



BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AGENDA ITEM REPORT

Requested Board Meeting Date: March 15, 2016

Title: Designation of polling places for May 17, 2016 Special Statewide Election

Introduction/Background:

Arizona Revised Statutes 16-411 requires the Board of Supervisors, in advance of Election Day, to designate polling places for a special election, and allows for adjacent precincts to be combined within an election district.

Discussion:

A special election will be conducted in the State of Arizona on May 17, 2016 to propose two amendments to the State Constitution. This election is to be conducted in the manner of the Presidential Preference Election in regard to the establishment of polling places. For the March 22, 2016 Presidential Preference Election Pima County was required by statute to reduce the number of general election polling places by half. On February 16, 2016 the Board established 124 polling places for the March 22 Presidential Preference Election. For the May 17 election the Board will once again be asked to establish 124 polling places. To minimize voter confusion the polling places established for the March 22 Presidential Preference Election will be used, subject to availability, for the May 17 election.

Polling place locations will be included in the sample ballots mailed to voter households in advance of Election Day.

Conclusion:

Since the proposed polling locations will be used in the March 22, 2016 Presidential Preference Election, these same polling locations are proposed for the May 17, 2016 Special Statewide Election to minimize voter confusion.

Recommendation:

Recommend the designation of polling places for the May 17, 2016 Special Statewide Election as proposed.

Fiscal Impact:

None.

Board of Supervisor District:

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