

MEETING OF THE COMMISSIONERS OF ELECTIONS
IN THE CITY OF NEW YORK
HELD ON TUESDAY, MARCH 14, 2023 AT 1:30 P.M.
42 BROADWAY, 6th FLOOR, COMMISSIONERS' HEARING ROOM
NEW YORK, NY 10004

PRESENT: President Simon Shamoun
Secretary Rodney L. Pepe-Souvenir

Commissioners Jose M. Araujo, *Michael Coppotelli, Carol R. Edmead, *Gino A. Marmorato, Jodi Morales, *Frederic M. Umane

Michael J. Ryan, Executive Director
Vincent M. Ignizio, Deputy Executive Director
Georgea Kontzamanis, Operations Manager
Hemalee J. Patel, General Counsel
Raphael Savino, Deputy General Counsel
Steven B. Denkberg, Counsel to the Commissioners
Kenneth Moltner, Counsel to the Commissioners

*Commissioner Coppotelli, Commissioner Marmorato and Commissioner Umane appeared remotely, but not at a publicly accessible location, and therefore did not cast any votes.

Mr. Ryan opened the meeting with item #1 of the meeting agenda, the approval of the minutes of the March 7, 2023 Commissioners Meeting.

Due to the absence of a quorum, the minutes will be placed on hold.

Mr. Ryan continued with item #2 of the meeting agenda, the approval of the 2023-2024 Poll Site Designation Report.

Hemalee Patel, General Counsel, presented the designation of polling places for the period of March 15, 2023 through March 14, 2024, pursuant to Section 4-104 of the New York State Election Law. Copies of the five (5) boroughs' 2023 – 2024 Poll Site Designation Reports were previously circulated to the Commissioners for review.

The borough Commissioners' Committees have previously approved their borough's 2023 – 2024 Poll Site Designation Report in consultation with their Borough Office Chief Clerks and Deputy Chief Clerks.

Mrs. Patel circulated the Resolution of the Commissioners of Elections in the City of New York 2023 – 2024 Designation of Polling Places and requested the Executive Committee's approval of the five (5) boroughs' Poll Site Designation Reports as submitted.

The Executive Committee, consisting of President Shamoun and Secretary Pepe-Souvenir has been authorized to vote on the 2023-2024 Poll Site Designation Report, in lieu of the full Board of Commissioners.

Commissioner Coppotelli recalled that he provided statements for the record, for the Commissioners Committee Meetings held on January 11, 2022 and

March 14, 2022, and would like to state the same for today's record, recusing himself from all involvement regarding the lease terms and compensation in connection with the selection of poll sites on the property of the Archdiocese of New York, including and not limited to at the borough level. He has not and will not participate in the consideration, discussion or selection thereof, given his other role at his full time job and had designated Secretary Shamoun as the alternate Republican Commissioner. A list of the poll sites relating to these properties, has been forwarded to Executive Management.

Mr. Ryan further noted that a special request was made by the League of Women Voters in regards to posting the Poll Site Designations once approved, and the lists will be posted on the Board's website as soon as practicable.

The annual Poll Site Designations consists of all the poll site locations that can possibly be used for an election. If the site is not designated, the Board will surrender its right to utilize it for an election. At a later date, the Early Voting locations will be derived from this list of designated poll sites.

President Shamoun moved to adopt the 2023-2024 Poll Site Designation Report. Secretary Pepe-Souvenir seconded the motion, which was adopted unanimously.

The resolution prepared by the Office of the General Counsel, will be provided to the Executive Committee for their signatures.

With the authorization of the Executive Committee, the next meeting date will be scheduled for Tuesday, March 21, 2023.

With the authorization of the Executive Committee, the meeting was adjourned.

The next stated meeting of the Commissioners is scheduled for Tuesday, March 21, 2023 at 1:30 P.M.