

OFFICE OF THE CLERK AND RECORDER  
ELECTIONS DIVISION

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Michael J. Scarpello, Director



Stephanie Y. O'Malley  
Clerk and Recorder  
Public Trustee

City and County of Denver  
Office of the Clerk and Recorder  
Public Forum  
Parr-Widener Community Room, City & County Building  
1437 Bannock Street, Room 389  
Tuesday, July 22, 2008  
5:30 p.m.

ATTENDEES: Stephanie Y. O'Malley, Clerk & Recorder  
Michael Scarpello, Director of Elections  
Carol Tone, League of Women Voters  
Dan Willis, Denver Democrats  
Stella Madrid, ACCESO  
Andrea Skeen, League of Women Voters  
Jean Grattet, League of Women Voters  
Faith Gross, The Legal Center  
Kirpal Singh, America Votes  
Ed Neuberg, Denver Office of Disability Rights

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:

Helen Gonzales, Deputy Clerk & Recorder  
Amber McReynolds, Deputy Director of Elections  
Nancy Reubert, Communications Director  
Alton Dillard, Media and Public Relations Specialist  
Tina Romero, Community Partnership Specialist  
Lisa Stubbs, Administrative Services Coordinator

I. CALL TO ORDER

Stephanie O'Malley called the meeting to order at 5:30pm and reminded everyone that the purpose of the Public Forum is to provide monthly updates on the ongoing functions of the Office of the Clerk & Recorder (CR).

- A. Approval of Minutes – With no need for modifications, O'Malley affixed her signature to the Public Forum Meeting Minutes of June 24, 2008.
- B. Clerk's Office, Public Trustee, Recording Reports – Reviewed by O'Malley.
  1. Report on the numbers for the Clerk's Office.

## II. ELECTIONS DIVISION DEPARTMENTAL UPDATES- Reviewed by Michael Scarpello.

- All election equipment has been received and is working.
- The Primary Election is August 12<sup>th</sup>.
- 82,000 people have applied to receive a mail-in ballot.
- 13 early voting sites – not precinct assigned.
- 186 precincts assigned polling places on Election Day.
- 1,700 poll workers have been recruited.
- Training program for all poll workers is being conducted at the Elections Division office.
  - Question from Faith Gross, The Legal Center - Will all voters be able to use the touch screen voting machine?
  - Answer from Scarpello- Any voter who requests to use the machine will be able to.
  - Question from Dan Willis, Denver Democrats- Will there be a central check-in location for places that have more than one precinct?
  - Answer from Scarpello- Yes, there will be one book for locations having more than one precinct. The check-in tables will be segmented up by last name.

## III. COMMUNICATIONS DIVISION UPDATE – Reviewed by Nancy Reubert.

- Update on Public Education Campaign efforts.
- Denver Elections Division website is being updated continuously.
- A personalized look-up feature will be added to website for voters to find their polling location, including a link to Google Maps.
- List of early voting sites is available on the website as well as sample ballots.
- Wednesday July 23<sup>rd</sup>, 311 will be the front line for receiving calls and answering questions for the vote line. Calls that cannot be addressed by 311 will be transferred to the Elections Division phone bank.
- A Spanish language ad ran for three weeks explaining how to register to vote.
- The Elections Division will be having an Open House August 1<sup>st</sup> from 2pm-4pm.
- ACCESO- Reviewed by Stella Madrid, chair of the board: The board has been re-established and it serves as a liaison between the Spanish language community of Denver and the Elections Division. On June 14<sup>th</sup> ACCESO held a press conference regarding a Proclamation to be approved by City Council later that evening. Currently, ACCESO is working on recruiting poll workers for the election, and planning for a community forum to be held in the near future. ACCESO is also working to increase its membership.

IV. ANNOUNCEMENTS AND COMMENTS BY CLERK AND RECORDER, STAFF, AND GUESTS

- Alton Dillard- review of FAQs.
- Voters must request to receive a mail-in ballot.
- Early Voting starts August 4<sup>th</sup> thru August 8<sup>th</sup> from 11 am to 7pm.
- The polls will be open on Election Day from 7am to 7pm.
- In order to increase the speed of tabulating the results there will be a mid-day pick-up. Counting will then occur as soon as the ballots arrive at our central location.

V. MOTION FOR ADJOURNMENT AND/OR EXECUTIVE SESSION – O’Malley adjourned the meeting at 6:24pm.

**The Public Forum was televised by Denver 8 TV. To view the July 22, 2008 Forum in its entirety, visit: [www.DenverGov.org/Denver8Online](http://www.DenverGov.org/Denver8Online).**

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**Stephanie Y. O’Malley, Clerk & Recorder**

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**Date**