



COUNTY OF SAN MATEO
BOARDS AND COMMISSION
FARMWORKER ADVISORY COMMISSION

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Farmworker Advisory Commission
San Mateo County Board of Supervisors
An Advisory Commission to the
San Mateo County Board of Supervisors

November 16, 2022

7:00pm

The Farmworker Advisory Commission brings visibility to issues that disproportionately affect farmworkers, advises the Board of Supervisors on policies and initiatives, serves as a forum for the community, and advocates/supports the farmworker community.

The Farmworker Advisory Commission was held in person at the Half Moon Bay Library’s Community Room (620 Correas St., Half Moon Bay).

1. ROLL CALL

Present: Commissioners Yesenia Garcia, Judith Guerrero, Yolanda Guzman Calderon, Rogelio Nabor-Martinez, Stephanie Perez, Jonathan Ramirez, Nicolas Romero-Gonzalez, John Vars

Staff Present: District 3 Board Liaison Brea Hunter, Deputy County Attorney Lauren Carrol, Consultant Facilitator Debbie Schechter, Community Affairs Office Emma Gonzalez, Kenny Chu, Emily Smith, Megan Gosch, Nancy Cubias, Jennifer Castro-Lara

AGENDA

2. Welcome & Introductions

Delivered by San Mateo County Board of Supervisors President Don Horsley	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Welcomed and congratulated the new commissioners to the first ever Farmworkers Advisory Commission meeting.
Public Comment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Rita Mancera.

3. Swearing-In of New Commissioners

Administered by County Attorney John Nibbelin	Board of Supervisors new appointees to the Farmworker Advisory Commission: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Nicolas Romero-Gonzalez, representing Farmworker for an initial term ending September 30, 2025; and Rogelio Nabor-Martinez, representing Farmworker for an initial staggered partial term ending September 30, 2024; and Yolanda Guzman Calderon, representing Farmworker for an initial term ending September 30, 2025; and Yesenia Garcia, representing Farmworker for an initial staggered term ending September 30, 2024; and
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Judith Guerrero, representing Community-Based Organization for an initial term ending September 30, 2024; and • Stephanie Perez, representing Community-Based Organization for an initial staggered term ending September 30, 2025; and • Jonatan Ramirez, representing Agricultural Industry for an initial term ending September 30, 2025; and • John Vars, representing San Mateo County Agricultural Advisory Committee for an initial staggered term ending September 30, 2024.
Commissioners Comment	No comment.
Public Comment	No public comment.

4. Public Comment

No public comment.

5. Overview and Training: Ralph M. Brown Act

Presented by Lauren Carroll with the County of San Mateo Attorney’s Office	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Introduction of the Ralph M. Brown Act.
Commissioners Comment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Commissioner Judith Guerrero <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ What is considered as majority?
Public Comment	No public comment.

6. Overview of Farmworker Advisory Commission Meetings and Training Plan

Presented by Urban Habitat – Larisa Casillas, Program Director for Leadership, Development and Advocacy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Introduction of Urban Habitat. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Regional Policy Advocacy Organization based in Oakland. ○ Founded the Boards and Commissions Leadership Institute program. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Train and support low-income communities of color to serve on boards and commissions. • Will be conducting a total of four (4) trainings. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Themes for future trainings: Relationship building, Equity and Equality, Commissions as a strategy to create change in the community, tools for commissioners, and one-on-one support.
Commissioners Comment	No comment.
Public Comment	No public comment.

7. Determine Frequency of Training, Regular Meetings & Language of Meetings

<p>Presented by Urban Habitat – Larisa Casillas, Program Director for Leadership, Development and Advocacy</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Facilitated a discussion to decide on the frequency of training, regular meetings, and the language of the meetings. • Explained and guided commissioners on making a motion and conduct the vote. <p>Motion to meet every other month, 2nd Wednesday of the month 7pm-8:30pm. Future meetings will be conducted in Spanish with English interpretation available.</p> <p>Commissioner Judith Guerrero/ Second: John Vars</p> <p>Verbal roll call was taken: Yes: Garcia, Guerrero, Guzman Calderon, Nabor-Martinez, Perez, Ramirez, Romero-Gonzalez, John Vars (8) No: 0 Abstain: 0 Absent: 0</p>
<p>Commissioners Comment</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Commissioner Jonathan Ramirez • Commissioner Judith Guerrero <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Is there a limit on how many special meetings we can have? • Commissioner Rogelio Nabor-Martinez • Commissioner Stephanie Perez • Commissioner Yolanda Guzman Calderon • Commissioner Nicolas Romero-Gonzalez • Commissioner John Vars.
<p>Public Comment</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rita Mancera.

8. Overview & Discussion of Elected Positions

<p>Presented by Lauren Carroll with the County of San Mateo Attorney’s Office</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discussed the roles and responsibilities of Chair and Vice Chair. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Chair: Facilitates meeting and engage in discussions with staff outside of meetings. ○ Vice Chair: Steps in when Chair is absent. • Commissioners will vote on elected positions in next meeting.
<p>Commissioners Comment</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Commissioner Judith Guerrero
<p>Public Comment</p>	<p>No public comment.</p>

9. Report Out

<p>Supervisor’s Report, presented by Brea Hunter</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No report out.
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Commissioner's Report

- No report out.

10. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 8:27 p.m.

Next Commission Meeting: *

Wednesday January 11, 2023; 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

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