# MIAMIBEACH

# CITY OF MIAMI BEACH NOVEMBER 2, 2021 GENERAL/SPECIAL ELECTIONS NOVEMBER 16, 2021 RUN-OFF ELECTION (IF NECESSARY)

# CANVASSING BOARD MEETING

October 7, 2021 at 9:30 a.m.

Miami Beach City Hall 1700 Convention Center Drive, Fourth Floor City Manager's Large Conference Room Miami Beach, Florida 33139

# **Canvassing Board Members**

Honorable Raul Cuervo, County Judge Rafael E. Granado, City Clerk Judy Hoanshelt, Qualified Elector

# **Substitute and Alternate Members**

Honorable Lizzet Martinez, County Judge Farosha Andasheva, Qualified Elector

# **Staff to Canvassing Board**

Jean Olin, Esq., Outside Counsel Regis Barbou, Executive Office Associate II

## **AGENDA**

- 1. Welcome
- 2. Call meeting to order
- 3. Designation of Chairperson
- 4. Orientation
- 5. Review Canvassing Board Schedule
- 6. Establish criteria for acceptance of Vote-by-Mail ballots and designate Canvassing Board member(s) to act on behalf of the Board, if necessary
- 7. Review State Rule IS-2.027 Standards for Determining Voter's Choice on a ballot (See Exhibit A)
- 8. Open the meeting for public comment
- 9. Adjourn the meeting

# **EXHIBIT A**

# 1S-2.027 Standards for Determining Voter's Choice on a Ballot.

- (1) Application. The standards in this rule apply to determine whether the voter has clearly indicated a definite choice for purposes of counting a vote cast on a ballot in a manual recount as provided specifically by Section 102.166 F.S.
  - (2) Direct recording electronic voting system.
- (a) A vote cast on this voting system is valid for a particular candidate, issue choice, or judicial retention choice when the voter marks the ballot electronically as specified in the ballot instructions.
- (b) A vote cast on this voting system is valid for a particular write-in candidate when the voter types on the touch screen the name of a write-in candidate in accordance with the ballot instructions.
  - (3) Optical scan voting system.
- (a) A vote cast on this voting system is valid for a particular candidate, issue choice, or judicial retention choice when the voter marks the ballot as specified in the ballot instructions.
- (b) A vote cast on this voting system is valid for a particular write-in candidate when the voter writes in the name of a candidate in the designated write-in space and fills in the oval or arrow next to the write-in candidate's name.
  - (4) Manual review and tabulation.
- (a) The standards under this subsection apply in all instances where a contest is not marked as specified in the ballot instructions under subsection (2) or (3) and a manual review of the voter's markings on a ballot is required to determine whether there is a clear indication that the voter has made a definite choice in a contest.
- (b) The canvassing board must first look at the entire ballot for consistency. Then the provisions of paragraph (c) apply to determine whether the voter has made a definite choice in a contest, provided the voter has not marked any other contest on the ballot, or if the voter has marked other contests, he or she has marked them in the same manner, subject to the exceptions in subparagraphs 7., 10., and 15. The following are examples of valid votes after review for consistency:

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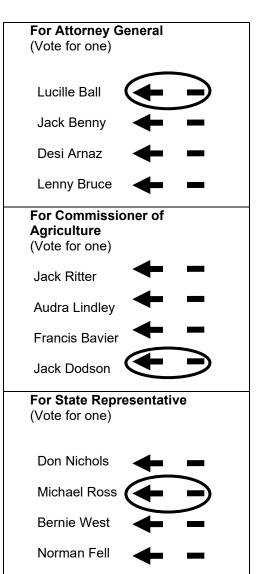
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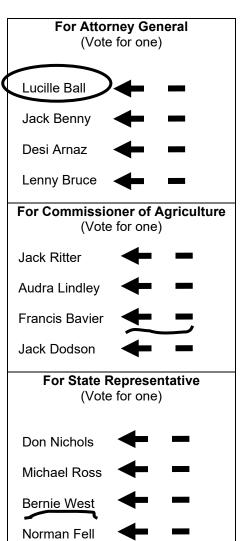
Norman Fell

Ballot Situation 1: Recount in race of State Representative. The two ovals in the first two races are filled in properly, but the voter has circled the candidate's name in the state representative race.

