

Minutes of the Special Council meeting held on November 14, 1977 in the Avondale City Hall Council Chambers at 7:30 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Vice-Mayor Riefkohl and Councilmembers: David V. Sausedo
A. B. Sernas
Walter L. Crane
Lon Montgomery

MEMBERS ABSENT

Mayor Dessie Lorenz
Councilman Bruce Lundmark

ALSO PRESENT

City Manager Carlos V. Palma
City Attorney Frank L. Ross

PURPOSE OF THE MEETING

The purpose of the meeting was to canvass the votes of the Election held on November 8, 1977. The City Attorney read the results as submitted. They are as follows:

Total Number of ballots cast	763
Total number rejected	12

The number of votes cast for each person for the several offices is as follows:

MAYOR

Lorenz, Dessie, M.	371
Wilt, Gerald (Jerry)	265
Young, Willie L. Sr.	75

COUNCIL

Crane, Walter	435
Davis, Ed	197
Lantz Harry L.	401
Madden, Pricilla	277
Ramos, Esiquiel	310
Riefkohl, Lowell	451

The City Attorney informed the Council that they must move to accept the results. The City Manager then informed the Council that three (3) individuals were elected for the Council. They are Walter Crane, Harry L. Lantz, and Lowell Riefkohl. These three candidates received 50 percent plus one of all votes cast. He further stated that for the

office of Mayor since no candidate received a majority of votes cast a run-off on December 13th will be required for this office in order to determine a winner. Councilman Sausedo then moved to accept the results of the Primary Election as submitted. Councilman Sernas seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Councilman Sausedo asked if anyone had contested the election. Mr. Palma stated no. He continued by informing the Council that interested parties have five (5) days to contest the election. Councilman Sausedo asked if Mr. Wilt had contested the election. Mr. Palma stated no, however, Mr. Young did ask for some information for a recount. Mr. Palma further stated that he had advised Mr. Young that he could get a recount, but he would have to pay for all expenses in making the recount. The City Attorney then advised Mr. Palma that Mr. Young cannot have a recount as you must have one (1) tenth of one (1%) percent of the votes before a recount is required.

Councilman Sausedo asked about the certificate of nomination. Mr. Palma informed the Council that the effective date of those elected will be the first business day of January. Councilman Sausedo stated he was referring to the issuance of the certificate. He asked when are the certificates issued to the elected officials? The City Attorney stated that they should be issued right away. Councilman Sausedo stated that the only reason he was inquiring about this is that at the time he was elected he was not issued a certificate of nomination and this was one of the reasons he was challenged. Councilman Montgomery stated that he received his certificate of nomination before he was sworn into office. The City Attorney then stated that certificates should be made available as soon as possible.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Council, Councilman Sausedo moved to adjourn. Councilman Crane seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.


Vice-Mayor Riefkohl


City Clerk