



REFUSE REGULATION

Solid Waste Program
Environmental Health Branch
February 15, 2022



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SAN FRANCISCO DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH

Refuse Regulations Timeline Overview

11/29/2021

- 30-Day Public Comment Period
- Posted on SFDPH Website
- Shared with Bay Area refuse providers and city agencies
- Partnered with OEWD, Office of Small Business, and SF Environment

12/7/2021

- Introduced the proposed refuse regulation to the Health Commission
 - Background & Authorities – permits for 97 routes were issued to 2 refuse collectors under 1932 Ordinance
 - Previous HC adoptions in 1992 and 1999
 - Current needs – 2022 private residences on TI & YBI
 - Purpose of the regulation
 - Timelines to issue license and permit

12/29/2021

- Public comment period ended

2/11/2022

- Posted revised refuse regulation on SFDPH Website
- Shared with Bay Area refuse providers and city agencies

2/15/2022

- Present the revised refuse regulation to the Health Commission for adoption



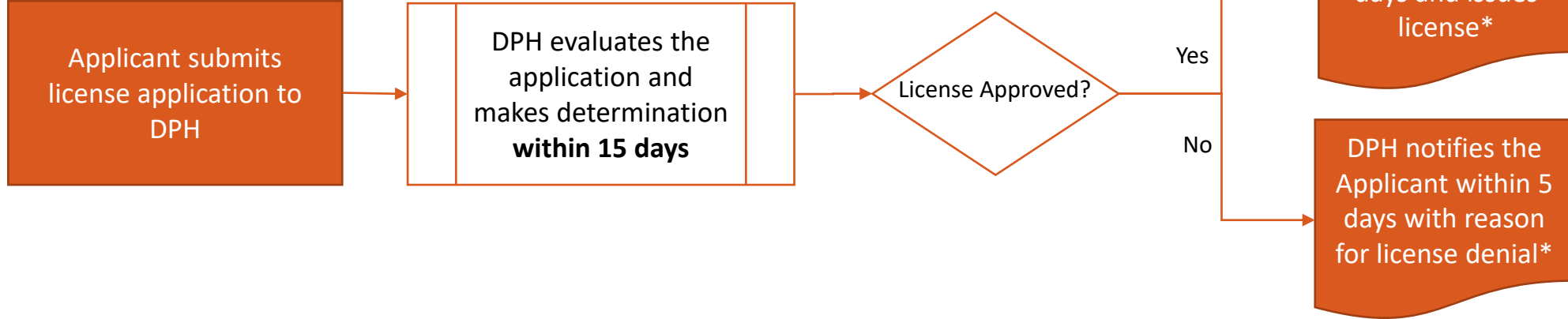
Status Update

- Postponement of move-in date for TI & YBI private residences
- Changes made to the revised refuse regulation:
 - Clarified “Showing of Need” under permit application filing requirements
 - Open permit application period
 - Pre-application questions/answers before permit application period
 - Option to request for a public hearing during permit process
 - Shortened license and permit application processing time
 - Consultation with other city agencies (e.g., SF Planning Department)
 - Additional grounds for license and permit denial

