

# San Francisco Democratic County Central Committee

455 Golden Gate Avenue San Francisco, California Milton Marks Auditorium

Wednesday, September 28, 2016

7:00 p.m.

## 72-Hour Meeting Agenda

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### 1. Call to Order and Roll Call

Roll call by Chair, Cindy Wu. Elected members: Angela Alioto, Tom Ammiano, Keith Baraka, London Breed, John Burton, David Campos, Malia Cohen, Petra DeJesus, Bevan Dufty, Mark Farrell, Sandra Lee Fewer, Pratima Gupta, Tom Hsieh, Mary Jung, Jane Kim, Leah LaCroix, Rafael Mandelman, Eric Mar, Sophie Maxwell, Rachel Norton, Aaron Peskin, Scott Wiener, Cindy Wu, and Norman Yee. Ex-Officio Members: U.S. Senator Dianne Feinstein; U.S. House Democratic Leader Nancy Pelosi; U.S. Rep. Jackie Speier; Board of Equalization Member Fiona Ma; State Senator Mark Leno; Assemblymember Phil Ting and Assemblymember David Chiu.

### 2. General Public Comment

The SF DCCC will take public comment on all items on the agenda and, in addition, other matters germane to party business but not on the agenda.

### 3. Approval of Meeting Agenda (Discussion and possible action)

Discussion and possible action regarding the approval of this agenda.  
Discussion and possible action regarding Member Jung and Member Ma's request of September 18, 2016 to reopen "Discussion and possible action to endorse in Board of Supervisors District 11 race."

### 4. Approval of Meeting Minutes (Discussion and possible action)

Approval of the minutes of the SF DCCC's meeting of August 17th, 2016 (minutes attached).

### 5. Reports (Discussion and possible action)

a) Chair (Wu)

1. Subcommittees

b) Treasurer (Ammiano)

c) Finance (DeJesus)

1. Fundraising

c) Voter Registration (Baraka)

d) Club Chartering (Gupta) Discussion and possible action on the approval of Democratic club charters.

e) Outreach (LaCroix)

g) Executive Director (Mehis)

h) CDP Region 6 Update (Kelly)

**6. Resolution to impose \$500 Campaign Contribution Limits (DeJesus)**

Discussion and possible action to amend the SF DCCC's bylaws to adopt \$500 campaign contribution limits and urging San Francisco's state legislative delegation to sponsor related state legislation

**7. New Business (Discussion and possible action)**

The SF DCCC is unable to discuss or take action on items not on this agenda when those discussions pertain to matters within the jurisdiction of the San Francisco Board of Supervisors. The limited exception is to discuss and take action in deciding whether to calendar such items for a future meeting.

**8. Adjournment**

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# San Francisco Democratic County Central Committee

455 Golden Gate Avenue  
San Francisco, California  
Milton Marks Auditorium  
Wednesday, August 17th, 2016  
6:00 p.m.

## Draft Meeting Minutes

### 1. Call to Order at 6:11 p.m. Roll Call at 6:11 p.m.

Chair: Cindy Wu. Members: Angela Alioto, Tom Ammiano (proxy Alysabeth Alexander joined meeting at 6:45 p.m.), Keith Baraka, London Breed (proxy Conor Johnston), John Burton (proxy Frances Hsieh), David Campos (proxy Tom Temprano), Malia Cohen (proxy Mawuli Tugbenyoh joined meeting at 6:45 p.m.), Petra DeJesus, Bevan Dufty, Mark Farrell (proxy Mary Jung), Sandra Lee Fewer, Pratima Gupta, Tom Hsieh, Mary Jung, Jane Kim (proxy Peter Gallotta), Leah LaCroix, Rafael Mandelman, Eric Mar (joined meeting at 7:25 p.m.), Sophie Maxwell, Rachel Norton, Aaron Peskin, Scott Wiener (joined meeting at 6:41), Norman Yee.

Ex-Officio Members: U.S. Senator Dianne Feinstein (proxy Jessica Glass joined at 6:45 p.m.); U.S. U.S. Rep. Jackie Speier (proxy Brian Perkins ); Board of Equalization Member Fiona Ma (proxy Kat Anderson); State Senator Mark Leno (proxy Julius Turman joined meeting at 6:45 p.m.); Assemblymember Phil Ting (proxy Alex Walker) and Assemblymember David Chiu (proxy Jen Kwart).

Absent: House Democratic Leader Nancy Pelosi

### 2. Approval of Meeting Agenda M/S/C (DeJesus /LaCroix) by acclamation

### 3. Approval of Meeting Minutes M/S/C (Mandelman /Jung )

Adopted by acclamation with one amendment changing Feinstein vote for temporary chair to abstain on July 20, 2016 minutes.

### 4. General Public Comment

Jason Fried – vote no on O - rezoning Candlestick and Hunters Point

Tony Kelly, Potrero Hill Democratic Club President urges Yes on S

Rebecca De La Rosa Yes on V - sugary beverage tax

Lynn Silver- Yes on V – sugary beverage tax

Christina Nip - Yes on V – sugary beverage tax

Sharen Hewitt - Yes on V – sugary beverage tax

Gwyneth Borden announcing candidacy for BART Board District 9

Jonathan Mee in support of Kimberly Alvarenga in D11

Susan Pfeiffer representing Hillary Clinton campaign in Northern California. HQ is open at 1001 Van Ness Avenue.

