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MEETING OF THE COMMISSIONERS

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WEDNESDAY, MARCH 23, 2022

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COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

LISA DEELEY, CHAIRWOMAN
SETH BLUESTEIN, COMMISSIONER
OMAR SABIR, COMMISSIONER

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CHAIRWOMAN DEELEY: Good morning. I call the March 23, 2022, meeting of the Philadelphia City Commissioners to order.

First I will preserve the order and decorum of these meetings. Everyone in attendance should be on notice that shouting out or interrupting the proceedings will not be tolerated. Those who violate this will be asked to leave.

The Sunshine Act permits anyone attending a public meeting to object to a perceived violation at any time during the meeting.

If you chose to do so, please succinctly state your objection. Objecting is not an opportunity for speechmaking.

We will now be moving to public comment. Commenters shall state where they live or if they are not a resident of Philadelphia, that they are a Philadelphia taxpayer.

1 Public comment it is not an opportunity
2 for dialogue or Q&A. It is public comment a
3 chance for you to tell us what you think.

4 Each speaker shall have two minutes.
5 However I may extend this time at my
6 discretion. All public comments must be
7 relevant or germane to board business.

8 Finally it is my responsibility to
9 preserve the order and decorum of the meetings
10 as such profane, slanderous, discriminatory or
11 personal attacks will not be tolerated.

12 Is there anyone here for public
13 comment? Hearing none we will now move to
14 Commissioner Bluestein for emailed public
15 comment.

16 COMMISSIONER BLUESTEIN: There were no
17 e-mail as of 9:45 a.m. this morning.

18 CHAIRWOMAN DEELEY: We will now proceed
19 to old business with a report from our
20 Executive Director Joe Lynch.

21 MR. LYNCH: Good morning,
22 Commissioners. Today's Sunshine Report for
23 March 23, 2022. The drawing for the ballot
24 positions will be held today March 23rd at

1 1:00 p.m. in City Hall, room 676 for the
2 office of Member of the Ward Executive
3 Committee.

4 As of yesterday the County Board has
5 processed all paper applications received
6 through Friday and are up to date with
7 electronic ballot applications.

8 They have approved 68,120 vote by mail
9 applications for the primary which is 6,831
10 added from last week's total.

11 Of those applications processed so far,
12 42,527 are paper applications and 25,593 are
13 electronic applications.

14 Voter Registration Unit: For the
15 election cycle to date they have processed
16 76,603 registration applications of which
17 4,419 were paper. Last week, they sent out
18 8,369 ID cards for a total of 50,758. All
19 units except for documents are working
20 primarily on the mail in apps.

21 They are also processing registration
22 apps and what mail in apps come in. Documents
23 are also making street list districts, full
24 ward sets and working on the mail.

1 With yesterday's filing deadline,
2 they're expected to have petitioners come in.
3 Weekend hours at Delaware and Spring Garden
4 office for petition lookups and stipulations
5 will be from 8 to 3 p.m. Saturday and Sunday.
6 Weekday hours will also be extended if needed.
7 Operators will be available by appointment.
8 Anyone wishing to do lookups can call
9 215-686-1590.

10 The Election Board Report: To date,
11 combined between online and in person training
12 there have been 1,121 election board workers
13 trained. There are 1,088 scheduled for the
14 upcoming classes. Poll workers who say they
15 are working this election so far is 4,627.
16 Poll workers who were elected or worked the
17 last election and are saying they are not
18 working this upcoming election is 1,823.

19 Polling Places: The unit is continuing
20 the inspection of all polling sites to make
21 sure there have been no changes to the
22 location from the last election along with
23 confirming the use of the facility for the
24 upcoming Primary.

1 To date there are 37 unconfirmed sites
2 out of 713 sites, which also means there are
3 78 unconfirmed divisions out of 1703.

4 That's all I have, Commissioners.

5 CHAIRWOMAN DEELEY: Thank you, Joe. We
6 will now proceed to new businesses.

7 Commissioner Bluestein do you have any items
8 to be added to the agenda.

9 COMMISSIONER BLUESTEIN: I have none.

10 CHAIRWOMAN DEELEY: Commissioner Sabir,
11 do you have any items to be added to the
12 agenda.

13 COMMISSIONER SABIR: I have none.

14 CHAIRWOMAN DEELEY: With no items
15 remaining on the agenda this meeting is
16 adjourned to the call of the chair. Thank you
17 everyone. See you at 1 o'clock.

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19 (Whereupon the meeting concluded at 11:06 a.m.)

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