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SFPD Proposing Changes to District Station Boundaries to Improve Policing in San Francisco 24-104

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Map with Proposed Changes Attached Below

The San Francisco Police Department is proposing 15 changes to district station boundaries to maximize resources and better deliver policing services to the community, Chief Bill Scott announced Thursday.

The new boundaries aim to improve workload balance across the city, increase resources to high-need areas, and enhance officers' ability to respond to calls for service more quickly. The changes affect eight districts with no changes proposed for Ingleside or Taraval stations.

“The SFPD is doing everything within its power to deliver the highest quality service to everyone in our city,” Scott said. “By making some adjustments to our station boundaries, our officers will be more efficient and effective as they continue to do a tremendous job policing San Francisco.”

The SFPD is required under the city charter to conduct a review of district station boundaries every 10 years and make adjustments where appropriate. Factors for consideration include, population data, calls for service and arrests, police staffing, and community input. The last time the SFPD conducted a boundary analysis was in 2015.

The decline in SFPD staffing numbers, changes to resident and non-resident populations, and impacts of criminal behavior are all important factors the department considered when reevaluating district boundaries.

The SFPD will hold a series of community meetings and focus groups to discuss the proposed changes in September and October. The department has launched a new website, sfpdboundaryanalysis.com, where members of the public can get more information about the project.

Some of the key changes include moving the boundary of Tenderloin and Southern stations back to Market Street; moving the Castro neighborhood from Mission Station to Park Station; and making Van Ness Avenue the boundary between Northern, Central, and Tenderloin stations.

After the SFPD reviews all the public input and re-evaluates the proposed map it will submit the recommendation to the Police Commission for approval.

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