

**ELECTIONS COMMISSION**  
*City and County of San Francisco*

**FAIR, INDEPENDENT, AND EFFECTIVE  
REDISTRICTING FOR COMMUNITY  
ENGAGEMENT (FIERCE) COMMITTEE**



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**COMMITTEE MEETING AGENDA**

**Fair, Independent, and Effective Redistricting for Community Engagement  
(FIERCE) Committee of the San Francisco Elections Commission  
Thursday, May 25, 2023  
6:00 p.m.  
City Hall, Room XXX  
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place  
San Francisco, California 94102  
& Remote via WebEx**

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## **Order of Business**

### **1. Call to Order & Roll Call**

A member of the Commission will state the following (from the Commission's October 19, 2022 Land Acknowledgment resolution):

*The San Francisco Elections Commission acknowledges that we are on the unceded ancestral homeland of the Ramaytush Ohlone, who are the original inhabitants of the San Francisco Peninsula. As the indigenous stewards of this land and in accordance with their traditions, the Ramaytush Ohlone have never ceded, lost, nor forgotten their responsibilities as caretakers of this place, as well as for all peoples who reside in their traditional territory. As guests, we recognize that we benefit from living and working on their traditional homeland. We wish to pay our respects by acknowledging the ancestors and relatives of the Ramaytush Community and affirming their sovereign rights as First Peoples.*

The Chair has excused the Director of Elections from attending today's meeting, which is permitted by Article VI of the Commission's Bylaws.

### **2. General Public Comment**

Public comment on any issue within FIERCE's general jurisdiction that is not covered by another item on this agenda.

### 3. Redistricting Initiative

Discussion and possible action on recommendations for changes to San Francisco's redistricting process.

Invited Speakers:

- **Russia Chavis Cardenas**, *Voting Rights & Redistricting Program Manager*, [California Common Cause](#)
- **Lauren Girardin** (she/her), *Redistricting Team*, [League of Women Voters of San Francisco](#)
- **Sietse Goffard**, *Senior Program Coordinator, Voting Rights*, [Asian Americans Advancing Justice – Asian Law Caucus](#)
- **Chema Hernández Gil**, *Member*, [2021-2022 Redistricting Task Force](#)
- **Jenny Tse**, *Advocacy Chair*, [League of Women Voters of San Francisco](#)

**Attachments:** Bios of Invited Speakers; Redistricting Initiative Project Plan v6; AB 1248 Fact Sheet; Text of AB 1248; Memo to Elections Committee Regarding AB 1248; FAIR MAPS Act Reform Fact Sheet; Text of AB 764

### 4. Agenda items for future meetings

Discussion and possible action regarding items for future agendas.

### 5. Adjournment

**There will be an opportunity for public comment on each agenda item.**

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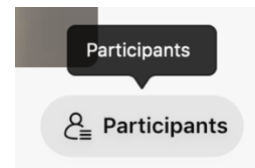
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Press the hand icon to raise your hand. The host will unmute you when it is time for you to comment. When you are done with your comment, click the hand icon again to lower your hand.

