

# **Agenda**

# Election Code Committee October 21, 2024 – 4:00 PM CIC Conference Room, City Hall, 300 Laporte Ave Remote Participation Available

- A) Call Meeting to Order
- B) Roll Call
- C) Public Participation
- D) Public Participation Follow-up
- E) Approval of Minutes
  - 1. Approval of Minutes.

The purpose of this item is to approve the minutes of the September 11, 2024, Election Code Committee meeting.

### F) Discussion / Informational Items

2. Potential Code Changes Regarding the Campaign Complaint Process and the Campaign Contribution Limits.

Members of the ECC expressed interest in examining the current campaign contribution limits and provided direction for simplifying the campaign complaint process and to also provide for a way to pay the presumptive fine and close the matter earlier. Staff have provided a draft of the proposed changes.

#### 3. 2024 Workplan and Election Updates.

The purpose of this item is to provide updates on the Committee's Work Plan and to enable discussion on Work Plan items. The purpose also includes providing updates on the current and coming elections.

At its September 11, 2024, meeting, the Committee confirmed the items listed on the Work Plan.

Code amendments related to campaign finance enforcement are scheduled for discussion at the October 21, 2024, meeting. Discussion is also planned on possible changes to campaign contribution limits.

For the December 10, 2024, meeting, staff will be prepared to discuss:

- Code changes related to contribution limits (if direction is given by the Committee to do so);
- Discussion on possible code changes that would eliminate write-in candidates;
- Discussion on possible code changes that would eliminate having petition circulators read a petition an entire petition if requested;

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- Discussion on possible code changes related to redistricting; and
- Discussion on code changes that are needed based on any Charter changes that pass.

Additional code changes agreed to at the December meeting, together with a summary of items the Committee approved at the October meeting, will be reviewed at the January 27, 2024, ECC meeting. These items will then be prepared for Council consideration. If no work session is needed, the items could be brought forward for first reading as early as February 18, followed by second reading on March 4, 2025. An earlier meeting in January could be scheduled if the Committee desires to do so.

Additional items remaining on the Committee's Work Plan include:

- 1. Education for Ranked Choice Voting and Sign Code requirements
- 2. Additional Charter Amendments
  - a. Article II Vacancies
  - b. Article IV General Provisions
- 3. Other Topics: "Bike Rack" Items:
  - a. Oversight Committee; and
  - b. Public Financing of Campaigns

Staff will provide updates on remaining items as information is available. For the October meeting, staff will be prepared to discuss the field trip staff took to the City of Boulder related to Ranked Choice Voting and will be prepared to bring forward more detailed information on a related communications and outreach plan in January.

Discussion on possible additional Charter amendments can begin in February if the Committee desires to pursue these items.

#### 4. Discussion of Issues Related to the Proposed Charter Amendments.

This item will provide opportunity for questions and clarifications related to the issues surrounding Ballot Question 2D and Notice issues.

#### G) Other Business

## H) Adjournment

Next Scheduled Committee Meeting: 4:00 PM, November 25, 2024

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