

1. Call to order

The meeting was called to order at 12:09 pm.

2. Roll Call

Present: Lynn Merz, Linda Asato, E'Leva Hughes Gibson, Theresa Zighera, and Zea Malawa

Absent: Aline Armstrong

3. General public comment

There was no general public comment.

4. Discussion and possible action to approve the September 23, 2020 meeting minutes (Action Item)[Commissioners provided with: September 23, 2020 meeting minutes]

Motion to approve made by Commissioner Malawa

2nd Commissioner Merz

Motion passes unanimously

5. Update on Joint Fiscal and Structural Planning between First 5 San Francisco and the Office of Early Care and Education (Discussion Only)

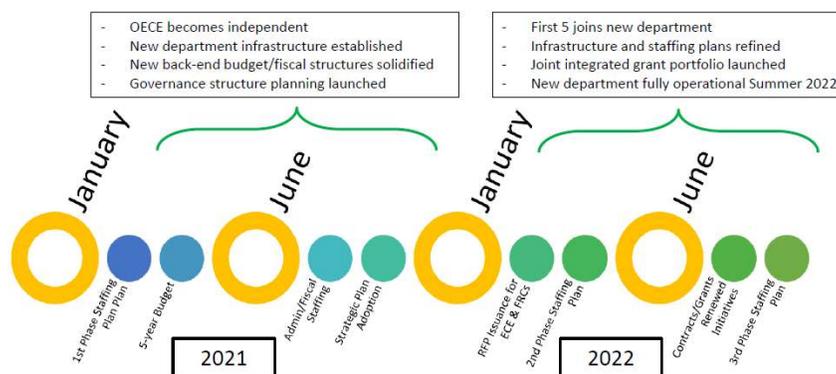
During the past year First 5 and Office of Early Care and Education (OECE) have been exploring and expanding the overlapping areas of a) learning and relationship building; b) collaborative work structures; c) joint racial equity planning; d) joint strategic planning; and e) shared office space and space planning.

Although the legislated structural and fiscal requirements for First 5 (bright line of separation of First 5 Children's Fund for external audit overseen by Commission) have not changed, there have been recent changes for the city and for OECE that create expanded options for alignment and integration.

Recent relevant changes include: OECE moving out from under the San Francisco Human Services Agency and the passage of Prop F, releasing significant amounts of new revenue for early care and education.

These changes legitimize the need for a robust, independent department of early childhood and this current budget season is the optimal time to establish the back-end and internal infrastructure in order to realize full re-organization of new department by summer 2022.

The proposed organizational structure (see visual below) would be a new Department of Early Childhood with two branches that preserves the requisite autonomy for state Prop 10 funding and local general funds.



Commissioners discussed the positive aspects the reorganization would bring to the work and the field.

(Discussion Only. No public comment.)

6. Second Public Meeting on FY2021-22 and FY2022-23 Budget (Discussion only)

The City and County of San Francisco requires each department to hold two separate public meetings around their budget submissions. This is the second public meeting for First 5 San Francisco on the draft of the FY2021-22 and FY2022-23 budget.

Most notable changes and updates since the early January public meeting have been to the administrative expenses which now reflect an increase in temporary administrative staff to accommodate a period of heightened internal, operational, and fiscal work to accommodate the First 5/OECE reorganization into a new department.

When the reorganization is done the additional administrative staff will be shared with OECE and/or shifted to provide support to other programmatic focus areas which will have expanded considerably.

(Discussion Only. No public comment.)

7. Commissioner Updates

- Status on the emergency funds for black families. (see Executive Update)
- Haas fund is working with Tipping Point to make sure that the ECE community is receiving priority vaccination.

8. Interim Executive Director Update

A work order to Mayors Office of Housing and Community Development (MOHCD), Rapid Response and Resiliency fund which prioritizes black families with children ages birth to 5 and has a strong focus on economic advancement in partnership with

MOHCD to be placed on the agenda for approval at full commission meeting January 6, 2021.

9. Adjourn: The meeting was adjourned at 1:42 pm.