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# BOARD OF ELECTION COMMISSIONERS MEETING THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 26th, 2024, AT 5:30 PM LEVI LINCOLN CHAMBER, CITY HALL

Call to Order by the Chairperson
Pledge of Allegiance
Roll Call
Approval of the Minutes of the September 13th Meeting

- 1. Public hearing on Ward 3 Precinct 3: Thursday, September 26, 2024, 5:30 PM Levi Lincoln Chamber.
- 2. Discussion concerning relocating Ward 3 Precinct 3, from the Worcester Center for Craft to the Forest Grove Middle School, 495 Grove St, Worcester, MA.

#### **New Business**

1. Discussion concerning preparation for the November 5th State Election.

## **Adjournment:**

## **Next Meeting Date:**

### TO PARTICIPATE VIRTUALLY DURING THE MEETING:

Virtual Call In: <a href="https://us06web.zoom.us/j/83038262909">https://us06web.zoom.us/j/83038262909</a>

Phone #: (305) 224-1968 Webinar ID: 830 3826 2909 **Board of Election, Commissioners' Meeting Minutes** 

**Date: 9/16/24** 

**Location: Esther Howland Chamber** 

Members Present: Kimberley Vanderspek, Cecilio Gonzalez, John DiCicco,

Paul Franco and Joe Saco.

City Officials Present: Niko Vangjeli Clare Robbins

Meeting was called to order at 5:30 pm

Pledge of Alliance was said.

First Business Item: Poll Workers for Nov 5<sup>th</sup> election numbers 70+ responses. All lead positions are filled for Nov elections. Letters of reminder to be sent before elections. Poll worker Code of conduct reviewed

Second Business Item: Due to recent issue with a poll location not opening on time – updates to emergency contacts done for each polling location. Suggestion of a back up emergency contact along with location of key to each facility taken under advisement.

Third Business Item: Expansion of early voting planned for 6 locations. Approx 98k Vote by mail request postcard sent via Sec of State Office. Approx 19K ballots for Worcester ready to mail – Oct 4-5th. Packet includes ballot, return envelope and instructions of dropbox use or return by mail.

Fourth/Fifth Business Item: Advance counting of ballots set for Friday Nov 1 through Sunday Nov 3<sup>rd</sup> starting at 8:30 am each day. This is a 2-card election ballot with a response of 25-30k expected. Due to the anticipated volume – a 2<sup>nd</sup> machine is being brought in. Ballots will be securely stored in City Hall. Voters may not drop off family ballots at a poll location – they are to be directed to drop off at a dropbox or City Hall. Collection of ballots for early processing ends on Friday Nov 1<sup>st</sup>. Drop box ballots received Sat Nov 2<sup>nd</sup> are to be counted at the polls. City Clerk is preparing for operational variables based on voter response.

Sixth Business Item: Ward 3 – Precinct 3 polling location to be moved to Forest Grove Middle School. Public Hearing scheduled for Thursday Sept 26<sup>th</sup>.

Next Meeting scheduled for Thursday Sept 26th – 5:30 pm Meeting adjourned at 6:10 pm