

DEPARTMENT NOTICE

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No Political Activity While on Duty

All department members are reminded there should be no political endorsements while on duty or in uniform. Department General Order 2.01, Rule 46 states:

46. POLITICAL ACTIVITY. Members shall not, while on duty or while acting as a representative of the department, endorse political candidates or issues or participate in political campaigns. Members shall not place or cause to be placed politically oriented information in or on any department building or equipment other than upon the bulletin board provided for the posting of general notices.

Additionally, members shall not use department e-mail for the purpose of political or charitable activity.

Members can review the updated <u>Political Activity Memorandum</u> issued by the City Attorney on October 1, 2019 on the City Attorney's website. The memo describes the rules governing political activities by City employees and officers. A further overview of political activity restrictions and other laws governing the conduct of City officers and employees is available in the <u>Good Government Guide</u>.

WILLIAM SCOTT Chief of Police

Any questions or clarification regarding this policy should be made to sfpd.writtendirectives@sfgov.org who will provide additional guidance about the directive.