

REPORT OF CANVASSING COMMITTEE  
RESOLUTION AND ORDER APPROVING REPORT

April 5, 1976

TO THE HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL:

We, the undersigned, your Committee of the City Council appointed on March 29, 1976, to canvass the returns of the Special Election held in the City of Dallas on April 3, 1976, for the purpose of electing one Member of the City Council, Place No. 9, to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Garry Weber on February 2, 1976, hereby report that we have canvassed the returns of the Special Election and we submit the following tabulated statement of the votes received by the respective candidates at the Special Election. The total votes cast for each respective candidate voted on at the Special Election are shown on the statement of the returns attached hereto as Exhibit "A".

On the basis of the statement of the returns of the Special Election, it appears that candidates for Member of Council, Place No. 9, received the following number of votes:

JESSE PRICE	19,517
BILL BLACKBURN	19,033
W. W. "BILL" WILSON	9,977
JOE BURKLEO	1,570
ART MARTIN	2,972
JIM LAKE	4,179
NORMAN GRUNSFELD	8,353.

Write-in candidates received the following number of votes:

BILL BLACKBURN	3
ADLENE HARRISON	5
AL LIPSCOMB	1
BILL WILSON	1.

*Wm. F. Nicol*  
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WILLIAM F. NICOL, CHAIRMAN

*John Leedom*  
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JOHN LEEDOM

*Richard Smith*  
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RICHARD SMITH

Canvassing Committee of the City Council  
of the City of Dallas, Texas.

RESOLUTION AND ORDER

WHEREAS, the City Council has received the Report of the Canvassing Committee appointed to canvass the results of the Special Election held on April 3, 1976, for the purpose of electing one Member to the City Council to fill the vacancy created by resignation of Garry Weber on February 2, 1976, and the Council after examining the report finds it correct in all respects; Now, Therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DALLAS:

SECTION 1. That the canvass and tabulation of votes cast at the Special Election for one Member of the City Council, Place No. 9, held on April 3, 1976, discloses that no candidate received a majority of the votes cast at the Special Election, and the City Council after having duly examined the Report of the Canvassing Committee finds it to be a true and correct tabulation of the Special Election results, that the Special Election held on April 3, 1976, was duly ordered and notice thereof given in accordance with law; that the Special Election was held in a manner required by law; that only duly qualified resident electors of the City of Dallas voted in the Election; and that returns of the Special Election have been made by the proper officers.

That since JESSE PRICE received 19,517 votes; BILL BLACKBURN received 19,033 votes; W. W. "BILL" WILSON received 9,977 votes; JOE BURKLEO received 1,570 votes; ART MARTIN received 2,972 votes; JIM LAKE received 4,179 votes; NORMAN GRUNSFELD received 8,353 votes; and of the write-in votes cast BILL BLACKBURN received 3 votes; ADLENE HARRISON received 5 votes; AL LIPSCOMB received 1 vote; and BILL WILSON received 1 vote, it appears that no candidate for Place No. 9 received a majority of the votes cast, and therefore, JESSE PRICE, who received the highest number of votes, and BILL BLACKBURN, who received the next highest number of votes, are entitled to be candidates at a run-off election as provided by the Charter of the City of Dallas and applicable state laws.

SECTION 2. That this Resolution shall take effect immediately from and after its passage in accordance with the provisions of the Charter of the City of Dallas and it is accordingly so resolved.

APPROVED AS TO FORM: **RESOLUTION UNANIMOUSLY ADOPTED**

N. ALEX BICKLEY, City Attorney

By *Analesie Muncy*  
Assistant City Attorney

**APPROVED BY  
CITY COUNCIL**

APR 5 1976

*Harold G. Shank*  
City Secretary

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We, the undersigned, your Committee of the City Council appointed on March 29, 1976, to canvass the returns of the Special Election held in the City of Dallas on April 3, 1976, for the purpose of electing one Member of the City Council of the City of Dallas, to be designated as Member of Council, Place No. 11, that place being designated as the Mayor, to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Wes Wise on January 30, 1976, hereby report that we have canvassed the returns of the Special Election and we submit the following tabulated statement of the votes received by the respective candidates at the Special Election. The total votes cast for each respective candidate voted on at the Special Election are shown on the statement of the returns attached hereto as Exhibit "A".

On the basis of the statement of the returns of the Special Election, it appears that candidates for Member of Council, Place No. 11, received the following number of votes:

PERRY LOGAN	1,381
GARRY WEBER	39,576
JACK LUDWIG	2,223
BOB FOLSOM	42,357
LES HICKS	1,900.

Write-in candidates received the following number of votes:

NEIL ANDERSON	1
RUSSELL BITTS, JR.	1
FRANCES FARENTHOLD	1
ADLENE HARRISON	85
MARY RIFFE	1
ANN SPRINGER	1.

