

April 2, 2019

TO:

Mayor Jerry L. Demings

-AND-

County Commissioners

FROM:

Byron W. Brooks, AICP, County Administrator

SUBJECT:

Appointments to the Orange County Canvassing Board

DISCUSSION AGENDA ITEM APRIL 23, 2019

Supervisor of Elections Bill Cowles has requested the appointment of two Orange County Commissioners to serve on the Orange County Canvassing Board for the 2020 elections cycle (see attached letter). One of the Commissioners will serve as an alternate.

Accordingly, on April 23, 2019, the Board will be requested to appoint one Commissioner and one alternate Commissioner to the Orange County Canvassing Board to serve through the end of 2020.

Please call me if you have any questions.

Attachment

BWB/cjg

cc: Bill Cowles, Orange County Supervisor of Elections

BILL COWLES Supervisor of Elections Orange County, Florida



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Ensure the integrity of the electoral process. Enhance public confidence. Encourage citizen participation.

March 8, 2019

The Honorable Jerry L. Demings Orange County Mayor 201 S. Rosalind Avenue Orlando, FL 32801

Dear Mayor Demings,

It's hard to believe that one year from now will be the Florida Presidential Preference Primary Elections. In October, I will be hosting the statewide County Canvassing Board Workshop here in Orange County. It's already time for me to ask for you to appoint two members of the Board of County Commissioners to the 2020 Orange County Canvassing Board. Florida Election law, F.S. 102.141, requires that one of these be designated as the alternate. We have three countywide elections next year (Presidential Preference Primary, Primary and General). It would be helpful to address this issue now as it will be critical for the two appointees to begin blocking out the key dates for training, a county orientation meeting and the dates for each of the three elections in 2020.

I will be submitting a similar letter to Chief Judge Fred Lauten asking that he appoint a County Judge and an alternate County Judge to the Canvassing Board for next year.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely.

Bill Cowles

Supervisor of Elections

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cc: Board of County Commissioners
Byron Brooks, County Administrator
Randy Singh, Deputy County Administrator