Hannah Moore – Supporting Prop S – reallocation of hotel tax

Alex Ryan Randall – In support of Prop S - reallocation of hotel tax

Summer Hintzell – In support of Prop S - reallocation of hotel tax

Ava Runge – In support of Prop V – sugary beverage tax

Harrison Linder – In support of Prop V - sugary beverage tax

Zachary Stein – In support of Prop V – sugary beverage tax

Jennifer Chinchilla – In support of Prop V – sugary beverage tax

Michael Petrelis – candidate for BART Board D9; Scott Wiener has been a victim of crime twice and District Attorney gears up the machinery and this is wrong. D.A. should drop charges against offender charged in robbery case.

Harold De la Cruz – In support of Prop V – sugary beverage tax

Dolina Florova – In support of Prop F – Vote 16

Paul Henderson – Candidate for Superior Court Judge

Carletta Jackson-Lane – in support of Prop V – sugary beverage tax

Tracy Brown Gallardo – in support of Josh Arce and Kimberly Alvarenga  
Rick Zapandiel - In support of Prop V - sugary beverage tax

Vanessa Boehm – in support of Prop V and Hillary Ronen

Christina Goette – in support of Prop V – sugary beverage tax

Pastor Zacharias – in support of Prop V – sugary beverage tax

Mazin Jamal – in support of Prop S – Hotel tax reallocation

Teresa Molina – member of Coalition on Homelessness – requesting support of Proposition S – Hotel tax reallocation

Virna Orellana – requesting support of Proposition S – Hotel tax reallocation

Hayley Scofield – in support of Proposition S – hotel tax reallocation

Jennifer Friedenbach – in support of Proposition S, hotel tax reallocation and against Proposition Q, sidewalk tent ban

Irma Nunez – in support of Proposition S, hotel tax reallocation

Raul Fernandez – in support of Proposition S – hotel tax allocation

Melissa San Miguel – candidate for District 9 supervisor

Jonathan Butler – representing NAACP in support of Prop V – sugary beverage tax

Valerie Tulier – urging vote for Josh Arce and Melissa San Miguel in D9; Kimberly Alvarenga in D11

Colm Hagerty – Compass Family Services – in support of Prop S

Wendolyn Aragon for herself and Israel Molina – in support of Shanell Williams and Alex Randolph for City College Board

Jasmine Conrad – Yes on S – hotel tax reallocation

Jewell Conrad – Yes on S – hotel tax reallocation

Jennifer Fieber – from SF Tenants Union – No on Prop O

Susan Bryan – Central City Democratic Club – Homelessness is getting worse gap in the care for people who have been discharged from hospitals and skilled nursing

Michael Nulty - reservations about Prop V, Please support Prop I, Prop S, and Prop B

Vinay Patel – In support of Prop S and Victor Hwang

Alisa Messer – faculty of City College; representing AFT 2121. We have not endorsed any incumbents. Spoke in support of Shanell Williams and Tom Temprano and in support of Prop W.

Dr. Amy Bacharach – in support of City College Parcel Tax Prop B; also in support of Prop W and Amy Bacharach for City College Trustee.

J.J – in support of Shanell Williams for City College

Hitendra Patel – in support of Prop S

Roberto Vargas – in support of Prop V – sugary beverage tax

Ben Dudek – in support of Prop V – sugary beverage tax

Gail Gilman – Community Housing Partnerships – if you care about addressing homelessness vote No on P, U, and Q. Vote yes on J,K, S and W.

Christina Olague – in support of Kimberly Alvarenga

Lito Sandoval – President of Latino Democratic Club – vote in support of Kimberly Alvarenga

Laurel Muniz – speaking in support of Hillary Ronen for District 9 Supervisor

Kathy – in support of Prop V – sugary beverage tax

Kimberly Alvarenga – in support of her candidacy for D11 Supervisor

Elizabeth Velten – in support of Prop V – sugary beverage tax

Linette Peralta Haynes – in support of Kimberly Alvarenga

Wade Woods - Vote Yes on I – Dignity Fund

Tim Killikelly - CCSF Faculty union – in support of Shanell Williams and Tom Temprano and Prop W (luxury home tax and free City College)

Britni Chicuata – American Heart Association support of Prop V – sugary beverage tax

Victor Hwang – in support of candidacy for Superior Court Judge

Deepa Varma – SF Tenants Union – in support of Kimberly Alvarenga in D11

Sandra Fewer in D1, Shanell Williams and Tom Temprano for Community College Board, Dean Preston in D5

Jill Wynns – in support of Prop A – school bond, please vote for all three incumbents on the Board of Education

Patricia Hall – in support of Paul Henderson for Superior Court Judge

Lynda Richardson – in support of Prop O

Gladys Soto - in support of three Latinos running for Supervisor. Progressives have let us down by failing to support Latinos.

Joseph Bryant – SEIU 1021 – urging support for Kimberly Alvarenga

Shamann Walton – Young Community Developers, in support of Prop V, Prop A and especially Prop O. We need Jobs Housing Parks Now.

Monica Chinchilla – in support of Prop V – sugary beverage tax

Van Cedric Williams – teacher in SFUSD - in support of Stevon Cook.

Denise Dorey - revisit No on Prop 64 endorsement

Tami Bryant – in support of Kimberly Alvarenga, Shanell Williams, UESF-endorsed candidates for school board, against the fascist homeless initiatives.

