# May 7, 2013 Primary Election Official Canvass Certification Data 

## FINAL RESULTS

Official Election Results for the May 7, 2013 Primary Election are attached to the Election Summary Report.

## SUMMARY OF OFFICIAL CANVASS

There were a total of 25,624 ballots tabulated for the May 7, 2013 Primary Election. Below is a breakdown of the ballots counted by category and a percentage of the total vote by category.

| Category | Ballots Cast | \% of Total Ballots Counted |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
| Election Day | 16,660 | $65.02 \%$ |
| Absentee | 8,766 | $34.21 \%$ |
| Provisional | 154 | $0.60 \%$ |
| Post Absentee | 42 | $0.16 \%$ |
| Post Election Day | 2 | $0.01 \%$ |
| Total |  |  |

\% of Total Ballots Cast


## ABSENTEE / VOTE BY MAIL

The Cuyahoga County Board of Elections received a total of 9,776 valid Absentee/Vote by Mail applications. Of those requests, 8,909 ballots were returned (91.13\%). The Ballot Department tabulated 8,808 Absentee / Vote by Mail Ballots (90.1\%) of the applications processed. There were 101 ballots challenged in this election resulting in a challenge rate of $1.13 \%^{*}$. Details of the challenges are below.
*The Absentee Ballot Challenge Rate is $0.46 \%$ when the Absentee Ballots postmarked after the deadline are excluded.

| Absentee Challenge Category | Number of Challenged Ballots | \% of Total Challenged Absentee |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Returned Too Late | 60 | 59.41\% |
| No Ballot Returned with ID Envelope | 11 | 10.89\% |
| No Signature on ID Envelope | 8 | 7.92\% |
| No Identification | 7 | 6.93\% |
| Registration Address does not match ID Envelope | 5 | 4.95\% |
| Invalid Signature on ID Envelope | 5 | 4.95\% |
| ID Envelope Not Returned | 4 | 3.96\% |
| ID Envelope Not Completed | 1 | 0.99\% |
| Total | 101 |  |


| Total Ballots - COUNTED | 25,624 |
| :--- | :---: |
| Absentee Ballots - REQUESTED | 9,776 |
| Absentee Ballots - RETURNED | 8,909 |
| Absentee Ballots - COUNTED | 8,808 |
| Absentee Ballots - CHALLENGED | 170 |
| Challenges - CORRECTED | 69 |
| Challenges - NOT CORRECTED | 101 |
| Challenges - LATE RETURN | 60 |
| \% Counted of All Ballots Counted | $34.37 \%$ |
| \% Returned of Absentee Ballots Requested | $91.13 \%$ |
| \% Challenged of Absentee Ballots Requested | $1.74 \%$ |
| \% Remaining Challenges of Absentee Ballots Returned | $1.13 \%$ |
| \% Challenged Not Including Late | $0.46 \%$ |
| \% Corrected of All Challenges | $40.59 \%$ |
| \% Corrected Not Including Late | $62.73 \%$ |
| \% Late of All Absentee Ballots Returned | $0.67 \%$ |
| \% Late of All Remaining Challenges | $59.41 \%$ |

\% of Total Challenged Absentee


## PROVISIONAL VOTING SUMMARY

A total of 162 Provisional Ballots were cast In-House and on Election Day. Of those ballots, 154 (95.06\%) were valid and tabulated by the Ballot Department. There were 8 invalid Provisional Ballots resulting in a 4.94\%* rejection rate for this election. Details of the rejections are below.

* The Provisional Ballot Rejection Rate is $1.28 \%$ when Provisional Voters who have already cast an Absentee Ballot and those who are not currently registered to vote are excluded.

| Reason for Rejection | \# Rejected | \% of Total <br> Provisional <br> Rejections |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Not Registered | 5 | $62.50 \%$ |
| Wrong Precinct/Wrong Location | 2 | $25.00 \%$ |
| Voted Absentee | 1 | $12.50 \%$ |
| Total | $\mathbf{8}$ |  |


