

MEETING OF THE COMMISSIONERS

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November 24, 2021

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COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

LISA DEELEY, CHAIRWOMAN  
AL SCHMIDT, CITY COMMISSIONER  
DEVIN UQDAH, DEPUTY COMMISSIONER  
OMAR SABIR, COMMISSIONER

PRESENT:

NICK CUSTODIO, DEPUTY COMMISSIONER  
SETH BLUESTEIN

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COMMISSIONER DEELEY: Good  
afternoon. I call the November 24, 2021  
meeting of the Return Board for the 2021  
General and Special Election to order.

First, I will preserve the order  
and decorum of these meetings. Everyone  
in attendance should be on notice that  
shouting out or interrupting the  
proceedings will not be tolerated.

Those who violate this will be asked to  
leave. The Sunshine Act permits anyone  
attending a public meeting to object to  
a perceived violation at any time during  
the meeting. If you choose to do so,  
please succinctly state your objection.  
Objecting is not an opportunity for  
speechmaking.

We will now move to public comment.  
Commenters shall state where they live,  
or if they are not a resident of  
Philadelphia, that they are a  
Philadelphia taxpayer. Public comment  
is not an opportunity for dialogue, or Q

1 and A; it's public comment, a chance for  
2 you to tell us what you think. Each  
3 speaker shall have two minutes; however,  
4 I may extend this time at my discretion.  
5 All public comments must be relevant or  
6 germane to board business.

7 Finally, it is my responsibility to  
8 preserve the order and decorum of the  
9 meetings as such profane, slanderous,  
10 discriminatory, or personal attacks will  
11 not be tolerated.

12 Is there anyone here for public  
13 comment?

14 (No response.)

15 COMMISSIONER DEELEY: We will now  
16 move to Deputy Commissioner Uqdah for  
17 emailed public comment.

18 COMMISSIONER UQDAH: There were no  
19 emailed public comments.

20 COMMISSIONER DEELEY: All right.  
21 So we will now move to the signing of  
22 the certification. We will now sign the  
23 certification of election for  
24 Commonwealth Court.

1           Commissioner Schmidt, do you have  
2 any items to be added to the agenda?

3           COMMISSIONER SCHMIDT: I do not.

4           COMMISSIONER DEELEY: Deputy  
5 Commissioner Uqdah, do you have any  
6 items to be added to the agenda?

7           COMMISSIONER UQDAH: Commissioner  
8 Sabir just wanted me to just thank the  
9 staff for all our hard work. And other  
10 than that, no.

11          COMMISSIONER DEELEY: Thank you.

12          With no items remaining on the  
13 agenda, this meeting is adjourned to the  
14 call of the Chair. Thank you. I would  
15 like to take this opportunity to thank  
16 everybody here and our staff for all the  
17 work that they did, again, in a  
18 challenging election, and I wish  
19 everybody a happy and blessed  
20 Thanksgiving with their family and their  
21 friends, and no election talk at  
22 Thanksgiving dinner.

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1 concluded at 12:47 p.m.)

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C E R T I F I C A T I O N

I hereby certify that the proceedings and evidence noted are contained fully and accurately in the stenographic notes taken by me in the foregoing matter, and that this is a correct transcript of the same.

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Court Reporter-Notary Public

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