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6	Philadelphia City Commissioners Sunshine Meeting
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Page 2 I call to order the meeting 1 MR. SABIR: 2 of the Philadelphia City Commissioner's Board of Election for Wednesday, April 9th, 2025. 3 This 4 meeting is in compliance with the Pennsylvania 5 Sunshine Act. The Philadelphia City commissioners are 7 a three-member bipartisan board of elected officials in charge of elections and voter 8 registrations for the City of Philadelphia. 9 10 commissioner is elected to serve a four-year term that coincides with the municipal election cycle 11 12 for Mayor and City Council. 13 The commissioners set and enforce 14 departmental policies to administer voter 15 registration and conduct elections in accordance with federal state voter registration election 16 17 laws. The city commissioners were created by 18 the Pennsylvania Assembly in 1711 with a focus on 19 20 taxation and held various regulatory powers throughout the centuries. The commissioner 21 started maintaining voter list 1799, and took on 22 23 more election-related responsibilities, but didn't 24 emerge into its current form into the adaption of

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Philadelphia Homeland Charter in 1951.

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- 1 start off with public comments.
- Before beginning their comments,
- 3 commentors that shall state where they live, or if
- 4 they're not a resident of Philadelphia, and that
- 5 they are Philadelphia taxpayers. Public comment
- 6 is not an opportunity for dialogue or Q and A. It
- 7 is public comment. A chance for you to tell us
- 8 what you think.
- 9 Each speaker will have two minutes,
- 10 however I may extend the time at my discretion.
- 11 Public comment must concern matters on today's
- 12 meeting agenda.
- Finally, it is my responsibility to
- 14 preserve the order and the decorum of the
- 15 meetings. As such, profane, slanderous,
- 16 discriminatory, or personal attacks will not be
- 17 tolerated.
- 18 If you wish to make a public objection
- 19 to a perceived Sunshine violation, please raise
- 20 your hand and I will recognize you. Outbursts
- 21 will not be tolerated.
- 22 Anyone wishing to offer public comment
- 23 please step forward.
- Hearing none, we will now move to a
- 25 report from secretary for emailed public comments.

- 1 Commissioner Bluestein, are there any public
- 2 comments?
- 3 MR. BLUESTEIN: As of 9:45 a.m., there
- 4 were no emailed public comments.
- 5 MR. SABIR: We will now proceed to old
- 6 business. First, we have a report from our
- 7 director of operation, Mr. Joe Lynch.
- 8 MR. LYNCH: Morning, Commissioners.
- 9 Morning, Commissioners.
- MR. CUSTODIO: Good morning.
- 11 MR. LYNCH: This is our public meeting
- 12 update for April 9th, 2025. For our voter
- 13 registration report for the election cycle to
- date, we have processed 87,456 voter registration
- 15 applications. 4,050 were paper. DSG is currently
- 16 reviewing all applications and correcting mistakes
- 17 as necessary.
- They mailed out 11,000 ID cards, and are
- 19 helping with machine demonstrations. The county
- 20 board of elections, as of Tuesday, have approved
- 21 61,408 vote by mail and absentee applications,
- 22 which is 1,623 added from last week's total. Of
- 23 those, 38,007 are paper applications, and 23,401
- 24 are electronic applications. This includes
- 25 military and civilian overseas. All processing is

1 currently up-to-date. Excuse me. On April 4th, they sent out 2 their first annual initial mailing of UMOVA 3 4 ballots to all civilian overseas and military 5 voters who requested a ballot. The board also 6 prepared a notice to be placed in the newspapers 7 letting the public know about the logic and 8 accuracy test that will be held here at the warehouse next Wednesday the 16th at 12:00 p.m. 9 10 The ad will run tomorrow on the 10th. 11 Voters who would like to vote by mail for the May 20th municipal primary election can 12 apply for a mail-in or absentee ballot at 13 14 vote.phila.gov. The deadline to apply is Tuesday, 15 May 13th at 5:00 p.m. 16 The board workers' unit began spring 17 training on March 17th, and 1,216 poll workers attended the trainings. The election board 18 19 training seminar schedule is posted on our website 20 vote.phila.gov. The unit has also begun confirmation and confirmed 6,901 poll workers for 21 the May 20th election. Thank you, that's all I 22 23 have. 24 MR. SABIR: Thank you, Joe. 2.5 Vice Chair Deeley, did you have any

