

**CITY OF WINTER PARK
CANVASSING BOARD
BOND REFERENDUM - ELECTRIC UTILITY
SEPTEMBER 9-10, 2003**

The Canvassing Board for the City of Winter Park was called to order at 6:00 p.m. in the office of the Orange County Supervisor of Elections, 119 West Kaley Avenue, Orlando, Florida.

PRESENT: Mayor Kenneth "Kip" Marchman, Commissioners John Eckbert, Douglas Metcalf and Barbara DeVane, City Attorney C. Brent McCaghren, and City Clerk Cynthia S. Bonham. Commissioner Douglas Storer was absent.

City Clerk Bonham stated that a total of 915 absentee ballots were returned that were accepted by the Supervisor of Elections office (a total of 1,105 were mailed out). There were 17 determined to be questionable by the Orange County Supervisor of Elections' office which needed to be reviewed by the Canvassing Board. Ms. Bonham provided to the Canvassing Board a list of the criteria to be used to help determine which questionable ballots would be accepted or rejected.

The following absentee ballots were reviewed by the Canvassing Board and following action was taken:

Two (2) ballots contained no voter signature or witness.

Motion by Commissioner Metcalf to reject the two (2) ballots, seconded by Commissioner Eckbert. All voted 'aye'.

Four (4) ballots contained incomplete witnessing:

Motion by Commissioner Eckbert to accept one (1) ballot and reject three (3) ballots, seconded by Commissioner Metcalf. All voted 'aye'.

Six (6) ballots contained no witness signature or address.

Motion by Commissioner DeVane to reject the six (6) ballots, seconded by Commissioner Eckbert. All voted 'aye'.

Two (2) ballots had questionable signatures.

Motion by Commissioner Eckbert to accept the two (2) ballots, seconded by Commissioner Metcalf. All voted 'aye'.

Three (3) ballots were considered unusual (one was not legible due to liquid being spilled on it).

Motion by Commissioner Eckbert to accept two (2) ballots and reject the one that was not legible, seconded by Commissioner Metcalf. All voted 'aye'.

There was a total of 12 rejected ballots and 5 that were accepted upon canvassing.

There were 6 outstacked ballots that required canvassing. Four (4) were determined to be FOR BONDS; and two (2) were determined to be AGAINST BONDS. The 6 ballots were added to the total count of absentees.

The results of the tabulation of the absentee ballots were as follows:

FOR BONDS	553
AGAINST BONDS	367

Total absentee ballots counted: 920

Clerks from each precinct called in the election results from their precinct and also sent the results by modem. The tapes from the precincts containing the results were faxed to the Elections Office by City staff for use by the Canvassing Board.

The meeting adjourned at 6:45 and reconvened at 7:03 p.m.

Results from four out of five precincts were read by Ms. Bonham from the faxed copy of the tape received from each tabulator from each polling place. The tape from Precinct 9302 was not provided at this time because of a delay at the precinct with processing the final tape needed for certification.

Precinct 9102	FOR BONDS	953
	AGAINST BONDS	327
Precinct 9202	FOR BONDS	793
	AGAINST BONDS	370
Precinct 9402	FOR BONDS	1055
	AGAINST BONDS	545
Precinct 9502	FOR BONDS	767
	AGAINST BONDS	303

The Canvassing Board adjourned at 8:15 p.m. The entire election results were not certified that evening because of the delay with Precinct 9302.

The Canvassing Board reconvened on September 10, 2003, at 9:00 a.m., at Winter Park City Hall complete the certification of the election results.

Precinct 9302	FOR BONDS	1267
	AGAINST BONDS	503

Total votes, including absentees:

FOR BONDS	5388	69.05%
AGAINST BONDS	2415	30.95%

Motion made by Commissioner Metcalf to certify the results from the September 9, 2003, bond referendum election, seconded by Commissioner DeVane and carried unanimously with a 4-0 vote. Commissioner Storer was not present.

Mayor Kenneth R. Marchman

ATTEST:

City Clerk