

CITY OF ANN ARBOR ELECTION COMMISSION
March 8, 2012 MINUTES

The City of Ann Arbor Election Commission Meeting was called to order by the City Clerk Jacqueline Beaudry at 2:15 p.m., in the Council Work Room, Guy C. Larcom Municipal Building, 301 E. Huron Street, Ann Arbor, MI, 48104.

The members present were City Attorney Stephen Postema and City Clerk Jacqueline Beaudry. Police Chief Barnett Jones was absent.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Postema moved to approve the minutes of the February 7, 2012 meeting as presented. Beaudry seconded the motion and the motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

EC-12-002

CITY OF ANN ARBOR ELECTION COMMISSION
RESOLUTION TO CONSOLIDATE PRECINCTS FOR THE ANN ARBOR SCHOOL
DISTRICT SPECIAL ELECTION TO BE HELD ON TUESDAY, MAY 8, 2012

Whereas, The Ann Arbor School District has determined that a special election will be held in the City of Ann Arbor on Tuesday, May 8, 2012;

Whereas, The City of Ann Arbor has determined that precinct consolidation would be appropriate for this election because of an anticipated low voter turnout; and

Whereas, Ten polling locations have two or more precincts located in the building for each site that could easily be consolidated causing minimal inconvenience to the voters; and

Whereas, MCL 168.659 allows for the City Election Commission to consolidate two or more precincts in local elections, provided the new consolidated precinct does not exceed 5,000 registered voters;

RESOLVED, That the City of Ann Arbor Election Commission hereby directs the City Clerk to conduct said Special Election on Tuesday, May 8, 2012, by consolidating the following precincts for this election only, recognizing that consolidation is possible without relocating any voters from their usual polling location:

- 1-1, 1-2 and 4-1 Michigan Union
- 1-5 and 1-6 Northside School
- 1-9 and 2-6 Clague Middle School
- 2-3 and 2-4 Angell School
- 3-1 and 3-2 Michigan League
- 3-4 and 3-7 Allen School

3-6 and 3-9 Scarlett Middle School
4-4 and 4-8 Pioneer High School
4-7 and 5-7 Dicken School
5-4 and 5-5 Slauson Middle School; and

RESOLVED, That the Election Commission hereby authorizes the City Clerk to utilize three Absent Voter Counting Boards (Wards 1 and 2; Wards 3 and 4; and Ward 5) for the tabulation of absentee ballots at the May 8, 2012 Special Election.

Postema moved, seconded by Beaudry, that the resolution be approved. On a voice vote, the chair declared the motion carried unanimously.

EC-12-003

RESOLUTION TO APPROVE CHANGES TO THE BOUNDARIES OF PRECINCTS
2-3, 2-4, 3-4 AND 3-6 TO FOLLOW NEWLY APPORTIONED WASHTENAW COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS DISTRICT BOUNDARY LINES
DUE TO THE 2010 CENSUS

Whereas, The Washtenaw County Board of Commissioners Districts were redrawn as a result of the 2010 U.S. Census population adjustments;

Whereas, The current boundaries of Precincts 2-4 and 3-6 cross two County Commissioner districts, creating a "split" precinct;

Whereas, Precinct boundary lines are redrawn in accordance with MCL 168.656(3);

Whereas, The Michigan Bureau of Elections and Michigan Election Law encourage avoiding "split" precincts whenever possible; and

Whereas, Redrawing the boundary lines between 2-3 and 2-4 and 3-4 and 3-6 would eliminate these two County Commissioner "split" precincts;

RESOLVED, That the new voting boundaries for Precincts 2-3, 2-4, 3-4 and 3-6 as indicated on the attached Precinct Maps and Precinct Descriptions be approved;

RESOLVED, That the new precinct boundaries as indicated on the attached Precinct Maps and Precinct Descriptions be effective immediately;

RESOLVED, That the City Clerk be authorized to take any administrative action necessary to implement this resolution; and

RESOLVED, That a certified copy of this Resolution be forwarded to the Washtenaw County Clerk and the Michigan Secretary of State, Bureau of Elections.

INFORMATION

City Clerk Jacqueline Beaudry updated the Commission on the newly hired deputy clerk, Leanne Johnson. Ms. Johnson begins Monday, March 19, 2012.

ADJOURN

There being no further business before the City Election Commission, the Chair called the meeting adjourned at 2:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by

Jacqueline Beaudry
City Clerk
Election Commission Chair