Olga Miranda – SEIU Janitors local 87 – in support of Ahsha Safai – District 11

Conny Ford – in support of Kimberly Alvarenga for District 11

Hene Kelly – Retired teacher and member of UESF – vote for UESF-endorsed candidates Cook, Haney, Norton, Sanchez

Jon Jacopo – Young Latino Democrats – in support of Kimberly Alvarenga

Ken Tray – United Educators of San Francisco – support UESF endorsements for Board of Education: Haney, Cook, Norton, Sanchez

Maria Villena – in support of Kimberly Alvarenga

Public comment closed at 8:04 pm

## 5. Reports (Discussion and possible action)

### a. Chair (Wu).

- (1) Appointment of Parliamentarian – Leah LaCroix
- (2) Endorsements- DeJesus, Baraka Maxwell, Gupta, La Croix
- (3) Slate Card– Vice Chairs and Chair (Wu, DeJesus, Baraka, Gupta, LaCroix)
- (4) Executive Director Search – Gupta, Baraka, Wu
- (5) Resolution adopting \$500 campaign contribution limit (DeJesus) will be heard at September meeting. Has been shared with several Democratic clubs and been endorsed by several including Noe Valley Democratic Club, Tech Dems, Potrero Hill Democratic Club

### b. Executive Director Search Committee (Gupta). Have received 12 applications that committee is in the process of reviewing. We will invite appropriate candidates for interviews. Hopeful to have Executive Director in place by September meeting.

### c. Interim Executive Director report (James Harvill). Interns have registered over 1600 new voters – we are top County party in the state. Member Maxwell asked for interns to be introduced.

**6. Slate Card Vendor Selection** - Chair Wu: We had three bids and reviewed them in accordance with our policy and procedures. There was a correction this morning that was sent to the membership. My recommendation is to award the contract to the low bidder, Stearns Consulting. Member Jung asked if Stearns Consulting is still on Labor's Do Not Use list. Member Peskin said no. Member Hsieh asked a question about the bid. Member Hsieh: It's an extremely low bid, and we should be grateful to Stearns Consulting. Is he in-kind any of his services to the DCCC? My estimates would be \$38,000 to \$40,000 in costs without any profit or fees built in. This is an extremely low bid. Could be in-kind donation as much as \$28,000. Member Peskin asked whether he was saying that all the bids are below costs. Member Hsieh: When a person offers a bid that is profoundly low, outside the boundaries of the costs of the project, it puts up a red flag. Mr. Stearns isn't going to make any money and he's going to lose money. That's not a practical bid. I wouldn't have a contractor come into my house and replace all my windows for \$1,000 because I know it would cost more than that. How are you going to mail

120,000 pieces for approximately \$14,400? Member Peskin: Then it would seem that all the vendors are losing money. Maybe they're great Democrats, but if the representatives from any of the bidding organizations are here then let's ask them. Member Hsieh: We don't want to accept the low bid and then be presented with a different price. Chair Wu: There was no requirement of the organizations to be here tonight. If a vendor is selected, but we will go into negotiations on the contract tomorrow. Chair Wu called on Nicole Derse of 50+1 who was present. Ms. Derse said she is curious how anyone could afford that bid. Ms. Derse: We are only looking at a 10 percent commission and I couldn't have a bid that low. I cannot take a loss on a project that is incredibly important. Do whatever you think is right, but that is not at cost. I am a woman- and minority-owned business that applied. We think it costs more than that.

Member Hsieh suggested we not take the lowest bid and asked to serve on the committee. Member Hsieh: We should enter into an agreement that we understand fully. I think it's going to be double the low bid.

Chair Wu that all members had been invited to join the committee, and she is open to adding Member Hsieh to the Slate Card Committee at this time. Member Peskin: As a former chair, we have worked with 50+1 and they have done a great job and not come in over the contract, nor has Stearns Consulting when they had the contract. We have discounts that are set forth for minority- and women-owned businesses. I would respectfully oppose the notion that we not go with the lowest bid. Member DeJesus agreed. Member DeJesus: I don't think we should do a second round of bidding and be happy we have a low bid. I think we are projecting on what Stearns was thinking. This is his proposal and it's the low bid.

Member Alioto: Mr. Stearns is clearly not making any money. There has to be some extra money that someone is paying or he's taking a major loss. Does that become an in-kind contribution that must be reported.

Member Breed (Johnston) asked for clarification on mail types and postage costs.

Member Hsieh: Postage on political mail is 18 to 20 cents per piece as second class mail.

Member Breed: Based on that analysis it would seem that the bid won't cover the cost of postage.

M/S/F (Hsieh/Alioto) DCCC enter into discussion with all vendors. Member Hsieh: I'd like to enter into this discussion so we have more information on exact costs. As a member of the Slate Card committee I'd like to see how they're calculating total bid costs. An in-kind donation would have to be pro-rated for every candidate and measure and reported.

Member Wiener asked for clarification on the time impact of voting yes on the motion. Member Hsieh responded that it would have to go through the committee and then negotiations to select a vendor, which would mean we wouldn't be able to select a vendor until the September meeting.

Member Peskin said that raises time concerns due to the timing of the election and asked if that meant Member Hsieh was suggesting we empower the executive committee to select a vendor.

Member LaCroix: Our bylaws would allow us to call a special meeting to select the vendor.

Member Hsieh clarified that he would empower the executive committee to select a vendor. Member Jung expressed interest in being on the slate card committee. Chair Wu called for vote.

Voting Yes: Alioto, Baraka, Breed, Cohen, Farrell, Hsieh, Jung, Norton, Wiener, Speier, Ma. Voting No: Ammiano, Campos, DeJesus, Dufty, Fewer, Gupta, Kim, LaCroix, Mandelman, Mar, Maxwell, Peskin, Wu, Yee. Abstain: Burton, Feinstein, Leno, Ting, Chiu.

