Location: Alameda County Training & Education Center
            125- 12th Street, 4th Floor
            Suite 400 Hayward/Union City Rooms
            Oakland, CA 94612

Date: December 19, 2024
Time: 4:00 p.m.

Minutes

1. Call To Order / Roll Call

   The special Elections Commission meeting of December 19, 2024, convened at 4:00 p.m. in the Hayward/Union City Rooms. The president, James R. Lindsay, called to order the meeting.

Present

   Commission Members: Judy Belcher, Karen A. Butter, Irene Dieter, Susan R. Henderson, James R. Lindsay, Karl I. Seabrook, Benita Tsao, Zabrae Valentine, and Allie Whitehurst; *County Counsel:* Jason Allen.

Absent

   Commission Members: Alissa Moore and Alexander Ramon. *Registrar of Voters:* Tim Dupuis, Cynthia Cornejo, and Noe Lucio.

2. Announcements and Communications

   (a) From staff

        There were no announcements.

   (b) From commissioners

        Commissioners Butter, Belcher and Valentine discussed with county counsel possibly using Google Docs to gather ideas, and generally whether the number of participants might violate the Brown Act. Mr. Allen stated the Brown Act is intended to prevent meetings occurring in private, including the deliberative process.

        Ms. Belcher requested that the use of Rosenburg be followed.

        Commissioner Lindsay announced that the meeting location will be changed.

3. Public Comment on Agenda Items.

   Public comments were made on the agenda items.

4. Sole Item for this Special Meeting

   (1) Plan to Analyze and Report to the BOS re. the 2024 election administration

   - **Commissioner Dieter reviewed the gathering of ideas, and offered an approach to generating the report, and how the commissioners and staff will decide the topics and the solutions the commission would recommend.**
   - **A recommendation was made to first add new topics to the list by Ms. Dieter. A recommendation was made to first add new topics to the list before reviewing the published list by Mr. Lindsay. Commissioners added topics, and a discussion ensued about facets of elections, definition of terms, jurisdiction, and what should be included in the assessment.**
   - **A motion was made to form an ad hoc committee comprised of Dieter, Butter, Belcher and Lindsay to draft an assessment and run it by the registrar of voters for their feedback in collaboration by Ms. Dieter and seconded by Ms. Butter.**
   - **The motion passed unanimously.**

5. Public Comment on Agenda or Non-Agenda Items.
   Public Comment was allowed for agenda and non-agenda items.

6. Requests for Future Agenda Items
   No requests for future agenda items were made.

7. Adjournment
   The meeting was adjourned at 6:49 p.m.

The next regular meeting will be held January 16, 2025.

Attachment for Agenda Item 4

December 19, 2024
To: Alameda County Elections Commission
From: Benita Tsao

Hello commissioners,
The Registrar of Voters has said previously that voter turnout is the ultimate metric for gauging the impact of the department's voter outreach, registration and education efforts, and I agree this is valuable information for evaluating the elections in 2024 and tracking over time. I mentioned this at the Nov. 21 Elections Commission meeting, and I submitted a formal request to the Registrar of Voters via President Jim Lindsay and Vice President Zabrae Valentine on Dec. 10.

Specifically, I requested registration and turnout numbers in several general elections since 2020, disaggregated by the priority groups identified in the Election Administration Plan, as well as the historically-underserved communities of interest identified in the Elections Commission ordinance and by commissioners so far. In addition, I've requested relevant data on programs named in the Election Administration Plan, such as Inmate Vote by Mail Program and ACVOTE On the Go. The categories are listed in the attached handout.

Note that the table is not yet populated with data, even though some are already publicly available. Instead, the handout lists the data I would like the Registrar of Voters Department to provide as part of evaluating each election; they have not provided any yet in response to the request. I am sharing the list with the Commission now in case there are other data categories you all want to add or discuss, and so we know to revisit this at a future meeting when the data are available.
Benita

