

Legal Notice

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

MEETINGS OF THE CITY OF GAINESVILLE CANVASSING BOARD FOR THE MARCH 16, 2021 REGULAR ELECTION

City of Gainesville Canvassing Board Members

City Clerk, Omichele Gailey
City Commissioner, Harvey Ward
Citizen-At-Large, Harvey Budd

Canvassing Board Meeting and L&A Test Schedule 2021 City of Gainesville Election

IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE SUNSHINE LAWS, ALL MEETINGS OF THE CANVASSING BOARD ARE OPEN TO THE PUBLIC – CALL (352) 374-5252 FOR INFORMATION OR IF YOU REQUIRE SPECIAL ACCOMMODATIONS.

NOTICE: Any protest or challenge based on the belief that any ballot is illegal due to any defect apparent on the Voter's Certificate must be filed with the Canvassing Board before the ballot is removed from the mailing envelope, and shall not be accepted after the ballot has been removed from the mailing envelope. If any person decides to appeal any decision made at these meetings, they will need a record of the proceedings, and they need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made. **This notice applies to all meetings.**

BALLOT TABULATION: Results will not be tabulated for vote-by-mail ballots or early voting ballots until after the polls close on Election Day.

March 16, 2021 Election Schedule

March 1 – Monday – 9:00 AM – LOGIC & ACCURACY Test -The Canvassing Board will test and seal the vote tabulation equipment to be used in all phases of the City of Gainesville Election. The test will be held at the Supervisor of Elections Office, 515 North Main Street, Suite 100, Gainesville.

March 9 – Tuesday – 9:30 AM – The Canvassing Board will meet at the Supervisor of Elections Office, 515 North Main Street, Suite 100, Gainesville, to review criteria used to accept vote-by-mail ballots, inspect, approve, open, and scan the vote-by-mail ballots, which have been received by the Supervisor of Elections. Ballots will be available for inspection at 9:00 AM.

March 11 – Thursday – 9:30 AM (if needed) – The Canvassing Board will meet at the Supervisor of Elections Office, 515 North Main Street, Suite 100, Gainesville, to review criteria used to accept vote-by-mail ballots, inspect, approve, open, and scan the vote-by-mail ballots, which have been received by the Supervisor of Elections. Ballots will be available for inspection at 9:00 AM.

March 12 – Friday – 2:00 PM (if needed) – The Canvassing Board will meet at the Supervisor of Elections Office, 515 North Main Street, Suite 100, Gainesville, to review and process additional vote-by-mail ballots received by the Supervisor of Elections. Ballots will be available for inspection at 1:30 PM.

March 15 – Monday – 2:00 PM – The Canvassing Board will meet at the Supervisor of Elections Office, 515 North Main Street, Suite 100, Gainesville, to review and process additional vote-by-mail ballots received by the Supervisor of Elections. Ballots will be available for inspection at 1:30 PM.

March 16 – Tuesday – 4:00 PM – The Canvassing Board will meet at the Supervisor of Elections Office, 515 North Main Street, Suite 100, Gainesville, to review and process additional vote-by-mail ballots received by the Supervisor of Elections. Canvass the returns from early voting, vote-by-mail ballots and the precincts after 7:00 PM. Ballots will be available for inspection at 3:30 PM. Preliminary Results will be released.

March 18 – Thursday – 5:00 PM – The Canvassing Board will meet at the Supervisor of Elections Office, 515 North Main Street, Suite 100, Gainesville, to canvass election returns, review bad signatures and provisional ballots issues along with any evidence provided (final determinations made after 5:00 PM), and certify Official Results. The Board will then review the audit selection process and make selections for the post-election audit of the voting system.

March 19 – Friday – 10:00 AM – The Canvassing Board will meet at the Supervisor of Elections Office, 515 North Main Street, Suite 100, Gainesville, to review the audit process and conduct the post-election audit of the voting system per Florida Statutes.

March 20 – Saturday – 9:00 AM – (if needed) The Canvassing Board will meet at the Supervisor of Elections Office, 515 North Main Street, Suite 100, Gainesville, if needed, to complete the post-election audit.

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