hall  
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Pl., San Francisco, CA 94102  
1:00 PM – 4:00 PM

Members  
Douglas Legg  
Dennis Herrera  
Steve Bowdry

Members of the Refuse Rate Board will attend this meeting in-person. Members of the public are invited to observe the meeting in-person or [watch live on SFGovTV](#).

Public Comment will be taken before or during the Committee's consideration of each agenda item. Speakers may address the Committee for up to two minutes.

Members of the public attending the meeting in person will have an opportunity to provide public comment on every item. Refuse Rate Board will hear up to twenty (20) minutes of remote public comment on each agenda item. Because of the twenty (20) minute time limit, it is possible that not every person in the queue will have an opportunity to provide remote public comment. Remote public comment from people who have received an accommodation due to a disability will not count toward the 20-minute limit.

Instructions for providing remote public comment by phone are as follows:

Public Comment Call in number is: 1-415-655-0001

Access Code: 2662 021 6219 then #, then #

Please wait for the agenda item before making a comment on that item. Members of the public making remote public comment will speak in the order they are received in the queue, as described below.

1. When the moderator announces the Committee is taking public comment, members of the public can:
2. "Raise hand" by pressing \* 3 and you will be queued.
3. Callers will hear silence when waiting for your turn to speak. The operator will unmute you.
4. When prompted, each caller will have three minutes to provide comment.
5. Best practices include:
  - Ensure you are in a quiet location.
  - Speak clearly.
  - Turn off any TVs or radios around you.

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- 1) **Call to Order**
  - Ramaytush Ohlone Land Acknowledgement
  - Roll call and confirmation of quorum
  - Vote to excuse current or future absences.
  
- 2) **Opportunity for public comment on any matters within the Board's jurisdiction that are not on the Agenda**
  
- 3) Discussion:  
**Refuse Rates Administrator's Report**
  - Refuse Rates Administrator Staff Presentation
  - HF&H Project Update Presentation
  - Board Discussion
  - Public Comment
  
- 4) Action Item:  
**Rate Year 2024 and Rate Year 2025 Rate Reduction and Credit**
  - Staff Presentation
  - Recology Presentation
  - Motion and Board Discussion
  - Public Comment
  - Vote to approve Recology's proposed credit and rate reduction
  
- 5) Discussion:  
**Status Updates**
  - Recology Presentation
  - SF Environment Staff Presentation
  - SF Department of Public Works Staff Presentation
  - Board Discussion
  - Public Comment
  
- 6) New Matters:  
**Opportunity to propose future agenda items with discussion and possible action by the Board**
  - Public Comment
  - Board Discussion
  
- 7) **Adjourn**

Committee staff and members can be reached at [con.refuserates@sfgov.org](mailto:con.refuserates@sfgov.org)

## Explanatory Documents

Copies of Explanatory Documents listed in this agenda, and other related materials received by the Refuse Rate Board after the posting of the agenda, are available for public inspection and/or copying at City Hall room 316. Please email [con.refuserates@sfgov.org](mailto:con.refuserates@sfgov.org) to arrange pick up or review.

## Public Comment

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## Know Your Rights Under the Sunshine Ordinance

Government's duty is to serve the public, reaching its decision in full view of the public. Commissions, boards, councils, and other agencies of the City and County exist to conduct the people's business. This ordinance assures that deliberations are conducted before the people and that City operations are open to the people's review. For information on your rights under the Sunshine Ordinance (San Francisco Administrative Code, Chapter 67) or to report a violation of the ordinance, contact by mail Sunshine Ordinance Task Force, 1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place, Room 244, San Francisco CA 94102; phone at (415) 554-7724; fax at (415) 554-5163; or by email at [sotf@sfgov.org](mailto:sotf@sfgov.org). Citizens may obtain a free copy of the Sunshine Ordinance by printing the San Francisco Administrative Code, Chapter 67, on the Internet at <https://www.sfbos.org/sunshine>.

## CEQA Appeal Rights under Chapter 31 of the San Francisco Administrative Code

If the Board's action on a project constitutes the Approval Action for that project (as defined in S.F. Administrative Code Chapter 31, as amended, Board of Supervisors Ordinance Number 161-13), then the CEQA determination prepared in support of that Approval Action is thereafter subject to appeal within the time frame specified in S.F. Administrative Code Section 31.16. This appeal is separate from and in addition to an appeal of an action on a project. Typically, an appeal must be filed within 30 calendar days of the Approval Action for a project that has received an exemption or negative declaration pursuant to CEQA. For information on filing an appeal under Chapter 31, contact the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors at City Hall, 1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place, Room 244, San Francisco, CA 94102, or call (415) 554-5184. If the Department's Environmental Review Officer has deemed a project to be exempt from further environmental review, an exemption determination has been prepared and can be obtained on-line at <http://www.sf-planning.org/index.aspx?page=3447>. Under CEQA, in a later court challenge, a litigant may be limited to raising only those issues previously raised at a hearing on the project or in written correspondence delivered to the Board of Supervisors, Planning Commission, Planning Department or other City board, commission or department at, or prior to, such hearing, or as part of the appeal hearing process on the CEQA decision.

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If requesting remote Sign Language Interpretation, please submit an accommodation request a minimum of 4 business hours prior to the start of the meeting. Allowing a minimum of 48 business hours for all other accommodation requests (for example, for other auxiliary aids and services) helps ensure availability. To request accommodation, please contact Ben Becker at [ben.becker@sfgov.org](mailto:ben.becker@sfgov.org) or by phone (628) 239-1087 or Jay Liao at [jay.liao@sfgov.org](mailto:jay.liao@sfgov.org) or by phone at (628) 239-1221.

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### **Cell phones, pagers, and similar sound-producing electronic devices**

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