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| :--- | :---: |
| Provisional Ballots - CAST | 162 |
| Provisional Ballots - VALID | 154 |
| Provisional Ballots - REJECTED | 8 |
| Rejected - Absentee Voters | 1 |
| Rejected - Not Including Absentee Voters | 7 |
| Rejected - Not Registered | 5 |
| Rejected - Not Including Not Registered | 3 |
| Rejected - Not Including Not Registered or Absentee Voters | 2 |
| Rejected - WRONG LOCATION | 2 |
| \% Valid of All Provisional Ballots Cast | $95.06 \%$ |
| \% Rejected of All Provisional Ballots Cast | $4.94 \%$ |
| \% Rejected Not Including Absentee Voters | $4.35 \%$ |
| \% Rejected Not Including Not Registered or Absentee Voters | $1.28 \%$ |
| \% Wrong Location of All Provisional Ballots Cast | $1.23 \%$ |

## \% of Total Rejected Provisionals



## BALLOT REMAKES

During the election, 16 ballot pages were processed in accordance with the CCBOE Remake Policy (approved by the Board on November 2, 2012). Of those, 12 ballot pages were processed during the Unofficial Canvass; the remaining 4 were processed during the Official Canvass. The following is a breakdown by category:

| Reason for Remake | Number of Remakes | \% of Total Remakes |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 - Ballot folded, torn or mutilated. | 6 | 37.50\% |
| 2 - Ballot contains indeterminate marks not made by the voter. | 0 | 0.00\% |
| 3 - UOCAVA Ballot that cannot be accurately read by automatic tabulating equipment. | 1 | 6.25\% |
| 4 - Ballot contains votes for ineligible contest(s). | 4 | 25.00\% |
| 5 - Voter marked entire ballot contrary to the instruction listed at the beginning of the ballot. | 1 | 6.25\% |
| 6 - Voter marked part of the ballot according to the ballot marking instructions contained on the ballot, and part of the ballot contrary to the instructions. | 0 | 0.00\% |
| 7 - Over vote, voter marked the ballot more than the permissible number of times for a particular contest, and there is no indication of contrary intent. | 2 | 12.50\% |
| 8 - Voter marked the ballot more than the permissible number of times for a particular contest, however, the voter also made an indication of contrary intent and the voter's choice can be determined. | 2 | 12.50\% |
| 9 - Voter filled in the oval next to a candidate for an office and also cast a write-in vote for a different candidate for the same office by filling in the oval of, and the writing in of, the name of a write-in candidate. | 0 | 0.00\% |
| 10 - Voter filled in the oval next to a candidate for an office and also cast a write-in vote for the same candidate for the same office by filling in the oval next to the blank space provided for write-in candidates. | 0 | 0.00\% |

TOTAL REMAKES
16

| Stage of Election | \# of Ballots Remade | \% of Total Remakes |
| :--- | :---: | ---: |
| Unofficial | 12 | $75.00 \%$ |
| Official | 4 | $25.00 \%$ |

Total
16

## OVER VOTES

There were a total of 13 over votes recorded, resulting in a $0.05 \%$ over vote rate for the election. The exact number of over voted ballots is unknown as the Unity system reports over votes on a per-contest basis, thus a ballot containing multiple over votes is recorded multiple times.

## VOTER HISTORY (PHASE 1)

There were 181 precincts were involved in this election. The number of signatures in the Poll Books matches the number of Election Day Ballots Cast in 173 (96\%) precincts. Below is a breakdown of the range of discrepancies between the number of signatures in the poll books and the number of ballots cast on Election Day.

| Number of Precincts | Range |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 8 |  | 1 Discrepancy |
| TOTAL $=8$ |  |  |

A review of the ballots cast on Election Day was completed for all of the precincts with a discrepancy.

Ballot Reconciliation will begin early next week.

## RECOUNTS

There are no automatic recounts for this election. The deadline for a requested recount is Tuesday, May $28^{\text {th }}$ at 4:30 PM.

## AUDIT

The post-election audit will begin on May 30, 2013 at 10:00 a.m. This audit will be conducted using the risk limiting audit method. The Board will randomly select the contest in which the audit will be conducted.