*William F. Nicol*  
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WILLIAM F. NICOL, CHAIRMAN

*John H. Leedom*  
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Canvassing Committee of the City Council  
of the City of Dallas, Texas.

RESOLUTION AND ORDER

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BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DALLAS:

SECTION 1. That the canvass and tabulation of votes cast at the Special Election for one Member of the City Council, Place No. 11, held on April 3, 1976, discloses that no candidate received a majority of the votes cast at the Special Election, and the City Council after having duly examined the Report of the Canvassing Committee finds it to be a true and correct tabulation of the Special Election results, that the Special Election held on April 3, 1976, was duly ordered and notice thereof given in accordance with law; that the Special Election was held in a manner required by law; that only duly qualified resident electors of the City of Dallas voted in the Election; and that returns of the Special Election have been made by the proper officers.

That since PERRY LOGAN received 1,381 votes; GARRY WEBER received 39,576 votes; JACK LUDWIG received 2,223 votes; BOB FOLSOM received 42,357 votes; LES HICKS received 1,900 votes; and of the write-in votes cast, NEIL ANDERSON received 1 vote; RUSSELL BITTS, JR. received 1 vote; FRANCES FARENTHOLD received 1 vote; ADLENE HARRISON received 85 votes; MARY RIFFE received 1 vote; and ANN SPRINGER received 1 vote, it appears that no candidate for Place No. 11 received a majority of the votes cast, and therefore, BOB FOLSOM, who received the highest number of votes, and GARRY WEBER, who received the next highest number of votes, are entitled to be candidates at a run-off election as provided by the Charter of the City of Dallas and applicable state laws.

SECTION 2. That this Resolution shall take effect immediately from and after its passage in accordance with the provisions of the Charter of the City of Dallas and it is accordingly so resolved.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:           **RESOLUTION UNANIMOUSLY ADOPTED**

N. ALEX BICKLEY, City Attorney

By *Ana Leslie Muncy*  
Assistant City Attorney

APPROVED BY  
**CITY COUNCIL**

APR 5 1976

*Harold G. Shank*  
City Secretary

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April 5, 1976

REPORT TO THE HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DALLAS:

We, the undersigned, your Committee of the City Council appointed on March 29, 1976, to canvass the returns of a Special Election held in the City of Dallas on April 3, 1976, for the purpose of submitting to the qualified voters of the City of Dallas questions relating to the adoption of Amendments to the City Charter, hereby report that, in accordance with Ordinance No. 15109 passed by the City Council on February 2, 1976, ordering the Special Election, the following propositions were submitted to the qualified voters of the City of Dallas:

Proposition No. 1

ELECTION OF COUNCIL MEMBERS UNDER COURT APPROVED  
8-3 PLAN

Shall Chapter III, Section 1, and Chapter IV, Sections 4, 6 and 8, of the Charter of the City of Dallas be amended to provide for compliance with the federal court order for election of eight members of the council from single-member districts, and three, including the mayor, at large?

Proposition No. 2

LIMITING BOARD TERMS TO TWO YEARS - AUTHORIZING  
APPOINTMENT TO FILL CERTAIN COUNCIL VACANCIES.

Shall Chapter III, Sections 2 and 5, and Chapter XXIV, Section 13 of the Charter of the City of Dallas be amended to provide for two year maximum terms for board and commission members rather than four year terms and an election to fill vacancies of the council before February 7th of even-numbered years and appointment thereafter in accordance with the Texas Constitution?

Proposition No. 3

OFFICE OF THE CITY SECRETARY

Shall Chapter III, Section 13 of the Charter of the City of Dallas be repealed and a new Chapter IIIA, Sections 1, 2, and 3 be added providing for appointment, removal, compensation, hiring of employees, and duties of the city secretary?

Proposition No. 4

ASSIGNMENT OF CITY MANAGER'S DUTIES; REMOVAL  
PROCEDURE

Shall Chapter VI, Sections 1 and 2(14) of the Charter of the City of Dallas be amended to allow the city manager to assign a portion of his duties to assistant city managers and to require a vote of two-thirds (2/3rds) of the council membership for his removal?

Proposition No. 5

POLICE AND FIRE CHIEFS' AUTHORITY TO DISCHARGE  
EMPLOYEES

Shall Chapter XII, Section 4, and Chapter XIII, Section 9 of the Charter of the City of Dallas be amended to provide for discharge or suspension for definite period of time of the policemen or firemen by the chief of the department?

Proposition No. 6

REPEAL OF INDEPENDENT DISCIPLINARY PROCEDURE BY  
CIVIL SERVICE BOARD

Shall Chapter XVI, Section 15 of the Charter of the City of Dallas styled "Three or more citizens, right to appeal to civil service board for removal or reduction of officers or employees in the classified service list on account of misconduct" be repealed?

