



**CITY OF MIAMI BEACH
NOVEMBER 5, 2019 GENERAL AND SPECIAL ELECTIONS**

**CANVASSING BOARD MEETING
AFTER-ACTION**

November 4, 2019
Office of the Supervisor of Elections
2700 NW 87th Avenue
Miami, FL 33172

Canvassing Board Members:

Judy Hoanshelt, Qualified Miami Beach Elector	Present
Honorable Raul Cuervo, County Court Judge	Present
Rafael E. Granado, City of Miami Beach City Clerk	Present

Substitute/Alternate Members:

Honorable Eleane Sosa-Bruzon, County Court Judge (Alternate & Substitute Member)	Absent
Jimmy McMillion, Qualified Miami Beach Elector (Alternate & Substitute Member)	Present

Staff:

Jean Olin – Attorney representing the Canvassing Board	Present
Regis Barbou – Office Associate V, Office of the City Clerk	Present
Elizabeth Prieto - Elections Coordination Manager, Miami-Dade County Elections	Present

1. Approval to Commence Vote-by-Mail ballot opening, processing, and duplication.

Action:

- a. The Miami Beach General and Special Elections Municipal Canvassing Board, composed of Raul Cuervo, County Judge; Rafael E. Granado, City Clerk; and Judy Hoanshelt, Miami Beach Elector, authorized the Miami-Dade Elections Department staff to commence the Vote-by-Mail opening, duplicating, and processing.

Handout: See Authorization Form.

1. Ms. Olin explained the criteria for acceptance and rejection of Vote-by-Mail ballots during canvassing of presume invalid Vote-by-Mail ballots on Election night.
2. Ms. Olin reminded the Miami Beach General and Special Elections Municipal Canvassing Board and staff not to discuss any votes they view prior to the tabulation. For example, votes seen today as a result of duplicating ballots (Item 3) may not be discussed with anyone until tabulation is complete on Election night.
3. In response to a comment made by Ms. Prieto, Ms. Olin explained that pursuant to F.S. 101.657(3), the ballot of each elector voting early shall be counted even if the elector dies on or before election day. Additionally, pursuant to F.S. 101.68(2)(c)1, the ballot of an

elector who casts a Vote-by-Mail ballot shall be counted even if the elector dies on or before election day, as long as, prior to the death of the voter, the ballot was postmarked by the United States Postal Service, date-stamped with a verifiable tracking number by common carrier, or already in the possession of the supervisor of elections.

2. Vote-by-Mail ballot Opening and processing.

Action:

- a. Miami-Dade Elections staff, in the presence of the Miami Beach General and Special Elections Municipal Canvassing Board opened 3,099 Vote-by-Mail ballots.

3. Duplication of ballots.

Action:

- a. Miami-Dade Elections staff duplicated 3 overseas ballots and duplicated 1 damaged/torn ballot. Note: The correctness of the duplicated ballots was reviewed and approved by the Miami Beach General and Special Elections Municipal Canvassing Board.

4. Pre-Count Logic and Accuracy Test of the optical scan voting system used for Vote-by-Mail and Provisional Ballots.

Action:

- a. The Miami Beach General and Special Elections Municipal Canvassing Board verified that the optical scan voting equipment counts were at a "zero count."

Handouts: See Zero Report for Machines # 8518110383, 8518110385, 8518090376, and 8518110382.

Canvassing Board Meeting concluded at 4:09 p.m.

Judge Cuervo thanked Election staff for their work.

Name Badges - A new State Statute requires that each member, substitute member, and alternate member of the Canvassing board and all clerical help must wear identification badges during any period in which the Canvassing Board is canvassing votes or engaging in other official duties. The identification badges should be worn in a conspicuous and unobstructed area and include the name of the individual and his or her official position. Judy Hoanshelt, Honorable Raul Cuervo, Rafael E. Granado, Jimmy McMillion, Jean Olin, Regis Barbou wore their identification badges while engaging in her official duties.