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# **UPDATED NOTICE TO ALL CANDIDATES**

TO: All Persons who are Candidates in the November 2, 2021 General Election:

Pursuant to the applicable provisions of the Election Law of the State of New York, the Rules and Regulations of the New York State Board of Elections and the Rules, Regulations, Policies, and Procedures adopted by the Commissioners of Elections in the City of New York, please take notice of the following information for the **November 2, 2021 General Election.** 

All activities relating to any type of Absentee, Military, Special or Affidavit Ballots will be conducted at each Borough Office of the Board of Elections (locations of which are set forth in Schedule A), except as noted herein.

All activities relating to the Poll Site Voting System will be conducted at the respective Borough Voting Machine Facilities of the Board of Elections (locations of which are set forth in Schedule B), except as noted herein.

#### 1. Inspection of Paper Ballots

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 7-128(2)(a) of the New York State Election Law, you or your representative/watcher designated in writing may inspect the paper ballots to be used in the Election, including on Election Day and during Early Voting.

# Friday, September 17, 2021 from 10:00 AM to 3:00 PM

This inspection will take place at the Executive Office located at 42 Broadway, 7<sup>th</sup> floor in the Candidate Records Unit.

# 2. Audio Version of the Ballot

The Board of Elections in the City of New York will be placing Ballot Marking Devices (BMDs) for use by voters, including those with disabilities, in each of the poll sites including early voting sites.

A BMD marks a ballot, which is scanned, or marks a BMD affidavit ballot, which is verified, secured, and tallied at a later date. Voters using the BMDs may choose an audio version of the ballot. Candidate names in English and Spanish and transliteration of candidate names in Chinese, Korean and Bengali will be made by Board of Elections staff in identified poll sites under the Voting Rights Act of 1965, as amended.

As a candidate, you or your representative designated in writing, have the opportunity to review this recording of your name and either approve it, or immediately request an alternate version. This review will be conducted on **Thursday, September 16, 2021 from 10:00 AM until 3:00 PM.** 

This review will take place at the Board of Elections Executive Office located at 42 Broadway, 7<sup>th</sup> floor in the Candidate Records Unit.

# 3. Random Draw for the Audit of Election Day and Early Voting Poll Site Scanners

New York State Election Law Section 9-211(1) requires an audit of poll site scanners used on Election Day and early voting. The selection of scanners for this audit is done by random draw, which is open to the public to observe. The draw of scanners will be held on, <a href="https://doi.org/10.100/Jhursday.november-4">Thursday, November 4, 2021 at 10:00 AM</a> and will be live-streamed on the Board's website at www.vote.nyc

#### 4. Audit of the Election Day and Early Voting Poll Site Scanners

This Audit will begin at the respective Borough Voting Machine Facilities (See Schedule B) on <a href="Thursday">Thursday</a>, November 4, 2021 at 1:00 PM</a> and continue until completed, including Saturdays and Sundays, if necessary. As a candidate, you or your representative designated in writing may be present and observe the audit of poll site scanners. Please check with the respective Borough Chief Clerk/Deputy Chief Clerk to confirm the date and time for the commencement of this activity.

#### 5. Random Draw for the Audit of Central Ballot Scanners

New York State Election Law Section 9-211(1) requires an audit of central ballot scanners used for each election. The selection of Election Districts for this audit is performed by random draw, which is open to the public to observe.

The drawing and Audit of the Central Ballot Scanners will not commence until after the completion of the Canvass for Absentee, Military, Special and Affidavit ballots. Please check the Board's website at www.vote.nyc or with the respective

Borough Chief Clerk/Deputy Chief Clerk to confirm the date and time for the random draw.

# 6. Audit of the Central Ballot Scanners

This Audit will take place in Manhattan and Brooklyn at the Borough Voting Machine Facility (See Schedule B). For the Boroughs of Bronx, Queens, and Staten Island, the audit will take place in the Borough Offices (See Schedule A). As a candidate, you or your representative designated in writing may be present and observe the audit of the central ballot scanners.

The Audit of the Central Ballot Scanners will not commence until after the completion of the Canvass for Absentee, Military, Special and Affidavit ballots. Please check our website at www.vote.nyc or with the respective Borough Chief Clerk/Deputy Chief Clerk to confirm the date and time for the audit.

# 7. UPDATED Canvass Start Date

### **Canvass of Votes Cast of Election Day Paper Ballots**

Pursuant to Section 9-208 of the New York State Election Law, you or your representative designated in writing may be present and observe the canvass of votes cast on the Poll Site Voting Systems during Early Voting and on Election Day and the canvass of any and all write-in votes cast on the Poll Site Voting Systems. This canvass will commence on <a href="Wednesday, November 3, 2021 at 10:00 AM">Wednesday, November 3, 2021 at 10:00 AM</a> and will continue until such canvass of all of the Poll Site Voting Systems has been completed, including Saturdays and Sundays, if necessary. Section 9-209 (1)(c) authorizes each candidate or political party appearing on ballots for an election district to appoint watchers for such central board of inspectors in the same number at the poll site on election day.

