

DAVIDSON COUNTY ELECTION COMMISSION

April 20, 2018

The Davidson County Election Commission (DCEC) met on April 20, 2018 at 3:00 p.m. in the Antioch Room at Metro Southeast. Commissioners Jim DeLanis, AJ Starling, Emily Reynolds, Tricia Herzfeld and Jesse Neil were present. DCEC staff members present included: Administrator of Elections (AOE) Jeff Roberts, Joan Nixon, Carlatina Hampton, Bobby Medley, Courtney Mott, Lisa Pierce, Reid Lovell and Kelley Harrison. Also present was Nicki Eke of the Metropolitan Department of Law.

Commissioner DeLanis convened the meeting.

Approve minutes from March 26, 2018 meeting and April 11, 2018 “Special Called Emergency” meeting

Motion stated: Commissioner Starling made a motion to approve the minutes from both March 26th and April 11th as presented.

Seconded by: Commissioner Reynolds

Outcome of motion: Passed unanimously

Approve candidates for Mayor and Council District 1

Motion stated: Commissioner Herzfeld made a motion to approve the candidates for Mayor and Council District 1 as presented.

Seconded by: Commissioner Neil

Outcome of motion: Passed unanimously

Approve May 24, 2018 Election Ballot

Motion stated: Commissioner Herzfeld made a motion to approve the May 24, 2018 Election ballot as presented.

Seconded by: Commissioner Reynolds

Outcome of motion: Passed unanimously

Approve the opening and closing times of Election Day polling locations for May 24, 2018 and (possibly) June 28, 2018

Motion stated: Commissioner Reynolds made a motion to approve the opening and closing times of Election Day polling locations for both May 24, 2018 and (possibly) June 28, 2018 for 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Seconded by: Commissioner Starling

Outcome of motion: Passed unanimously

Approve budget supplemental for May 24, 2018 Election and (possibly) June 28, 2018

In regards to DCEC's supplemental budget, AOE Roberts reported both elections (Election Day and Early Voting) would cost approximately one million dollars.

Discussion ensued among the Commission.

Motion stated: Commissioner Starling made a motion to approve the proposed supplemental budget as presented with any necessary changes that may surface.

Seconded by: Commissioner Neil

Outcome of motion: Passed unanimously

Consider temporary waiver of 80 hour comp time limit

AOE Roberts reported that the Commission from 2006 allowed comp time for Executive Staff members be limited to eighty (80) hours per year. Given the nature of the 2018 election cycle, DCEC staff recommends to waive the past decision through this election cycle.

Discussion ensued among the Commission.

Motion stated: Commissioner Herzfeld made a motion to suspend the eighty (80) hour policy through the 2018 election cycle.

Seconded by: Commissioner Neil

Outcome of motion: Passed unanimously

Lock early voting and absentee boxes for May 24, 2018 "Special Called" election

Agenda item completed by the Commission

AOE Report

- In 4 weeks, 10k voter registration cards have been sent out
- Online voter registration has decreased from the numbers seen prior to the April 2nd registration deadline.

Public Comments

A statement was read by Jan Sobotka.

Adjourn

Motion stated: With no further election business to discuss, Commissioner Herzfeld made a motion to adjourn.

Seconded by: Commissioner Neil

Outcome of motion: Passed unanimously

Tricia Herzfeld, Secretary