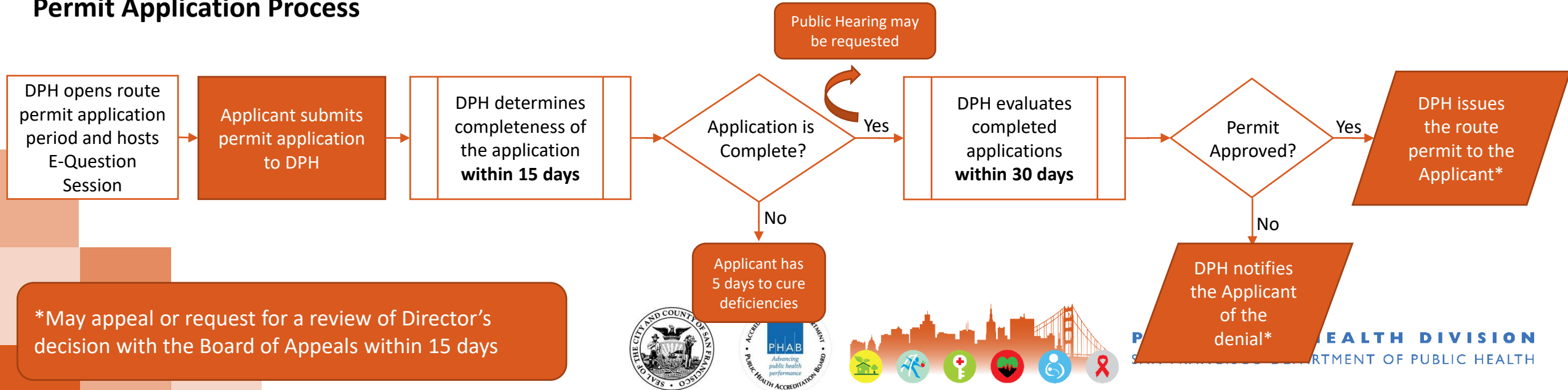


Process Timelines

License Application Process



Permit Application Process



Upon Adoption of the Refuse Regulation

- License application will be posted on SFPDHP website
- E-Question session and permit application will be announced in late March/Early April





