Election Commission City of Aurora Minutes July 24, 2019 6:00 p.m.

Members present: Carolyn Boller, Chair

Jessica Chauvin Scott Irvin via phone

William McCartin

Staff present: Steve Ruger, City Clerk

Barbara Shafer, City Clerk Analyst

Guest Present: Marsha Berzins, City Councilman

Ian Lindemann, Registered Agent

The Chair Carolyn Boller called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. City Clerk, Steve Ruger gave an in-depth presentation on the Campaign Finance reporting procedures. This is the third and final open presentation on the Campaign Finance program. Anyone unable to attend one of the presentations is encouraged to schedule a private training. Steve stressed that we are here to help, and we can walk you thru the process. All questions will be sent out to all candidates with the appropriate answers.

## **Business:**

## Old Business:

The Election Commission recommendation to fill the vacant position went to the City Council Study Session on July 15<sup>th</sup> and will go to the formal City Council meeting on August 5<sup>th</sup>. By our August 21<sup>st</sup> meeting, we should have a new commissioner.

## New Business:

The Election Commission had a robust conversation in regard to campaigning on City Property. What is appropriate and what is not. We also talked about the City Logo and when it is allowed to be used and when it is not. Steve will talk to legal about this and we should see if we can get some guidelines and perhaps set some new policies.

Carolyn brought up the possibility of working on a new campaign finance ordinance. She wanted the commission to be thinking of things we need to update the current policy that we have. This could perhaps include Campaign Finance limits, PAC money, Corporate funding. Steve will get other municipalities rules and see what other cities have in place.

We need to select a Vice Chair but we are waiting until we get our new member seated so we have a full commission before making that decision. We will add this to the next meeting.

Scott brought up the idea of creating a new ward. It was suggested that we bring someone from our planning department to go over some numbers and discuss this possibility.

Adjournment - 7:59 p.m.

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