Since the voter did not mark the state representative race in the same manner as in the other races, it cannot be determined whether the voter has clearly indicated a definite choice for Don Nichols.



Ballot Situation 2: Recount in race of State Representative. All races on this ballot are marked in the same manner. Since the ballot is consistently marked as in paragraph (c), the vote cast for Michael Ross in the state representative race is a valid vote.



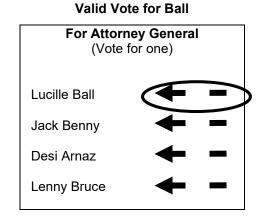
Ballot Situation 3: Recount in State Representative race. Each race is marked differently so that no consistency in marking exists. It cannot be determined which marking, if any, is clearly indicative of the voter's choice. Therefore, the vote cast for Bernie West is not valid.

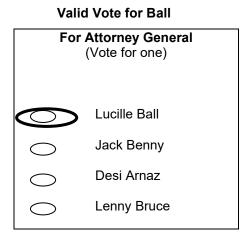
- (c) Subject to the provisions of paragraph (b), the following marks constitute a valid vote as indicated for a particular candidate, issue choice, or judicial retention choice:
- 1. The voter circles or underlines either the oval, or arrow next to a candidate's name, issue choice, or judicial retention choice.

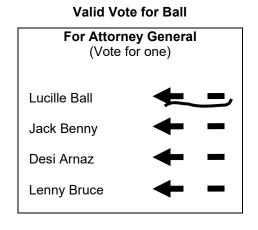
Valid Vote for Ball

For Attorney General
(Vote for one)

Lucille Ball
Jack Benny
Desi Arnaz
Lenny Bruce



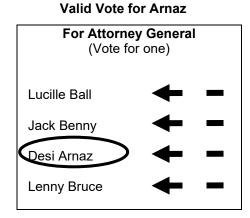




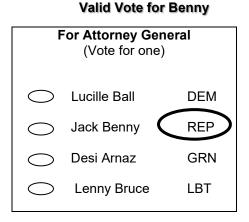
2. The voter circles or underlines the name of a candidate, issue choice, or judicial retention choice.

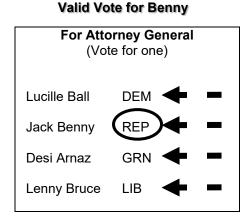
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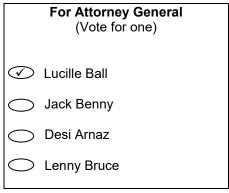
3. The voter circles or underlines the party abbreviation associated with a candidate's name.



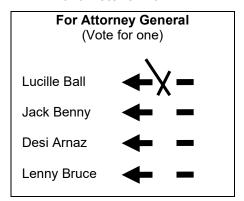


4. The voter marks an "X," a check mark, a cross, a plus sign, an asterisk or a star, any portion of which is contained in a single oval or within the blank space between the head and tail of a single arrow. The marking must not enter into another oval or the space between the head and tail of another arrow.

