AGENDA

Elections Commission Meeting

Wednesday, April 5, 2023
6:00 p.m.
VIRTUAL MEETING
City of Aurora
15151 E Alameda Parkway

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Approval of Minutes
   3.a 03-15-2023 Election Commission Minutes
4. Approval of Agenda
5. General Business
   5.a Discussion on Official Statement from Election Commission
6. Miscellaneous Matters for Consideration
7. Adjournment
Call to Order: Mike Seufert called the meeting to order at 6:09 p.m.

Roll Call: City Clerk Kadee Rodriguez called roll.

Members Present: Scott Irvin, Bill McCartin, Molly Barrett, Lori Gimelshteyn and Mike Seufert

Staff Present: Kadee Rodriguez, City Clerk; Dave Lathers, Assistant Senior Attorney

Approval of Agenda: Bill McCartin motions to approve the agenda, Molly Barrett seconds. Motion passed.

Approval of Minutes: Molly Barrett motioned to approve the 2-22-2023 minutes, Mike Seufert seconds. Motion passed.

General Business:

Update on the Ad Hoc Citizens Charter Review Task Force: Kadee reviewed an email she sent the Commission which contained information on the Engage Aurora webpage and public hearings for the charter review. Kadee explained that there are two different committees, one of which is composed of Council Members Lawson, Marcano, Coombs and Medina. The 2nd task force is created with citizens appointments made by the council with 11 members total. Their role is to review amendments on the charter proposed by council and feedback received from the public hearings. The task force is temporary and will only meet for 4 months.

Initiative and Charter Review Timeline: The Commission questions if they are able or should make a recommendation regarding the charter review changes. Dave Lathers sites City Charter section 23 under powers and duties it does state that the Election Commission can make recommendations on all matters pertaining to elections and one particular charter proposal would change the election format which would fall under election matters. Molly recommended that the Commission put together a recommendation of the proposed charter changes in relation to elections at the next Election Commission Meeting. The Commission began discussing possible changes to the elections, including adding political affiliations to candidates and changing the election year to even years. The Commission discussed costs in detail. They agreed on assembling a pros and cons list for the proposed changes to election years and agreed to schedule a special meeting. The Commission discussed the process and how they should go about assembling an official statement from them to provide Council and the Ad Hoc Citizens Charter Review Task Force on the possible charter review changes. They also agreed to reach out to individual Council members as well. Kadee and Dave explained the petition process.
**Miscellaneous Items:** The Election Commission decided to hold a special meeting on April 12th at 6:00 pm. The Commission agreed on assembling an onboarding process and information for future members for the Election Commission, which will be discussed at future meetings.

**Adjournment:** Motion by Scott Irvin to adjourn the meeting; seconded by Bill McCartin. The meeting is adjourned at 7:36 p.m.

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Scott Irvin, Chair