	Number of Eligible Voters	Number of Registered Voters	% Eligible Voters who Registered	Number of Voters who Cast Ballots in **Nov. 2024**	% Registered Voters who Cast Ballots in **Nov. 2024**	% Registered Voters who Cast Ballots in **Mar. 2024**	% Registered Voters who Cast Ballots in **Nov. 2022**	% Registered Voters who Cast Ballots in **Nov. 2020**
Total Alameda County			#DIV/0!		#DIV/0!			
District 1			#DIV/0!		#DIV/0!			
District 2			#DIV/0!		#DIV/0!			
District 3			#DIV/0!		#DIV/0!			
District 4			#DIV/0!		#DIV/0!			
District 5			#DIV/0!		#DIV/0!			
Unincorporated Areas			#DIV/0!		#DIV/0!			
ACVOTE On the Go Program and Mobile Ballot Drop Stop Tour*			#DIV/0!		#DIV/0!			
New voters ages 18+ who have become eligible and/or have registered in last five years			#DIV/0!		#DIV/0!			
People who should have their right to vote restored after completing felony sentence (Prop 17, 2020)			#DIV/0!		#DIV/0!			
Immigrant voters who were born in another country and have since become U.S. citizens			#DIV/0!		#DIV/0!			
Voters with disabilities that systems should account for so voting is accessible			#DIV/0!		#DIV/0!			
Remote Accessible Vote by Mail*					#DIV/0!			
Military and Overseas Voters			#DIV/0!		#DIV/0!			
Voters who are seniors, elders, older adults ages 65+			#DIV/0!		#DIV/0!			
Young Voters ages 18-29			#DIV/0!		#DIV/0!			
People who prefer or need to vote in any language other than English (rows 20-25 below)			#DIV/0!		#DIV/0!			
Voters who prefer English-language materials			#DIV/0!		#DIV/0!			
Voters who prefer Chinese-language materials			#DIV/0!		#DIV/0!			
Voters who prefer Spanish-language materials			#DIV/0!		#DIV/0!			
Voters who prefer Tagalog-language materials			#DIV/0!		#DIV/0!			
Voters who prefer Vietnamese-language materials			#DIV/0!		#DIV/0!			
Voters who prefer materials in Section 14201 languages (Burmese, Khmer, Hindi, Korean, Laotian, Mien, Mongolian, Punjabi, Telugu)			#DIV/0!		#DIV/0!			
Voters who prefer materials in all languages that are not named in rows 19-24 above			#DIV/0!		#DIV/0!			
Youth Voters ages 16-17 in Albany (Measure V, 2024), Berkeley (Measure Y1, 2016) and Oakland (Measure QQ, 2020)			#DIV/0!		#DIV/0!			
Non-Citizen Residents who are parents, legal guardians, or legal caregivers of a public school student in Oakland (Measure S, 2022)			#DIV/0!		#DIV/0!			

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Voters who are incarcerated (awaiting sentencing or trial, completing misdemeanor sentences)			#DIV/0!		#DIV/0!			
Inmate Vote by Mail Program*			#DIV/0!		#DIV/0!			
White, alone			#DIV/0!		#DIV/0!			
American Indian or Alaska Native, alone and in combination			#DIV/0!		#DIV/0!			
Asian, including South Asian, alone and in combination			#DIV/0!		#DIV/0!			
Black or African American, alone and in combination			#DIV/0!		#DIV/0!			
Hispanic or Latino/a/e/x, alone and in combination			#DIV/0!		#DIV/0!			
Middle Eastern or North African, alone and in combination			#DIV/0!		#DIV/0!			
Multiracial, 2+ racial or ethnic identities, alone and in combination			#DIV/0!		#DIV/0!			
Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander, alone and in combination			#DIV/0!		#DIV/0!			
Black Males -- see Voter Turnout committee			#DIV/0!		#DIV/0!			
Communities with low rates of vehicle ownership			#DIV/0!		#DIV/0!			
Low-income communities			#DIV/0!		#DIV/0!			
Geographically-isolated populations			#DIV/0!		#DIV/0!			
LGBTQ+ voters			#DIV/0!		#DIV/0!			
West Oakland -- see Voter Turnout committee			#DIV/0!		#DIV/0!			
East Oakland -- see Voter Turnout committee			#DIV/0!		#DIV/0!			
To evaluate ROV Programs, report number of contacts leading up to Nov. 2024 elections (column B), number and % of contacts newly registered by the program (columns C & D), and the number and % of contacts who cast ballots in Nov. 2024 (columns E & F)								