Proposition No. 7

SEPARATING AUDITING AND ACCOUNTING FUNCTIONS

Shall Chapter IX, Sections 1 and 2, Chapter XI, Section 8, and Chapter XXII, Section 1, of the Charter of the City of Dallas be amended; Chapter IXA, Sections 1, 2, and 3 be added, and Chapter IX, Section 3, be repealed to create the department of the city controller and separate the auditing and accounting functions, and provide for purchase of supplies and equipment?

Proposition No. 8

BUDGET SUBMISSION PROCEDURE

Shall Chapter XI, Sections 1 and 3 of the Charter of the City of Dallas be amended to change the budget submission process and form to comply with uniform accounting procedures?

Proposition No. 9

EXPANSION OF PARK BOARD MEMBERSHIP

Shall Chapter XVII, Section 2 of the Charter of the City of Dallas be amended to authorize the city council to appoint eleven members to the Park Board and name the president thereof?

Proposition No. 10

MAKING CHARTER PROVISIONS CONSISTENT WITH OTHER LAW

Shall Chapter II, Section 1(39), and Chapter IV, Sections 1 and 2 of the Charter of the City of Dallas be amended so as to be consistent with State law and the Constitution regarding rate regulations and elections?

Proposition No. 11

FILING OF CLAIMS WITHIN SIX MONTHS

Shall Chapter XXIII, Section 3 of the Charter of the City of Dallas be amended to require certain claims to be filed within six months?

Proposition No. 12

ADJUSTMENT OF FEE FOR COUNCIL MEMBERS

Shall Chapter III, Section 4 of the Charter of the City of Dallas be amended to adjust the fee for council members to \$125. per regular or called meeting, effective May 1, 1977?

We have carefully canvassed the returns of the Special Election and find that the following number of votes were cast, respectively, YES and NO on the Propositions:

Proposition No. 1

YES 45,175

NO 14,677

Proposition No. 2

YES 44,515

NO 16,058

Proposition No. 3

YES 40,676

NO 17,656

Proposition No. 4

YES 40,611

NO 19,058

Proposition No. 5

YES 44,754

NO 16,572

Proposition No. 6

YES 34,053

NO 26,515

Proposition No. 7

YES 41,146

NO 16,684

Proposition No. 8

YES 42,442

NO 15,134

Proposition No. 9

YES 21,409

NO 39,066

Proposition No. 10

YES 41,193

NO 16,055

Proposition No. 11

YES 38,380

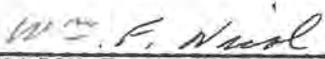
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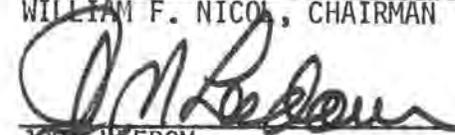
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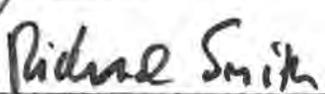
YES 24,311

NO 36,239

From the foregoing tabulation it appears that Propositions Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 10, and 11 set forth above were approved, adopted and carried, and Propositions Nos. 9 and 12 were defeated, by the qualified voters of the City of Dallas participating in the Special Election.

  
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WILLIAM F. NICOL, CHAIRMAN

  
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JOHN LEEDOM

  
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RICHARD SMITH

Canvassing Committee of the City Council  
of the City of Dallas, Texas.

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RESOLUTION AND ORDER

WHEREAS, the City Council has received the Report of the Canvassing Committee appointed to canvass the results of the Special Election held pursuant to Ordinance No. 15109, and the City Council after examining the Report finds it correct in all respects; Now, Therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DALLAS:

SECTION 1. That the Special Election held on April 3, 1976, pursuant to Ordinance No. 15109, was duly ordered and notice thereof given in accordance with law; that the election was held in a manner required by law; that only duly qualified resident electors of the City of Dallas voted in the election; and that returns of the election have been made by the proper officers.

SECTION 2. That the canvass of the returns of the Special Election and the tabulation of the votes cast YES and NO on the twelve propositions submitted on the Official Ballot, as shown by the foregoing Report of the Canvassing Committee, be, and it is hereby in all respects approved and adopted.

SECTION 3. That a majority of the votes cast at the Special Election were in favor of Propositions Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 10, and 11, and each of these Propositions is hereby declared to have carried.

SECTION 4. That a majority of the votes cast at the Special Election were against Propositions Nos. 9 and 12, and each of these Propositions is declared not to have carried.