M/S/C Main motion to adopt Chair's recommendation of Stearns Consulting as the vendor for the November slate card:

YES: Alioto, Ammiano, Baraka, Breed, Burton, Campos, Cohen, De Jesus, Dufty, Farrell, Fewer, Gupta, Hsieh, Jung, Kim, LaCroix, Mandelman, Mar, Maxwell, Norton, Peskin, Wiener, Wu, Yee, Leno, Chiu. Abstain: Feinstein, Speier, Ma, Ting.

## **7. Endorsements of Candidates for Office (Wu/De Jesus)**

Member DeJesus read the rules for endorsement votes.

### **a. Board of Supervisors District 1 – Sandra Lee Fewer SOLE ENDORSEMENT**

Round 1 votes:

**Fewer:** Ammiano, Burton, Campos, Cohen, De Jesus, Dufty, Fewer, Gupta, Kim, LaCroix, Mandelman, Mar, Maxwell, Norton, Peskin, Wu, Yee, Leno, Ting

**Philhour:** Alioto, Baraka, Breed, Farrell, Hsieh, Jung, Wiener, Ma, Chiu

**Abstain:** Feinstein, Speier

Round 2 votes:

**Philhour:** Alioto, Baraka, Breed, Farrell, Hsieh, Jung, Wiener, Ma, Chiu

Lyens: LaCroix, Peskin, Ting

**No Endorsement:** Ammiano, Burton, Campos, Cohen, De Jesus, Dufty, Fewer, Gupta, Kim, Mandelman, Mar, Maxwell, Norton, Wu, Yee, Leno

**Abstain:** Feinstein, Speier

### **b. Board of Supervisors District 3 – Aaron Peskin SOLE ENDORSEMENT**

Round 1 votes:

**Peskin:** Ammiano, Baraka, Breed, Burton, Campos, Cohen, De Jesus, Dufty, Fewer, Gupta, Kim, LaCroix, Mandelman, Mar, Maxwell, Norton, Peskin, Wiener, Wu, Yee, Feinstein, Speier, Ma, Leno, Ting, Chiu

**No endorsement:** Alioto, Hsieh, Jung

**Abstain:** Farrell

**c. Board of Supervisors District 5 – London Breed SOLE ENDORSEMENT**

**Breed:** Alioto, Baraka, Breed, Burton, Cohen, Dufty, Farrell, Gupta, Hsieh, Jung, LaCroix, Maxwell, Norton, Wiener, Yee, Feinstein, Speier, Ma, Leno, Ting, Chiu

**Preston:** Ammiano, Campos, De Jesus, Mandelman, Mar

**No Endorsement:** Fewer, Kim, Wu

**Abstain:** Peskin

Round 2 votes:

**Preston:** Ammiano, Campos, De Jesus, Gupta, La Croix, Mandelman, Mar

**No endorsement:** Alioto, Baraka, Breed, Burton, Cohen, Dufty, Farrell, Fewer, Hsieh, Jung, Kim, Maxwell, Norton, Wiener, Wu, Yee, Speier, Leno, Ting, Chiu

**Abstain:** Feinstein, Peskin

**d. Board of Supervisors District 7 – Norman Yee SOLE ENDORSEMENT**

Round 1 votes:

**Yee:** Ammiano, Alioto, Baraka, Breed, Burton, Campos, De Jesus, Dufty, Fewer, Gupta, Kim, LaCroix, Mandelman, Mar, Maxwell, Norton, Peskin, Wu, Yee Speier, Leno, Ting, Chiu

**Matranga:** Ma

**No endorsement:** Farrell, Hsieh, Jung, Wiener

**Abstain:** Feinstein

Round 2 votes:

**Matranga:** Alioto, Ma

**No endorsement:** Ammiano, Baraka, Breed, Burton, Campos, De Jesus, Dufty, Fewer, Gupta, Kim, LaCroix, Mandelman, Mar, Maxwell, Norton, Peskin, Wu, Yee, Speier, Leno, Ting, Chiu

**Abstain:** Cohen, Farrell, Gupta, Hsieh, Jung, Peskin, Feinstein

**e. Board of Supervisors District 9 Hillary Ronen SOLE ENDORSEMENT**

Round 1 votes:

**Ronen:** Ammiano, Alioto, Burton, Campos, De Jesus, Dufty, Fewer, Gupta, Kim, LaCroix, Mandelman, Mar, Maxwell, Peskin, Wu, Yee, Leno

**Arce:** Breed, Wiener, Ma

**No endorsement:** Baraka, Cohen, Farrell, Hsieh, Jung, Maxwell, Ting, Chiu

**Abstain:** Feinstein, Speier

Round 2 votes:

**Arce:** Alioto, Baraka, Breed, Burton, Farrell, Hsieh, Jung, Norton, Wiener, Ma, Ting, Chiu

**San Miguel:** LaCroix

**No endorsement:** Ammiano, Campos, Cohen, De Jesus, Dufty, Fewer, Gupta, Kim, Mandelman, Mar, Maxwell, Peskin, Wiener, Wu, Leno  
Abstain: Feinstein, Speier

**f. Board of Supervisors District 11 – NO POSITION**

Safai: Alioto, Baraka, Breed, Cohen, Farrell, Hsieh, Jung, Norton, Wiener, Feinstein, Speier, Ma, Leno, Ting, Chiu

No endorsement: Ammiano, Burton, Campos, De Jesus, Dufty, Fewer, Gupta, Kim, LaCroix, Mandelman, Mar, Maxwell, Peskin, Wu, Yee.