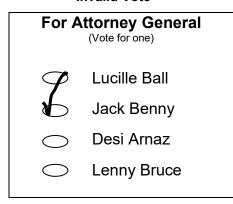
# Valid Vote for Ball

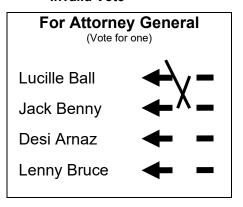


### Valid Vote for Ball



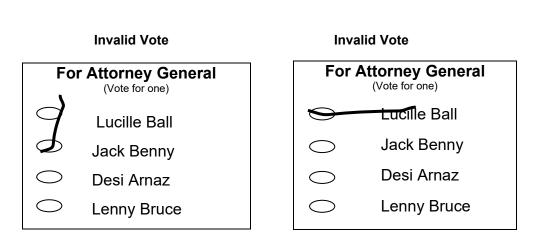
# **Invalid Vote**





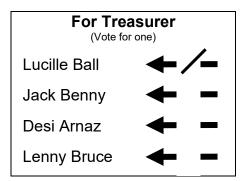
5. The voter draws a diagonal, horizontal, or vertical line, any portion of which intersects two points on the oval and which does not intersect another oval at any two points. If it is a horizontal line, the line must not strike through the name of the candidate.

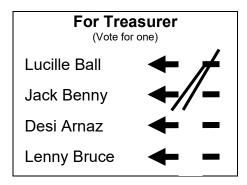
# Valid Vote for Ball For Attorney General (Vote for one) Lucille Ball Jack Benny Desi Arnaz Lenny Bruce Valid Vote for Ball For Attorney General (Vote for one) Jack Benny Desi Arnaz Lenny Bruce



6. The voter draws a diagonal or vertical line that intersects an imaginary line extending from the center of the head of a single arrow to the center of the tail of the same arrow, provided the diagonal or vertical line does not intersect the imaginary line joining the head and tail of another arrow.

# Valid Vote for Ball



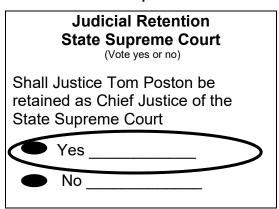


7. The voter marks all the choices for a race but further clarifies a choice for a particular candidate, issue choice or judicial retention choice by placing an additional mark or marks showing support solely for that particular candidate, issue or judicial retention choice.

# For Commissioner of Education (Vote for one) Lucille Ball Jack Benny Desi Arnaz Lenny Bruce

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# Valid Vote to Keep Justice in Office



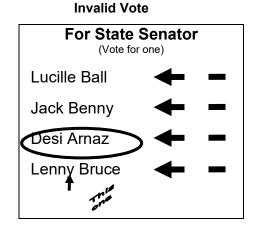
8. The voter strikes through all the choices for candidates, issue, or judicial retention except for one and also leaves the write-in candidate space blank.

# Valid Vote for Bruce

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	Lenny Bruce
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	Write-In

9. The voter writes words such as "Vote for [candidate's name]," "Count this vote" or "Vote no on amendment or referendum," or "I want this one," provided there are no other markings in the race that would constitute a valid vote for a different candidate, issue choice, or judicial retention choice pursuant to rule.

# For State Senator (Vote for one) Lucille Ball Jack Benny Desi Arnaz Lenny Bruce

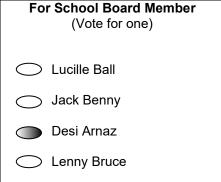


# Valid "No" vote

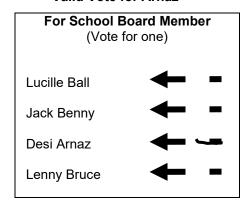
Proposed Constitutional Amendment No. 1 Article, section (Popular Name)					
An amendment to limit the increase in the assessed value of a taxpayer's real property after a countywide reappraisal and to require a property tax credit.					
	YES	Proposed Constitutional Amendment No. 1			
$\bigcirc$	NO	Proposed Constitutional Amendment No. 1			

10. The voter fills in the majority of an oval, or the majority of the distance between the head and the tail of an arrow designating a particular candidate, issue choice, or judicial retention choice, regardless of how other races on the ballot are marked.

