

ELECTION REPORT

Prepared for members
of the
Common Council

JUDICIARY & LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE


Prepared by the
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BOARD OF ELECTION COMMISSIONERS



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TO: Alderman Michael S. D'Amato, Chairman
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FROM: Julietta Henry  Executive Director
Election Commission

DATE: October 4, 2002

RE: Fall General Election: November 5, 2002

Please find attached a report prepared for your review regarding the on-going measures the Election Commission office is involved in to ensure fair and efficient elections are conducted.

We appreciate the members of the Common Council presenting their concerns and suggestions with respect to the conduct of elections in our City. I assure you that measures have been taken and adjustments will continually be taken in the future to ensure that election proceedings are as flawless as possible. We take great pride that an unprecedented 25% voter turnout resulted in the 2002 Fall Primary Election without incident.

The following report outline the concerns of the Common Council presented to our office and the actions my staff has taken to address those issues. Please keep in mind that since the 2000 Fall Election, the demographics have changed for the City of Milwaukee. As a result of the 2000 U. S. Census and the resulting redistricting, the City of Milwaukee's population has decreased by approximately 30,000 eligible voters. This affects the Election process by decreasing the number of wards from 335 to 314, which decreases the demand for poll workers by approximately 105 persons. Where in the past, we may have been understaffed, we now have a pool of extra workers to employ.

In addition, a number of civic, social and community organizations have increased their efforts to conduct voter registration and absentee drives, which results in less people turning out at the polls on Election Day to register and vote. To address the increase in absentee voting which increases computer data entry and the number of mailings, my office has increased the utilization of Temporary Clerks.

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Alderman Michael S. D'Amato, Chairman
Judiciary & Legislative Committee

Again, I assure you that my office is prepared to address any challenge that may arise in the election process in collaboration with Council members' advice and assistance. Thank you for the suggestions that we utilize a "swing shift" and increase the pay of poll workers. As you know, the inclusion of an increase for poll worker pay is included with the Commission's 2003 Proposed Budget. A "swing shift" of City Managers and exempt personnel has been included in the staffing plan for the 2002 Fall General Election. Mayor John O. Norquist has agreed to assist in these recruitment efforts. As a result, letters requesting volunteers will be mailed out the week of October 14, 2002. Training for this staff will be conducted the week before the Election. We look forward to a successful Fall General Election in November.

POLLWORKER

ISSUES

RESOLUTION

1. Sufficient Staffing

- A. Currently have a pool of extra workers
- B. Recruit retired teachers (MTEA) and other retired city employees
- C. Train & employ auxiliary pool of cityemployee for a swing shift (12:30 - 8:30 PM)
- D. Utilize an excel worksheet as a manging tool for staff planning & review (Exhibit A)
- E. Common Council Members include information regarding recruitment of Election Inspectors in newsletters and town hall meetings

2. Election Inspector Training

- A. Review Inspector Polling Location Set-up Surveys to identify Training topics
- B. Review "Election Day Troubleshooting" and "Elector Evaluation" forms for topics to include in future Training sessions (Exhibit B & C)
- C. Call Chief Inspectors directly to address "problem" areas (no ID requested to vote, acceptable ID for voter registration, etc.)

POLLING LOCATION

ISSUES

RESOLUTION

1. Flow of traffic to decrease waiting lines

- A. Post Voter signs to direct "Voters" and "Registrants" to proper line
- B. For multiple wards in one polling location, separate poll list books. Therefore, there are shorter wait times in separate lines.
- C. Chief Inspectors complete a survey regarding adequate set-up of locations for each election. A reminder to set-up according to chart is given at each training session. Commission Staff visit each polling location prior to the Election to confirm proper room set-up and placement of voting signs

D. As a result of redistricting and a purging of inactive voters from the database after the November 2000 Presidential Election, there is a decrease in the number of eligible voters

E. Increase in Absentee Voting as a result of community group drives for voter registration and absentee voting

2. Voters wait in line and discover they are at the wrong polling location

A. Post polling locations on the City's Internet site: milwaukee.gov/elections.

B. Election Commission Staff Addition: Customer Service Representative
* Answers telephone inquiries regarding polling location assignments
* Completes mailings to citizens regarding polling location changes.

C. Increase extended hours for voting at the Election Commission office to include evenings and Saturdays

3. Voter education on Registration Requirements

State of Wisconsin created and distributed a poster identifying "Qualified Voter" Requirements

ELECTOR EVALUATION FORM

Date _____

Elector's Name _____

Address _____

Zip Code _____ Phone _____

Name of polling location _____
(if appropriate)

Please use this form to make suggestions or voice your concerns on the polling place conditions or voting processes. Be sure to complete the contact information above so that we may inform you how your issue was addressed promptly.

