



Memorandum

To: Mayor Nelson and Members of the City Council

From: Daniel R. Buchholtz, MMC, Administrator, Clerk/Treasurer

Date: October 28, 2020

Subject: Election Canvassing Meeting

The 2020 Election cycle is underway. As part of the election process, the City Council must meet between the third and tenth day after the election to canvass the results and declare the winners of the General Election (City Council seats) and Special Election (Mayor) on this year's ballot (M.S. 205.185, subd. 3).

This year, the COVID-19 pandemic has tightened timelines considerably. The Secretary of State has entered into a consent decree that allows ballots postmarked on election day and received seven days after the election to be counted. Due to this consent decree, we will not have final election numbers until end of day on November 10. Anoka County will provide the official numbers to City staff on November 11.

We would like to schedule a short special City Council meeting on Thursday, November 12 at 4:30pm. The City Council will consider a resolution that will certify the results. If that wouldn't work, we can schedule something either on the morning of November 12 or on Friday, November 13.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me at 763-784-6491.

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