

MEETING OF THE BOARD OF CANVASSERS  
IN THE CITY OF NEW YORK  
HELD ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 30, 2021 AT 1:30 P.M.  
42 BROADWAY, 6<sup>th</sup> FLOOR, COMMISSIONERS' HEARING ROOM  
NEW YORK, NY 10004

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

Commissioners Jose Miguel Araujo, Michael J. Coppotelli, Jenny Low,  
Gino A. Marmorato, Simon Shamoun, Patricia Anne Taylor

Michael J. Ryan, Executive Director  
Dawn Sandow, Deputy Executive Director  
Georgea Kontzamanis, Operations Manager  
Wilma Brown Phillips, Administrative Manager  
Hemalee J. Patel, General Counsel  
Raphael Savino, Deputy General Counsel  
Troy Johnson, Coordinator, Candidate Records Unit  
Rayvon Weaver, Project Coordinator, Candidate Records Unit  
Don Bosco, Chief Clerk, Staten Island Office  
Anthony Andriulli, Deputy Chief Clerk, Staten Island Office  
Raymond Riley, Chief Clerk, Brooklyn Office  
Daniel Ortiz, Deputy Chief Clerk, Brooklyn Office  
Brendaliz Candelaria, Deputy Chief Clerk, Bronx Office  
Steven Alfasi, Deputy Chief Clerk, Bronx Office  
Amanda Berinato, Chief Clerk, Queens Office  
Bart Haggerty, Deputy Chief Clerk, Queens Office  
Gregory Lehman, Chief Clerk, Manhattan Office  
Cynthia Doty, Deputy Chief Clerk, Manhattan Office  
Kenneth Moltner, Counsel to the Commissioners  
Steven B. Denkberg, Counsel to the Commissioners

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President Umane called the meeting to order at 1:38 P.M.

Pursuant to the provisions of Title 2 of Article 9 of the New York State Election Law and the Charter of the City of New York, President Umane called the meeting of the Board of Canvassers in the City of New York to order for the purposes of certifying the canvass of votes cast for the November 2, 2021 General Election for Public Offices conducted within the City of New York, and for the Special Elections held for the 86<sup>th</sup> Assembly District in Bronx County and the 30<sup>th</sup> Senate District in New York County, on November 2, 2021.

President Umane designated Commissioner Shamoun as the Republican Commissioner to serve as the other Republican Member of the Canvassing Board. Secretary Pepe-Souvenir designated Commissioner Araujo as the other Democratic Commissioner to serve as a Member of the Canvassing Board.

The Chief Clerk and Deputy Chief Clerk of Richmond County and their staff have prepared and signed the Returns of Canvass for the November 2, 2021 General Election for Public Offices in Richmond County, in accordance with the Board's Policies and Procedures. The Returns have been provided electronically to the Board of Canvassers for their review and approval since the meeting is virtual. Mr. Bosco and Mr. Andriulli confirmed that the results presented are accurate and correct, there are no discrepancies to report, and the audit of the poll site and central count scanners required by Article 9 of the New York State

Election Law has been successfully completed. Commissioner Taylor moved that the Board of Canvassers certify the Returns of Canvass for the November 2, 2021 General Election for Public Offices conducted in Richmond County. Commissioner Coppotelli seconded the motion, which was unanimously adopted. Commissioners Taylor and Coppotelli commended the Staten Island Office staff for their hard work.

The Chief Clerk and Deputy Chief Clerk of Kings County and their staff have prepared and signed the Returns of Canvass for the November 2, 2021 General Election for Public Offices in Kings County, in accordance with the Board's Policies and Procedures. The Returns have been provided electronically to the Board of Canvassers for their review and approval since the meeting is virtual. Mr. Riley and Mr. Ortiz confirmed that the results presented are accurate and correct, there are no discrepancies to report, and the audit of the poll site and central count scanners required by Article 9 of the New York State Election Law has been successfully completed. Secretary Pepe-Souvenir moved that the Board of Canvassers certify the Returns of Canvass for the November 2, 2021 General Election for Public Offices conducted in Kings County. Commissioner Shamoun seconded the motion, which was unanimously adopted. Commissioners Shamoun and Pepe-Souvenir commended the Brooklyn Office staff for their hard work.

