

CITIZENS' ELECTIONS OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE (CEOC)

July 15, 2020 Meeting | 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. | Zoom Conference

MINUTES

Members Present: Chair: Kyle Vixie, Vice Chair: Jayson Todd Morris, Hillary Coleman, Julie Kang, Jeff Manson, Maya Manus, Sheryl Moss, Seth Orr, Quynh Pham, Stanley Tsao and Stefan Sharkansky

Absent: Vice Chair: Nanette Sullivan, First Vice Chair: Eliseo Juárez, Allison Feher

Special Guest: Washington State Secretary of State Kim Wyman

Elections Staff: Elections Director Julie Wise, Kendall LeVan Hodson, Janice Case, Halei Watkins and Shawn Abernathy

Council Staff: Erin Arya and Miranda Leskinen

1. Call to Order

Kyle Vixie, CEOC Chair, called the meeting to order at 11:34 a.m.

2. Approve May 20, 2020 minutes

Jayson Todd Morris moved approval of the minutes of the May 20, 2020 meeting with a minor amendment adding Hillary Coleman to the list of attendees. Stephan Sharkansky seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

3. Washington State Secretary of State Kim Wyman, Welcome Address

Secretary Wyman thanked members of the CEOC for their service and discussed elections progress in Washington State, the VoteWA system, filing week and how the history of elections in our state fits in with the national conversations happening regarding elections security.

4. Workgroup Updates

Nanette Sullivan is working in Microsoft forms to create a checklist for election day monitoring. Members were encouraged to let Nanette know if they would like to beta test for the August primary election. No other updates reported.

5. Director's Report

Director Wise provided an update on the primary election. She reported that 52 offices including Congressional Districts 1, 7, 8 and 9, statewide and state legislator positions are on the ballot. There are also three ballot measures (Snoqualmie Pass, Mountain View, and South King Fire and Rescue) and 176 contested Precinct Committee Officer

(PCO) races. Elections is projecting a turnout of 43%. Ballots have been mailed and Elections will operate two vote centers for the primary: King County Elections (open July 15) and Century Link Field (open Sat/Mon/Tues). The newest Drop Box is installed at South Seattle College.

6. COVID-19 Prep and Process Changes (building revisions, curbside service)

Janice Case with Elections provided an update regarding building and service changes Elections is undertaking to enhance safety of operations for the election during the pandemic. These include temperature checks, new barriers, PPE and sanitation requirements, flow changes, social distancing and curbside service.

7. Filing Week Letter to King County Council

Jayson moved to approved a letter previously distributed by the Chair for review which would be sent to the King County Council for the purposes of updating them on issues that arose during filing week. Maya Manus seconded the motion. Motion carried.

8. Hit 90 Campaign & Media Updates

Halei Watkins with Elections provided an update on the communications campaign for the Primary Election and previewed its "Hit 90" campaign for the general election. Expected to launch in September, it will challenge King County voters to hit 90% turnout for the general election.

9. Census 2020 Regional Task Force

Kyle and Maya provided an update on Census operations in King County amid the challenges of COVID-19. They reported that the Census is distributing a sixth and final mailing in July with the bulk of non-response follow-up beginning in August.

10. KCC Staff Updates (training scheduling, reimbursements)

None.

11. New Business and/or for Good of the Order

None.

12. Adjournment

Stephan moved to adjourn the meeting at 12:59 p.m. Jayson seconded the motion. Motion carried.