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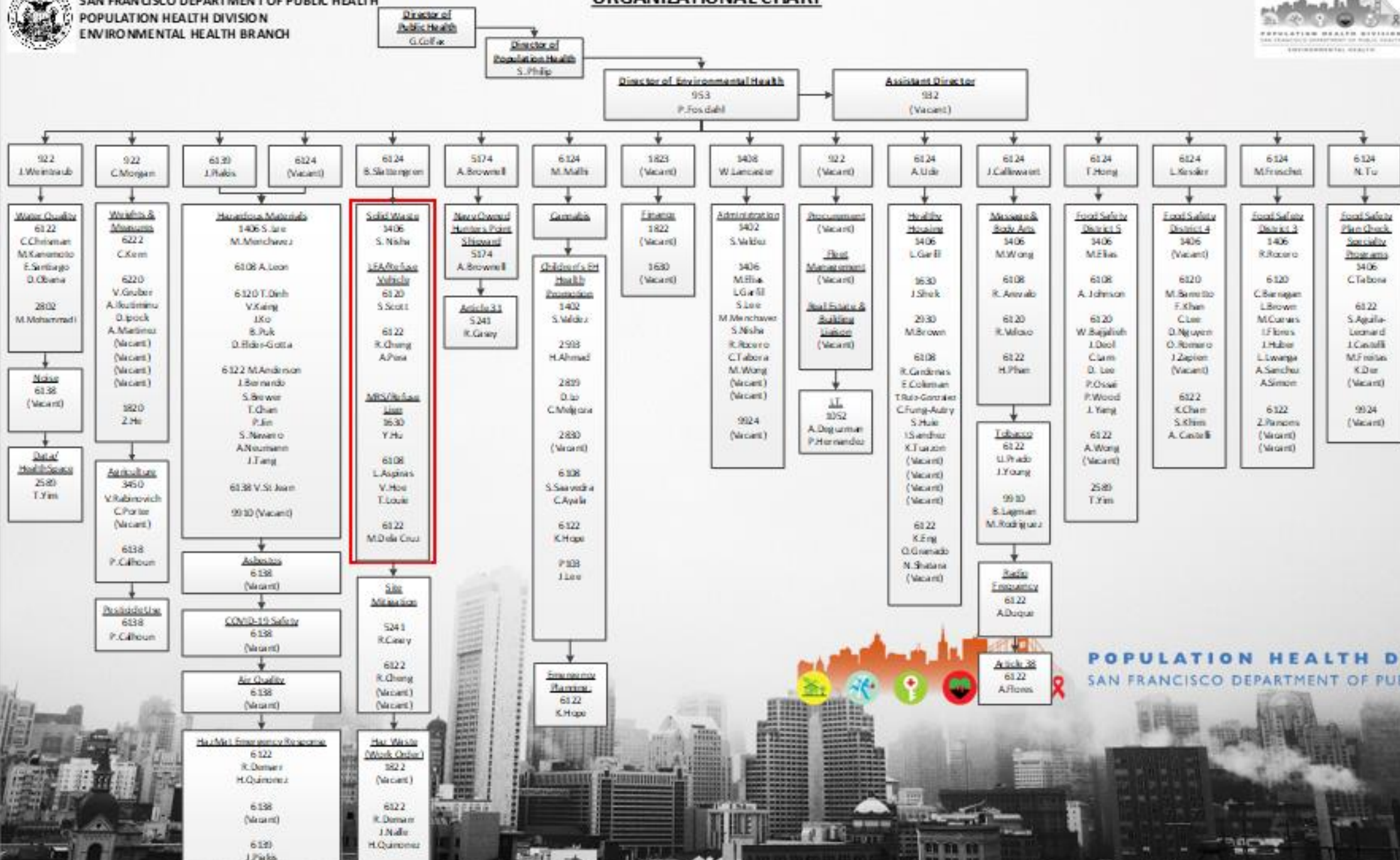
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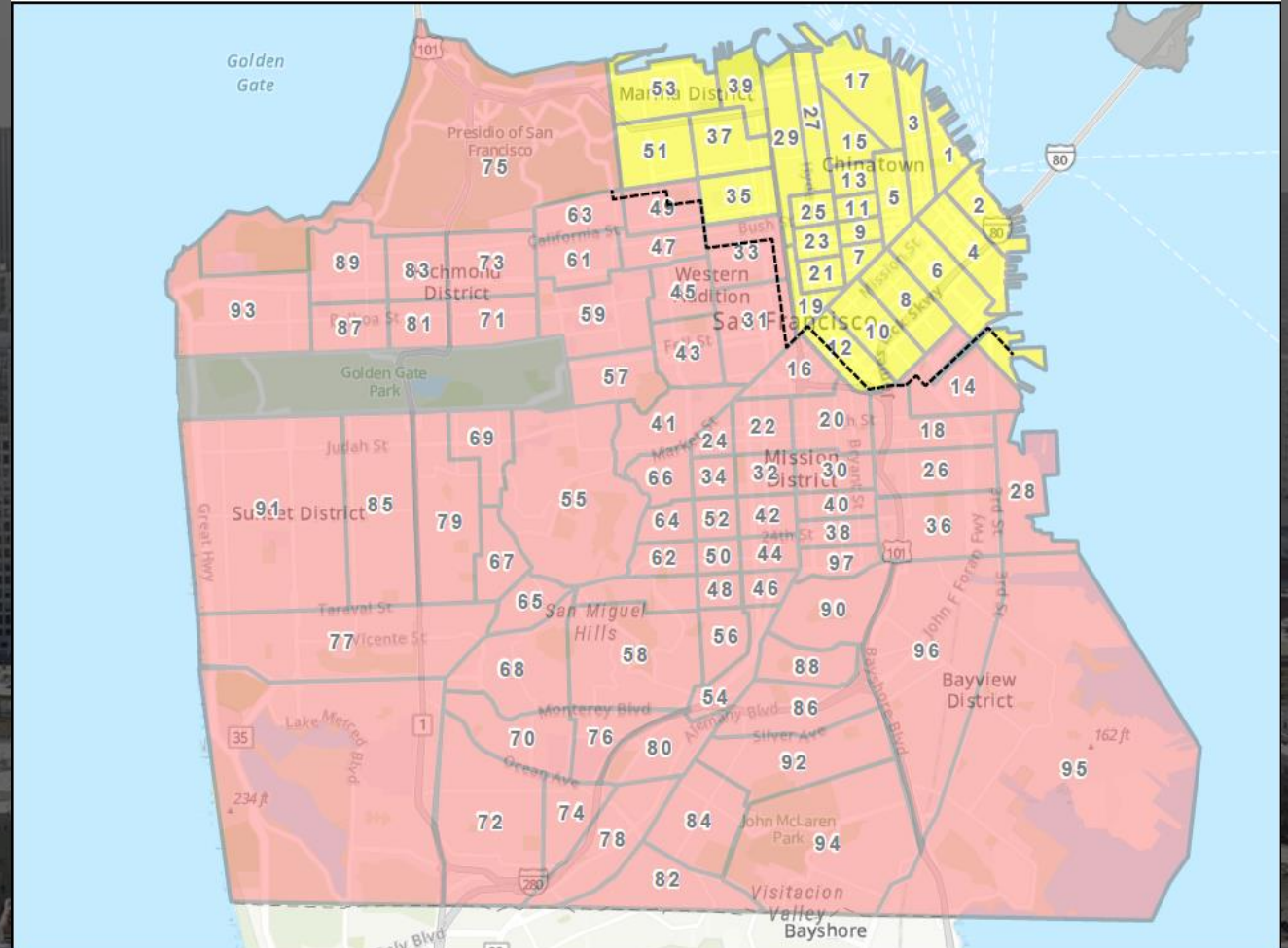


