

1 JUDGE CRUMLISH: Good
2 afternoon, everyone. This is the May 3rd
3 meeting of the City Commissioners and the
4 City Support of Judges. We call this
5 meeting to order.

6 First, I'm going to advise those
7 in attendance and the public that in the
8 conduct of this meeting, I will preserve the
9 order and decorum of the meeting. Anyone in
10 attendance should be of notice that
11 interruptions or obstruction of the meeting
12 won't be tolerated, and that the Sunshine
13 Act permits anyone attending the public
14 meeting to object to a perceived violation
15 of the statute. If you do so, please
16 succinctly state your objection and we'll
17 remind you that an objection is not an
18 opportunity for argument or speech making.

19 We'll now move to public comment.
20 Commentors shall state whether they live or
21 they are residents of Philadelphia and the
22 nature of that public comment should be
23 succinctly stated and we will allow
24 approximately two minutes. At my

1 discretion, we may extend that if the
2 matters are germane or relevant to the
3 Board's business.

4 And, again, my responsibility is
5 to preserve order and decorum which includes
6 any such inappropriate and adversarial
7 discussions or slanderous attacks on us.

8 Do we have any public presenters?
9 You may join us.

10 MR. O'MALLEY: Thank you.
11 Good afternoon. Buenas tardes. My name is
12 Marcus O'Malley. I'm the program director
13 at Seva, a community-based organization
14 serving Philadelphia's Latino, immigrant,
15 and limited (inaudible) population. I'm
16 also a resident of the City of Philadelphia.

17 Seva wants to thank the Office of
18 the City Commissioners for listening to our
19 request to expand mail-in ballot dropoff
20 options in Philadelphia's primarily
21 Spanish-speaking neighborhoods. While we
22 were disappointed that we will not get an
23 official mail-in ballot drop box in time for
24 this May's primary, we are encouraged that

1 the Office has committed to setting up
2 mobile sites in the neighborhood on the last
3 two Saturdays and last two Sundays before
4 the election at the Julia De Burgos School
5 located at 401 West Lehigh Avenue in the
6 heart of the Latino community.

7 This commitment is hopefully the
8 first step toward ensuring that a community
9 with a historically lower turnout can make
10 their voices heard. We are glad to see this
11 information is now available on the
12 Commissioners' website. We will be doing
13 our very best to ensure that our community
14 is aware they can cast their ballots using
15 this simple and effective tool.

16 Once again, we thank the Office of
17 the City Commissioners for their year-round
18 efforts to keep elections in our city
19 running in a safe, effective, inclusive, and
20 ethical manner. Thank you all for your
21 service to our city and we look forward to
22 seeing these mobile events. Gracias.

23 JUDGE CRUMLISH: Thank you.
24 So we appreciate that comment. Judge

1 Furlong, are there any e-mail comments?

2 JUDGE FURLONG: As of 9:45
3 a.m., there were no public comments e-mailed
4 to the Office of the City Commissioners.

5 JUDGE CRUMLISH: Thank you,
6 sir. And then we'll now move on to the
7 report of Mr. Lynch, the Executive Director.

8 MR. LYNCH: Good morning,
9 Commissioners. Today's Sunshine Report for
10 May 3, 2023, the County Board of Election
11 Report. As of yesterday, we have approved
12 87,912 vote-by-mail applications which is
13 5,253 added from last week's total. Of
14 those, 49,961 are paper applications and
15 37,951 are electronic applications. This
16 includes civilians, overseas, and the
17 military voters.

18 We have a total of 835
19 applications waiting to be processed. Of
20 those, 107 are paper applications and 728
21 are electronic applications. Monday, April
22 24th, we opened up our satellite office in
23 the City ballroom (inaudible). So far, we
24 have received 98 mail-in applications in the

1 office. Voters can request a mail-in or a
2 replacement ballot in person and return it
3 all on the same visit.

4 The office hours in the County
5 Board are Monday through Friday 9:00 a.m. to
6 5:00 p.m. Voter information is available on
7 our website at vote.phila.gov. The deadline
8 to apply for a mail-in ballot is May 9th at
9 5:00 p.m. That's the deadline.

10 Today the Court of Common Pleas
11 appointed two minority inspectors and two
12 judges of the election. They're on the
13 Election Board and they're (inaudible). The
14 Voter Registration Report for the election
15 to date processed 127 down to 73
16 registration applications of which 7,515
17 were paper.

18 For the last day of registration,
19 we received a total of 1,630 registrations.
20 214 were paper and the rest were electronic.
21 The electronics were a mix of Tuesday's EOT
22 dump, onlines, xrocks, and DOTNCs and
23 transfers. All 93 (inaudible) changes have
24 been made. ID cards were printed, labeled,

1 and mailed, 52,638. We were waiting for
2 approval on the final report of the
3 (inaudible). The final ID cards will be
4 done Monday of next week.