Member Alioto asked where in the bylaws it says a tie is no position. Member Peskin identified Article 6 Section 2 as the pertinent section of the Committee bylaws, which state that an endorsement consists of 50 percent plus one of the voting members.

**g. City College Board: Mandelman, Randolph, Temprano, Williams**

**Bacharach:** Alioto, Breed, De Jesus, Farrell, Fewer, Hsieh, Jung, Mandelman, Maxwell, Norton, Wiener, Speier, Ma, Leno, Ting, Chiu

**Mandelman:** Alioto, Baraka, Burton, Campos, Cohen, De Jesus, Dufty, Fewer, Gupta, Kim, LaCroix, Mandelman, Mar, Maxwell, Norton, Peskin, Wiener, Wu, Yee, Speier, Ma, Leno, Ting, Chiu

**Randolph:** Alioto, Baraka, Breed, Cohen, Dufty, Farrell, Gupta, Hsieh, Jung, LaCroix, Mandelman, Maxwell, Norton, Peskin, Wiener, Wu, Yee, Speier, Ma, Leno, Ting, Chiu

**Temprano:** Ammiano, Baraka, Burton, Campos, De Jesus, Dufty, Farrell, Fewer, Gupta, Kim, LaCroix, Mandelman, Mar, Maxwell, Peskin, Wu, Yee, Ma, Leno, Ting

**Williams:** Ammiano, Alioto, Baraka, Breed, Burton, Campos, Cohen, De Jesus, Dufty, Fewer, Gupta, Hsieh, Jung, Kim, LaCroix, Mar, Maxwell, Peskin, Wiener, Wu, Yee, Speier, Chiu

**No endorsement:** Ammiano (two seats), Breed, Burton, Campos, Cohen, Farrell, Hsieh, Jung, Kim, Mar, Norton

**h. Board of Education: Cook, Haney, Norton, Sanchez**

First round of voting had to be thrown out as Recording Secretary Norton made a mistake in recording votes. Second round of voting:

**Cook:** Ammiano, Baraka, Breed, Burton, Campos, Cohen, De Jesus, Dufty, Fewer, Gupta, Kim, LaCroix, Mandelman, Mar, Maxwell, Peskin, Wiener, Wu, Leno.

**Haney:** Ammiano, Baraka, Breed, Burton, Campos, Cohen, De Jesus, Dufty, Fewer, Gupta, Kim, LaCroix, Mandelman, Mar, Maxwell, Norton, Peskin, Wu, Yee, Ma, Leno, Ting, Chiu

**Kim:** Jung

**Kalin:** Farrell

**McNeil:** Alioto, Breed, Farrell, Jung, Wiener, Ma, Ting, Chiu

**Norton:** Alioto, Baraka, Breed, Cohen, De Jesus, Dufty, Farrell, Fewer, Gupta, Hsieh, Jung, LaCroix, Mandelman, Mar, Norton, Wiener, Yee, Speier, Ma, Leno, Ting, Chiu

**Sanchez:** Ammiano, Burton, Campos, De Jesus, Dufty, Fewer, Gupta, Kim, LaCroix, Mandelman, Mar, Wu, Yee, Leno

**Wynns:** Alioto, Burton, Farrell, Hsieh, Jung, Norton, Wiener, Yee, Speier, Ting, Chiu

No endorsement: Ammiano, Alioto, Baraka, Campos, Cohen, Hsieh (two seats), Kim, Maxwell (two seats), Norton, Peskin, Wu, Speier (two seats)

Abstain: Feinstein

A member asked: do no endorsements count as a real candidacy or just one vote? Member Dufty moved that we take a vote on no endorsement and next highest vote getter. Member DeJesus read from the bylaws. Member Peskin asked to change one no endorsement vote to vote for Mark Sanchez. Member Hsieh said it sounds like the committee was going down a slippery slope and cautioned against it. Member Dufty withdrew his motion Member DeJesus made a motion to reconsider seconded by Member Mar. Members voted through show of hands to reconsider, 16 voting yes. Chair Wu ruled that multiple no endorsement votes count as single votes. Member Dufty moved to overrule the chair with a second by Member Yee. Member Ma (Anderson) protested to say the bylaws are clear. If you're operating as if all the seats are open you may cast a no endorsement vote for any open seat. Member Peskin said it doesn't say whether they are cumulatively counted. Member Alioto said the bylaws made it clear and she agrees with the Chair's ruling. Member Wiener said I understand the political desire to change the rules. We specifically changed the rules four or five years ago to count multiple no-endorsements as seats. The Chair's ruling is correct. Member Breed asked for clarification. Chair Wu called the question. Vote on appeal of the Chair's ruling: a majority voted to uphold the chair's ruling.

The Chair then called for a third vote, counting no endorsement votes in separate columns. Results of third and final vote:

**Cook:** Ammiano, Baraka, Breed, Burton, Campos, Cohen, De Jesus, Dufty, Fewer, Gupta, Kim, LaCroix, Mandelman, Mar, Maxwell, Peskin, Wiener, Wu, Leno.