Issue/ Complaint

Does Elector require a response by: mail phone none

FOR ELECTION COMMISSION OFFICE USE

Form/call received by _____

Form received by mail phone polling location fax

Action: _____

Issue addressed by _____

Phone Contact _____ date completed

Response letter mailed _____ date completed

ELECTION DAY TROUBLESHOOTING FORM
SEPTEMBER 10, 2002

DISTRICT	WARD	CALLER'S NAME	CALLER'S CONTACT NUMBER
TIME OF CALL	A.M. P.M. (CIRCLE)	CALL RECEIVED BY (STAFF)	EC MANAGER NOTIFIED YES
POLLING LOCATION:			
ADDRESS:			
TIME OF ARRIVAL: AM/PM	MACHINE PROBLEM: YES NO	RETRIEVE:	VOTER #
	SUPPLIES NEEDED: YES NO	FOR OFFICE USE WAREHOUSE	
TIME OF COMPLETION	A.M. P.M. (CIRCLE)	MOVERS	
DISPATCHED TO: (TECHNICIAN)	SIGNATURE OF CHIEF INSPECTOR	CALL NUMBER(S) (R/G/O)	

Please contact Election Central upon completion of each dispatched inquiry at 286-3491.

FALL PRIMARY 2002 POLLING ASSIGNMENTS

POLLING LOCATION NAME	District #	Work Ward #	Required #	Working #	Needed #	Actually Worked #	No Shows
District 9							
Hawthorne School	9	147	7	7	0	7	
Thoreau School	9	148	5	5	0	5	
Happy Hill School	9	149	5	5	0	5	
Webster Jr High School	9	151	5	5	0	3	
Clara Barton School	9	152	7	7	0	7	
Clovernook Fieldhouse	9	154	5	5	0	5	
Northwest Senior Center	9	155	5	5	0	4	
Agape Community Center	9	156	5	5	0	5	
Christ Mem. Church	9	157	5	5	0	4	
Carleton School	9	158	5	5	0	4	
Silver Spring Neighborhood Ctr	9	159	7	8	-1	8	
Villard Ave Library	9	161	5	5	0	5	
Edison Jr High School	9	162	5	5	0	5	
McGovern Park Senior Center	9	163	5	5	0	5	
District Total:			76	77	-1	72	5
District 10							
Keefe Avenue School	10	164	9	9	0	9	
St James Methodist Church	10	167	5	5	0	5	
Benjamin Franklin School	10	168	7	7	0	5	
Townsend School	10	170	7	7	0	7	
Keenen Health Center	10	172	7	7	0	6	
Auer Playground Fieldhouse	10	174	9	9	0	10	
Hopkins Street School	10	177	7	7	0	7	
Twenty - First Street School	10	179	7	7	0	4	
Milwaukee Urban League	10	181	5	5	0	7	
District Total:			63	63	0	60	3

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District 1							
Silver Spring School	1	1	7	7	0	6	
Ronald E McNair School	1	3	7	7	0	7	
Custer High School	1	5	7	7	0	7	
Hampton School	1	7	9	9	0	9	
Mount Lebanon Evan. Lutheran School	1	10	5	5	0	5	
Garden Homes School	1	11	9	9	0	7	
Thirty-Fifth St School	1	14	7	7	0	6	
Green Bay Ave School	1	16	5	5	0	5	
Rufus King High School	1	17	7	7	0	7	
Atkinson Library	1	18	5	5	0	5	
District Total:			68	68	0	64	4
District 2							
Kluge School	2	20	7	7	0	6	
Byron Kilbourn School	2	22	7	7	0	6	
Madison High School	2	24	5	5	0	5	
Bryant School	2	25	5	5	0	5	
Browning School	2	26	5	5	0	5	
Grantosa Drive School	2	27	5	5	0	6	
Vogel Park Pavillion	2	28	5	5	0	5	
John Marshall Jr-Sr Hi School	2	29	9	9	0	8	
Columbus Park	2	31	5	5	0	5	
Albright United Meth Church	2	32	5	5	0	5	
Sixty-Fifth Street School	2	34	5	5	0	5	
Dineen Park	2	35	7	7	0	7	
Enderis Playground Fieldhouse	2	37	5	4	1	5	
District Total:			75	74	1	73	1