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1	Page questions?
2	MS. DEELEY: I have none.
3	MR. SABIR: Secretary Bluestein, did you
4	have any questions?
5	MR. BLUESTEIN: I have none, thank you.
6	MR. SABIR: This completes our old
7	business. We will now proceed to
8	MR. BLUESTEIN: Thank you.
9	MR. SABIR: new business. We'll
10	begin by thank you, Joe, I appreciate you.
11	MR. LYNCH: Thank you.
12	MR. SABIR: We will now proceed to new
13	business. We'll begin by considering our first
14	agenda item: polling place changes. We'll hear
15	from our polling place investigation supervisor,
16	Charlie Stroman.
17	MR. STROMAN: Good morning,
18	commissioners.
19	MR. SABIR: Good morning.
20	MR. BLUESTEIN: Good morning.
21	MR. STROMAN: I have 13 hearings on the
22	agenda. The first one will be in the 3rd ward in
23	the 17th division moving out of Turner Middle
24	School to the Blanche Nixon Library, and it is
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back to the original location.

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1	Page 7 MR. SABIR: Having heard the				
2	recommendation of the professional staff, I move				
3	that we accept the polling place change for Ward				
4	3, Division 17.				
5	Is there a second?				
6	MS. DEELEY: Second.				
7	MR. BLUESTEIN: Second.				
8	MR. SABIR: Secretary, please call the				
9	roll.				
10	MR. BLUESTEIN: Vice Chair Deeley?				
11	MS. DEELEY: Aye.				
12	MR. BLUESTEIN: I vote aye. Chairman				
13	Sabir?				
14	MR. SABIR: Aye. Please proceed.				
15	MR. STROMAN: Next two will be in the				
16	5th ward, 7th division and 29th division moving at				
17	a church, Luke and Epiphany, back to the William				
18	Way Community Center, and they are both back to				
19	the original location.				
20	MR. SABIR: Having heard the				
21	recommendation of professional staff, I move that				
22	we accept the polling place change for Ward 5,				
23	Division 7 and 29.				
24	Is there a second?				
25	MS. DEELEY: Second.				

1	Page 8 MR. SABIR: Secretary, please call the
2	roll.
3	MR. BLUESTEIN: Vice Chair Deeley?
4	MS. DEELEY: Aye.
5	MR. BLUESTEIN: I vote aye. Chairman
6	Sabir?
7	MR. SABIR: Aye. Please proceed.
8	MR. STROMAN: Next two will be in the
9	21st ward, 11th division and 17th division, moving
10	out of Journey's Way to the Kendrick Rec Center,
11	and they are both due to a refusal.
12	MR. SABIR: Having heard the
13	recommendation of the professional staff, I move
14	that we accept the polling place change for Ward
15	21, Division 11 and 17.
16	Is there a second?
17	MR. BLUESTEIN: Second.
18	MS. DEELEY: Second.
19	MR. SABIR: Secretary Bluestein, please
20	call the roll.
21	MR. BLUESTEIN: Vice Chair Deeley?
22	MS. DEELEY: Aye.
23	MR. BLUESTEIN: I vote aye. Chairman
24	Sabir?
25	MR. SABIR: Aye. Please proceed.

