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**SAN FRANCISCO PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION  
 RATE FAIRNESS BOARD  
 CITY AND COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO**

**Draft Minutes of Regular Meeting  
 Wednesday, May 11, 2022, 2:00 – 4:00 PM  
 (Approved \_\_\_\_, 2022)**

*San Francisco Public Utilities Commission (SFPUC) Rate Fairness Board’s regular meeting room at 525 Golden Gate Avenue is closed. The Board and SFPUC staff will convene Rate Fairness Board meetings remotely by teleconference.*

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- We ask that public comments be made in a civil and respectful manner and that you address your remarks to the Board as a whole and not to individual Board Members or Staff.
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- Dennis J. Herrera**  
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## MEETING AGENDA

Materials Distributed: regular meeting agenda of May 11, 2022; Item 3 RFB Agenda 20220422 Minutes DRAFT; Item 4a 1\_Power Rates Staff Proposal RFB Presentation 2022-05-09; Item 4a 2\_Hetch Hetchy Power Proposed Rates FY 22-23 and FY 23-24; Item 4a 3\_CPSF Proposed Rates FY 22-23; Item 5 Rate Fairness Board Recommendations to SF Public Utilities Commission on 2022 Power Rates Study; Item 6 SFPUC Rate Fairness Board Bylaws Draft

### 1. Call to Order and Roll Call

Member Name/Title	Appointed By
Howard Ash, Chair, Residential City Retail Customer	Board of Supervisors
Vacant, City Retail Small Business Customer	Board of Supervisors
Vishal Trivedi, Financial Analyst, Controller's Office of Public Finance	Controller's Office
Reese Isbell, Vice Chair, Residential City Retail Customer	Mayor's Office
Trisha McMahan, Budget and Planning Manager	City Administrator
Vacant, City Retail Large Business Customer	Mayor's Office
Edward de Asis, Assistant Citywide Budget Manager	Controller's Office

The regular meeting of the Rate Fairness Board was called to order at 2:02 PM via Zoom teleconference.

#### Roll Call:

- Present: Chair Ash, Member Trivedi, Vice Chair Isbell, Member McMahan, Member de Asis.
- A quorum was present.

### 2. General Public Comment

Members of the public may address the Rate Fairness Board (RFB) on matters that are within the Board's jurisdiction but not on today's agenda.

Public Comment: none

### 3. Approval of the Regular Meeting Minutes of April 22, 2022

(Discussion and Action)

Chair Ash asked Board for comments, questions, or concerns.

Vice Chair Isbell provided correction for lines 171 and 172, add last name Isbell in place of first name Reese.

Chair Ash provided correction for line 119 correct "changes" to "changed." Also, lines 129-132 unclear what Erin stated about the Hetchy policy. Rates Administrator Erin provided the following revision for lines 129-133: In a response to staff proposal

81 question, Administrator Franks noted that the Power Team that oversees our hedging  
82 policy does forecasting and analysis, balancing uncertainty of knowing what our  
83 future costs are with not accidentally buying when things are the most expensive and  
84 regretting it later.

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86 The Minutes of the regular meeting of April 22, 2022, were adopted, as amended,  
87 unanimously upon a motion by Vice Chair Isbell and seconded by Member de Asis.

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89 Public Comment: None

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91 Roll call vote to approve Minutes as amended:

- 92 • Ayes: Chair Ash, Member Trivedi, Vice Chair Isbell, Member McMahon, and
- 93 Member de Asis

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#### 95 **4. Report of the Chair**

##### 96 a. **2022 Power Rates Study Rates Proposal: CleanPowerSF and Hetch** 97 **Hetchy Power**

98 Erin Franks, SFPUC Rates Administrator  
99 (Presentation and Discussion)

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101 Rates Administrator Erin Franks presented 2022 Power Rates Study  
102 Rates Proposal which included CleanPowerSF and Hetch Hetchy  
103 proposed rates, key rate takeaways, bill impacts, tariff schedules.  
104 Discussion followed.

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106 Public Comment: None

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#### 108 **5. Rate Fairness Board Recommendations to SF Public Utilities Commission** 109 **on 2022 Power Rates Study**

110 (Discussion and Possible Action)

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112 Chair Ash introduced the Board's draft presentation of recommendations to the San  
113 Francisco Public Utilities Commission. Discussion followed.

