

# CITY OF CAMBRIDGE

#### BOARD OF ELECTION COMMISSIONERS

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### BOARD OF ELECTION COMMISSIONERS MEETING Minutes of April 4, 2018

The meeting of the Cambridge Election Commission was called to order at 5:30 p.m. at the Election Commission Office, 51 Inman Street. Present were Commissioner Charles Marquardt, Commissioner Polyxane Cobb, Commissioner Ethridge King, Commissioner Larry Ward, Executive Directory Tanya Ford, Assistant Director Lesley Waxman, and members of the public, Ethan Cobb, Gary Mello, Patrick Barton, Tom Stohlman, Victoria Harris, John Hawkinson and Robert Winters.

#### I: MINUTES

The Minutes of March 14, 2018 were reviewed.

Motion:

To approve the Minutes of March 14, 2018.

Moved:

Commissioner Ward

Seconded:

Commissioner King

The Motion passed: 4-0

#### II: REPORTS

#### Executive Director's Report

Ms. Ford informed the commissioners that on April 4<sup>th</sup> she participated in interviews of the three candidates to replace Commissioner Cobb upon her retirement.

#### Assistant Director's Report

Ms. Waxman informed the commissioners that the staff continues working on the census. The second mailing of slightly less than 15,000 pieces will be going out soon. This amount is consistent with last year.

Ms. Waxman also informed the commissioners that she emailed the Peabody School to see if we can use the location as a double precinct this year.

#### Commissioner Reports

Commissioner Cobb reported that she spoke with the folks at St. James to see if they had space for 10-1. They were very helpful but the only space they have is within the interior of the church.

Commissioner Cobb reported that she was interviewed by a Harvard Kennedy School student about increasing student participation in municipal elections.

#### **III: PUBLIC COMMENT**

Mr. Hawkinson suggested that if the Election Commission prefers online census responses they should nake that clear in communications with the public.

## IV: ACTION AGENDA

Old Business

The Annual Organization Meeting was scheduled for Wednesday, April 18<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 p.m. at the Election Commission offices at 51 Inman Street.

Motion:

To adjourn the meeting at 6:05 p.m.

Moved:

Commissioner Cobb

Seconded:

Commissioner King

The Motion passed: 4–0

A True Record

Attested by: \_\_\_\_

Charles J. Marquardt, Secretary