- Next two will be in the 1 MR. STROMAN:
- 24th ward, the 9th division and the 14th division, 2
- moving out of Clayborn & Lewis Community Center to 3
- 4 the School of the Future, and that is due to a
- 5 rebuild project.
- 6 MR. SABIR: Having heard the
- 7 recommendation of the professional staff, I move
- 8 that we accept the polling place change for Ward
- 24, Division 9 and 14. 9
- 10 Is there a second?
- 11 MS. DEELEY: Second
- 12 MR. SABIR: Secretary please call the
- roll. 13
- 14 Vice Chair Deeley? MR. BLUESTEIN:
- 15 MS. DEELEY: Aye.
- 16 MR. BLUESTEIN: I vote aye. Chairman
- Sabir? 17
- 18 Aye. Please proceed. MR. SABIR:
- 19 MR. STROMAN: Next four will be the 32nd
- 20 ward, 2nd division, 15th division, 16th division,
- and 17th division, moving out of Old St. Elizabeth 21
- School to the MLK Rec Center, and that is due to a 22
- flood in their gymnasium. 23
- 24 MR. SABIR: Having heard the
- 25 recommendation of the professional staff, I move

Page 10 1 that we accept the polling place change for Ward 32, Division 2, 5, 16 and 17. 2 Is there a second? 3 4 MR. BLUESTEIN: Second. 5 MS. DEELEY: Second. 6 MR. SABIR: Secretary, please call the 7 roll. 8 MR. BLUESTEIN: Vice Chair Deeley? 9 MS. DEELEY: Aye. 10 MR. BLUESTEIN: I vote aye. Chairman 11 Sabir? 12 MR. SABIR: Aye. Please proceed. MR. STROMAN: Next one will be in the 13 14 47th ward in the 2nd division, moving out of 15 Beckett Gardens community Center to the Church of the Faith and Deliverance, and that is back to the 16 17 original location. 18 MR. SABIR: Having heard the recommendation of the professional staff, I move 19 20 that we accept the polling place change for Ward 47, Division 2. 21 22 Is there a second? 23 Second. MS. DEELEY: 24 MR. SABIR: Secretary Bluestein, please call the roll. 25

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1	MR. BLUESTEIN: Vice Chair Deeley?
2	MS. DEELEY: Aye.
3	MR. BLUESTEIN: I vote aye. Chairman
4	Sabir?
5	MR. SABIR: Aye. Please proceed.
6	MR. STROMAN: And the last one will be
7	in the 47th ward again in the 5th division, moving
8	out of National Temple Baptist Church into the
9	Beckett Gardens Community Center, and that is back
10	to the original location.
11	MR. SABIR: I just got one question
12	about that. Is that the Steve Nash Church?
13	MR. STROMAN: Yes. Yes.
14	MR. SABIR: Okay. So what's going on?
15	MR. STROMAN: So basically the 2nd
16	ward 2nd division is going to be in the 2nd
17	division, and the 5th division is going to be in
18	the 5th division. So it got cleaned up the last
19	he ran for office, so we got a little messed up
20	with that last election.
21	MR. SABIR: Right.
22	MR. STROMAN: We had to rearrange
23	things. So we're back to where we were before.
24	MR. SABIR: Back to were before? Okay.
25	Cool.

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1	MR. STROMAN: Yeah.
2	MR. SABIR: Having heard the
3	recommendation of the professional staff, I move
4	do we accept the polling place change for Ward 47,
5	Division 5.
6	Is there a second?
7	MR. BLUESTEIN: Second.
8	MS. DEELEY: Second.
9	MR. SABIR: Secretary Bluestein, please
10	call the roll.
11	MR. BLUESTEIN: Vice Chair Deeley?
12	MS. DEELEY: Aye.
13	MR. BLUESTEIN: I vote aye. Chairman
14	Sabir?
15	MR. SABIR: Aye. Thank you, Charlie.
16	MR. STROMAN: You're welcome.
17	MR. SABIR: Commissioners, do we have
18	any comments on that's it? Oh, wow. I'm
19	giving everybody more work. That was our last
20	item on the agenda.
21	Before we adjourn, Commissioner Deeley,
22	did you have any business to be raised at this
23	meeting?
24	MS. DEELEY: I have none.
25	MR. SABIR: Secretary Bluestein, do you