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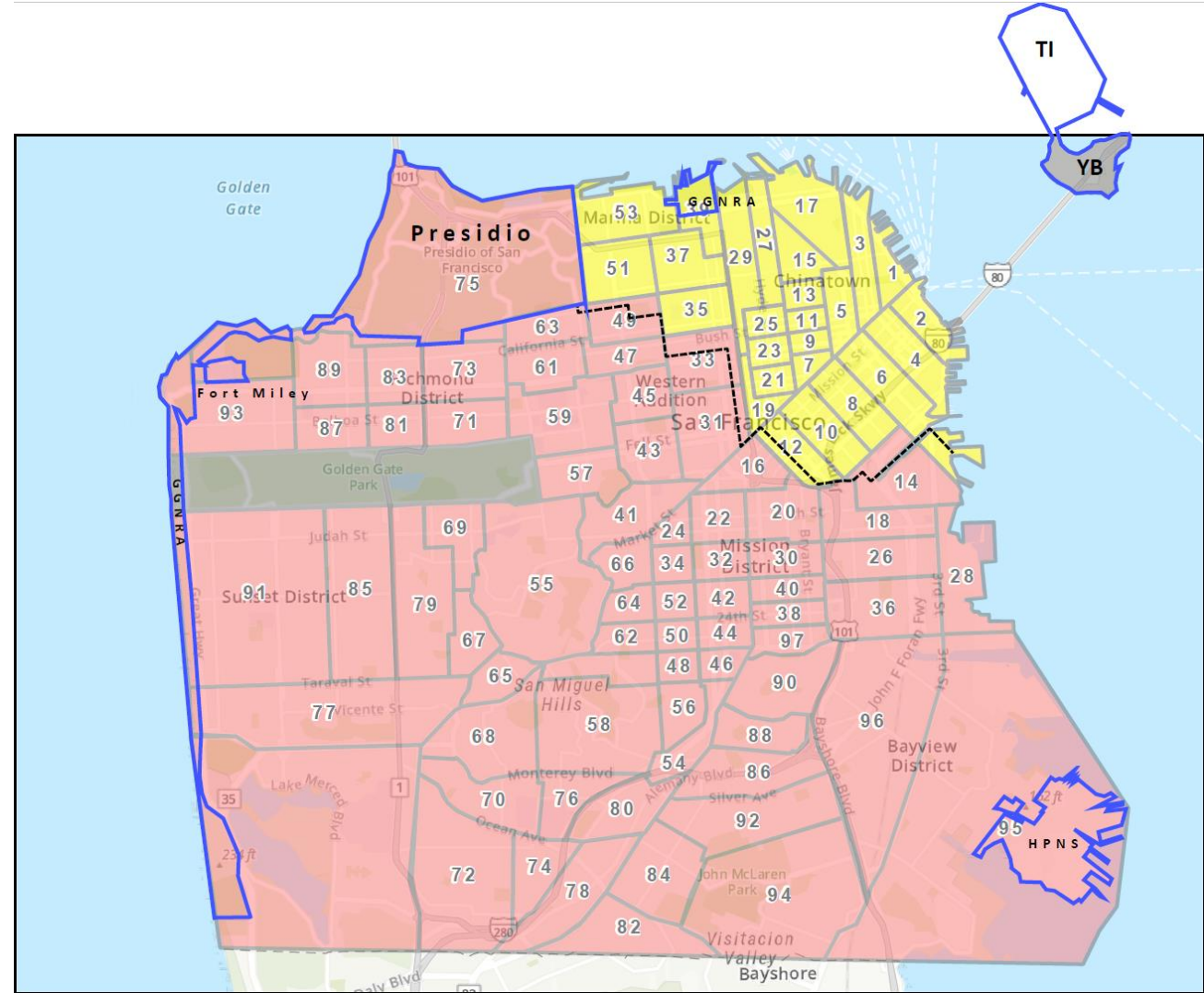
Background and Authorities