5 The Election Board Report, the
6 unit has trained 4,400 board workers on the
7 newest poll (inaudible). They are still
8 doing the make-up trainings every Friday at
9 Delaware and Spring Garden on the sixth
10 floor and have also added another date on
11 Monday, May 25th for those who couldn't
12 attend the trainings. To date, the unit has
13 trained over 3,300 board workers for the
14 primary election. 500 have taken online
15 training so far. Online training is
16 available at vote.phila.gov/training.

17 We had some last-minute poll place
18 moves all in places where -- Ward 37,
19 Division 13, Greater Impact Worship Center,
20 2428 North Fairhill. The proposed move
21 location is moving to Bartram School at 728
22 West (inaudible) Street. The reason being
23 was a last-minute refusal. Ward 48,
24 Divisions 4, 9, and 19 will be moving into

1 Bartram.

2 JUDGE CRUMLISH: I make a
3 motion to approve that polling place
4 proposal.

5 JUDGE FURLONG: Second.

6 JUDGE CRUMLISH: All in
7 favor?

8 (Aye).

9 JUDGE CRUMLISH: Thank you.
10 So that proposal is approved under emergency
11 circumstances.

12 MR. LYNCH: And I have two
13 more to be moved.

14 JUDGE CRUMLISH: All right.
15 You may continue, Mr. Lynch. I'm sorry.

16 MR. LYNCH: That's okay. I
17 move Universal Vare Charter School, 2100
18 South 24th Street, Philadelphia, PA.
19 Proposed relocation is right next door, the
20 Ancient Ballroom at 2308 Snyder Avenue.
21 University Vare Charter School was closed
22 indefinitely due to (inaudible). The
23 impacted Ward and Division is 32 and 10.

24 And we have another one, Vernon

1 House at 3226 Clifford Street. The
2 relocation will be at the Blaine School at
3 3001 West Berks Street and that was because
4 of a last-minute refusal.

5 JUDGE CRUMLISH: So I move
6 that these two proposed polling place
7 relocations under emergency circumstances be
8 approved. Do I hear a second?

9 JUDGE FURLONG: Second.

10 JUDGE CRUMLISH: All in
11 favor?

12 (Aye).

13 JUDGE CRUMLISH: These
14 emergent relocations require the consent and
15 approval and order of the President Judge of
16 the Court. Judge Fox will present the
17 motion to the Board of these proposed
18 changes. Anything further?

19 JUDGE FURLONG: That's it,
20 your Honor.

21 JUDGE CRUMLISH: Do we have
22 any new business? The Chair will recognize
23 Mr. Custodio for his report.

24 MR. CUSTODIO: Thank you,

1 your Honors. Resorting to last week's
2 motion on the dropoff location, the deputies
3 have filled the remaining slots -- the dozen
4 remaining slots with Saturday, May 6th, 1:00
5 to 4:00 p.m. at Temple Mitten Hall at 1913
6 North Broad Street, 19122. Sunday, May
7 14th, 1:00 to 4:00 at the John Anderson
8 Cultural Center, 5301 Overbrook Avenue,
9 19131 zip code. And then finally, Monday,
10 May 15th, 11:00 to 2:00, Lincoln Financial
11 Field, Lot K, Pattison Avenue between South
12 11th and Darien Street, 19148.

13 The complete list of locations
14 have been posted at vote.phila.gov. These
15 are in addition to our 24/7 mail drop boxes
16 and the Board of Elections Office at City
17 Hall, Room 140. Voters may drop off their
18 own ballot unless the voter cannot
19 personally submit their absentee or mail-in
20 ballot and designated agents deliver the
21 ballot and the completed forms are submitted
22 with the ballot. (Inaudible) the agent
23 forms can be downloaded at vote.phila.gov
24 and are available in City Hall, Room 140

1 too. Thank you.

2 JUDGE CRUMLISH: Thank you,
3 Mr. Custodio. Having completed that portion
4 of the meeting, is there anything further to
5 add as new business?

6 (No response).

7 JUDGE CRUMLISH: So I would
8 move to adjourn the meeting. So having said
9 that, that concludes the ordinary business
10 of the Board of Elections. We are going to
11 request that we adjourn into an executive
12 session to consider legal issues and the
13 advice of Counsel and the Law Department is
14 in support of that. All in favor?

15 (Aye).

16 JUDGE CRUMLISH: Thank you.

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18 (This concludes the video
19 meeting).

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