



Legislation Text

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STRATEGIC PRIORITY: Government Performance & Financial Management

AGENDA DATE: May 17, 2023

COUNCIL DISTRICT(S): N/A

DEPARTMENT: City Secretary's Office

EXECUTIVE: Bilierae Johnson

SUBJECT

Receive the report of the Ad Hoc City Council Canvassing Committee and adopt a resolution and order accepting the canvassing committee's report declaring the results of the May 6, 2023 general election - Financing: No cost consideration to the City

BACKGROUND

Chapter IV, Section 9 of the City Charter provides that the City Council shall canvass and certify the results of a city election in accordance with the provisions of the Texas Election Code. Section 67.003(b) of the Texas Election Code provides, for an election held on the uniform election date in May, the local canvass must occur "not later than the 11th day after election day and not earlier than the later of: (1) the third day after election day; (2) the date on which the early voting ballot board has verified and counted all provisional ballots, if a provisional ballot has been cast in the election; or (3) the date on which all timely received ballots cast from addresses outside of the United States are counted, if a ballot to be voted by mail in the election was provided to a person outside of the United States."

The canvassing period falls between Tuesday, May 9, 2023, and Wednesday, May 17, 2023. Canvassing the election results on Wednesday, May 17, 2023, provides assurance that all votes cast are counted/canvassed without requiring a special meeting to be called to accept the canvassing committee's report.

PRIOR ACTION/REVIEW (COUNCIL, BOARDS, COMMISSIONS)

On February 8, 2023, the City Council authorized the appointment of the Ad Hoc City Council Canvassing Committee to review the returns of the May 6, 2023 general election and submit a canvass report to the full City Council on May 17, 2023, by Resolution No. 23-0442.

FISCAL INFORMATION

No cost consideration to the City.