



ABATEMENT APPEALS BOARD

NOTICE OF MEETING

Hearing in person and via video and teleconferencing

Wednesday, April 17, 2024 at 9:30 a.m.

City Hall, 1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place, Room 416

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WebEx Webinar Password: 0417

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PUBLIC COMMENT CALL-IN: 1-415-655-0001 / Access Code: 2661 086 0068

To raise your hand for public comment on a specific agenda item press *3 (Star three) when prompted by the meeting moderator.

Members of the public may attend the meeting to observe or provide public comment at the physical meeting location listed above or remotely. If you want to ensure your comment on any item on the agenda is received by the Abatement Appeals Board in advance of the meeting, please send an email to dbi.aab@sfgov.org by 5pm on April 16, 2024 or call (628) 652-3510. Please see the information on the next page for remote meeting access.

AGENDA:

The Abatement Appeals Board (AAB) will take public comment on every item appearing on the agenda. Members of the public who address the Board have the discretion on whether or not they wish to identify themselves for the record.

A. CALL TO ORDER and ROLL CALL.

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD

Evita Chavez, President
Bianca Neumann, Vice-President
Alysabeth Alexander-Tut, Commissioner
Earl Shaddix, Commissioner
Angie Sommer, Commissioner
Kavin Williams, Commissioner

DEPARTMENT REPRESENTATIVES

Matthew Greene, Secretary to the Board (628) 652-3517
Sonya Harris, BIC Secretary (628) 652-3510
Code Enforcement Section (628) 652-3430
Housing Inspection Services (628) 652-3700

CITY ATTORNEY'S OFFICE REPRESENTATIVE

Sarah Fabian, Deputy City Attorney (415) 554-4679

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B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: (*Discussion and Possible Action*)

**Discussion and possible action to adopt the minutes for meeting held on: March 20, 2024.
Public Comment**

C. NEW APPEAL(S): Order of Abatement (*Discussion and Action*)

1. CASE NO. 6918: 3655 20th St. – Complaint # 202295141

Owners of Record & Appellant: KNOWLES JOHN F. & DAPHNE & KNOWLES GREGORY

Appellant’s Representative: HENRY KARNILOWICZ

ACTION REQUESTED BY APPELLANT: Appellant appeals the Order of Abatement dated October 19, 2023 and posted on November 6, 2023, and assessment of costs. Appellant seeks “Cancelling of the OOA as a permit was procured in a timely manner to address the complaint considering owner was unaware of the complaint.”

Public Comment

D. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT

Members of the public may address the Board on matters that are within the Board’s jurisdiction and are not on today’s agenda. Speakers shall address their remarks to the Board as a whole and not to individual Board members or Department personnel.

E. ADJOURNMENT

Remote Meeting Access (WEBEX)

To watch via WebEx application on your desktop/laptop: <https://bit.ly/4cGR9wG>

Click the link to join the meeting -

You will then be prompted to enter the following information:

- First and Last Name: These fields are required to be entered; however, if you wish to remain anonymous, you may type “Public” in the first and last name fields.
- Email Address: This field is required to be entered; however, if you wish to remain anonymous, you may type “Public@public.com” in the email field
- Click the “Join Now” button to join the meeting

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Providing Public Comment:

- Dial in to **1-415-655-0001** and then enter access code **2661 086 0068** then #
- **Press #** again to enter meeting as an ATTENDEE
- You will hear a beep when you join the meeting as a participant. Stop and LISTEN
- Wait for Public Comment to be announced.
- When the President or Commission Secretary calls for Public Comment, dial '*' then '3' to be added to the speaker line.
- You will then hear "You have raised your hand to ask a question, please wait to speak until the host calls on you." Callers will hear silence when waiting for their turn to speak.
- Ensure you are in a quiet location. Before you speak, mute the sound of any equipment around you, including televisions, radios, and computers. **It is especially important that you mute your computer (if you are watching via the web link) so there is no echo sound when you speak.**
- To withdraw your question, press '*' then '3'. – you will hear: "You have lowered your hand."
- When the system message says "Your line has been unmuted" - **THIS IS YOUR TIME TO SPEAK.**
- When the President or Commission Secretary states "Welcome Caller," you are encouraged to state your name clearly. As soon as you speak, you will have **3 minutes** to provide your comments.
- Once your 3 minutes have expired, you will be moved out of the speaker line and back as a participant in the meeting (unless you disconnect). You will hear "Your line has been muted."
- Participants who wish to speak on other public comment periods can stay on the meeting line and listen for the next public comment opportunity.

RAMAYTUSH OHLONE LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

The Abatement Appeals Board acknowledges that we are on the unceded ancestral homeland of the Ramaytush Ohlone, who are the original inhabitants of the San Francisco Peninsula. As the indigenous stewards of this land and in accordance with their traditions, the Ramaytush Ohlone have never ceded, lost, nor forgotten their responsibilities as the caretakers of this place, as well as for all peoples who reside in their traditional territory. As guests, we recognize that we benefit from living and working on their traditional homeland. We wish to pay our respects by acknowledging the Ancestors, Elders, and Relatives of the Ramaytush Ohlone community and by affirming their sovereign rights as First Peoples.

