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Hello, Task force members, my name is April Leung and I work in San Francisco, Outer Richmond.

I ask that should the Task Force choose accept the recommendation to combine Early Childhood Community Oversight and Advisory Committee (EC COAC) with another body that it NOT be combined with the Children, Youth and Their Families Oversight and Advisory Committee (OAC) but, rather, the Children and Families First Commission (CFC), and further, that if the decision to combine with CFC is made that the difference between these two oversight bodies is understood, and needed adjustments made.

The EC COAC and CFC meet multiple times a year jointly and oversee funds held by the same department. With some carefully thought out amendments allowing for the state requirements of the current CFC over the state-only funds, and the separate COAC oversight of the City-generated funds, it is possible that these oversight functions could be handled by one body. Please note though, the oversight currently held by these two bodies is **not** identical, as is currently stated in the streamline recommendations. Co-mingling of funds is a concern that should be attended to; the intent of each fund is discreet. Combining the EC COAC with the CFC, however, would create a one-stop for official oversight, making it clearer to community members about where to go to express their concerns, needs, and wants.

On the other hand, combining the EC COAC with a commission that advises a different department, such as the Children, Youth and Their Families OAC, risks many issues, including: co-mingling of funds and confusion for parents, families and advocates of children 0-5 on where to engage. If history is any indicator, when these two groups had oversight combined previously, the focus on our city's youngest was lost.

Again, I ask that if the EC COAC is combined with any other commission, it should be the CFC and NOT the Children, Youth and Their Families OAC. Thank you.