

MEETING OF THE COMMISSIONERS OF ELECTIONS
IN THE CITY OF NEW YORK
HELD ON TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 2021 AT 1:30 P.M.
42 BROADWAY, 6th FLOOR, COMMISSIONERS' HEARING ROOM
NEW YORK, NY 10004

PRESENT: President Frederic M. Umane
 Secretary Rodney L. Pepe-Souvenir

Commissioners Jose Miguel Araujo, Jenny Low, Gino A. Marmorato,
Michael Michel, Simon Shamoun, Patricia Anne Taylor, John Wm. Zaccone

Michael J. Ryan, Executive Director
Georgea Kontzamanis, Operations Manager
Wilma Brown Phillips, Administrative Manager
Hemalee J. Patel, General Counsel
Raphael Savino, Deputy General Counsel
Kenneth Moltner, Counsel to the Commissioners
Steven B. Denkberg, Counsel to the Commissioners

President Umane called the meeting to order at 1:36 P.M.

On behalf of the Board, Mr. Ryan welcomed new Manhattan Democratic
Commissioner Jenny Low.

Secretary Pepe-Souvenir moved to adopt the September 9, 2021 Commissioners' Meeting Minutes. Commissioner Taylor seconded the motion, with Commissioner Low abstaining. The motion was adopted.

Mr. Ryan provided an update on the November 2, 2021 General Election. The information follows:

- The Board has increased the number of Early Voting locations citywide. There are a total of 106 sites. New York City leads in Early Voting sites and hours available to voters in New York State;
- Poll Worker training is ongoing. The Board urges anyone who is interested to work as a poll worker to apply on ElectionDayWorker.com. The Borough Office staff are working diligently to ensure that there are sufficient poll workers to conduct the elections. More specific poll worker updates will be provided at future meetings;
- The Board has started mailing Absentee, Military and UOCOVA ballots which met the September 17, 2021 federal requirement. A total of 15,201 Military/UOCOVA ballots have been mailed to date, and additional applications will be processed as well. A total of 136,815 Absentee ballots have been mailed to date, and additional applications will be processed as well;

- The Governor issued a Proclamation on September 17, 2021 creating two (2) Special Elections in the 86th AD in the Bronx and 30th SD in Manhattan. The Board has received independent nominating petitions for both contests. The last day to file petitions is September 29, 2021 at midnight; and
- The last day to register to vote for the General Election is October 8, 2021. Today is National Voter Registration Day.

Commissioner Araujo moved to convene an Executive Session for litigation and personnel matters. Commissioner Taylor seconded the motion, which was unanimously adopted.

Following Executive Session, the open meeting resumed.

Mr. Ryan reported that there was no action taken in Executive Session.

The meeting was adjourned.

The next stated meeting of the Commissioners is scheduled for Tuesday, October 5, 2021 at 1:30 P.M.