

County of Santa Clara

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Language Accessibility Advisory Committee Meeting August 26, 2021 | 1:30-3:00 via Zoom

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://sccgov-org.zoom.us/j/98955740507>

Meeting ID: 989 5574 0507

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ROV Staff: Evelyn Mendez, Shannon Bushey, Virginia Bloom, Paulo Chang, Liz Oviedo, Alfred Gonzales

Members: Tricia Kokes, Christine Fitzgerald, Fred Nisen

Minutes

I. Review and approve minutes

- i. April 22, 2021 Minutes
 - Motion to approve minutes by Tricia Kokes, seconded by Christine Fitzgerald

II. Reports and Updates

A. **Special May Election Results** (Alfred Gonzales, Vote By Mail Division Manager)

- a. Brief overview for the May 4, 2021 Special Election. This is an all-mail ballot election.
- b. Total ballot cast 25,512.
- c. There are 77,750 eligible voters for this election.
- d. Measure A-Cupertino Union School District – Parcel Tax (2/3rds vote required for passage).
 - i. Yes – 15,219 (59.35%), No – 10,363 (40.65%).

B. **Local Voters Rights Act** (Virginia Bloom, Assistant Registrar of Voters)

- a. The ROV created a tool kit with information on pre-registration, registering to vote, information for Voters Formerly Incarcerated, Voters without a fixed address.
- b. The ROV holds Feedback Forums to allow voters and community members the opportunity to provide feedback and get involved. The Feedback Forum is held in different languages every week.

- C. **Recall Election** (Shannon Bushey, Registrar of Voters)
 - a. All active registered voters will automatically be mailed a Vote-by-Mail ballot package.
 - b. For September 14, 2021, California Gubernatorial Recall Election, the ROV's election activities are open to the public to observe at any time.
 - c. The purpose of this election is to determine whether or not the officer named in the recall petition, Governor Gavin Newsom, shall be recalled. If a majority of the voters determine the officer sought to be recalled shall be removed from office, then the candidate receiving the highest number of votes for the office shall be elected for the unexpired term.

- D. **Redistricting** (Virginia Bloom, Assistant Registrar of Voters)
 - a. ROV's Mapping Division will be working tirelessly to meet the redistricting deadlines for the June 2022 election.
 - b. The independent advisory redistricting commission meets biweekly. ROV will continue to report on the progress at the next meeting.

- E. **CVIG Information** (Liz Oviedo, Ballot Layout Division Manager)
 - a. Brief overview of the County Voter Information Guide.
 - b. Voters can request their Official ballot and their CVIG in any of the following languages: English, Spanish, Chinese, Tagalog, or Vietnamese.
 - c. The County Voter Information Guide has information about local candidates and measures, the location of the voter's nearest Vote Center, and other important election information.
 - d. Voters can request a facsimile ballot. Facsimile ballots are offered in specific languages.

- F. **Language Workshops** (Paulo Chang, Public and Legislative Affairs Division Manager)
 - a. The ROV will be hosting a variety of language workshops (Spanish, Chinese, Tagalog, Vietnamese, Korean, Khmer, Japanese, Hindi, Punjabi, Gujarati, Tamil, Telugu, and Nepali) to assist all members of the community with information about the September 14, 2021 California Gubernatorial Recall Election and the November 2, 2021 Special Election.

- G. **Go Green** (Evelyn Mendez, Public and Legislative Affairs Division Manager)
 - a. The Go Green campaign has been launched to encourage voters to opt-out of receiving the printed County Voter Information Guides (CVIG) and receive an electronic CVIG instead.
 - b. To date, 50,187 voters have opted to Go Green out of the County's 1 million registered voters. ROV has a goal to get 500,000 voters to Go Green.
 - c. Outreach efforts include a press release, weekly posts on social media, and spreading the word through various partners. Continue

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- d. To Go Green is easy. The public can visit www.sccvote.org/gogreen or scan a QR code to enter their information to update their voter preference.
 - e. PLA has created a Tool Kit for partners to utilize. Help us get the word out on Go Green.

III. Next Steps

- A. Future meeting keys dates
 - a. December 16, 2021
- B. Future agenda items

Adjourned at 3:30 p.m.

Board of Supervisors: Mike Wasserman, Cindy Chavez, Otto Lee, Susan Ellenberg, S. Joseph Simitian County
Executive: Jeffrey V. Smith