**Haney:** Ammiano, Baraka, Breed, Burton, Campos, Cohen, De Jesus, Dufty, Fewer, Gupta, Kim, LaCroix, Mandelman, Mar, Maxwell, Norton, Peskin, Wu, Yee, Leno, Ting, Chiu

**McNeil:** Breed, Wiener, Ting, Chiu

**Norton:** Alioto, Baraka, Breed, Cohen, De Jesus, Dufty, Farrell, Fewer, Gupta, Hsieh, Jung, LaCroix, Mandelman, Mar, Norton, Wiener, Wu, Yee, Speier, Ma, Leno, Ting, Chiu

**Sanchez:** Ammiano, Burton, Campos, De Jesus, Dufty, Fewer, Gupta, Kim, LaCroix, Mandelman, Mar, Peskin, Wu, Yee, Leno

**Wynns:** Baraka, Burton, Cohen, Farrell, Hsieh, Jung, Norton, Wiener, Yee, Ma, Speier, Ting, Chiu

No endorsement: Ammiano, Alioto (three seats), Campos, Cohen, Farrell (two seats) Hsieh (two seats), Kim, Maxwell (two seats), Norton, Peskin, Wu, Ma (two seats) Speier (two seats)

Abstain: Feinstein

**i. BART Board of Directors District 7 – Lateefah Simon**

M/S/C Endorse Lateefah Simon by acclamation (Dufty/Norton). Abstain: Feinstein

**j. BART Board of Directors District 9 - Bevan Dufty**

M/S/F (Mandleman/Norton) Endorse Bevan Dufty by acclamation. Member Wiener asked for rollcall and said that recently-filed candidates should be considered. Member Dufty said he had no problem with committee considering candidates who recently filed even though they had not filed questionnaire.

Member Peskin said all candidates have to be Democrats to be endorsed.

Endorsements Chair De Jesus said candidates are only eligible for endorsement if they have filled out a questionnaire. Member Wiener appealed Chair's ruling a seconded by Baraka, taken without objection .

**Dufty:** Alioto, Breed, Burton, Campos, Cohen, De Jesus, Dufty, Fewer, Gupta, Kim, LaCroix, Mandelman, Mar, Maxwell, Norton, Peskin, Wu, Yee, Feinstein, Ma, Leno, Ting

**Borden:** Baraka, Jung, Wiener, Chiu

**Abstain:** Ammiano, Farrell, Hsieh, Speier

**k. Superior Court Judge, Seat 7. Dual endorsement adding Victor Hwang. YES.**

M/S/C (De Jesus/Mar). Member Wiener: Why are we doing this? Can someone articulate a rationale. I'm not disputing the procedure. Member De Jesus recounted the results of the primary and said one candidate had dropped off, so this is now the election and they are both exceptionally qualified candidates. Member De Jesus: It's in our interest to do this and I think we should dual endorse. Member Alioto: It doesn't seem fair. Member Hsieh: I have been on this body for 16 years and have never seen a reopener. Why don't you do what you want to do and rescind Paul Henderson's endorsement. I was lobbied by friends of Mr. Hwang and I took a call with him. Mr. Hwang tried to persuade me to dual endorse but I refused. It's a cop-out to do a dual endorsement. I'm here to speak my truth and that is that this takes Paul Henderson's endorsement away. Shame on this body

and shame on all of you. Member De Jesus: This is a new body and this is a new session. You can characterize it as however you want, but this is just adding to the endorsement. It's not taking anything away from anyone. It is within the parameters for us to dual endorse. Member Leno: We should look at this evening in context. For all the Supervisor races, you all voted no endorsement for a second candidate. You made no endorsement because you didn't want to split that vote. With all the African Americans leaving this City, this is the race you decide to split. This is wrong. You are denigrating this vote in a way you didn't do for any other vote. Member Baraka: I agree. This is why I don't like labels. Progressive label has been assigned to one camp and moderate to another. If you think of yourself as a progressive, you know what the black community has gone through in the legal system. Shame on you. You know the wrongs our community has suffered. We have an opportunity to put someone on the bench who has an opportunity to right those wrongs. Chair Wu called the question.

Voting yes: Ammiano, Burton, Campos, De Jesus, Fewer, Gupta, Kim, LaCroix, Mandelman, Mar, Peskin, Wu, Ting, Chiu.

Voting no: Alioto, Baraka, Breed, Cohen, Farrell, Hsieh, Jung, Maxwell, Norton, Wiener, Ma, Leno.

Abstain: Dufty, Yee, Feinstein, Speier.

## **8. Endorsements of Ballot Initiatives (Wu/De Jesus)**

### **a) Proposition A. SFUSD School Bonds. YES.**

Member moved acclamation, no dissent. All members voting yes by acclamation. No abstentions.

### **b) Proposition B. City College Parcel Tax. YES.**

Member Norton moved yes by acclamation, Member Peskin asked for rollcall. Voting yes: Ammiano, Alioto, Baraka, Breed, Burton, Campos, Cohen, De Jesus, Dufty, Farrell, Fewer, Gupta, Hsieh, Jung, Kim, LaCroix, Mandelman, Mar, Maxwell, Norton, Wiener, Wu, Yee, Speier, Ma, Leno, Ting, Chiu. Voting no: Peskin. Abstain: Feinstein.

### **c) Proposition C. Loans to Finance Acquisition and Rehabilitation of Affordable Housing. YES.**

All members voted yes by acclamation. Abstain: Feinstein.

### **d) Proposition D. Vacancy Appointments. YES.**

Member Hsieh spoke against this measure as being unnecessary. Member Alioto says it is unconstitutional and violates First Amendment. Voting Yes: Ammiano, Burton, Campos, De Jesus, Dufty, Fewer, Gupta, Kim, LaCroix, Mandelman, Mar, Maxwell, Peskin, Wu, Yee, Leno. No: Alioto, Baraka, Breed, Cohen, Farrell, Hsieh, Jung, Norton, Wiener, Feinstein, Chiu. Abstain: Speier and Ting.

