Election Commission City of Aurora Minutes April 17, 2019 6:00 p.m.

Members present:

Carolyn Boller, Chair

Jon Buckley Jessica Chauvin William McCartin

Members absent:

Scott Irvin

Staff present:

Michelle Wolfe, Deputy City Manager

Dave Lathers, Senior Assistant City Attorney

Steve Ruger, City Clerk Karen Goldman, Consultant

Chair Boller called the meeting to order at 6:04 p.m.

1. Approval of minutes of March 20, 2019 and April 3, 2019

Minutes were approved as presented. Moved by Carolyn Boller, seconded by Jon Buckley. Motion passed.

New Business:

a. New Business

a. Campaign Finance Presentation – Council Member Nicole Johnston

Council Member Nicole Johnston proposed certain changes to the City's ordinance related to campaign financing. Specifically, she would like to amend the reporting requirements for campaign finance activity to change the required reports as follows: All candidate, issue, political, and exploratory committees must file reports on the 90th day, on the 60th day, on the 30th day, on the 14th day, on the 21st day, on the Friday before, and 30 days after the municipal election. In addition, she expressed concerns with Independent Expenditure Committees, particularly with regard to registering with the Clerk's Office and reporting expenditures and contributions. After discussion among the commission members, the group agreed that the reporting requirements for Independent Expenditure Committees should match those for other committees.

The Commission discussed this item and expressed some concern about the timing of implementing these changes in relation to the 2019 regular election. However, they agreed to moving the item forward to the City Council for consideration and ask the City Attorney's Office to draft an ordinance reflecting these changes.

5. Old Business

a. Ward boundaries and Necessary Follow-up

Karen Goldman gave an update on this item and explained that the process was complete other than mailing postcards to those registered voters affected by the change in Ward boundaries. Jon Buckley would like to see the postcards go out to all those who are affected, not just registered voters.

b. Follow-up on the IGA document between Arapahoe County/Aurora

Steve Ruger explained that the City had forwarded its proposed approach to all other municipalities in Arapahoe County. He stated that there was very little feedback, but that other municipalities would like to see the specific language Aurora is proposing in the IGA. Mr. Ruger explained that the City would follow up with the other municipalities and share a copy of the draft IGA.

Adjournment - 7:56 p.m.

Carolyn Boller, Chair County Bally