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Agenda Item #23 Comments

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Hello,

Here are some comments about Agenda Item #23.

Thanks,

Don & Pat Hayles BoS District 5

Date: 5-5-2025

Agenda Item #23. Elections Operations Report (UNFINISHED BUSINESS -- 4/1/25).

This presentation fails to address are the increasing centralization of the voting infrastructure coupled with increasing reliance on technology vendors and their products. Both of these severely curtail transparency in the voting process, something which is crucial to maintaining voter confidence in fair outcomes. Convenience and cost savings are both nice (although the latter has been debated), but neither of them justify a sacrifice in transparency in our voting system.

Recommended action: Return to a one-day, one-ballot precinct-level voting structure for the sake of transparency.