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1	Page 13 have any business to be raised at this meeting?
2	MR. BLUESTEIN: I have none. Thank you.
3	MR. SABIR: Hearing no other business, I
4	motion that we adjourn today's meeting.
5	Is there a second?
6	MS. DEELEY: Second.
7	MR. SABIR: Secretary Bluestein, please
8	call the roll.
9	MR. BLUESTEIN: Vice Chair Deeley?
10	MS. DEELEY: Aye.
11	MR. BLUESTEIN: I vote aye. Chairman
12	Sabir?
13	MR. SABIR: Aye. This meeting's
14	adjourned.
15	(End of audio recording.)
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## ELECTIONS 04/09/2025

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5	That the foregoing is a complete and
6	accurate transcript of the digital audio recording
7	of the testimony and proceedings captured in the
8	above-entitled matter, all to the best of my
9	skills and ability.
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11	I further certify that I am not related
12	to any of the parties to this action, nor their
13	respective counsel, by blood or marriage and that
14	I am in no way interested in the outcome of this
15	matter.
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17	IN WITNESS THEREOF, I have hereunto set
18	my hand this 18th of April, 2025.
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## **Public Meeting Agenda**

April 9, 2025 – 11:00 A.M.

Philadelphia City Commissioners 11311 Roosevelt Blvd. Philadelphia, PA 19154

- I. Call to Order
- II. Public Comment
  - A. In-person public comments
  - B. Report from the Secretary Emailed public comments
- III. Old Business
  - A. Reports from Directors of Election Operations
- IV. New Business
  - A. Polling Place Changes
- V. Non-agenda items

	Wd	Div	OLD POLLING PLACE, Address	PP	NEW POLLING PLACE, Address	PP
1	03	17	TURNER MIDDLE SCHOOL, 5900 BALTIMORE AVE	FL	BLANCHE NIXON LIBRARY, 5800 COBBS CREEK PKWY	FL
2	05	07	CHURCH OF ST LUKE & THE EPIPHANY, 330 S 13TH ST	FN	WILLIAM WAY COMMUNITY CENTER, 1315 SPRUCE ST	AN
3	05	29	CHURCH OF ST LUKE & THE EPIPHANY, 330 S 13TH ST	FN	WILLIAM WAY COMMUNITY CENTER, 1315 SPRUCE ST	AN
4	21	11	JOURNEYS WAY, 403 RECTOR ST	FN	KENDRICK REC CENTER, 5822-24 RIDGE AVE	MN
5	21	17	JOURNEYS WAY, 403 RECTOR ST	FN	KENDRICK REC CENTER, 5822-24 RIDGE AVE	MN
6	24	09	CLAYBORN & LEWIS COMMUNITY CENTER, 1109 N 38TH ST	MN	SCHOOL OF THE FUTURE, 4021 PARKSIDE AVE	FN
7	24	14	CLAYBORN & LEWIS COMMUNITY CENTER, 1109 N 38TH ST	MN	SCHOOL OF THE FUTURE, 4021 PARKSIDE AVE	FN
8	32	02	OLD ST ELIZABETHS SCHOOL, 1801-23 N 23RD ST	FL	M L KING RECREATION CENTER, 2101 CECIL B MOORE AVE	MN
9	32	15	OLD ST ELIZABETHS SCHOOL, 1801-23 N 23RD ST	FL	M L KING RECREATION CENTER, 2101 CECIL B MOORE AVE	MN
##	32	16	OLD ST ELIZABETHS SCHOOL, 1801-23 N 23RD ST	FL	M L KING RECREATION CENTER, 2101 CECIL B MOORE AVE	MN
##	32	17	OLD ST ELIZABETHS SCHOOL, 1801-23 N 23RD ST	FL	M L KING RECREATION CENTER, 2101 CECIL B MOORE AVE	MN
##	47	02	BECKETT GARDENS COMMUNITY CENTER, 1410 N 16TH ST	FH	CHURCH OF FAITH & DELIVERANCE, 1510 W STILES ST	MN
##	47	05	NATIONAL TEMPLE BAPTIST CHURCH, 1628 MASTER ST	ML	BECKETT GARDENS COMMUNITY CENTER, 1410 N 16TH ST	FH