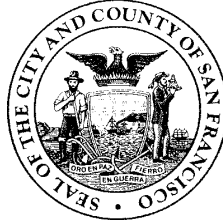


ELECTIONS COMMISSION
City and County of San Francisco

Michelle Parker, President
Renita LiVolsi, Vice President
Rebecca Bers
Neil Hallinan
Trevor McNeil
Dena Aslanian-Williams



John Arntz, Director of Elections
Marisa Davis, Commission Secretary

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
January 21, 2026
6:00 p.m.
City Hall, Room 408
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place
San Francisco, California 94102
& Remote via WebEx

1. Call to Order & Roll Call

President Parker called the meeting to order at 6:04 PM.

Present: President Michelle Parker, Vice President Renita LiVolsi, Commissioner Rebecca Bers
Commissioner Trevor McNeil, and Commissioner Neil Hallinan.

Excused Absences: Commissioner Dena Aslanian-Williams.

Also Present: Director of Elections John Arntz City Attorney Ana Flores.

President Parker stated the Commission's land acknowledgement of the Ramaytush Ohlone people.

President Parker had to delay the introduction new Commissioner Dena Aslanian-Williams; (appointed by the District Attorney), as she was not present at the meeting due to illness. She will have the opportunity to introduce herself at the February 2026 regular Commission meeting.

2. General Public Comment – In person

It was suggested that recently passed Proposition 50 be suspended after the 2026 elections and requested a resolution by the Commission regarding the same.

3. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes

The minutes of the San Francisco Election Commission November 2025 meeting were approved by the commission.

4. Director's Reports and Communications

Discussion and possible action regarding December 2025 and January 2026 Director's Reports which included budget efficiency, enhanced language accessibility for voters, and the importance of education on voting barriers during their January 2026 meeting. Director Arntz also reported on budgetary processes and emphasized the need for efficiency and confirmed the election process remains efficient despite reduced overtime and weekend work, with minimal impact on results timing and the consolidation of polling stations proved effective in accommodating voter needs.

A motion to approve the results of the November 4 Statewide Election was made by Vice President LiVolsi and seconded by Commissioner Bers.

President Parker	Yes
Vice President LiVolsi	Yes
Commissioner Bers	Yes
Commissioner Hallinan	Yes
Commissioner McNeil	Yes
Commissioner Aslanian-Williams	Absent

Motion passed.

The annual budget was discussed and a BOPEC meeting with the Elections Department was scheduled for January 29, 2026. President Parker, Vice President LiVolsi and Commissioner McNeil to meet and provide salient feedback to the Director. The budget due date is February 23, 2026.

5. 2025-2026 Elections Commission Priorities

Topics included:

- Collaborations with other departments to provide insights into best practices for addressing language access challenges.
- Focus on education regarding intersectional barriers to voting access.
- Open-source voting and its implications for election security; highlight the unique requirements of San Francisco's ranked choice voting system and clarity on decision-making processes in election systems.
- Proactive public awareness of election resources and procedures.
- Pre-meeting with presenters to align topics and expectations for the AI session to ensure they understand the focus of the educational sessions on AI and elections. a

Future updates on digital accessibility compliance and the commission's website will be by Secretary Davis.

A motion to approve the priority of two goals was made by Vice President LiVolsi and seconded by Commissioner Bers.

President Parker	Yes
Vice President LiVolsi	Yes
Commissioner Bers	Yes

Commissioner Hallinan	Yes
Commissioner McNeil	Yes
Commissioner Aslanian-Williams	Absent

Motion passed

6. Commissioners' Reports

President Parker will draft the 2025 annual report for review at the February or March regular meeting.

7. Election of Commission Executive Officers

A motion to vote on and approve the Commission Officer elections was made by Vice President LiVolsi and seconded by Commissioner Bers.

President

President Parker	Parker
Vice President LiVolsi	Parker
Commissioner Bers	Parker
Commissioner Hallinan	Parker
Commissioner McNeil	Parker
Commissioner Aslanian-Williams	Absent

Unanimous - President Parker to serve as President until December 31, 2026

Vice President

President Parker	LiVolsi
Vice President LiVolsi	LiVolsi
Commissioner Bers	LiVolsi
Commissioner Hallinan	LiVolsi
Commissioner McNeil	LiVolsi
Commissioner Aslanian-Williams	Absent

Unanimous – Vice President LiVolsi to serve as Vice President until December 31, 2026

8. Agenda Items for Future Meetings and Commissioner Announcements

Discussion and possible action regarding items for future agendas.

ADJOURNMENT