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115 Public Comments: None

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#### 117 **6. Rate Fairness Board Bylaws**

118 (Discussion and Possible Action)

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120 Vice Chair Isbell introduced draft RFB Bylaws. Discussion followed.

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122 Chair Ash suggested that Board invite City Attorney to review and talk about Board's  
123 bylaws.

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125 Member Trivedi suggested adding the rule noted in previous meeting about non-City  
126 employee qualification for Chair and Vice Chair appointment. Chair Ash suggested

127 *that we confirm with City Attorney as rule has been a Board tradition and never*  
128 *written into bylaw.*  
129 *Chair Ash noted that this is a great start to establish Board's Bylaws, as this has been*  
130 *absent in our Board and very necessary to have.*

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132 *Member Trivedi thanked Vice Chair Isbell for creating draft bylaw document. Also,*  
133 *suggested that City Attorney should review before Board vote. Also, note that*  
134 *appointing office is no longer Mayor's Office of Public Finance, instead Controller's*  
135 *Office of Public Finance.*

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137 *Vice Chair to send an updated draft to Board Secretary Yvonne, then determine how*  
138 *to coordinate the City Attorney's review.*

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140 *Public Comment: None*

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142 **7. Announcements, Comments, Questions**  
143 *(Discussion)*

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145 *Chair proposed scheduling another meeting for Monday, May 16, 1-2 PM. Purpose of*  
146 *meeting would be to work on wording of Board's recommendations to San Francisco*  
147 *Public Utilities Commission on 2022 Power Rates Study.*

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149 *Public Comment: None*

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151 **8. Adjournment**

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153 *Meeting adjourned at 3:54 PM.*

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155 **Accessible Meeting Policy:** To obtain meeting materials in alternative format, please contact  
156 the Rate Fairness Board Secretary at 415-487-5254 or via email at  
157 [yrodriguez@sfgwater.org](mailto:yrodriguez@sfgwater.org). Providing at least 72 hours notice will help to ensure availability.  
158 Written reports or background materials for calendar items are available on-line at  
159 <https://sfpuc.org/about-us/boards-commissions-committees/rate-fairness-board>.

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162 consideration of each agenda item. Speakers may address the Board for up to three  
163 minutes on that item. During General Public Comment, members of the public may  
164 address the Board on matters that are within the Board's jurisdiction and are not on  
165 the agenda. Procedures do not permit: 1) persons in the audience to vocally express  
166 support or opposition to statements by Board Member, by other persons testifying; 2)  
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168 devices; 3) bringing in or displaying signs in the meeting room; and 4) standing in the  
169 meeting room. The ringing of and use of cell phones, pagers and similar sound-  
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176 councils, and other agencies of the City and County exist to conduct the people's  
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178 and that City operations are open to the people's review. For information on your  
179 rights under the Sunshine Ordinance (Chapter 67 of the San Francisco Administrative  
180 Code) or to report a violation of the ordinance, contact by mail Sunshine Ordinance  
181 Task Force, 1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place, Room 244, San Francisco, CA 94102;  
182 phone at (415) 554-7724; fax at (415) 554-7854; or by e-mail at [soft@sfgov.org](mailto:soft@sfgov.org).

183 Citizens may obtain a free copy of the Sunshine Ordinance by printing Chapter 67 of  
184 the San Francisco Administrative Code on the Internet, at  
185 <http://www.sfbos.org/sunshine>.

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190 **Lobbyist Registration and Reporting Requirements:** Individuals and entities that  
191 influence or attempt to influence local legislative or administrative action may be  
192 required by the San Francisco Lobbyist Ordinance [SF Campaign & Governmental  
193 Conduct Code Sec. 2.100] to register and report lobbying activity. For more  
194 information about the Lobbyist Ordinance, please contact the San Francisco Ethics  
195 Commission at 25 Van Ness Avenue, Suite 220, San Francisco, CA 94102; telephone  
196 (415) 252-3100; fax (415) 252-3112; web site at [www.sfgov.org/ethics](http://www.sfgov.org/ethics).

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