

CITIZENS' ELECTIONS OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE (CEOC)
January 17, 2024 Meeting | 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. | Virtual Meeting

MEETING MINUTES

Members Present: Chair: Eliseo Juárez, Vice Chair: Mathew Patrick Thomas, Vice Chair: Chris Hays, Hanna Floss, Dr. Jason Frederick Lambacher, Hillary De La Cruz, Mike Flood, Tyson Hartman, Stuart Holmes, Kathy Sakahara and Matthew Vinci

Absent: Vice Chair: Jude Ahmed, Stanley Tsao and Julie Kang

Elections Staff: Deputy Director Janice Case and William Cavecche

Council Staff: Sherrie Hsu, Jonathan Fowler, and Tania Mondaca

1. Call to Order

Chair Juárez called the meeting to order at 11:32 a.m.

2. Chair Update

Chair Juárez welcomed CEOC members and encouraged them to join a CEOC workgroup.

3. Approve November 15, 2023 minutes*

Member Thomas moved approval of the minutes of the November 15, 2023 meeting. Member Floss seconded the motion. Motion was unanimously approved.

4. Director's Report

Deputy Director Case gave an update including information about King County Elections legislative priorities.

5. Overview on how USPS Handles Ballots

King County Elections gave a presentation on their partnership with USPS on handling ballots.

Chair Juárez: Is there anything that could be done better with USPS?

Janice: No.

6. CEOC King County Auditor's 2018 Elections Audit and 2021 Update Overview

King County Auditor's Office gave an overview of their 2018 Elections audit and 2021 update. The King County Auditor's Office is in the process of preparing for their 2024 and 2025 workplan.

7. CEOC Code Overview and King County Legislative Process 101

Principal Legislative Analyst Sherrie Hsu gave an overview of King County Code Title 2.53 and the legislative process at King County Council.

8. CEOC 2023 Annual End of Year Report

Member Floss made a motion to approve the CEOC 2023 annual report. Member Flood seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

9. CEOC Workgroup 2024 workplans

Vice chairs presented on their workplans. Member Hays made a motion to approve all three workplans. Member Thomas seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

10. KCC Staff Update

Staffer Mondaca reminded CEOC members to check their email. Additionally, staff are working to organize the March learning retreat on AI's impact on elections. Also, Staffer Mondaca reminded CEOC members that she had recently sent them application information regarding two vacancies on CEOC.

11. New Business and/or for Good of the Order

Member Thomas encouraged CEOC members to consider joining the Election Monitoring Workgroup.

12. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at about 12:39 pm