



MINUTES - DRAFT

500 County Center
Chambers, 1st Fl.

Tuesday, October 14, 2025

9:00 AM

SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

<https://smcgov.zoom.us/j/91080843301>

President David J. Canepa called the Special meeting to order at 9:19 AM.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

President Canepa led the Pledge.

ROLL CALL

Present: 5 - Supervisor Jackie Speier, Supervisor Noelia Corzo, Supervisor Ray Mueller, Supervisor Lisa Gauthier, and Supervisor David J. Canepa

ACTION TO SET AGENDA

Motion: Gauthier / Second: Speier

Yes: 5 - Speier, Corzo, Mueller, Gauthier, and Canepa

No: 0

PUBLIC COMMENT

President Canepa and County Attorney John D. Nibbelin introduced the items on the agenda prior to Public Comment being taken for both items.

Speakers Recognized by the President:

Thomas Mazzucco, Co-Counsel for Sheriff Corpus
Tom Perez, Co-Counsel for Sheriff Corpus
Sheriff Christina Corpus
Sgt. David Weidner
Nancy Goodban
Deacon Lauren P. McCombs
Jim Lawrence

David Vallerger
Dan Stegink
Martin Elliott
Matthew Frauenfeld
Vanessa Lemus Tapia
Beth von Emster
Mariah Cooks
Mitchel Smith
RJ Jennings
Stacy McCarthy
Jose Reyes
Victor Rangel
Arnold Morales

The Board went into recess at 10:44 am and reconvened at 10:54 am with all Supervisors present.

Debbie W.
Catherine Carter
Carina Merrick
Sandy M.
Aisha Baro
James Brown
Nilza Serrano
Joaquin Jimenez
Katherine Dumont
Elsa Schafer
Paloma Serna
David Wozniak
James Johnson
Yusef Miller
Alex Rooker

Written Comment from Johanna Rasmussen from Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Commission was read into the record.

CLOSED SESSION

The Board recessed for Closed Session at 11:24 AM and reconvened at 12:23 PM in Open Session with all Supervisors present.

1. **Conference with Legal Counsel - Existing Litigation (Paragraph (1) of subdivision (d) of Gov. Code Section 54956.9):**
In re Sheriff Removal Proceeding Pursuant to Section 412.5 of the San Mateo County

Charter

The Board reconvened from Closed Session at 12:23 PM into Open Session with the following report out by County Attorney John D. Nibbelin, and prior to Item No. 2:

The Board further considered the Administrative Record, including Judge Emerson's Advisory Opinion, and Judge Emerson concluded that this Board has cause based on multiple findings to remove the Sheriff; and the Removal Procedures provide that the Board must vote if there was cause by 4/5ths vote.

REGULAR AGENDA**COUNTY ATTORNEY**

2. Consider adoption of a resolution pursuant to Section 412.5 of the San Mateo County Charter and the Removal Procedures approved by the Board of Supervisors:
 - A) Receiving the written advisory opinion of the Hearing Officer ("Advisory Opinion") finding that the County had and has cause to remove Sheriff Christina Corpus from office (Attachment A to this Resolution); and
 - B) Confirming the Board of Supervisors' independent review of the Advisory Opinion and the Administrative Record and determining, based on a review of the Advisory Opinion and the Administrative Record and by a preponderance of the evidence, that there was and is cause to remove Sheriff Christina Corpus from office; and
 - C) Making a final decision to remove Sheriff Christina Corpus from office for cause pursuant to Section 412.5 of the San Mateo County Charter; and
 - D) Declaring that the Board of Supervisors adopts as its own the rationale of the Hearing Officer set forth in the Advisory Opinion in finding cause for removal; and
 - E) Approving Attachment B to this Resolution (Letter drafted by the County Attorney), which constitutes the Final Decision After Removal Hearing making Sheriff Christina Corpus' removal final and effective immediately and directing the County Attorney to serve by mail the Final Decision After Removal Hearing on Sheriff Christina Corpus; and
 - F) Declaring that Attachment C to this Resolution constitutes a true and accurate description of the Administrative Record reviewed by the Board of Supervisors in support of the Final Decision After Removal Hearing.

Speakers recognized by the President:

John D. Nibbelin, County Attorney

President David J. Canepa, District 5

Sup. Ray Mueller, District 3

Sup. Jackie Speier, District 1

Sup. Noelia Corzo, District 2

Sup. Lisa Gauthier, District 4

Motion to Adopt Resolution: Gauthier / Second: Speier

Yes: 5 - Speier, Corzo, Mueller, Gauthier, and Canepa

No: 0

Additional Separate Motion and Vote at request of County Attorney John D. Nibbelin:

Motion #2: Upon motion by Supervisor Gauthier, Seconded by Supervisor Speier and carried unanimously, having determined that there is cause to remove the Sheriff and voting to remove her, the Board has caused to be prepared the written Final Decision After Removal Hearing which provides the Board's rationale in support of its vote finding cause to remove the Sheriff, and that the Board has reviewed and approves the Final Decision After Removal Hearing, which is set forth in the Letter of County Counsel included in the agenda packet, making Sheriff Corpus' removal final and effective immediately.

Yes: 5 - Speier, Corzo, Mueller, Gauthier, and Canepa

No: 0

Enactment No: Resolution-081461

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 12:49 PM.