



January 25, 2024

INFORMATION ACTION

SUBJECT: ELECTION OF 2024 COMMISSION VICE CHAIR AND ADVISORY COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS

RECOMMENDATION

First 5 California staff recommends the Commission elect a Vice Chair and approve Commissioners to each of the following Advisory Committees:

- Public Education and Outreach
- Fiscal
- Public Policy
- Program and Evaluation

Note: The Executive Advisory Committee will consist of the chair and vice chair.

SUMMARY OF THE ISSUE

Article VII of First 5 California's bylaws states the Vice Chair will be elected by the voting members of the Commission. The term of office shall be one year, commencing upon the adjournment of the meeting at which they were elected. In the absence of the Chair, the Vice Chair fulfills the role of the Chair and presides at meetings. Additionally, the Commission generally approves Advisory Committees of two members each to provide technical assistance and professional expertise, and to assist First 5 California staff with the development of policy and program proposals for consideration by the full Commission. Committee members are approved by a majority vote of the Commission.¹

SUMMARY OF PREVIOUS COMMISSION DISCUSSION AND ACTION

It is the Commission's usual business practice to review the committee assignments at the first meeting of each calendar year, and revise them as necessary. However, when

¹ If the committees are limited to two members and purely advisory in nature, then the committee meetings are not subject to the provisions of the Bagley-Keene Open Meeting Act (Bagley-Keene) (Government Code, § 11121(c).) However, if a committee is delegated any authority of the full body and exercises that authority, then the meetings of its members must be publicly noticed and accessible pursuant to Bagley-Keene. (Govt. Code, § 11121(b).)

vacancies occur, the Commission may take action as necessary to fill those vacancies during any regular Commission meeting.

ATTACHMENTS

A. Commission Advisory Committee Descriptions – January 2024