

**MEETING AGENDA**  
Refuse Rate Board  
August 31, 2023  
Hearing Room 408, City Hall  
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Pl., San Francisco, CA 94102  
9:00 AM – 1:00 PM

Members  
Carmen Chu  
Dennis Herrera

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Access Code: 2662 863 7244

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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.
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  - 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) Rate Order for Fiscal Years 2023-24 and 2024-25

***Discussion and possible action to adopt a resolution modifying and adopting the Refuse Rates Administrator's proposal for a refuse rate adjustment for rate years 2024 and 2025; finding that the adjusted refuse rates are just and reasonable; memorialize the required service levels for refuse collection; and affirming the Planning Department's determination that the proposed adoption of the rate order is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act. Approval of this proposed action is the Approval Action as defined by San Francisco Administrative Code Chapter 31.***

- Presentation from the Office of the Refuse Rate Administrator on the modified rate order report
- Presentation by any members of the public who wish to speak on their Proposition F comments or objections
- Public Comment
- Board Discussion and vote

### 3) New Matters

***Opportunity to propose future agenda items with discussion and possible action by the Board***

- Public Comment
- Board Discussion

### 4) General Public Comment

***Opportunity for the public to comment on any matters within the Board's jurisdiction that are not on the agenda.***

### 5) **Adjourn**

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

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