# Valid Vote for Arnaz



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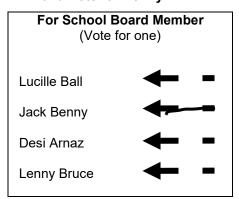


11. If a voter marks fewer candidates than there are positions to be elected for those offices, then the votes for all of those marked candidates shall count. For example, if the voter is allowed to vote for 5 candidates in a special district election ("Vote for 5") and the voter marks 2 candidates, the votes for those two marked candidates shall count.

### Valid Votes for Arnaz and Bruce

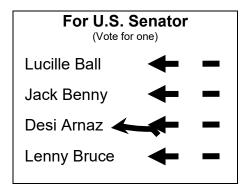


### Valid Vote for Benny

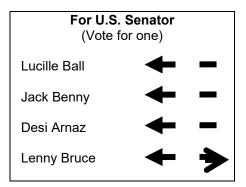


12. The voter draws an arrow from the arrow head to a particular candidate, issue choice or judicial retention choice or draws an arrow head on the tail end of the arrow in lieu of filling in the void between the arrow head and the tail for the particular candidate, issue choice or judicial retention choice.

### **Valid Vote for Arnaz**

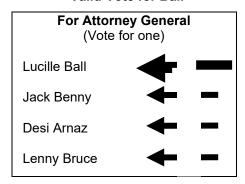


### Valid Vote for Bruce



13. The voter darkens or bolds the arrowhead and the arrow tail but does not fill in the void between the arrowhead and the tail.

# Valid Vote for Ball

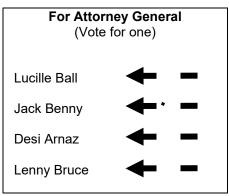


14. The voter punches the oval or the void between the arrowhead and tail.

## Valid Vote for Ball

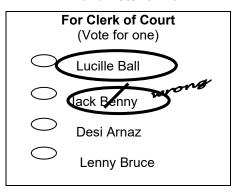
# For Attorney General (Vote for one) Lucille Ball Jack Benny Desi Arnaz Lenny Bruce

# **Valid Vote for Benny**

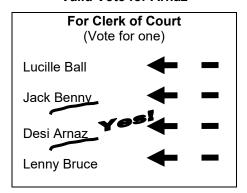


15. The voter marks two or more choices similarly in one of the ways indicated in paragraphs 1.-14. and additionally writes in comments such as "not this," "ignore this," "don't want," or "wrong," or "Vote for [candidate's name]" such that voter's definite choice is clearly indicated.

Valid Vote for Ball



# **Valid Vote for Arnaz**



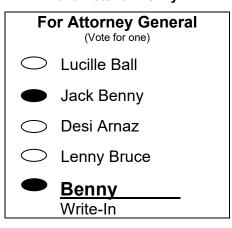
- (5) Write-in Voting.
- (a) A voter is determined to have made a definite choice for a write-in vote for the joint office of President/Vice-President if the voter writes in either the last name of the candidate for President or the last name of the candidate for Vice-President. This standard similarly applies to constitute a valid write-in vote for the joint office of Governor/Lieutenant Governor if the voter writes in either the last name of the candidate for Governor or the last name of the candidate for Lieutenant Governor.

Valid Vote for Joint Qualified Write-in President and Vice President Candidates, Lenny Bruce and Sally Marr

For President/Vice President (Vote for one)			
	Lucille Ball Buster Keaton		
0	Jack Benny Don Wilson		
0	Desi Arnaz Xavier Cugat		
0	Lenny Bruce Sally Marr		
$\circ$	<u>Marr</u> Write-In		

(b) A voter is determined to have made a definite choice for a named candidate if the voter indicates a vote for a candidate named on the ballot and also writes-in the name of that same candidate in the blank space for 'write-in candidate'.

