

**Election Commission  
City of Aurora, Colorado  
October 21, 2020  
6:00 p.m.  
Via Virtual**

Carolyn Boller called the meeting to Order.

*Members Present:*

Carolyn Boller  
William McCartin  
Joanna Floribus  
Jessica Chauvin  
Scott Irwin

Staff Present; Patti Varney, City Clerk Analyst, Susan Barkman, Interim City Clerk

**Approval of minutes** September 16, 2020- Jessica Chauvin moved to approve, seconded by William McCartin to approve the minutes. Motion passed unanimously.

**Old Business**

**Proposed Campaign Finance Revisions Ordinances Update:** Four amendments were proposed, two that have passed and two that failed:

1. Amendment came from Mayor Coffman, indicating he wanted to change the contribution limits for both at large & the Mayor to \$1000 and \$500 ward-based elections. This Amendment failed.
2. Bergan amendment proposed that prohibit candidates expecting out of state contributions. This Amendment failed.
3. Lawson amendment proposed to change the contribution limit. Allowing the ward members to receive \$400 as their limit for contributions and \$1000 for at large and mayoral elections. This Amendment passed.
4. Marcano amendment was presented discussing small donor committees and what they could collect, specifying the dollar amount individuals could collect is 10 times that campaign limit. This Amendment passed.

Carolyn requested clarification on listing of names on small donor contributions. Will we as city council members have access to the names and addresses of the people who contributed to a small donor. The answer is yes. An amendment will be posted.

There was a discussion on the cost of implementation (part of the backup material provided to council) addressing potential fiscal impacts to the clerk's office in regard to managing the elections with possible software updates and possible investigations if needed to be.

**GERP Election:** Survey Monkey was conducted (was informed that this system worked well) This was sent out to 1824 employees and received 766 responses. Winners will be notified on October 22, 2020. This will be the process moving forward.

Bill requested the results of participation compared to what they have seen in the past. Carolyn will follow up with Laura.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Elections:** There are couple City of Aurora facilities hosting voting centers. Aurora Municipal Center will open on October 30th through election day (and open on Saturday). The City of Aurora Library will be a drop box. The Municipal building will only be open for polling in the lobby area. The County will be providing masks.

**Clerk's Office Status:** Patti Varney is filling in for Barb. Barb has relocated to Florida with her family. Interviews are taking place for Deputy Clerk position.

**November and December Meetings:** A tentative date of November 18<sup>th</sup> for the next Commission meeting with the subject to cancellation. A tentative date of December 16<sup>th</sup> has been placed on the calendar with it being subject to cancellation.

**Meeting Adjourned at 6:53**

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Carolyn Boller". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above a horizontal line.

Carolyn Boller, Chair