The Board of Elections will have teams of bipartisan staff conducting the canvass. You may appoint one watcher for each bipartisan team. This canvass will take place at the Borough Voting Machine Facilities (See Schedule B).

Please check with the respective Borough Chief Clerk/Deputy Chief Clerk to confirm the date and time for the commencement of this activity. Be advised, the canvass includes a hand recanvass, if necessary.

#### **Emergency Ballots**

Pursuant to Section 9-208 of the New York State Election Law, you or your representative designated in writing may be present and observe the canvass of any emergency and BMD ballot votes cast that could not be scanned on Election Day or during Early Voting. This canvass will commence on <a href="Wednesday">Wednesday</a>, <a href="November 3">November 3</a>, <a href="2021 at 10:00 AM">2021 at 10:00 AM</a> and will continue until completed, including

Saturdays and Sundays, if necessary. This canvass will take place in Manhattan and Brooklyn at the Borough Voting Machine Facility (See Schedule B). For the Boroughs of Bronx, Queens and Staten Island, the canvass will take place in the Borough Offices (See Schedule A). Please check with the respective Borough Chief Clerk/Deputy Chief Clerk to confirm the date and time for the commencement of this activity.

### Absentee, Military, Special and Affidavit Ballots

Pursuant to Section 9-209 of the New York State Election Law, you or your representative designated in writing may be present and observe the canvass of votes cast on any and all valid Absentee, Military, Special and Affidavit ballots. Military ballots, timely sent, can be received up to 13 days after the day of the General Election. This canvass will commence on Monday, November 15, 2021 at 10:00 AM and will continue until completed, including Saturdays and Sundays, if necessary. The Board of Elections will have teams of bipartisan staff conducting the canvass. You may appoint one watcher for each bipartisan team.

This canvass will take place in Manhattan and Brooklyn at the Borough Voting Machine Facility (See Schedule B).

For the Boroughs of Bronx and Staten Island, the canvass will take place in the Borough Offices (See Schedule A).

For the Borough of Queens, the Canvass will take place in the Helen Marshall Cultural Center **at** Queens Borough Hall
120-55 Queens Boulevard
Kew Gardens, NY 11424

Please check with the respective Borough Chief Clerk/Deputy Chief Clerk to confirm the date and time for the commencement of this activity. Be advised, the canvass includes any absentee ballot cures and/or hand recanvass, if necessary.

If you have any questions or require additional information, please contact the Chief Clerk and Deputy Chief Clerk of the Borough responsible for the Voting Machine Facility for the respective Borough. Updates may also be posted on our website at <a href="https://www.vote.nyc">www.vote.nyc</a>.

Thank you for your cooperation,

Board of Elections in the City of New York Candidate Records Unit

#### **SCHEDULE A**

#### **BOROUGH OFFICES**

# Manhattan

200 Varick Street - 10th Floor New York, NY 10014 212-886-2100

Gregory Lehman, Chief Clerk Cynthia Doty, Deputy Chief Clerk

#### **Bronx**

1780 Grand Concourse - 5th Floor Concourse Level Bronx, NY 10457 718-299-9017

Brendaliz Candelaria, Deputy Chief Clerk Steve Alfasi, Deputy Chief Clerk

#### Brooklyn

345 Adams Street - 4th Floor Brooklyn, NY 11201 718-797-8800

Raymond Riley, Chief Clerk Daniel Ortiz, Deputy Chief Clerk

#### Queens

118-35 Queens Boulevard -11th Floor Forest Hills, NY 11375 718-730-6730

Amanda M. Berinato, Chief Clerk Bart J. Haggerty, Deputy Chief Clerk

#### Staten Island

1 Edgewater Plaza - 4<sup>th</sup> Floor Staten Island, NY10305 718-876-0079 Don Bosco, Chief Clerk Anthony Andriulli, Deputy Chief Clerk

#### **SCHEDULE B**

# **BOROUGH VOTING MACHINE FACILITIES**

### Manhattan

450 West 33rd Street New York, NY 10001 212-465-0503

#### **Bronx**

1780 Grand Concourse Bronx, NY 10457 718-299-9017

#### **Brooklyn**

5112 Second Avenue Brooklyn, NY 11232 718-492-2607

#### Queens

66-26 Metropolitan Avenue Middle Village, NY 11379 718-821-8402

#### Staten Island

1 Edgewater Plaza - 4<sup>th</sup> Floor Staten Island, NY 10305 718-876-0079