- The 1932 Refuse Ordinance authorizes DPH to license the refuse collectors and issue refuse collection route permits
- DPH issued 2 Refuse Collector licenses and 97 collection route permits under the Refuse Ordinance
 - Yellow – Recology Golden Gate
 - Pink – Recology Sunset Scavenger



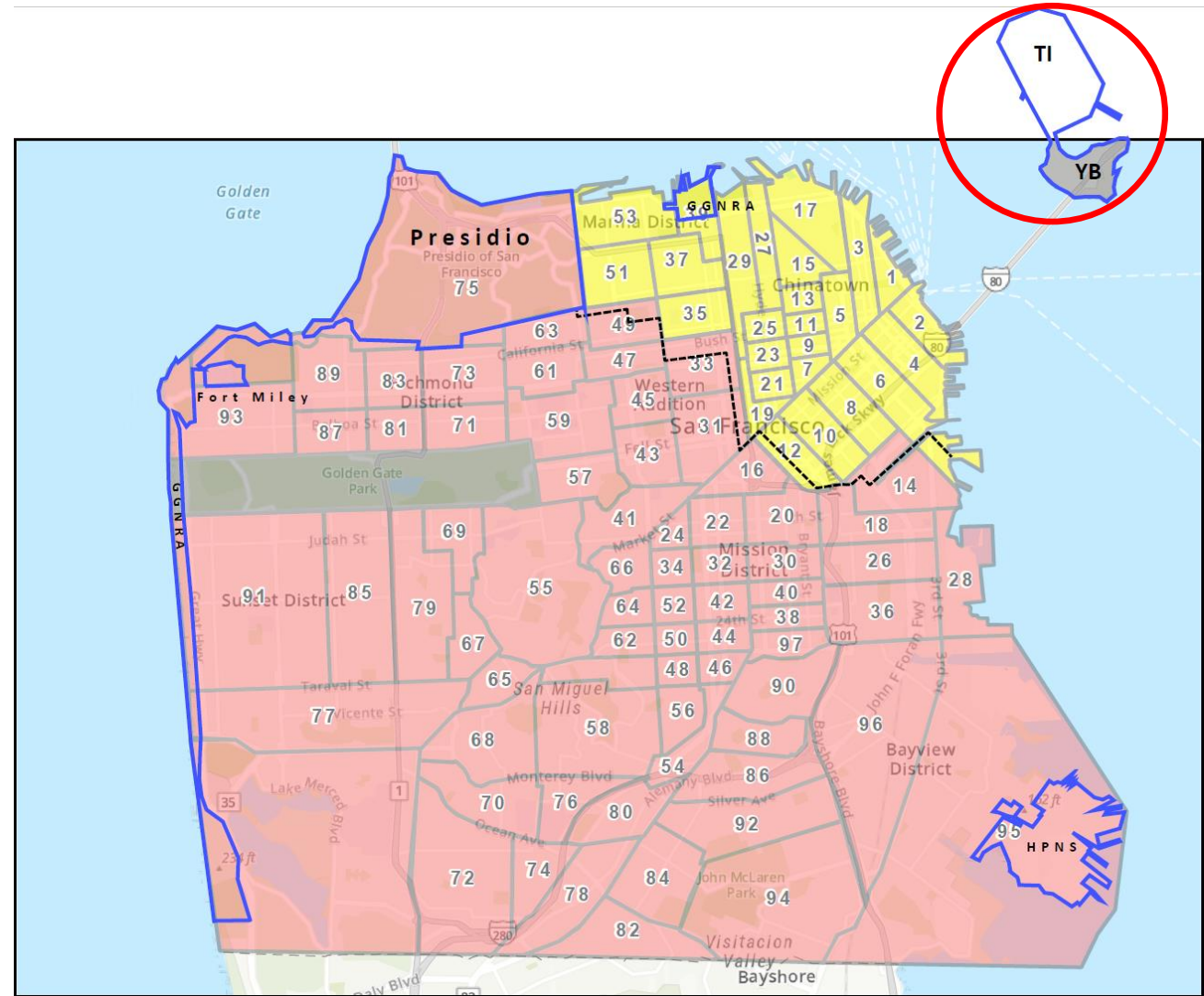
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- In 1992, the Health Commission adopted the *Federal Refuse Collection Regulation* to address refuse collection services for federal sites (The Presidio, GGNRA, VA, Job Corps, TI/YB, etc.)
- Above regulation outline the qualification of a refuse collector and describes the refuse collection permit process and conditions



