

City of Brisbane Agenda Report

TO: Mayor and City Council

FROM: Sheri Marie Spediacci, City Clerk

DATE: Meeting of December 8, 2015

SUBJECT: Certification of Results of General Municipal Election, November 3, 2015
to fill two Council seats for four-year terms

Recommendation:

Adopt Resolution No. 2015-44 adopting the County of San Mateo's Certification of Votes and Declaring Results to fill two Council seats at the General Municipal Election held on November 3, 2015

Background:

On June 18, 2015, the City Council called an election to submit to the voters the candidates to fill two City Council four-year terms.

Discussion:

The attached Resolution declares the results of the election that was held on November 3, 2015. Madison Davis and Terry O'Connell were elected to serve on the City Council through December, 2019.

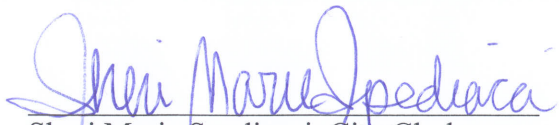
This election was an historic all-mailed ballot election in San Mateo County, a pilot program to determine if voter turnout would increase, costs would decrease, and efficiencies would be improved.

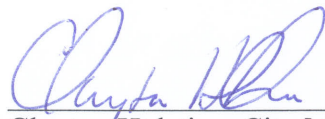
In Brisbane, this years voter turnout was 48.2%, compared to 2013 at 48.1%, 2011 at 41%, and 2009 at 37.8%. Overall in San Mateo County, there was a 15% increase in voter turnout in this election.

The County has indicated that cost savings were realized, although at this time the amount is not known.

While the election results county-wide were reported more quickly than in past years, for Brisbane, where we have only one precinct and results are available directly from that precinct immediately after the close of the polls, the preliminary results were not as timely.

A copy of a press release from Chief Elections Officer Mark Church is also attached. The City Clerks will meet with San Mateo County Elections Officials to go over problems and successes that each City experienced. A final report on the pilot program (election) will be submitted by the County of San Mateo to the State Legislature and the Secretary of State.


Sheri Marie Spediacci, City Clerk


Clayton Holstine, City Manager

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-44

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BRISBANE
ADOPTING COUNTY OF SAN MATEO CERTIFICATION OF VOTES
AND DECLARING RESULTS TO FILL TWO COUNCIL SEATS AT THE
GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION HELD ON NOVEMBER 3, 2015**

WHEREAS, a General Municipal Election was held in and throughout the City of Brisbane on the third day of November, 2015, to submit the candidates to fill two Council seats for four-year terms, to the qualified electors; and

WHEREAS, the City Clerk of said City has duly posted and presented to the City Council of the City of Brisbane the County of San Mateo's certification of the votes cast in said General Municipal Election; and

WHEREAS, said City Council has access to and has examined said certification of votes cast in said election.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Brisbane finds as follows:

1. The total number of votes cast was 1,171.
2. That the record of votes cast in said election is shown on Exhibit "A" of the Certificate of the Chief Elections Official, attached hereto, and by such reference made a part hereof.
3. That Madison Davis and Terry O'Connell were elected to fill the offices of Councilmember for a term ending in 2019 and the City Clerk is hereby directed to issue a Certificate of Election to the persons, certifying each person's election to the office appearing after his or her name, and to administer to the elected persons the oath of office prescribed by the Constitution of the laws of the State of California.

Terry O'Connell
Mayor

I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution No. 2015-44 was duly and regularly adopted by the City Council of the City of Brisbane, at a regular meeting held thereof on December 8, 2015, by the following vote:

AYES:
NOES:
ABSENT:

Sheri Marie Spediacci
City Clerk

CERTIFICATE OF THE CHIEF ELECTIONS OFFICER

In the Matter of the CANVASS OF VOTE CAST)
at the CONSOLIDATED MUNICIPAL, SCHOOL)
AND SPECIAL DISTRICT)
ALL-MAILED BALLOT ELECTION)
held on November 3, 2015)

I, **MARK CHURCH**, Chief Elections Officer of the County of San Mateo,
State of California hereby certify;

THAT an election was held within the boundaries of the CITY OF
BRISBANE on Tuesday, November 3, 2015 for the purpose of electing two (2)
Council Members for four (4) year terms; and I caused to have processed and
recorded the votes from the canvass of all ballots cast at said election within the
boundaries of the CITY OF BRISBANE.

