### SANTA CLARA COUNTY DEMOCRATIC CENTRAL COMMITTEE

7 PM-9PM, Regular Meeting via Zoom Online Conference (registration link below)

(Our meeting is open to the public, but we reserve the right to remove guests who disrupt the meeting. Video and audio recording not permitted without prior approval)

# AGENDA FOR Thursday, April 7, 2022

- 1. CALL TO ORDER
- 2. ROLL CALL
- 3. IDENTIFICATION OF VISITORS
- 4. ADOPTION OF AGENDA
- 5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
  - a. Thursday, March 10, 2022
- 6. OLD BUSINESS
  - a. SCCDCC Member Dues are Due <a href="http://bit.ly/sccdcc dues">http://bit.ly/sccdcc dues</a>

#### **6bis. CONSENT CALENDAR**

- a. Fast-Track Endorsement of Supervisor Susan Ellenberg
- b. Confirm Executive Board action to Endorse Local Measure B
- c. Endorsement of Local School Bond and Parcel Tax Measures E, G, H, and I
- d. Approve Bylaws changes re redistricting, vacancies

#### 7. NEW BUSINESS

- a. SCCDP Walk Days with Endorsed City Council Candidates
- b. Request from the California CleanMoney Campaign to Support SB 1360The Disclosure Clarity Act
- c. Resolution to Oppose AB 2808 (Ranked Choice Voting Ban)
- d. [Proposed emergency] Resolution Calling on Rolando Bonilla to End His Campaign for San Jose City Council

#### 8. REPORTS

a. Executive Board/Chair: Bill James

b. Vice Chair: Jean Cohen

c. Treasurer: Angelica Ramos

d. Secretary: Helen Chapman

e. Executive Director: James Kim

f. Issues: Vacant

g. Community Services and Voter Registration: Huy Tran

h. Finance: James Kim

i. Endorsements: Clarence Madrilejos

j. Communications: John Comiskey

k. Gender Equity and the Status of Women: Adia Hoag

I. Diversity & Inclusion: Rebeca Armendariz

m. Campaign Services: Titus Lin

n. Clubs: Alex Wara

o. Regional Director Report(s)

p. DNC: Otto Lee

g. DTV Report: Steve Chessin

r. Pro-Choice Coalition: Claudia Shope

#### 9. ANNOUNCEMENTS/REMINDERS

#### 10. EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING

April 20, 2022, 6-7pm

#### 11. ADJOURNMENT

In Memory of Alameda County Democratic
Party Chair Terry Sandoval

Non-Member Register to Join Zoom Meeting <a href="https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/">https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/</a>
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# **Resolution to Oppose AB 2808**

WHEREAS, in November 1998, the voters of Santa Clara County passed Measure F, an amendment to the Santa Clara County Charter that permits the County to change its elections from two-round runoff to ranked choice voting, a measure that was endorsed by the Santa Clara County Democratic Party, and a request to make such a change is now pending before the Board of Supervisors, and in December 2021, the San Jose Charter Review recommended to the San Jose City Council that the City of San Jose change its elections from two-round runoff to ranked choice voting; and

WHEREAS, the California Democratic Party in the Political Reform plank of its Platform supports the ability of local communities to choose alternative voting systems, such as ranked-choice voting and instant-runoff voting; and

WHEREAS, on February 18, 2022, Assembly Member Patrick O'Donnell (D-AD70) introduced AB 2808, a bill that would ban the use of ranked choice voting in California at both the state and local level, including in the jurisdictions that currently use it (San Francisco, Oakland, Berkeley, and San Leandro) and the jurisdictions that plan to use it for the first time in 2022 (Albany, Eureka, and Palm Desert), and would thus preclude both Santa Clara County and the City of San Jose from switching their elections from two-round runoff to ranked choice voting should they decide that it is in their respective constituents best interest to do so;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Santa Clara County Democratic Party goes on record as being vigorously opposed to AB 2808, and shall inform the Assembly Elections Committee of its opposition, as well as the Assembly Members who represent at least some part of Santa Clara County; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Santa Clara County Democratic Party will consider submitting to the Legislation Committee of the California Democratic Party a recommendation that the California Democratic Party oppose AB 2808.

Submitted by Steve Chessin

# [Proposed Emergency] Resolution Calling on Rolando Bonilla to End His Campaign for San Jose City Council and Resign from the San Jose Planning Commission Due to Domestic Abuse Allegations

WHEREAS, the Santa Clara County Democratic Party advocates for policies and people that value gender equality and respect for others; acknowledges the vital importance of believing survivors; and is staunchly against domestic and intimate partner abuse; and

WHEREAS, according to media reports, Rolando Bonilla's former wife stated in court filings that when she was pregnant Bonilla "grabbed her by the hair and shoulders, shoved her and covered her mouth and nose until she 'almost fainted,'" and Bonilla's former wife also reportedly stated in court papers that Bonilla "grabbed me hard by my arms, then pulled my hair and slammed my back into the wall," and that Bonilla warned her not to speak about his family or she would "see what domestic violence was," and stated that Bonilla was given supervised visits with their infant and was ordered to attend an anger management program; and

WHEREAS, the Santa Clara County Democratic Party stands with survivors of sexual, domestic, and intimate partner violence, and furthermore believes that candidates and officeholders should meet the very highest standards of personal and professional conduct;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Santa Clara County Democratic Party finds these allegations against Mr. Bonilla to be deeply disturbing and believes it is in the best interest of the people of San Jose that Mr. Bonilla should withdraw from the campaign for San Jose City Council District 5 and resign from the San Jose Planning Commission and any other public office.

# **Draft Bylaws Change re Districts and Vacancies after Redistricting**

Amend Article II, Section A, part 10 as follows:

10. <u>Terms of Office</u>: A member who is elected <u>or appointed</u> to represent a district, but who thereafter resides in a different district as a result of redistricting, shall be entitled to complete the term for which they were originally elected <u>so long as they continue to reside within Santa Clara County</u>.

Add Article II, Section A, new part 11 as follows:

11. <u>Vacancy Following Redistricting</u>: A member who was elected or appointed to represent a district, but who thereafter resides in a different district as a result of redistricting, and who subsequently resigns or is removed from office shall be replaced by appointment of a registered Democrat who resides in the district in which the member resided as a result of redistricting. The above provision to fill a vacancy following redistricting will take effect as of the date new district maps are certified to the Secretary of State.