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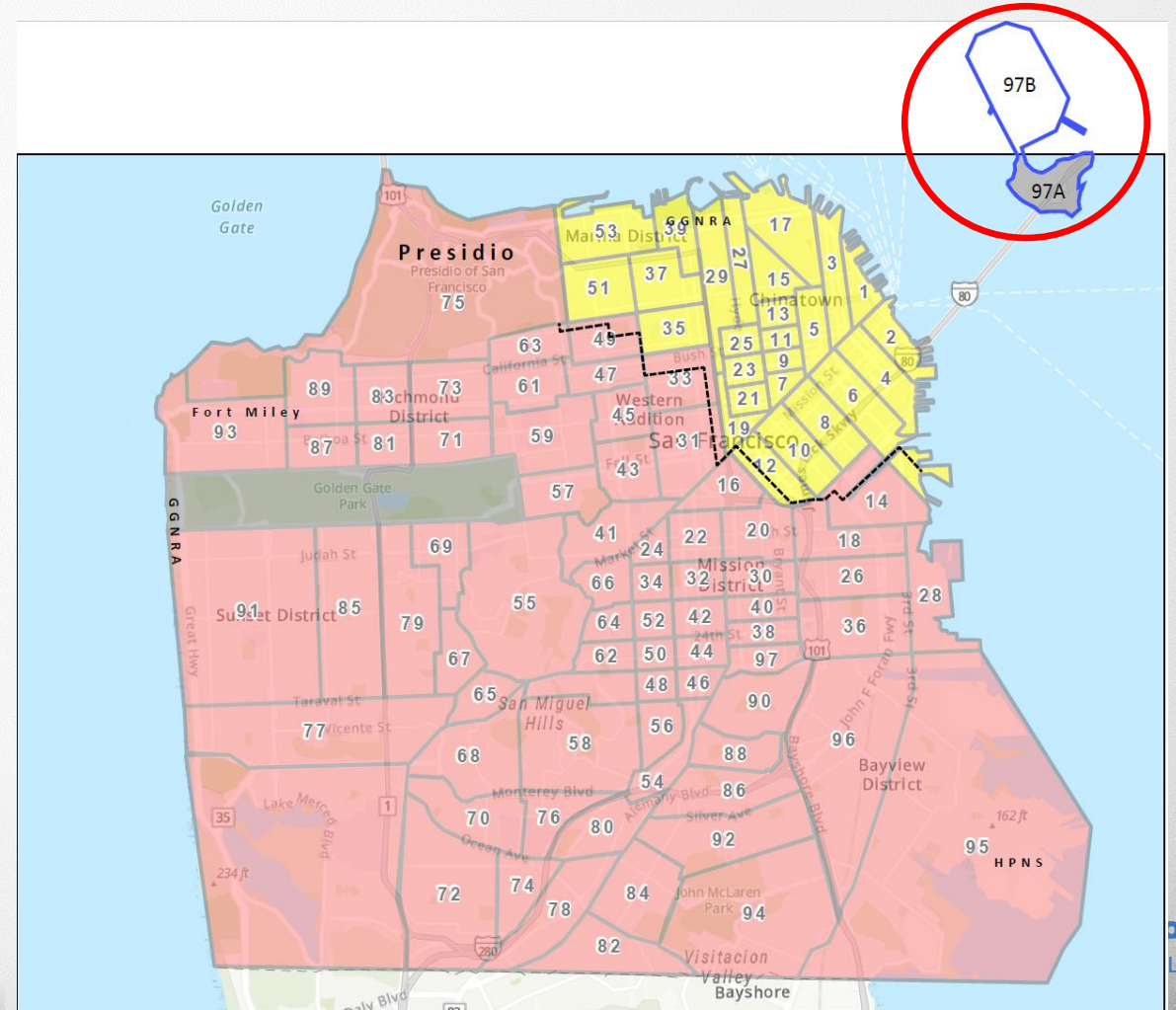
- In 1999, the Health Commission adopted:
 - New *Non-Federal Refuse Collection Regulation* to address the refuse collection services on city-owned properties on non-federal sites – Treasure Island and Yerba Buena
 - Revised *Federal Facilities Regulation* to be consistent with the Non-Federal Facilities Regulation
- The 1999 regulation outline the same qualification, permit process, and conditions as the 1992 regulation