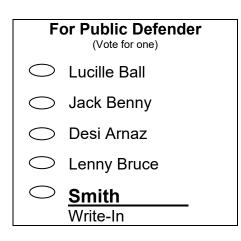
# **Valid Vote for Benny**

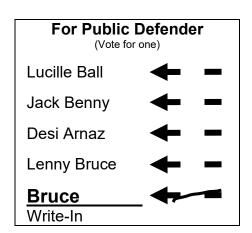


(c) A voter is determined to have made a definite choice for a particular candidate if the voter either writes in the name of a qualified write-in candidate or the name of a candidate who is named on the ballot in that race, whether or not the oval or arrow designating the selection of a write-in candidate has been marked.

# Valid Vote for Smith, if Smith is a qualified write-in candidate

# **Valid Vote for Bruce**

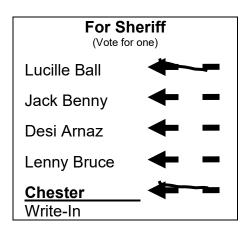




- (d) If a voter abbreviates, misspells or varies the form of the name of a candidate in the write-in candidate space, it shall not affect the determination of whether the voter has made a definite choice.
- (e) If a voter indicates a vote for a candidate named on the ballot and also writes in a name of a different person in the write-in candidate space, it shall be considered an overvote and none of the votes are valid for that race.

# **Invalid Vote**

# For Sheriff (Vote for one) Lucille Ball Jack Benny Desi Arnaz Lenny Bruce GOOFY Write-In



(6) Overvotes. Except as otherwise provided in subsections (4) and (5), if the voter marks more choices than there are positions or choices for that office or issue, it shall be considered an overvote and none of the votes are valid for that race.

**Invalid Vote** 

- (7) Valid Vote.
- (a) A vote shall not count for any particular candidate, issue choice, or judicial retention choice at issue unless determined to be a valid vote pursuant to this rule.
- (b) If a voter does not mark a candidate, judicial retention choice, or issue choice in a contest, the valid votes for other candidates or issues on the same ballot shall still be counted. Specific Authority 20.10(3), 97.021, 102.166(4) FS. Law Implemented 101.5614(5), 102.166(4) FS. History–New 6-6-02, Amended 10-6-08.

# MUNICIPAL CANVASSING BOARD SCHEDULE NOVEMBER 2, 2021 MIAMI BEACH GENERAL AND SPECIAL ELECTIONS

The City of Miami Beach Canvassing Board will convene at the Office of the Supervisor of Elections, 2700 NW 87th Avenue, Miami, Florida 33172. The Canvassing Board is convening on these dates for the November 2, 2021 Miami Beach General and Special Elections. For updated Canvassing Board schedule information, visit @ MDCElections or iamelectionready.org.

DATE/TIME	ACTIVITY	ATTENDANCE
Wednesday, October 13, 2021 10:00 a.m.	<ol> <li>Logic and Accuracy Test of the touch screen and optical scan voting system to be used for vote-by-mail, early voting, and precinct ballots</li> </ol>	Rafael E. Granado
Friday, October 29, 2021 through Thursday, November 4, 2021 8:30 a.m. to 9:00 a.m.	Public inspection of vote-by-mail ballots (as requested)	
Monday, November 1, 2021 commencing at 1:00 p.m. to completion	<ol> <li>Pre-count Logic and Accuracy Test of the optical scan voting system to be used for vote-by-mail and provisional ballots</li> <li>Approval to commence vote-by-mail ballot opening, processing, and duplication</li> </ol>	All Canvassing Board Members  County Ct. Judge Raul Cuervo Judy Hoanshelt, Qualified Elector
	<ul><li>3. Vote-by-mail ballot opening and processing (as needed)</li><li>4. Canvassing of presumed invalid vote-by-mail ballots (as needed)</li></ul>	Rafael E. Granado
	Duplication of ballots (as needed)	
Tuesday, November 2, 2021 commencing at 5:00 p.m. to completion	<ol> <li>Canvassing of presumed invalid vote-by-mail ballots (as needed)</li> <li>Duplication of ballots (as needed)</li> </ol>	All Canvassing Board Members
Commencing at 7:00 p.m. to Completion	3. Tabulation of results 4. <u>Unofficial</u> results	County Ct. Judge Raul Cuervo Judy Hoanshelt, Qualified Elector Rafael E. Granado
Thursday, November 4, 2021 commencing at 5:00 p.m. to completion	<ol> <li>Canvassing of vote-by-mail and provisional ballots (as needed)</li> <li>Certification of <u>official</u> results including vote-</li> </ol>	All Canvassing Board Members
Completion	by-mail and provisional ballots 3. Post-count Logic and Accuracy Test of the optical scan system used for vote-by-mail and provisional ballots	County Ct. Judge Raul Cuervo Judy Hoanshelt, Qualified Elector Rafael E. Granado
	Race and precinct(s) selection for manual post-election audit	
Monday, November 8, 2021 commencing at 10:00 a.m. to completion	Audit process starts to completion	All Canvassing Board Members or a majority
·		County Ct. Judge Raul Cuervo Judy Hoanshelt, Qualified Elector Rafael E. Granado, City Clerk