### **e) Proposition E. Responsibility for Maintaining Street Trees and Surrounding Sidewalks. YES.**

Support by acclamation M/S/C (Peskin/Norton) Abstain: Feinstein, Speier and Ammiano.

### **f) Proposition F. Youth Voting in Local Elections. YES**

Member Norton moved acclamation and Member Hsieh asked for roll call. Member

Hsieh: The last thing I want my children to do is to have to read through the ballot book to cram the way we've been doing. I know they're completely capable of doing it. I'm conflicted about wanting them to weigh in on the issue. Member LaCroix clarified that the measure only covers local elections, not state elections. Member LaCroix: These are issues that affect their lives and they have no say in it. This is about broadening democracy and making sure more people have a seat at the table. Member Burton (Hsieh) spoke up as a parent and said her daughter is more knowledgeable about what's on the ballot than her wife. Member Wiener: At first I was conflicted about it but the more time you spend with this idea the more the arguments against it fall away. Member Peskin: Research shows that individuals who start voting at an earlier age are more likely to vote. I hope we will endorse it tonight. Member Alioto: As a grandmother of four I think my granddaughter will be better as a voter than anyone. Once I started voting I never missed one. Kids today are so uber-intelligent that giving them the right to vote would be a fantastic thing to do.

Voting Yes: Alioto, Ammiano, Baraka, Breed, Burton, Campos, De Jesus, Dufty, Fewer, Gupta, Jung, Kim, LaCroix, Mandelman, Mar, Maxwell, Norton, Peskin Wiener, Wu, Yee, Speier, Leno, Ting, Chiu.

Voting no: Cohen, Farrell, Hsieh, Ma

Abstain: Feinstein

**g) Proposition G. Police Oversight. YES.**

Member Peskin moved yes by acclamation. Abstain: Feinstein

**h) Proposition H. Public Advocate YES.**

Voting yes: Ammiano, Alioto, Baraka, Campos, De Jesus, Dufty, Fewer, Gupta, Kim, LaCroix, Mandelman, Mar, Maxwell, Peskin, Wu, Yee, Leno, Ting. Voting no: Breed, Cohen, Farrell, Hsieh, Jung, Norton, Wiener, Feinstein, Ma, Chiu. Abstain: Burton, Speier.

**i) Proposition I. Funding for Seniors and Adults with Disabilities. YES.**

M/S/C Yes by acclamation (LaCroix/Norton)

No: Peskin; Abstain: Feinstein.

**j) Proposition J. Funding for Homelessness and Transportation. YES.**

Yes by acclamation M/S/C (Norton/Baraka)

Voting No: Peskin, Kim; Abstain: Feinstein, Speier.

**k) Proposition K. General Sales Tax. YES.**

Yes by acclamation M/S/C (Norton/Breed). Voting no: De Jesus, Fewer, Kim, Peskin.

Abstain: Yee, Speier, Feinstein

**l) Proposition L. MTA Appointments and Budget. YES.**

Voting Yes: Ammiano, Burton, Campos, De Jesus, Dufty, Fewer, Gupta, Kim, LaCroix, Mandelman, Mar, Maxwell, Peskin, Wu, Yee, Leno.

Voting No: Alioto, Baraka, Breed, Cohen, Farrell, Hsieh, Jung, Norton, Wiener, Feinstein, Ma, Chiu.

Abstain: Speier, Ting.

**m) Proposition M. Housing and Development Commission. YES.**

Member Peskin: This is not going to take away jobs so I wanted to put that to rest.

Member Hsieh: this will delay the distribution of grants for affordable housing. It's unnecessary. There's a poison pill. Member Dufty: I advocated with two successive

directors of MOH for a parcel in the Castro to be affordable. Was consistently told it was

too expensive and we couldn't acquire a property there. I could have used a Commission.

Voting yes: Ammiano, Burton, Campos, De Jesus, Dufty, Fewer, Gupta, Kim, LaCroix, Mandelman, Mar, Maxwell, Peskin, Wu, Yee, Leno. Voting no: Alioto, Baraka, Breed, Cohen, Farrell, Hsieh, Jung, Norton, Wiener, Yee. Abstain: Speier, Ting, Chiu.

**n) Proposition N. NonCitizen Voting in School Board Elections. YES.**

Yes by acclamation. M/S/C (Norton/Mar). Voting No: Farrell, Hsieh, Ma. Abstain: Feinstein, Speier.

**o) Proposition O. Office Development in Candlestick Point and Hunters Point. YES.**

Yes by acclamation M/S/C (DeJesus/Norton). Voting no: Ammiano, Mar. Abstain: Mandelman, Speier.

**p) Proposition P. Competitive Bidding for Affordable Housing Projects on CityOwned Property. NO.**

Voting Yes: Alioto, Cohen, Farrell, Hsieh, Jung, Wiener, Ma. Voting No: Ammiano, Baraka, Breed, Burton, Campos, De Jesus, Dufty, Fewer, Gupta, Kim, LaCroix, Mandelman, Mar, Maxwell, Peskin, Wu, Yee, Leno, Ting. No endorsement: Norton. Abstain: Feinstein, Speier, Chiu.

**q) Proposition Q. Prohibiting Tents on Public Sidewalks. NO.**

Voting Yes: Cohen, Farrell, Hsieh, Jung, Norton, Wiener. Voting No: Alioto, Ammiano, Breed, Burton, Campos, De Jesus, Dufty, Fewer, Gupta, Kim, LaCroix, Mandelman, Mar, Maxwell, Peskin, Wu, Yee, Ma, Leno, Ting, Chiu. No endorsement: Baraka. Abstain: Feinstein, Speier.

