

MEETING OF THE COMMISSIONERS OF ELECTIONS
IN THE CITY OF NEW YORK
HELD ON TUESDAY, JANUARY 25, 2022 AT 1:30 P.M.
42 BROADWAY, 6th FLOOR, COMMISSIONERS' HEARING ROOM
NEW YORK, NY 10004

PRESENT: President Rodney L. Pepe-Souvenir
 Secretary Simon Shamoun

Commissioners Jose Miguel Araujo, Michael J. Coppotelli, Jenny Low, Gino A. Marmorato, Jodi Morales, Keith Sullivan, Patricia Anne Taylor, Frederic M. Umane

Michael J. Ryan, Executive Director
Vincent M. Ignizio, Deputy Executive Director
Georgea Kontzamanis, Operations Manager
Wilma Brown Phillips, Administrative Manager
Hemalee J. Patel, General Counsel
Raphael Savino, Deputy General Counsel
Kenneth Moltner, Counsel to the Commissioners
Steven B. Denkberg, Counsel to the Commissioners

President Pepe-Souvenir called the meeting to order at 1:33 P.M.

President Pepe-Souvenir moved to adopt the January 11, 2022 Commissioners' Meeting Minutes. Commissioner Morales seconded the motion, which was unanimously adopted.

Mr. Ryan provided an update on the January 18, 2022 Special Election in the 68th Assembly District in Manhattan. The information follows:

- Excluding Affidavit and Absentee Ballots, a total of 1,260 people voted between Early Voting and Election Day. The Manhattan Borough Office is currently processing the Affidavit and Absentee Ballots;
- A total of 288 people voted during the nine (9) days of Early Voting;
- A total of 972 people voted on Election Day;
- There were a total of 2 Early Voting poll sites and 27 Election Day poll sites;
- A total of 2,714 individual pieces of voting equipment were deployed;
- Accessibility equipment was installed in 17 poll sites to meet the requirements with the American with Disabilities Act (ADA);
- The Phone Bank received a total of 40 telephone calls and 9 emails seeking voter assistance relating to the Special Election;
- The Manhattan Borough Office is currently conducting post-election activities and the information below is to date:
 - There are a total of 14 Affidavit Ballots;
 - A total of 1,341 Absentee Ballots were mailed to voters;
 - A total of 154 Absentee Ballots were received back to date;

- A total of 33 Military Ballots were mailed;
- There were no requests for Accessible Ballots;
- A total of 239 ballots were received back;
- A total of 223 Absentee Ballot envelopes have been marked preliminarily valid;
- A total of 16 Absentee Ballot envelopes have been marked preliminarily invalid;
- A total of 4 Cure Notices have been mailed out. 1 Cure has been received back, 1 Cure expired, and 2 Cures are due back on Monday, January 31, 2022;
- The last day to timely receive postmarked Absentee Ballots is today, January 25, 2022;
- The last day to timely receive postmarked Military Ballots is Monday, January 31, 2022;
- The canvass of Absentee Ballots is scheduled for tomorrow, January 26, 2022;
- The Board is on track to certify the Special Election on Tuesday, February 1, 2022; and
- Additional information is posted on the Board's website at www.vote.nyc.

Commissioner Umame thanked the Manhattan Office staff for conducting a very well run Special Election.

Mr. Ryan provided an update on the February 15, 2022 Special Elections in the 60th Assembly District, Brooklyn, and 72nd AD, Manhattan. The petition process has been completed, and there were no Objections and no Prima Facie issues in either contest. No Commissioners' Hearings are scheduled. There are a total of three (3) candidates in the 60th AD and three (3) candidates in the 72nd AD. There will be 2 Early Voting poll sites and 28 Election Day poll sites open for the 60th AD in Brooklyn, and 2 Early Voting poll sites and 24 Election Day sites open for the 72nd AD in Manhattan. The amount of poll sites is based on the total number of registered voters in each borough. The Early Voting hours will be the same as prior Special Elections. Early Voting commences on Saturday, February 5, 2022 and ends on Sunday, February 13, 2022. Election Day is Tuesday, February 15, 2022. The Board's website has been updated with all of the relevant information at vote.nyc. President Pepe-Souvenir reminded the public that they can check their poll site location and their Early Voting site location on the Board's website as well.

President Pepe-Souvenir moved to schedule the next Commissioners' Meeting for Tuesday, February 1, 2022. Commissioner Umame seconded the motion, which was unanimously adopted.

Commissioner Coppotelli moved to convene an Executive Session for personnel matters. President Pepe-Souvenir seconded the motion, which was unanimously adopted.

Following Executive Session, the open meeting resumed.

The following actions were taken in Executive Session by the unanimous decision of the Board of Commissioners:

- I. Philip Kebreau, a Voting Machine Technician, was granted 140 hours of an Advance of Sick Time, effective January 3, 2022. Mr. Kebreau's agency start date is July 17, 2011; and
- II. Naquan LeSane was appointed to Director of Management Information Systems, at the outgoing salary, effective January 30, 2022.

The meeting was adjourned.

The next stated meeting of the Commissioners is scheduled for Tuesday, February 1, 2022 at 1:30 P.M.