



November 29th, 2023

Chair Packard and Members of the Ballot Simplification Committee
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlet Place, City Hall room 48
San Francisco, CA 94102

RE: Request for reconsideration

Dear Chair Packer and Members of the Ballot Simplification Committee,

I write this letter to request reconsideration of the Adopted Digest for the “Police Department Policies and Procedures” measure.

In the bulleted section that outlines the proposal, and in the bullet that summarizes the changes to the Use of Force Policy, it is not made clear to the voters that while a written report may no longer be required in certain circumstances, reporting must still be completed through recording of the incident by a body worn camera. The language in the measure says the following:

*“Officers shall be required to provide a written report for uses of force only when (1) the use of force resulted in a physical injury, including where the officer believes the use of force is likely to have caused a physical injury or where a person has complained of a physical injury; or (2) an officer removed a firearm from a holster and pointed the firearm at a person or used it to compel a person to comply. **In all other instances involving a reportable use of force, the officers shall satisfy these reporting requirements using body-worn cameras...**”*
(emphasis added)

I request that the Committee consider making the following minor amendment (in bold underline) to the aforementioned bullet:

- Written use-of-force reports would be required only if the officer’s use of force physically injured a person or if the officer used a firearm or pointed it at a person. **In other use of force cases, reporting requirements could be met if the incident is recorded by body worn cameras.**

Thank you for your reconsideration.

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