## HISTORICAL DATA FOR MUNICIPAL PRIMARY ELECTIONS

The following data sets and graphs include comparisons related to election information and voting method distributions (ballot categories).

|  | May 5, 2009 Primary | May 3, 2011 <br> Primary | May 7, 2013 <br> Primary |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Precincts | 293 | 292 | 181 |
| Registered Voters | 276,906 | 257,187 | 165,757 |
| Ballot Cast - Counted | 72,477 | 77,435 | 25,624 |
| Election Day | 28,620 | 25,865 | 16,660 |
| Absentee | 42,991 | 50,705 | 8,766 |
| Provisional | 866 | 810 | 154 |
| Post Absentee | Included in Absentee | 50 | 42 |
| Post Election Day | Included in Election Day | 5 | 2 |
| Voter Turnout | $26.17 \%$ | $30.11 \%$ | $15.46 \%$ |

## Voter Turn Out



|  | May 5, 2009 Primary | May 3, 2011 Primary | May 7, 2013 Primary |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Election Day | $39.49 \%$ | $33.40 \%$ | $65.02 \%$ |
| Absentee | $59.32 \%$ | $65.48 \%$ | $34.21 \%$ |
| Provisional | $1.19 \%$ | $1.05 \%$ | $0.60 \%$ |

Election Day Voting Trend


Absentee Voting Trend


## Provisional Voting Trend



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Absentee Data
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|  | May 5,2009 | May 3, 2011 | May 7, 2013 |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| TOTAL BALLOTS COUNTED | 72,477 | 77,435 | 25,624 |
| TOTAL ABSENTEE BALLOTS REQUESTED | 52,808 | 60,764 | 9,776 |
| TOTAL ABSENTEE BALLOTS RETURNED | 42,991 | 52,272 | 8,909 |
| TOTAL ABSENTEE BALLOTS COUNTED | 42,429 | 50,755 | 8,808 |
| TOTAL BALLOTS CHALLENGED | 572 | 1,970 | 170 |
| CHALLENGES CORRECTED | 10 | 453 | 69 |
| CHALLENGES NOT CORRECTED | 562 | 1,517 | 101 |
| ABSENTEE BALLOTS RETURNED LATE | Not Recorded | 608 | 60 |
| \% COUNTED of All Ballots Counted | $58.54 \%$ | $65.55 \%$ | $34.37 \%$ |
| \% RETURNED of Absentee Ballots Requested | $81.41 \%$ | $86.02 \%$ | $98.13 \%$ |
| \% COUNTED of Absentee Ballots Returned | $98.69 \%$ | $97.10 \%$ | $1.13 \%$ |
| \% CHALLENGED of VBM Ballots Returned | $1.31 \%$ | $2.90 \%$ | $0.46 \%$ |
| \% CHALLENGED Not Including Late | Not Recorded | $1.74 \%$ | $40.59 \%$ |
| \% CORRECTED of All Challenges | $1.75 \%$ | $22.99 \%$ | $62.73 \%$ |
| \% CORRECTED Not Including Late | Not Recorded | $33.26 \%$ | $0.67 \%$ |
| \% LATE of Absentee Ballots Returned | Not Recorded | $1.16 \%$ | $59.41 \%$ |
| \% LATE of All Remaining Challenges | Not Recorded | $40.08 \%$ |  |

## Challenge Rate



## Challenge Rate (Excluding Late)



May 5, 2009 Primary

May 3, 2011 Primary

May 7, 2013 Primary

Provisional Data

|  | May 5, 2009 Primary | May 3, 2011 Primary | May 7, 2013 Primary |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Provisional Ballots - CAST | 952 | 884 | 162 |
| Provisional Ballots - VALID | 866 | 810 | 154 |
| Provisional Ballots - REJECTED | 86 | 74 | 8 |
| Rejected - Absentee Voters | 26 | 22 | 1 |
| Rejected - Not Including Absentee Voters | 60 | 52 | 7 |
| Rejected - Not Registered | 17 | 20 | 5 |
| Rejected - Not Including Not Registered | 69 | 54 | 3 |
| Rejected - Not Including Not Registered or Absentee Voters | 43 | 32 | 2 |
| Rejected - WRONG LOCATION | 20 | 24 | 2 |
| \% Valid of All Provisional Ballots Cast | 90.97\% | 91.63\% | 95.06\% |
| \% Rejected of All Provisional Ballots Cast | 9.03\% | 8.37\% | 4.94\% |
| \% Rejected Not Including Absentee Voters | 6.48\% | 6.03\% | 4.35\% |
| \% Rejected Not Including Not Registered or Absentee Voters | 4.73\% | 3.80\% | 1.28\% |
| \% Wrong Location of All Provisional Ballots Cast | 2.10\% | 2.71\% | 1.23\% |

Rejection Rate


## Rejection Rate (Excluding Not Registered and Absentee Voters)



## Wrong Location Rejection Rate



