

**CITY OF ANN ARBOR ELECTION COMMISSION
FEBRUARY 26, 2009 APPROVED MINUTES**

The City of Ann Arbor Election Commission Meeting was called to order by the City Clerk, Jacqueline Beaudry, at 10:17 a.m. on February 26, 2009, in the City Hall Council Workroom, 100 N. Fifth Avenue, Ann Arbor, MI, 48104.

The members present were City Clerk Jacqueline Beaudry and Assistant City Attorney Abigail Elias (acting as City Attorney). City Attorney Stephen Postema and Police Chief Barnett Jones were absent.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Beaudry moved to approve the minutes of the October 14, 2008 meeting as presented. Elias seconded the motion and the motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

The following resolution was offered by Beaudry and supported by Elias:

EC-09-001

**CITY OF ANN ARBOR ELECTION COMMISSION
RESOLUTION TO CONSOLIDATE PRECINCTS FOR THE SCHOOL BOARD
ELECTION TO BE HELD ON TUESDAY, MAY 5, 2009**

Whereas, The City of Ann Arbor has determined that a local election will be held in the City of Ann Arbor on Tuesday, May 5, 2009;

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 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 School Board Election on Tuesday, May 5, 2009 by consolidating the following precincts for this election only, recognizing that consolidation is possible without splitting any precincts or relocating any voters from their usual polling location:

1-1 and 1-2 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 East Quad
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

Dated February 26, 2009

On a voice vote, the Chair declared the motion carried unanimously.

The Chair stated that another Election Commission meeting would be held, prior to May 5, to appoint election inspectors to work on Election Day.

INFORMATION

Chief Election Custodian Leaving

The Chair announced that Jim Millen, Chief Election Custodian, who has been a temporary employee with the City for many decades, is leaving. His last election will be May 5, 2009. The chair stated she is working with the City Human Resources regarding replacement options for this work, which is critical for running city elections.

ADJOURN

There being no further business before the City Election Commission, the Chair called the meeting adjourned at 10:25 a.m.

Respectfully submitted by

Jacqueline Beaudry
Election Commission Chair
Ann Arbor City Clerk