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District 3							
Plymouth Church	3	38	5	5	0	5	
UWM Sandburg Hall	3	39	5	5	0	5	
Hartford Av School	3	40	5	5	0	6	
Locust Court	3	41	5	5	0	5	
St. Mark's Hall	3	42	5	5	0	5	
Riverside High School	3	43	7	7	0	5	
Maryland Av School	3	45	7	7	0	6	
Firehouse	3	47	5	5	0	5	
Gordon Park	3	48	5	5	0	5	
East Library	3	49	7	7	0	6	
Riverview Housing	3	51	5	5	0	4	
1451 Renaissance Place	3	52	5	5	0	5	
Arlington Court	3	53	5	5	0	5	
Cass St School	3	54	5	5	0	5	
District Total:			76	76	0	72	4
District 4							
Convent Hill Housing Project	4	55	5	5	0	5	
1451 Renaissance Place	4	56	5	5	0	4	
Brinton Recreation	4	57	5	4	1	4	
Municipal Building	4	58	7	7	0	7	
Central Library	4	60	7	7	0	6	
Sara Scott Middle School	4	61	5	5	0	5	
United Community Center Middle School	4	63	5	5	0	3	
Mitchell Court	4	64	5	5	0	5	
Grand Ave Middle School	4	65	7	7	0	6	
Urban Waldorf School	4	67	5	5	0	5	
College Court	4	68	7	7	0	6	
Ward Yard Office	4	69	5	5	0	4	
Wisconsin Avenue School	4	71	5	5	0	5	
Merrill Park Housing	4	72	7	7	0	7	
District Total:			80	79	1	72	7

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District 5							
Firehouse- Engine 4	5	74	7	7	0	7	
Parkview School	5	76	7	7	0	7	
Craig School	5	78	5	6	-1	5	
Samuel Morse Jr High School	5	79	7	7	0	7	
German Immersion School	5	81	9	9	0	9	
Emerson School	5	82	7	7	0	7	
Firehouse- Engine 22	5	85	7	7	0	6	
Ninety-Fifth Street School	5	87	7	7	0	7	
Milwaukee School of Languages	5	90	7	7	0	6	
Eighty - First Street School	5	92	5	5	0	4	
Cooper Park Pavilion	5	93	7	7	0	7	
District Total:			75	76	-1	72	4
District 6							
Kern Park	6	95	7	7	0	6	
Rose Park Senior Center	6	97	7	7	0	8	
LaFollette School	6	99	5	5	0	4	
Martin Luther King Library	6	100	5	5	0	5	
Ebenezer COGIC	6	101	5	5	0	4	
Franklin Pierce School	6	102	7	7	0	7	
Holton Terrace	6	104	5	5	0	5	
Holmes School	6	105	7	7	0	7	
Malcolm X Academy	6	107	5	5	0	5	
Garfield Ave School	6	108	5	5	0	5	
North Division High School	6	109	5	5	0	5	
Palmer Street School	6	110	5	5	0	5	
Lapham Park Housing	6	111	5	5	0	5	
Hillside Terrace	6	112	5	5	0	5	
District Total:			78	78	0	76	2

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District 7							
Congress School	7	113	5	5	0	5	
Wahl Park	7	114	5	5	0	5	
Samuel Clemens School	7	115	5	5	0	5	
Parklawn YMCA	7	116	5	6	-1	5	
Parklawn Assembly Church	7	117	5	5	0	5	
Fifty - Third Street School	7	118	7	8	-1	5	
Sherman School	7	120	7	7	0	7	
Center Street Park Fieldhouse	7	121	7	7	0	6	
Boys & Girls Club	7	122	7	7	0	6	
St. Catherine Catholic Parish	7	126	7	7	0	6	
Washington High School	7	128	5	5	0	5	
Thirty - Eighth Street School	7	129	9	9	0	7	
District Total:			74	76	-2	67	9
District 8							
Clarke Square Fieldhouse	8	132	7	7	0	7	
55 - Plus Center	8	134	7	7	0	7	
Becher Court	8	136	5	5	0	5	
Boys & Girls Club	8	137	5	5	0	5	
Grant School	8	138	5	5	0	5	
Pulaski Park Pavilion	8	139	7	7	0	6	
Cleveland Park Fieldhouse	8	141	7	7	0	7	
Firehouse- Engine 23	8	143	5	5	0	5	
Gethsemane Ev Lutheran Church	8	144	5	5	0	5	
Manitoba School	8	145	7	7	0	7	
District Total:			60	60	0	59	1

