

Oakland voters set to fire insane corrupt progressive mayor and DA blamed for huge crime spiral

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Embattled Oakland Mayor Sheng Thao and DA Pamela Price are both almost certain to be out of a job by sunrise.

Neither of the progressive duo will last even two years as early counts of recall votes have them down about 30 per cent each with about a third of ballots tallied.

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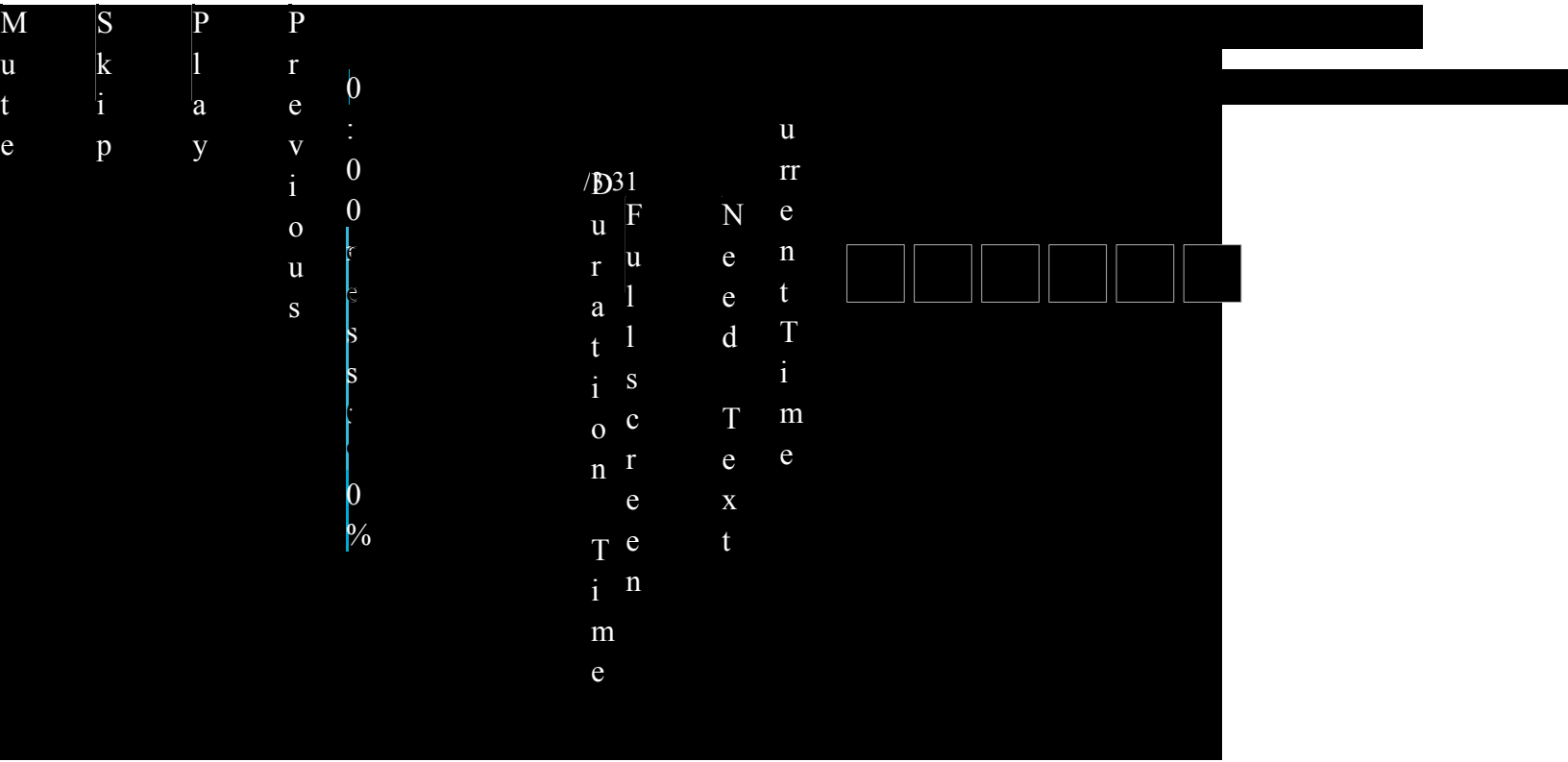
She squeaked into power in 2022 with just 50.3 per cent of the vote, but as of 12.30 on **election** night 64.6 per cent of voters now want her gone.



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Oakland is spending about \$100 million a year more than it raises in revenue, a situation that showed no signs of improving.

The city has for as long as anyone can remember been plagued by crime, but reports rose sharply since the pandemic and are only inching down.

Should the results, which are expected to tighten somewhat, hold, Thao would be the first Oakland mayor to be recalled in the city's history.

Thao barely addressed the vote count when asked about it at her event in Oakland, instead touting selected statistics.

'Zero homicides in going on seven weeks, that has not been heard of for decades... the most streets being paved this year, not just that but we're cleaning up our streets,' she said.

'We're really proud of the work we've done, no matter what.'

Thao also insisted the budget deficit was 'inherited' and blamed it on Covid.

She claimed the recall attempt was orchestrated by a 'millionaire, who doesn't even live here, who was about to collect signatures and put out false facts'.

'But I know Oaklanders are going to be able to see through that and vote to make sure that we are in office,' she continued.

'All of the major decisions that I've made, I don't regret them.'



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She is the first black woman to serve as the county's DA, a reform candidate elected with 53 per cent of the vote on the back of Black Lives Matter.

Her agenda included rehabilitation over punishment, reducing prison population, and going after police heavy-handedness - but is already unpopular.

Barring a dramatic comeback, she will be the first Alameda County DA to ever be recalled.

Price's likely defeat followed that of **Los Angeles County District Attorney George Gascon**, also elected as part of the same wave of demand for reform.

He is down 38 to 62 per cent in his reelection bid against former US assistant attorney general Nathan Hochman.

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