I **HEREBY FURTHER CERTIFY** that the record of votes cast at said
election is set forth in Exhibit "A" attached hereto and incorporated herein by
reference as though fully set forth at length.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereunto affix my hand and seal this 24th day
of November, 2015, and file this date with the City Clerk of the CITY OF
BRISBANE.



MARK CHURCH
Chief Elections Officer &
Assessor-County Clerk-Recorder



13	CITY OF BRISBANE MEMBERS, CITY COUNCIL														
	Registration	Ballots Cast	Turnout (%)		CITY OF BRISBANE MEMBERS, Vote for 2 TOM HEINZ	ALVIN LOUIE	MADISON DAVIS	TUONGVAN DO	JAMEEL MUNIR	TERRY O'CONNELL					
5001	760	421	55.4		59	41	185	110	153	234					
5002	933	468	50.2		60	58	210	126	180	236					
5003	734	282	38.4		34	60	127	101	81	109					
Early Voting Totals	2,427	1	0.0		1	0	0	0	0	1					
Absentee Totals	2,427	1,032	42.5		144	143	449	284	365	521					
Election Day Totals	2,427	138	5.7		8	16	73	53	49	57					
Grand Totals	2,427	1,171	48.2		153	159	522	337	414	579					



MARK CHURCH

CHIEF ELECTIONS OFFICER & ASSESSOR-COUNTY CLERK-RECORDER

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PRESS RELEASE

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

November 24, 2015

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Historic All-Mailed Ballot Election Now Official

Results Certified for first Countywide Consolidated Municipal, School and Special District All-Mailed Ballot Election in the State

(Redwood City, CA) Today, Mark Church, Chief Elections Officer for the County of San Mateo, officially certified the election results for the November 3, 2015 Consolidated Municipal, School and Special District Election. It was the first such election in the history of the state to be conducted primarily by mail countywide.

The All-Mailed Ballot Election was authorized in San Mateo County as a pilot program by Assembly Bill 2028 (authored by Kevin Mullin). It allows up to three local elections, in which every voter will receive a ballot by mail.

“The All-Mailed Ballot Election was a complete success. The election resulted in increased voter turnout, decreased costs, improved efficiencies and early results on election night,” said Church. “We saw a turnout of 29.49% of the registered voters in San Mateo County, making it the highest turnout for a comparable election in over 20 years. More significantly, it reversed a downward trend in voter turnout here in the county and across the state.”

The election also saw the largest number of voters participating in over 20 years for a Local Consolidated Election. There were 14,000 more voters and a 15% increase in the number of voters participating when compared to the last Local Consolidated Election held in 2013.

More than 10,000 voters also checked the box on their return envelope to register to permanently vote by mail, increasing San Mateo County vote by mail voters to 60% of all registered voters.

A closer look at the turnout numbers showed that 102,721 of the 105,341 ballots cast were from Vote by Mail voters, 213 were early voters and 2,407 ballots were voted at the polls. Of the total votes cast, approximately 97.5% were cast by mail and 2.5% were cast at Voting Centers and Universal Polling Places.

The Chief Elections Officer officially certifies the results once the Canvass is completed in the 30 days following an election. During the Canvass, the Vote by Mail ballots and the paper and electronic ballots cast at the Voting Centers and the polls are added to the semi-official vote totals. After which, a one percent manual tally of the votes is conducted to confirm the accuracy of the election.

The official elections results, published in the *Statement of the Vote*, are posted on the San Mateo County Registration & Elections Division website, www.shapethefuture.org. These official election results provide a complete picture of the election with vote totals for candidates and measures that are broken down by precinct and the method in which the ballots were cast. The Precinct Report is also available online and lists the number of ballots cast and the percentage of turnout on a precinct-by-precinct basis. Anyone may review or download and print a complete copy of the election results at the San Mateo County Registration & Elections Division website, www.shapethefuture.org.

For more information, please contact the Registration & Elections Division at 650.312.5222.

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