



MEMORANDUM

Date: November 21, 2024

To: The Honorable Chair and Members
Pima County Board of Supervisors

From: Jan Leshner 
County Administrator

Re: **General Election November 5, 2024 Canvass Report**

Attached please find a report from Elections Director Constance Hargrove that summarizes key issues related to the November 5, 2024 General Election and highlights elements for your review prior to consideration of approval of the canvass on November 21, 2024.

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Attachment

c: Carmine DeBonis, Jr., Deputy County Administrator
Francisco García, MD, MPH, Deputy County Administrator & Chief Medical Officer
Steve Holmes, Deputy County Administrator
Constance Hargrove, Director, Elections Department

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Date: November 20, 2024

TO: The Honorable Chair and Members
Pima County Board of Supervisors

FROM: Constance L. Hargrove *CLH*
Elections Director

RE: November 5, 2024 General Election Canvass Report

I present the results of the November 5, 2024 General Election for your approval.

I certify that all voting equipment went through logic and accuracy testing before tabulating any ballots. The equipment went through a total of three tests. We conducted an in-house logic and accuracy test. The Republican and Democratic parties participated in a logic and accuracy test where they marked the ballots and created a test script to verify the results. The Secretary of State conducted the final test on October 7, 2024. The Democratic and Republican party representatives observed the Secretary of State's logic and accuracy test. The certifications for all tests are included in the canvass document.

The Elections Department also conducted a hand count audit on November 9, 2024. The results of the audit were within the acceptable range specified by the Secretary of State. The hand count audit results are also included in the canvass document.

Early Ballots

The Recorder's office issued 542,172 early ballots, of which the elections department received and processed 442,409 ballots. We began receiving and processing early ballots on October 16. Political party representatives were present in each area as we processed early ballots.

The office tracked affidavit envelopes received and cards processed for early ballots to ensure all ballots were processed. The election management system only counts the first card as a cast ballot. Card two is not reflected in the total number of ballots cast. The total number of ballots cast can be less than the total affidavits received if the voter only returned card two. The "Early Ballots Processed" spreadsheet [early ballots processed 2024 GENERAL.xlsx](#) provides a detailed accounting of early ballots received and processed.

The **total cards to count** column is the total cards removed from the affidavit envelopes and are ready to go to tabulation. The **total counted** represents the cards received for tabulation and were counted. The **tray 1 duplication column** represents ballots the scanner could not read that require duplication. The tray 1 duplication cards get added back into the count. The total cards to count minus the tray 1 duplication should equal the total counted.

Vote Centers

All vote centers opened on time and were ready to receive voters. Vote centers did not experience any disruption to voting, resulting in any voter being unable to cast a ballot. Vote centers were busy throughout election day. Some vote centers still had voters in line at 7:00 pm. The vote centers allowed all voters in line to cast their ballots. Eight vote centers arrived at the receiving station after

midnight because of lines and the number of ballots cast in the vote center. Our Lady of Fatima arrived at the receiving station at 12:43 am. All ballots were received and secured in the central counting center on election day.

Election Results

The canvass includes a summary report of the election results and a detailed precinct report of the results. There has been some confusion in terminology because of the two-card ballot. Ballots and cards are not the same and cannot be used interchangeably. The Elections Department tracked the number of cards throughout the election cycle. The summary results and the detailed precinct reports refer to ballots cast. The number of cards is not equal to the number of ballots cast, and the number of cards is not divisible by two.

The voting equipment only recognizes the first card when registering ballots cast. The voting equipment also recognizes Federal Only ballots and ExpressVote ballots as ballots cast. However, the voting equipment does not recognize card 2 as a ballot cast.

The voting equipment counts the votes for both card 1 and card 2, even though card 2 does not change the ballots cast total.

Reports to Review:

- Early Ballots Processed Report – Pages 14 and 15
 - The report provides the total number of ballots issued, returned, and turned over to the Elections Department. The ballots turned over to the Elections Department should match the total affidavits received on the “Early Ballots Processed” spreadsheet. The report also has a summary of the ballot curing results.
- Provisional Ballot Report – Page 77
 - The report shows provisional and conditional ballots and their resolutions. The total number of provisionals accepted reflects the ballots to be counted. The provisional ballots processed spreadsheet [prov ballots processed 2024 GENERAL.xlsx](#) provides details from the Elections Department.
- Ballots Processed Report – Page 78
 - Provides a summary of the ballots received and processed by the Elections Department.
- Election Summary Report – Pages 150-173
 - The summary report provides a summary of all votes cast for all candidates and propositions.
- Statement of Votes Cast – Pages 174 – 2795
 - Precinct summary of all votes casts for all candidates and propositions.