**r) Proposition R. Neighborhood Crime Unit. NO.**

Voting Yes: Alioto, Baraka, Cohen, Farrell, Hsieh, Jung, Norton, Wiener, Ma, Chiu. Voting No: Ammiano, Breed, Burton, Campos, De Jesus, Dufty, Fewer, Gupta, LaCroix, Mandelman, Mar, Maxwell, Wu, Yee, Leno. No endorsement: Kim, Peskin. Abstain: Feinstein, Speier, Ting.

**s) Proposition S. Allocation of Hotel Tax Funds. YES.**

Yes by acclamation. Voting No: Cohen, Hsieh, Norton. No endorsement: Peskin, Fewer. Abstain: Speier, Feinstein, Farrell, Breed.

**t) Proposition T. Restricting Gifts and Campaign Contributions from Lobbyists. YES.**

Yes by acclamation M/S/C (Norton/DeJesus). Abstain: Feinstein, Speier.

**u) Proposition U. Affordable Housing Requirements for Market Rate Development Projects. NO.**

Member Wiener: I can't support as drafted. Member Hsieh asked members to consider families we have lost over decades. Member Peskin urged no vote because it will take away BMR units.

Voting Yes: Alioto, Baraka, Farrell, Hsieh, Jung, Ma. Voting No: Ammiano, Breed, Burton, Campos, De Jesus, Dufty, Fewer, Gupta, Kim, LaCroix, Mandelman, Mar, Maxwell, Peskin, Wiener, Wu, Yee, Leno, Ting. No endorsement: Cohen, Norton. Abstain: Feinstein, Speier, Chiu.

**v) Proposition V. Tax on Distributing SugarSweetened Beverages. YES.**

Yes by acclamation M/S/C (Mar/Norton). Voting No: Hsieh, Kim. No endorsement: Ammiano, Wu. Abstain: Breed, Campos, Feinstein, Speier.

**w) Proposition W. Real Estate Transfer Tax on Properties Over \$5 Million. YES.**

Yes by acclamation M/S/C (Norton/Gupta). Voting No: Farrell. Abstain: Jung, Feinstein, Ma, Speier. No endorsement: Hsieh.

**x) Proposition X. Preserving Space for Neighborhood Arts, Small Business and Community Services in Certain Neighborhoods. YES.**

Yes by acclamation. M/S/C (DeJesus/Norton). Voting no: Alioto, Baraka, Cohen, Hsieh, Jung, Wiener, Ma. No endorsement: Norton. Abstain: Feinstein, Speier, Chiu.

**y) Proposition RR. BART Safety, Reliability and Traffic Relief. (Regional) YES.**

Yes by acclamation. M/S/C (Wiener/De Jesus). Voting No: Ammiano. Abstain: Feinstein, Speier.

**z) Proposition 61. State Prescription Drug Purchases. NO.**

No by acclamation. M/S/C (Norton/Wiener). Yes: Chiu. No endorsement: Ammiano, Cohen, De Jesus, Fewer, Kim, LaCroix, Mandelman, Mar. Abstain: Campos, Feinstein, Speier, Ting.

**aa) Proposition 65. CarryOut Bags. NO.**

No by acclamation. No endorsement: Hsieh. Abstain: Campos, Feinstein, Speier.

**9. New Business. None.**

**10. Adjournment 11:35 p.m.**

**Resolution of the San Francisco Democratic Party  
Amending the Party's Bylaws to Adopt \$500 Campaign Contribution Limits and Urging  
San Francisco's State Legislative Delegation To Sponsor Related State Legislation**

**WHEREAS**, recent San Francisco Ethics filing indicate that \$2,381,044 has been spent in the June 2016, San Francisco Democratic County Central Committee (SF DCCC) elections, as of the July 31, 2016 filing period, with additional reports still pending which will certainly raise that amount, as the June 2016 election broke all records for the most expensive SF DCCC election in San Francisco history.

**WHEREAS**, the people of San Francisco have enacted \$500 campaign contribution limits for every other office in the City and County of San Francisco, including the Mayor's office, Members of the Board of Supervisors, City Attorney, District Attorney, Treasurer, Sheriff, Assessor, Public Defender, Members of the Board of Education, of the SFUSD and Members of the Governing Board of the San Francisco Community College District.

**WHEREAS**, the lack of campaign contribution limits in SF DCCC election campaigns makes it more difficult for grassroots candidates to run and makes it harder for everyday San Franciscans to have their issues discussed and their voices heard.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the San Francisco Democratic Party hereby amends Article II of its Bylaws by adding a new Section 5, which shall read:

“Section 5: LIMITS ON CONTRIBUTIONS TO CANDIDATES FOR THE SF DCCC.  
No person other than a candidate shall make, and no campaign treasurer for a candidate committee shall solicit or accept, any contribution which will cause the total amount contributed by such person to such candidate committee in an election to exceed \$500.”

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the SF DCCC hereby urges the members of San Francisco's State Legislative Delegation to sponsor state legislation in the next legislative session that establishes a \$500 contribution limit for SF DCCC election campaigns in state law.

**Sponsor:** Petra DeJesus and Pratima Gupta, (co-sponsors) David Campos, Aaron Peskin, Rafael Mandelman, Eric Mar, Leah LaCroix, Jane Kim, Cindy Wu, Sandra Fewer, Norman Yee, Sophie Maxwell, Bevan Dufty, Mark Leno and David Chui