The Deputy Chief Clerks of Bronx County and their staff have prepared and signed the Returns of Canvass for the November 2, 2021 General Election for Public Offices, and the Special Election for the 86<sup>th</sup> Assembly District, in Bronx County, in accordance with the Board's Policies and Procedures. The Returns have been provided electronically to the Board of Canvassers for their review and approval since the meeting is virtual. Ms. Candelaria and Mr. Alfasi confirmed that the results presented are accurate and correct, there are no discrepancies to report, and the audit of the poll site and central count scanners required by Article 9 of the New York State Election Law has been successfully completed. Commissioner Marmorato moved that the Board of Canvassers certify the Returns of Canvass for the November 2, 2021 General Election for Public Offices and the Special Election for the 86<sup>th</sup> Assembly District conducted in Bronx County. Commissioner Araujo seconded the motion, which was unanimously adopted. Commissioner Marmorato commended the Bronx Office staff for their hard work.

The Chief Clerk and Deputy Chief Clerk of Queens County and their staff have prepared and signed the Returns of Canvass for the November 2, 2021 General Election for Public Offices in Queens County, in accordance with the Board's Policies and Procedures. The Returns have been provided electronically to the Board of Canvassers for their review and approval since the meeting is virtual. Ms. Berinato and Mr. Haggerty confirmed that the results presented are

accurate and correct, there are no discrepancies to report, and the audit of the poll site and central count scanners required by Article 9 of the New York State Election Law has been successfully completed. Commissioner Araujo moved that the Board of Canvassers certify the Returns of Canvass for the November 2, 2021 General Election for Public Offices conducted in Queens County. Commissioner Shamoun seconded the motion, which was unanimously adopted. Commissioner Araujo commended the Queens Office staff for their hard work.

The Chief Clerk and Deputy Chief Clerk of New York County and their staff have prepared and signed the Returns of Canvass for the November 2, 2021 General Election for Public Offices, and the Special Election for the 30<sup>th</sup> Senate District, in New York County, in accordance with the Board's Policies and Procedures. The Returns have been provided electronically to the Board of Canvassers for their review and approval since the meeting is virtual. Mr. Lehman and Ms. Doty confirmed that the results presented are accurate and correct, there are no discrepancies to report, and the audit of the poll site and central count scanners required by Article 9 of the New York State Election Law has been successfully completed. President Umane moved that the Board of Canvassers certify the Returns of Canvass for the November 2, 2021 General Election for Public Offices and the Special Election for the 30<sup>th</sup> Senate District, conducted in New York County. Commissioner Low seconded the motion, which was

unanimously adopted. Commissioners Umane and Low commended the Manhattan Office staff for their hard work.

Commissioner Shamoun moved to approve and adopt the Recap Statement and Return of Canvass for the Citywide Public Offices as well as those Council Districts which cross borough lines for the November 2, 2021 General Election. Commissioner Coppotelli seconded the motion, which was unanimously adopted.

President Umane moved to authorize the use of the Commissioners' electronic signatures as appropriate on each Statement and Return of Canvass. Secretary Pepe-Souvenir seconded the motion, which was unanimously adopted.

President Umane moved to adjourn the meeting of the Board of Canvassers in the City of New York. Secretary Pepe-Souvenir seconded the motion, which was unanimously adopted.

The following personnel actions were taken in Executive Session on November 16, 2021 by the unanimous vote of the Commissioners in attendance, effective Sunday, January 2, 2021:

- I. Steven Alfasi was appointed as Technical Writer, a position vacated by the resignation of Dawn Davis, at an annual salary of \$82,768.00;

- II. Dawn Sandow was appointed as the Bronx County Deputy Chief Clerk, a position vacated by the reassignment of Steven Alfasi, at an annual salary of \$146,705.00; and
- III. Vincent Ignizio was appointed as Deputy Executive Director, a position vacated by the reassignment of Dawn Sandow, at an annual salary of \$214,190.00.

The next stated meeting of the Commissioners is scheduled for Tuesday, December 7, 2021 at 1:30 P.M.