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Clovernook Fieldhouse	9	154	5	5	0	5	
Northwest Senior Center	9	155	5	5	0	4	
Agape Community Center	9	156	5	5	0	5	
Christ Mem. Church	9	157	5	5	0	4	
Carleton School	9	158	5	5	0	4	
Silver Spring Neighborhood Ctr	9	159	7	8	-1	8	
Villard Ave Library	9	161	5	5	0	5	
Edison Jr High School	9	162	5	5	0	5	
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Hopkins Street School	10	177	7	7	0	7	
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District 11							
Spanish Immersion School	11	182	9	9	0	9	
Fairview School	11	185	9	9	0	9	
Lyons Park Pavillion	11	188	5	5	0	5	
Firehouse- Engine 10	11	189	5	5	0	5	
Wedgewood Park Pavilion	11	190	7	7	0	7	
Firehouse- Engine 29	11	191	5	5	0	5	
French Immersion School	11	192	9	10	-1	10	
Alcott Elementary School	11	193	5	5	0	5	
Academy of Acc. Learning	11	196	5	5	0	5	
Bell Middle School	11	198	5	5	0	5	
Whitman School	11	199	5	5	0	5	
Audubon Jr High School	11	200	5	5	0	5	
District Total:			74	75	-1	75	0
District 12							
Vieau School	12	201	7	7	0	8	
Firehouse- Engine 12	12	203	7	6	1	6	
Kagel School	12	204	5	5	0	5	
South Division High School	12	205	7	7	0	6	
Journey House	12	206	7	5	2	4	
Kosciuszko Jr High School	12	210	9	9	0	9	
Kosciuszko Community Center	12	213	7	6	1	6	
Firehouse- Engine 31	12	215	5	6	-1	6	
District Total:			54	51	3	50	1

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District 13							
Tippecanoe Library	13	216	7	8	-1	8	
Saveland Park Pavilion	13	217	5	5	0	5	
Morgandale School	13	218	7	9	-2	9	
Curtin School	13	220	5	5	0	5	
Wilson Park Pavilion	13	221	5	5	0	4	
Lowell School	13	222	5	4	1	4	
Burdick School	13	224	7	7	0	7	
Firehouse- Engine 17	13	225	7	7	0	7	
Sholes Jr High School	13	227	9	9	0	9	
Garland School	13	229	5	5	0	5	
Wis Conservatory of Higher Learning	13	231	5	5	0	5	
Victory School	13	232	5	6	-1	6	
Holler Park Pavillion	13	233	5	5	0	5	
District Total:			77	80	-3	79	1
District 14							
Riley School	14	235	5	4	1	4	
Lincoln Court	14	236	5	5	0	5	
Bay View Library	14	237	5	5	0	4	
Trowbridge School	14	238	7	7	0	7	
Bay View High School	14	240	5	5	0	5	
Fritsche Jr High School	14	241	5	5	0	5	
Ohio Playground Fieldhouse	14	242	5	5	0	5	
Clement Zablocki School	14	243	9	8	1	8	
Holt Playground Fieldhouse	14	245	9	9	0	9	
Humboldt Park School	14	249	7	7	0	7	
Humboldt Park Pavilion	14	251	5	5	0	5	
Fernwood School	14	252	9	9	0	9	
Clement Avenue School	14	255	9	9	0	9	
District Total:			85	83	2	82	1

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District 15							
Shepherd of the Ridge Church	15	258	5	5	0	5	
Cudahy YMCA	15	259	9	9	0	7	
Firehouse- Engine 38	15	261	5	6	-1	5	
Goodrich School	15	263	7	7	0	7	
Maple Tree School	15	266	5	5	0	5	
Vincent High School	15	267	5	5	0	5	
Stuart School	15	268	5	5	0	5	
Milw. School of Language	15	269	5	5	0	5	
Bruce School	15	270	9	9	0	8	
River Trail School	15	273	7	7	0	7	
District Total:			62	63	-1	59	4
District 16							
Steuben Jr High School	16	275	7	7	0	7	
Neeskara School	16	277	5	5	0	5	
MPS- Administration Building	16	278	7	7	0	7	
Hawley School	16	280	5	5	0	5	
Wisconsin Humane Society	16	281	7	7	0	7	
Juneau Playground Fieldhouse	16	283	7	7	0	7	
Dyer Field	16	285	5	5	0	5	
Cannon Park	16	286	7	7	0	7	
Luther Burbank School	16	288	7	7	0	7	
Doerfler School	16	291	13	13	0	13	
Burnham Fieldhouse	16	295	7	8	-1	8	
District Total:			77	78	-1	78	0

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District 17							
Jericho Baptist Church	17	297	7	7	0	9	
Phyllis Wheatley School	17	298	5	6	-1	6	
Frances Starns Disc. Lrng Cntr	17	299	5	5	0	5	
West Side Academy I - (31st St.)	17	300	7	8	-1	7	
Finney Library	17	301	7	7	0	5	
Housing Authority	17	303	5	5	0	4	
Hi-Mount Blvd School	17	304	7	7	0	7	
Washington Park Senior Center	17	306	5	5	0	5	
Story School	17	307	5	6	-1	6	
Tiefenthaler Park Pavilion	17	309	7	7	0	7	
Marquette Univ Alum Union	17	311	7	7	0	7	
Highland Park Housing	17	313	5	5	0	5	
District Total:			65	68	-3	64	4
CITY WIDE TOTALS:			1219	1225	-6	1174	51