ELECTIONS COMMISSION *City and County of San Francisco*

Michelle Parker, President Renita LiVolsi, Vice President Rebecca Bers Trevor McNeil Kelly Wong Neil Hallinan



John Arntz, Director of Elections

Marisa Davis, Commission Secretary

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
October 15, 2025
6:00 p.m.
City Hall, Room 408
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place
San Francisco, California 94102
& Remote via WebEx

Order of Business

1. Call to Order & Roll Call

President Parker called the meeting to order at 6:08 PM.

<u>Present</u>: President Michelle Parker, Vice President Renita LiVolsi, Commissioner Rebecca Bers Commissioner Trevor McNeil, Commissioner Kelly Wong and Commissioner Hallinan.

<u>Also Present</u>: Director of Elections John Arntz, Deputy City Attorney Ana Flores, and Commission Secretary Marisa Davis.

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

President Parker introduced our new Commissioner Neil Hallinan; he was appointed by the Treasurer. Commissioner Hallinan discussed his background and expressed his appreciation to serve on the Commission.

2. General Public Comment

No public comments

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3. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes

September 17, 2025, Elections Commission meeting minutes were approved by consensus.

4. Director's Report and Communications

The Elections Department Director discussed details and actions regarding the October 2025 Director's Report. This report included November 4 Statewide Special Election details, ballot reports, ongoing voter outreach, and the administrative details regarding polling and processing activities regarding the special election.

5. September 16, 2025 Special Recall Election Review

Discussion regarding the Elections Commission's review of the September 16, 2025 Special Recall Election, including incident report issues and the timing for the Mayor to appoint a new commissioner for District 4.

A motion to approve the results of the September 16 Recall Election election was made by Vice President LiVolsi and seconded by Commissioner Bers.

| President Parker | Yes |
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| Vice President LiVolsi | Yes |
| Commissioner Bers | Yes |
| Commissioner Hallinan | Yes |
| Commissioner McNeil | Yes |
| Commissioner Wong | Yes |

Motion passed.

6. 2025-2026 Election Commission and/or Department Priorities and Goals

A discussion regarding potential policies, priorities, and goals over the coming year was discussed, including education, voter access, cybersecurity, accountability, transparency, public engagement, and committee self-assessment vis a vis goals.

Potential deliverables to include AI (LiVolsi), best practices regarding outreach (McNeil), language access (Wong), Open-Source voting (Parker), qualitative election issues for voters (Bers), and committee organizational duties (all). To properly agendize to discuss these issue for implementation factoring best use of time, these topics will be addressed in future meetings, with commissioners facilitating issues as per above.

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Public Commenters

Tom S – Again expressed the need for the commission to have political diversity, and to appoint a non-democrat; he also brought up the birth code tables, the need to clean up voting rolls, and non-American/foreign interference.

George K – commented on an "election expo" with booths to meet the commissioners, candidates and issues...

Brief Break - 7:06 - 7:11 PM

7. Commissioners' Reports

President Parker asked staff to check their calendars and let her know, via email, as soon as possible if any Commissioner has a calendar conflict with either the November and December commission meetings.

Commissioner Wong indicated she will not be available for the November meeting.

- **8.** Agenda Items for Future Meetings and Commissioner Announcements Discussion and possible action regarding items for future agendas.
- 9. Meeting adjourned at 7:40 PM