



Clintonville Area Commission *Special* Meeting Agenda

Thursday, April 9th, 2020, 7-7:30 pm

[CAC Zoom Meeting Room](#)

Commissioners in attendance: David Vottero, Khara Nemitz, Libby Wetherholt, Judy Minister, <District 5 - VACANT>, Kendra Carpenter, Michael Weinman, Jim Garrison, B.J. White

7:00 p.m. Call to order & formal welcome by Chairperson White

Welcome to your Clintonville Area Commission "...committed to the undertaking of the preservation of the values of the community through promotion, implementation and recommendation to city officials."

The CAC was empowered in 1974 by the Columbus City Charter to represent the Clintonville community in the discussion of community concerns. By City Code, the purpose of the CAC is to "...afford additional voluntary citizen participation in the decision making in an advisory capacity and to facilitate communications, understanding and cooperation between neighborhood groups, city officials and developers"

7:05 p.m. CAC Election Update – Chair Ann Henkener

The CAC Election Committee has been working diligently to communication the status of the election and to remain on standby while the CAC Chair has organized an online meeting platform to facilitate quorum so that voting may occur in adherence with the CAC Bylaws with regard to the COVID-19 Amendments to the CAC Election Rules.

Introduction of the COVID-19 Amendment to the CAC Election Rules

Due to the complications related to the COVID-19 outbreak and the precautionary "Stay At Home" directive (<https://governor.ohio.gov/wps/portal/gov/governor/media/news-and-media/ohio-stay-at-home-order-extended-through-may-1>) ordered by Dr. Amy Acton, the Director of Health for the State of Ohio and fully supported by Governor Mike DeWine effective March 23, 2020, the following amendments have been proposed (in italics) by the CAC Election Chair Ann Henkener and the CAC Election Committee and shall be considered to amend the following CAC Election Rules to align with the State of Ohio Stay At Home Directive:

COVID-19 Candidate Nominating Petition Amendment

Section IV. Candidate Nomination, Paragraph A. (5) Each potential candidate must submit a petition containing valid signatures, residence addresses and residence phone numbers of at least **fifty** qualified voters who reside in the potential candidate's District.

The proposed COVID-19 Amendment shall supersede the number of candidate nomination petition signatures from 50 to 5 whereas the above cited CAC Election Rule shall be amended as follows:

Section IV. Candidate Nomination, Paragraph A. (5) Each potential candidate must submit a petition containing valid signatures, residence addresses and residence phone numbers of at least **five** qualified voters who reside in the potential candidate's District.

COVID-19 Polling Procedure Amendment

Section VI. Polling Procedures. A. The CAC Election Committee shall provide voting opportunities for voters who will be absent or otherwise not voting in person at the polls on Election Day and for in-person voters at the polls on Election Day; B. Mail-in Balloting; C. Direct in-person voting at the polls.

The proposed COVID-19 Amendment shall supersede the in-person polling procedure whereas the above cited CAC Election Rule shall be amended as follows:

Section VI. Polling Procedures. The CAC Election Committee shall provide voting opportunities for voters utilizing the mail-in balloting procedure outlined in the CAC Election **Rules and the option of direct in-person voting at the polls is being eliminated with the concurrence of the Stay-At-Home Directive currently in effect.**

COVID-19 Election Timeline Amendment for Submission Deadlines and Procedures

The proposed COVID-19 Amendment shall supersede the CAC Election Timeline whereas the previously released CAC Election Timeline, referenced as an attachment to this agenda, shall be amended as follows:

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| Thursday, April 9 | 7:00 p.m. Election Committee Presents Certified Candidates to the CAC |
| Friday, April 10 | 5:00 p.m. Deadline to Notify Election Committee of Write-in Candidacy
Notification must be in writing and sent to the chair of the Election Committee |
| Wednesday, April 15 | 6:30 p.m. Election Committee Certifies Write-in Candidate(s) and notifies all candidates; deadline for submission of candidate statements to be posted on the CAC website. Election Committee posts final information on election districts, location of polls, date and hours of election, descriptions or maps of the districts, names of candidates for each district and identification requirements at the polls. |

Thursday, April 23

4:30 p.m. Deadline for Submission of Mail-In Ballot Request Forms
Election Committee and any candidate witnesses pick up the Ballot
Request Forms from the PO Box

6:30 p.m. Mail-in Ballots mailed to requesters.

Saturday, May 2

2:00p.m. Election Day

Mail-in ballots collected from PO Box 14297 at 4364 N High St

2:15 p.m. Election Committee Holds Counting Session After Polls Close
Committee Announces Uncertified Results of the Election

Thursday, May 7

Election Complaints Must be Submitted to the Election Committee Chair in
Writing and Delivered to the **Chair of the Election Committee** no later than 9:00
p.m.

Shall we vote to accept the COVID-19 Amendments to the CAC Election Rules as presented?

COVID-19 Candidate Nominating Petition Amendment

COVID-19 Polling Procedure Amendment

COVID-19 Election Timeline Amendment for Election Submission Dates, Times, and Procedures

7:30 p.m. Meeting Adjourned