



MAYOR
Ed Lawson

CITY COUNCIL
Donald Abbott, Ward I
Dian VanderWell, Ward II
Paul Anderson, Ward III
Charlene Bybee, Ward IV
Kristopher Dahir, Ward V

CITY ATTORNEY
Chet Adams

CITY MANAGER
Neil Krutz

**Special Sparks City Council Meeting – Election Canvass
2:00 P.M., Monday, November 16, 2020**

This meeting was held virtually due to the COVID-19 pandemic

1. **Call to Order**
The meeting of the Sparks City Council was called to order by Mayor Ed Lawson at 2:00 p.m.
2. **Roll Call**
Mayor Ed Lawson, Council Members Donald Abbott, Dian VanderWell, Paul Anderson, Charlene Bybee, Kristopher Dahir, City Manager Neil Krutz, City Attorney Chet Adams, City Clerk Lisa Hunderman, PRESENT via ZOOM.
3. **Opening Ceremonies**
 - 3.1 **Invocation Speaker**
The invocation was not provided.
 - 3.2 **Pledge of Allegiance**
The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Council Member Bybee.
4. **Public Comment**
None.
5. **Agenda**
 - 5.1 **Approval of the Agenda (FOR POSSIBLE ACTION)**
Consideration of taking items out of sequence, deleting items and adding items which require action upon a finding that an emergency exists.
Motion: Move to approve the agenda as submitted.
Moved by: Council Member Dahir
Seconded by: Council Member VanderWell
Yes: Council Members Abbott, VanderWell, Anderson, Bybee, Dahir
No: None
Abstain: None
Vote: Motion passed unanimously, 5-0
6. **Canvass of Election Result**
 - 6.1 **Canvass the votes and declare the results of the 2020 General election official. (FOR POSSIBLE ACTION)**
An agenda item from City Clerk Lisa Hunderman requesting the Council canvass the general election vote and declare it confirmed. The 2020 general election was

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held on Tuesday, November 3, 2020 and the City Council must canvass the votes and declare the results official within 10 days of the election per the City Charter, Section 5.100(2).

The 2020 primary election was held on Tuesday, June 9, 2020 for the following offices: Municipal Court Judge, Department 1; City Attorney; and City Council Member Wards 1, 3, and 5. Those results were canvassed on June 19, 2020 and the following unopposed candidates were declared elected: Barbara McCarthy for Municipal Court Judge Department 1; Chet Adams for City Attorney; Kristopher Dahir for Council Ward 5.

According to the Sparks City Charter, Section 5.020 (2) The names of the two candidates who receive the highest number of votes at the primary election must be placed on the ballot for the general election. Candidates Donald Abbott and Wendy Stolyarov were placed on the ballot for Ward 1, and Paul Anderson and Quentin Smith for Ward 3.

Per the official summary provided by the Washoe County Registrar of Voters, during the general election for Ward 1 Mr. Abbott received 56.11% of votes cast (3,287 votes), and Ms. Stolyarov received 43.89% of votes cast (2,571 votes). In Ward 3 Mr. Anderson received 57.05% of votes cast (5,082 votes), and Mr. Smith received 42.95% of votes cast (3,826 votes).

Motion: I move to confirm the results of the canvass and declare the results of the 2020 General election official.

Moved by: Council Member Bybee

Seconded by: Council Member VanderWell

Yes: Council Members Abbott, VanderWell, Anderson, Bybee, Dahir

No: None

Abstain: None

Vote: Motion passed unanimously, 5-0.

7. Comments

7.1 Comments from the Public

None.

7.2 Comments from City Council and City Manager

Council Member Dahir thanked Council and city staff for their continued support.

Council Members Abbott and Anderson thanked voters for retaining their seats on Council. Council Member Abbott also thanked all candidates for their involvement in the campaign process.

Council Member Bybee congratulated those elected and encouraged the public to get involved in the community through various avenues like volunteering for vacant board and commissions seats.

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Mayor Lawson congratulated those elected and noted he looks forward to continued service to the City of Sparks with this great team.

13. Adjournment

Council was adjourned at 2:13 p.m.

Ed Lawson, Mayor

ATTEST:

Lisa Hunderman, City Clerk

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