## City of Culver City Official Notice



## IMPORTANT POST-ELECTION UPDATE FROM THE CITY CLERK'S OFFICE

## CULVER CITY SETS VOTER TURNOUT RECORD AT AN ESTIMATED 28%!



The City Clerk's Office is estimating a voter turnout rate of a 28%, which is more than 5% points higher than the voter turnout rate in the 2016 General Municipal Election!

WHERE WERE WE AT LAST NIGHT JUST BEFORE MIDNIGHT?: The polls closed at 8:00 PM on April 10, 2018. Shortly after, in the City Council Chambers with cameras rolling and members of the public observing, the City Clerk's Office began the official count of the (1) Vote-by-Mail (VBM) ballots which were received and signature verified prior to Election Day; and (2) the votes cast at the polls. By the end of the day, before midnight, 5,902 ballots had been counted. Based upon that count, the City Clerk's Office posted the first Unofficial Preliminary Election Results on the City's website at:

https://www.culvercity.org/home/showdocument?id=12950.

WHERE ARE WE NOW?: As of April 13, 2018, an additional 1,056 VBM ballots that were received at the polls and in the mail have completed signature verification. An additional 176 VBM ballots and 316 provisional ballots have been sent to Los Angeles County for signature verification (a total of 492 ballots). As of right now, there are a total of 1,548 (1,056 + 492) VBM and provisional ballots in process and pending counting.

WHERE ARE WE GOING OVER THE NEXT FEW DAYS?: As required by law, the City Clerk appointed a Canvassing Board which met prior to Election Day and has met every day after the election to prepare the ballots for signature verification by the County of Los Angeles. As the signature verification process is completed, the Canvassing Board then removes ballots where the signatures do not match the signature on the voter's registration card or the voter did not sign the VBM envelope. Those ballots with mismatching signatures will not be counted. Pursuant to a new state law, the City Clerk's Office must allow voters until 5:00 PM on the 8<sup>th</sup> day after the election (or April 18, 2018) the opportunity to sign their ballot. The remainder will be segregated by precinct and prepared for counting.

## WHEN WILL WE HAVE MORE COUNTING OF BALLOTS?:

In anticipation of the County completing such verification, the City Clerk's Office has scheduled a second counting session for MONDAY, APRIL 16, 2018 at 1:00 PM. All ballots received and signature verified by 11:00 AM on MONDAY, APRIL 16, 2018 will be counted at 1:00 PM. The total number of ballots to be counted on that day is subject to the completion of signature verification by the County of Los Angeles.

WHAT HAPPENS AFTER MONDAY APRIL 16, 2018 AT 1:00 PM?: Voters who did not sign their VBM ballots have until April 18, 2018 at 5:30 PM to come to the City Clerk's Office and sign their ballots. Such ballots must also be processed. In accordance with law, the City will provide at least 48 hours' notice any counting sessions so that interested members of the public can attend and observe.

WHAT HAPPENS ON MONDAY APRIL 30, 2018?: The City Council shall hold its regular meeting at 7:00 PM on this date. The City Council will be requested to adopt a resolution certifying the election results. Once the election results have been certified, the City Clerk shall administer the oath of office to those persons elected and convene the new City Council!

WHERE CAN I RECEIVE UPDATES DURING THIS PROCESS?: The City Clerk's Office will continue to post updated information on the City's website at <a href="http://www.culvercity.org/vote">http://www.culvercity.org/vote</a>. For major updates, the City Clerk's Office will also send out email notifications via Gov-Delivery, the City's email notification system.

Congratulations to the voters of Culver City! And thank you for your patience as we promptly process the eligible ballots cast, while ensuring compliance with all applicable laws and maintain the integrity of the voting and counting process!

BY:		
/s/ Jeremy Green, CMC	13 APR 2018	
Jeremy Green, CMC, City Clerk	 Date	