SECTION 5. That Propositions Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 10, and 11, to amend the Charter of the City of Dallas are hereby officially declared to have been adopted by a majority of the qualified voters participating in said election, and it is hereby ordered that the amendments so adopted shall become a part of the Charter of the City of Dallas.

SECTION 6. That Adlene Harrison, Mayor Pro Tem, is hereby authorized to certify to the Secretary of State an authentic copy, under the seal of the City of Dallas, of the Charter Amendments, showing the approval by the qualified voters, in accordance with Article 1173, Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes.

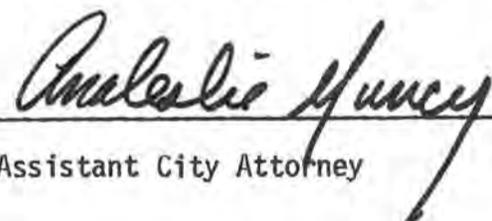
SECTION 7. That the City Secretary is hereby directed to record at length the Charter Amendments upon the records of the City of Dallas in the separate book that is generally known as the Home Rule Book, kept in his office for that purpose, in accordance with Article 1174, Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes.

SECTION 8. That this Resolution shall take effect immediately from and after its passage in accordance with the provisions of the Charter of the City of Dallas and it is accordingly so ordained.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

RESOLUTION UNANIMOUSLY ADOPTED

N. ALEX BICKLEY, City Attorney

By   
Assistant City Attorney

APPROVED  
CITY COUNCIL

APR 5 1976

  
City Secretary

# Memorandum



CITY OF DALLAS

DATE April 5, 1976

TO Harold G. Shank  
City Secretary

SUBJECT Charter and Place 9 and 11 Election  
Held April 3, 1976

Attached is a copy of the final computer printout from the tabulation of the April 3, 1976 election.

## VOTES CAST

The computer printout indicates a public counter total of 89,810.

As of April 1, 1976, the county indicated there were 356,936 qualified voters in the City of Dallas. The 89,810 voting represent 25.16% of those qualified. This percentage compares as follows with the last four city elections:

Special election, September 1974	10.93%
Council election, April 1975	23.63%
Council run-off, April 1975	20.35%
Bond/Place 6 election, Dec. 1975	14.58%

## ERRORS

The computer will indicate an error when the total number of votes cast on any proposition exceeds the public counter total. There were 4 errors indicated in this election.

PRECINCT 219 -- the return indicated 604 votes cast on Charter proposition number 10, however, the public counter indicated only 600 votes.

PRECINCT 314 -- The return indicated 137 votes cast on Charter proposition number 10, however, the public counter indicated only 132 votes. The totals shown on the computer printout for propositions 9 through 12 are incorrect for this precinct. The correct votes on these propositions are:

PROPOSITION 9	PROPOSITION 10
For      Against	For      Against
17            22	23            16
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PROPOSITION 11	PROPOSITION 12
For      Against	For      Against
17            27	17            31
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# Memorandum



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TO Harold G. Shank  
City Secretary

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In addition, there were 8 apparent errors which were not caught by the computer.

PRECINCT 168 -- The election judge did not show any votes cast on Charter proposition 2.

PRECINCT 261 -- The election judge did not show any votes cast on Charter propositions 7 through 12.

PRECINCT 262 -- The election judge did not show any votes cast on Charter propositions 2, 4, 6, 8, 10, or 12.

PRECINCT 285 -- The election judge did not show any votes cast for any of the Charter propositions.

PRECINCT 303 -- The election judge did not show any votes cast on Charter propositions 2, 4, 6, 8, 10, or 12.

PRECINCT 308 -- The election judge did not show any votes cast on Charter proposition 2, 4, 6, 8, 10, or 12.

PRECINCT 318 -- The election judge did not show any votes cast on Charter propositions 2, 4, 6, 8, 10, or 12.

PRECINCT 340 -- The election judge did not show any votes cast on Charter proposition 1.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'Robert S. Sloan'.

Robert S. Sloan  
Assistant City Secretary

RSS/sj

Attachments

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CITY OF DALLAS

DATE April 5, 1976  
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City Secretary  
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The following are write-in votes cast in Saturday's election.

PLACE 9		PLACE 11	
Bill Blackburn	3	Neil Anderson	1
Adlene Harrison	5	Russell Bitts, Jr.	1
Al Lipscomb	1	Frances Farenthold	1
Bill Wilson	1	Adlene Harrison	85
TOTAL	10	Mary Riffe	1
		Ann Springer	1
		TOTAL	90

Office not indicated by election judge

R. Diaz	1
Bob Folsom	1
Norman Grunsfeld	1
Harris	1
Adlene Harrison	5
Jim Lake	1
Snoopy	1
Bill Wilson	1
TOTAL	12

OVERALL TOTAL 112

Robert S. Sloan  
Assistant City Secretary

RSS/sj