

## Minutes

### **Election Commission City of Aurora, Colorado**

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**October 20, 2021  
6:00 pm**

1. **Call to Order**

*Members Present:*

*Carolyn Boller*

*William McCartin*

*Scott Irvin*

*Debra Johnson (Not a voting member)*

Staff Present: Kadee Rodriguez-City Clerk, Deputy City Clerk-Cecilia Zapata, Patricia Varney-City Clerk Analyst, Dave Lathers-City Attorney

2. **Approval of Agenda** – Bill McCartin motioned to approve the agenda, second by Scott Irvin

3. **Approval of Minutes** – Minutes of August 18, 2021, Bill McCartin motioned to approve the minutes, second by Carolyn Boller

4. **Status Updates:**

**Ordinance 2021-35**

- Was approved September 27, 2021 for final reading and it will go into effect October 30, 2021
- Changes: It was removed that a candidate can not maintain control or serve as an officer or a political committee or issue committee
- Definition of Coordinated Expenditure was changed
- Major contribution reporting has changed to now read
  - A committee must file a major contribution report disclosing any contribution of \$1,000 or more that is received at any time within 30 days of the date of the municipal election
- Disclaimers for political advertisements – This section was amended.
- The independent expenditure and lectionary and communication disclaimers was amended
- Please note this Ordinance may be a work in progress for the next year or two

**Ordinance 2021-30**

- This was introduced to City Council on August 9, 2021, finalized August 23, 2021 and effective October 25, 2021. This was in violation of the state constitution. Outside attorney's suggested that we abide by the state constitution.

**Proposed Ordinance for Partisan Elections**

- This item went to Study Session with City Council on Monday, October 18, 2021 and did not pass. Council Member Marcano made the decision to not take it directly to the floor as he will move forward with taking it back to the policy committee

**GERP Election Update**

- Bill McCartin met at the GERP headquarters 10/20/2021 to review the votes and provided the signed forms to the Election Board as a form of record.
- Verified the integrity of their process

5. **Ward Redistricting Process**

- There was an informal presentation brought before M&F, regarding the criteria that will be used
- Prepare to get updated number from planning was suggested
- The process starts in April 2022.
- In October 2022 is when Election Commission approves a plan

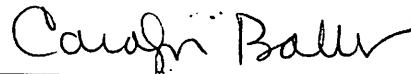
6. **Tie Breaking Process**

- Requested that it be posted that the process that needs to take place
- The Election Commission draws the envelopes

7. **Filling Vacancies on the Commission**

- Term Limits – This is outlined in section 2-2 of the City Charter that the board has staggered terms and all five appointees shall be appointed to a four-year term. No mention of term limits
- Filling Vacancies – The city communications department is advertising for open positions. An election will need to take place for Vice Chair once current positions are filled.
- Briefing for the New Members – This will take place once the open positions are filled and possibly updating the manual

**Adjourned. Next meeting will take place November 17, 2021 at 6:00 P.M.**



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Carolyn Boller, Chair