KNOW YOUR RIGHTS UNDER THE SUNSHINE ORDINANCE

(Chapter 67 of the San Francisco Administrative Code)

Government's duty is to serve the public, reaching its decisions 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 MORE INFORMATION ON YOUR RIGHTS UNDER THE SUNSHINE ORDINANCE OR TO REPORT A VIOLATION OF THE ORDINANCE, CONTACT THE SUNSHINE ORDINANCE TASK FORCE ADMINISTRATOR:

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Copies of the Sunshine Ordinance can be obtained from the Clerk of the Sunshine Task Force, the San Francisco Public Library and on the City’s website at www.sfgov.org. Copies of explanatory documents are available to the public online at <http://www.sfbos.org/sunshine> or, upon request to the Commission Secretary, at the above address or phone number.

ACCESSIBLE MEETING INFORMATION POLICY

Per the American Disabilities Act and the Language Access Ordinance, Chinese, Spanish, and/or American Sign Language interpreters will be available upon request. Additionally, every effort will be made to provide a sound enhancement system, meeting materials in alternative formats, and/or a reader. Minutes may be translated after they have been adopted by the Commission. For all these requests and other disability-related modification or accommodation, please contact the Commission Secretary at least 48 hours before the meeting at (628) 652-3510. Late requests will be honored if possible. The hearing room is wheelchair accessible.

DISABILITY ACCESS

The meeting will be held at the City Hall Building, located at 1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place, 4th Floor, Room 416. The closest accessible BART station is the Civic Center Station at 8th (at the United Nations Plaza) and Market Streets.

Accessible MUNI/Metro lines servicing this location are the J-Church, K-Ingleside, L-Taraval, —Ocean View, and N-Judah at Van Ness and Civic Center Stations; 9-San Bruno, 71-Haight, and 42-Downtown bus lines. For information about MUNI accessible services call (415) 923-6142.



The Commission meeting room is wheelchair accessible. Accessible curbside parking spaces have been designated on the Van Ness Avenue and McAllister Street perimeters of City Hall for mobility-impaired persons. There is accessible parking available within the Civic Center Underground Parking Garage at the corner of McAllister and Polk Streets, and within the Performing Arts Parking Garage at Grove and Franklin Streets.

Individuals with severe allergies, environmental illness, multiple chemical sensitivity or related disabilities should call (628) 652-3510 to discuss meeting accessibility. In order to assist the City’s efforts to accommodate such persons, attendees at public meetings are reminded that other attendees may be sensitive to various chemical based products. Please help the City to accommodate these individuals.

POLICY STATEMENT OF PUBLIC HEARING OR MEETING

Pursuant to Section 67.7-1(c) of the San Francisco Administrative Code, members of the public who are unable to attend the public meeting or hearing may submit written comments regarding a calendared item to the Secretary, at 49 South Van Ness Avenue, 4th Floor, San Francisco, CA 94103 or at the place of the scheduled hearing before the proceedings begin. These written comments shall be made a part of the official public record and these comments will be brought to the attention of the members of the Abatement Appeals Board.

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POLICY STATEMENT OF PUBLIC COMMENT

FOR THIS MEETING OF THE ABATEMENT APPEALS BOARD--and until such time as a policy is formally adopted--it is the interim cooperative intent of the Abatement Appeals Board of the City & County of San Francisco that, at the point so designated as **Public Comment** on the following Calendar, members of the public may address the Board on items of interest to the public that are within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Board--excepting calendar items. With respect to calendar items, the public's opportunity to address the Board will be afforded when the item is reached in the meeting. Each member of the public may address the Board for up to three minutes.

SAN FRANCISCO LOBBYIST ORDINANCE

Individuals and entities that influence or attempt to influence local legislative or administrative action may be required by the San Francisco Lobbyist Ordinance [SF Campaign & Governmental Conduct Code 2.100] to register and report lobbying activity. For more information about the Lobbyist Ordinance, please contact the Ethics Commission at 25 Van Ness Avenue, Suite 220, San Francisco, CA 94102, (415) 252-3100, FAX (415) 252-3112, website: sfgov.org/ethics.

CONTRIBUTION RESTRICTION

Campaign & Governmental Conduct Code section 1.127 prohibits any person with a financial interest in certain land use matters from making a political contribution to any committee controlled by an individual currently holding, or seeking election to, the office of Mayor, Supervisor, or City Attorney. Solicitation or acceptance of such a contribution is also prohibited. Be aware that certain matters pending before or acted upon by the Abatement Appeals Board may constitute land use matters under section 1.127. Please visit sfethics.org to learn more about whether your involvement in such matters affects your ability to make political contributions, or contact the Ethics Commission at ethics.commission@sfgov.org or (415) 252-3100.

RINGING AND USE OF CELL PHONES

The ringing and use of cell phones, pagers, and similar sound-producing electronic devices are prohibited at this meeting. The Chair may order the removal from the meeting room of any person responsible for the ringing or use of a cell phone, pager, or other similar sound-producing electronic device.