

CITY OF WORCESTER, MASSACHUSETTS
CITY CLERK DEPARTMENT

DAVID J. RUSHFORD CITY CLERK

## **BOARD OF ELECTION COMMISSIONERS**

Meeting Monday, November 19, 2007 City Council Chamber Convened: 5:00 p.m. Adjourned: 5:57 p.m.

- 1. Call to Order by the Chairperson
- 2. Pledge of Allegiance
- 3. Roll Call by the Clerk with Commissioners Dube, Goggins, Rodriguez and Chairperson Stewart present.
- 4. Acceptance of Minutes from the November 9, 2007 Meeting was made by Commissioner Dube and seconded by Commissioner Rodriguez.
- 5. Old Business:
  - a. Report concerning 83 Provisional Ballots from the November 6, 2007 Municipal Election. The Assistant Director of Elections, Mr. Meduna, provided the Commissioners with a spreadsheet detailing the results of the investigation that he and the staff conducted to recommend the disposition of the ballots of those people who voted a provisional ballot at the November 6, 2007 Municipal Election. On a Motion of Commissioner Dube and seconded by Commissioner Rodriguez, the Commission voted to accept ballots from those listed as #1 through 11 on the spreadsheet.

Commissioner Goggins made a motion to request the City Solicitor to provide the Commission with a recommendation concerning the applicability of M.G.L. concerning those listed as #26 through 47 and #54 through 83 on the same list.

Commissioner Dube made a motion to count the approved provisional ballots at the time of the recount of the Mayor's race.

b. Reporting a draft communication from the City Clerk to the City Council concerning the voter access issues at the Norrback School

- from the November 6, 2007 Municipal Election. On a motion of Chairperson Stewart and seconded by Commissioner Dube, this communication is placed on file and that the topic appear on the Commission's January, 2008 agenda.
- c. Presenting petitions for recount of the November 6, 2007 race for Mayor and requesting certification of verified signatures. The Commission accepted the signatures on Petitions for a recount of the Mayor's race as received from Frederick C. Rushton (ten Wards) and Konstantina B. Lukes (eight Wards). The Commission, on a Motion of Chairperson Stewart voted to accept and certify the signatures. On a Motion of Commissioner Dube and seconded by Commissioner Rodriguez, the recount was scheduled for Monday, November 26, 2007 in the City Council Chamber with the blocking of ballots commencing at 8:00 a.m. and the recount immediately following. The City Clerk notified the Commissioners that he shall notify all four candidates of the recount, obtain a receipt for delivery and inform the Commission upon completion.

Motion of Chairperson Stewart that the City Clerk provides the Commission with a monthly report summarizing the numbers of petition forms received for certification of signatures.