# MUNICIPAL CANVASSING BOARD SCHEDULE NOVEMBER 16, 2021 MIAMI BEACH RUN-OFF ELECTION

The City of Miami Beach Canvassing Board will convene at the Office of the Supervisor of Elections, 2700 NW 87th Avenue, Miami, Florida 33172. The Canvassing Board is convening on these dates for the November 16, 2021 Miami Beach Run-Off Election. For updated Canvassing Board schedule information, visit @ MDCElections or iamelectionready.org.

DATE/TIME	ACTIVITY	ATTENDANCE
Wednesday, November 10, 2021 2:00 p.m.	Logic and Accuracy Test of the touch screen and optical scan voting system to be used for vote-by-mail, early voting and precinct ballots	Rafael E. Granado
Friday, November 12, 2021 through Friday, November 19, 2021 8:30 a.m. to 9:00 a.m.	Public inspection of vote-by-mail ballots (as requested)	
Monday, November 15, 2021 commencing at 2:00 p.m. to completion	Pre-count Logic and Accuracy Test of the optical scan voting system to be used for vote-by-mail and provisional ballots	All Canvassing Board Members
	<ol> <li>Approval to commence vote-by-mail ballot opening, processing, and duplication</li> <li>Vote-by-mail ballot opening and processing (as needed)</li> </ol>	County Ct. Judge Raul Cuervo Judy Hoanshelt, Qualified Elector Rafael E. Granado, City Clerk
	<ul> <li>4. Canvassing of presumed invalid vote-by-mail ballots (as needed)</li> <li>5. Duplication of ballots (as needed)</li> </ul>	
Tuesday, November 16, 2021 commencing at 5:00 p.m. to completion	<ol> <li>Canvassing of presumed invalid vote-by-mail ballots (as needed)</li> <li>Duplication of ballots (as needed)</li> </ol>	All Canvassing Board Members
Commencing at 7:00 p.m. to completion	Tabulation of results <u>Unofficial</u> results	County Ct. Judge Raul Cuervo Judy Hoanshelt, Qualified Elector Rafael E. Granado, City Clerk
Friday, November 19, 2021 commencing at 10:00 a.m. to completion	<ol> <li>Canvassing of vote-by-mail and provisional ballots (as needed)</li> <li>Certification of <u>official</u> results including</li> </ol>	All Canvassing Board Members
Completion	vote-by-mail and provisional ballots  3. Post-count Logic and Accuracy Test of the optical scan system used for vote-by-mail and provisional ballots  4. Race and precinct(s) selection for manual post-election audit	County Ct. Judge Raul Cuervo Judy Hoanshelt, Qualified Elector Rafael E. Granado, City Clerk
Monday, November 22, 2021 commencing at 10:00 a.m. to completion	Audit process starts to completion	All Canvassing Board Members or a majority
		County Ct. Judge Raul Cuervo Judy Hoanshelt, Qualified Elector Rafael E. Granado, City Clerk