



## **Board of Election Commissioners Meeting**

**Thursday, July 15, 2021**

**(Continuance of July 13, 2021 Election Commission Meeting)**

**Via Zoom Conference**

**5:30 PM**

### **Communication Remote Participation**

Pursuant to Section 20 of Chapter 20 of the Acts of 2021, this meeting will be held using remote participation as follows: the Election Commissioners shall participate remotely through Zoom instead of meeting in person. Members of the public who wish to speak regarding a specific agenda item shall register to speak in advance of the meeting by sending e-mail to the City of Lowell Elections and Census Office indicating the agenda item and so that you may speak via Zoom at the designated time. The e-mail address is [elections@lowellma.gov](mailto:elections@lowellma.gov). If you do not have access to e-mail, you may contact the office at (978) 674-4046.

## **CONTINUANCE OF JULY 13, 2021 ELECTION COMMISSION MEETING**

### **AGENDA**

1. **Roll Call and Attendance**
2. **Old Business**
  - a. Vote to accept minutes from prior meeting.
3. **New Business**
  - a. Discussion of proposal of Commissioner Jim Pope for polling locations for 2021 municipal elections, consisting of the following:
    - i. Open as many polling locations in each district as necessary and provide each polling location with a duplicate set of voter check-in books.
    - ii. Inform candidates to have poll watchers at all polling locations in the City be alert for people they know are voting in an illegal manner or illogical location (e.g. a long way from where they live).
    - iii. Inform candidates of the legal ramifications of having their supporters vote twice or encouraging voters to do so.



- iv. Instruct poll workers watch for a significant number of people voting in an illegal manner or illogical location.
  - v. In the event a voter casts ballots in multiple locations on Election Day, have poll workers or watchers call the Elections Office. Upon receipt of the call, two Election Commissioners would be dispatched, one to each of the polling locations in the district.
  - vi. Upon arrival, each commissioner, via mobile phone, would audit the voter lists to see if voter casted double, triple, or multiple ballots. In the event of illegal voting, the commissioners would remain at the polling location or instruct poll workers, and check on future voters who are voting “illogically.”
  - vii. After the polls close and upon suspicion of a problem, the Election Commission would audit the voter list in questionable districts, with it only mattering if the number of fraudulent votes exceeded the winning (or losing) margin of any candidate.
- b. Discussion of Election Commission’s June 29, 2021 motion for reconsideration.
  - c. Discussion on additional solutions outside of one polling location per district.
  - d. Invitation to LHS Associates for representative to speak regarding electronic poll pads.
  - e. Update on current jobs posted for Elections Office.
4. **Adjournment**