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Current Needs

- Private residences on TI/YB in 2022
- DPH will need to issue the TI and YBI collection route permits under the Refuse Ordinance instead of the 1999 non-federal facilities refuse regulation.
 - Route 97A – Yerba Buena
 - Route 97B – Treasure Island
- DPH is in need of an administrative process to issue the refuse collector license and route permits.



Proposed Refuse Collection Rules & Regulations ("Rules")

The proposed Rules fulfill DPH's needs by:

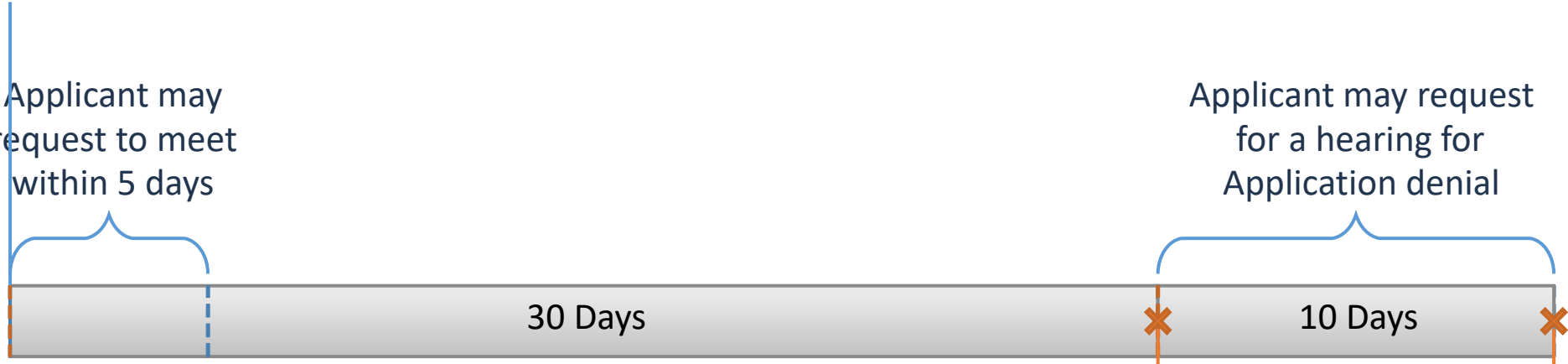
- Clarifying definitions and requirements in the Refuse Ordinance to obtain and maintain the refuse collector license and refuse collection route permits
- Establishing DPH's administrative procedures
- Outlining conditions of the license and permit to ensure continuous regulatory compliance



Refuse Collector License Application Process

Applicant submits
Refuse collector
license application

Applicant may
request to meet
within 5 days



Applicant may request
for a hearing for
Application denial

DPH conducts evaluation of
the application package

DPH to approve or
deny application
package

Director's action to grant
license or deny license
becomes final



Route Permit Application Process

Licensee submits permit application package

Applicant may request to meet within 5 days

Director's Decision sent to the Licensee



DPH conducts evaluation of the application package

DPH to set a public hearing and prepare recommendation on permit action

Public Hearing to determine final permit action



Next Steps

- 11/29/2021- 12/29/2021 - Public Comments
 - Draft posted for Public Comment on SFDPH Website on 11/29/2021
<https://www.sfdph.org/dph/EH/SolidWaste/default.asp>
 - Electronic or written comments can be submitted to Beronica Slattengren at Beronica.Slattengren@sfdph.org or 49 South Van Ness Ave, Suite 600, San Francisco, CA 94103 by 12/29/2021.
- 01/04/2022 – Health Commission to vote





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