CITIZENS' ELECTIONS OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE (CEOC)

Election Monitoring Workgroup Meeting Minutes February 6, 2024 | 1 p.m. to 2 p.m. | Virtual Meeting

Members Present: Chair: Mathew Patrick Thomas, Hanna Floss and Christopher Hays

Absent: N/A

Special Guests: N/A

Council Staff: Tania Mondaca and Ternia Wilson

MINUTES

1. Call to Order

Chair Thomas called the meeting to order at 1:06 PM.

2. January 9, 2024 Meeting Minutes

Member Floss moved approval of the January 9, 2024 meeting minutes. Member Hays seconded the motion. There was no discussion and the motion carried unanimously.

3. End of Year Report Update

Staffer Mondaca informed members that Chair Eliseo Juárez was invited to present their 2023 report to the Government Accountability and Oversight Committee on February 13th.

4. February Election Observation Opportunities

Members shared their availability to observe the February election.

5. CEOC Bylaw Overview

Staffer Mondaca did an overview of the CEOC bylaws. She noted that bylaws do not contain any stipulation on observing elections or completing an observation training.

6. Discussion on Bylaw Proposed Changes and Next Steps

Chair Thomas asked if it's possible to do a bylaw change to make it mandatory for CEOC members to do observation training and volunteer to observe elections. Staffer Mondaca shared that CEOC members have the authority to make bylaw changes but would have to be reviewed by legal counsel. Chair Thomas will work with staff on proposed bylaw changes.

7. Staff Updates

Staffer Mondaca reminded members of the GAO presentation, deadline to submit their financial disclosure forms and reminded them of the March learning retreat. Members instructed staff to verify if they are allowed to use websites to track volunteer signup data for CEOC members or if King County has a tool they can use.

8. Adjournment

Chair Thomas adjourned the meeting at about 1:38 PM.