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From: KARYN ROSS <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Monday, February 14, 2022 4:13 PM
To: COB_mail
Subject: Proposed Changes to Voting Centers

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Please read my comments into the official record. Voting Centers cause confusion on where to go, and it will force voters to put their health and safety at risk by standing in long lines and in crowded unsafe conditions. Voting Centers disenfranchise all in-person voters but hurts minority and low-income voters the most. These groups often have limited transportation options, and less time or flexibility to vote. There are many problems with E-Pollbooks: they're connected to the internet, have no uniform standards and are easily hackable. E-Pollbooks have contributed to chaos in multiple states with their malfunctions, which has caused excessive delays, preventing people from voting. Voting Centers and E-Pollbooks separately or together equal the definition of Voter Suppression.

Thank you,
Karyn Ross

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Corrie Cotugno

From: Sarah Ramsey <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Monday, February 14, 2022 4:30 PM
To: COB_mail
Subject: Voter Confidence is at Stake - No to Reducing Voting Locations.

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“This Comment is requested to be read into the RECORD at your next Pima County Board of Supervisors Meeting”

Dear Board of Supervisors:

I have 20 years experience working in the polls during various kinds of Elections. In 2020 I was an Inspector for the Primary and General Elections in Pima County. I am very concerned about the Pima County Elections Department's and Recorder's Office's proposal to implement Voting Centers, Electronic Pollbooks and Ballot Printers starting July 6, 2022.

Our Mission as Election Officials is to implement a free and fair election in which the citizens of Pima County can believe and can accept the results.

I am concerned this mission is in serious jeopardy. Roughly four months before the 2022 voting season begins, the Elections Department and the Recorder's Office want to:

1. Create Voting Centers by reducing the number of Voting Locations by 57%, from 232 to 100. This does not take into account the 30 new precincts that were recently proposed during the last BOS meeting. This would also REVERSE THE DECISION THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TOOK LAST SEPTEMBER TO KEEP THE NUMBER OF PRECINCTS AT 249.
2. Install new voting equipment in the Voting Centers including Federally uncertified Electronic Pollbooks (tablets with Voter Rolls) from Apple that are connected to Amazon Web Services as well as ballot printing devices. They want to turn over the security of Pima County elections to 3rd party vendors AWS, Cisco and Tenex Software Solutions.
3. Change the rules of operation for voters and poll workers.

ALL AT ONCE! BY JULY 6, 2022!

VOTERS' CONFIDENCE IS AT STAKE AT A TIME WHEN WE NEED THEM TO BELIEVE THAT WE ARE COMPETENT AND FOLLOWING THE LAW.

Here are my reasons for concern:

1. This Proposal does almost nothing to increase Pima County Voters' confidence in our Elections. If anything it DECREASES it. Voters are skeptical about any device that can be remotely connected to other systems. ANY SYSTEM CAN FAIL OR BE HACKED. No vendor can guarantee 100%

uptime. Pima County will need paper ballots and paper rosters as back up to keep the Election going if something fails.

2. Most Pima County Voters are aware that Maricopa County conducted an election in 2020 with questionable results. Maricopa implemented Voting Centers as described above. Real vulnerabilities in Election processes were discovered as a result of the Maricopa County Audit in 2021. There are **37 Election Integrity Bills** currently in the State Legislature to fix these problems. Among them are bills mandating, statewide, **MORE PRECINCTS, LESS TECHNOLOGY, BETTER VOTER ROLL MAINTENANCE, AND MORE SCRUTINY BY ELECTION OFFICIALS.** Why would Pima County recommend the same implementation as Maricopa's if it caused this much legislative attention? Obviously, if some of these measures become law, Pima County will be out of step.

3. How does reducing voting locations by 57% engender trust from voters in our elected and appointed officials? On its face, the reduction in Voting Locations is making it less convenient for people to vote or to drop off their Early Ballots on Election Day.

4. The Recorders Office has new leadership. The Elections Director has just left and the assistant director is leaving in April. Will this team be able to deliver?

For example:

a. Can we trust that the training of all involved will be detailed and grounded in ARS- 16 Election Laws? In the 2020 Primary and General Elections, Poll Worker training was delivered in person to Inspectors and Marshals in 20 minutes. The training for Clerks and Judges was on-line. If we have inconsistent practices across voting areas it makes voters skeptical and creates a liability for the county.

b. Can we trust that the Voter Rolls will be 100% accurate? The most serious issue we dealt with in my location were numerous voters who were marked in the Roster as having received an Early Ballot when they NEVER requested one and ALWAYS vote in person. They voted Provisionally. They were devastated. They didn't believe their votes would be counted. **This problem would NOT have been eliminated by an Electronic Poll Book.**

c. Which Election Official will be accountable for this project involving voters, poll workers, vendors, new poll locations and new technology? Where is the plan? Will it fall to Apple, Amazon, Cisco and Tenex? What about deliveries?

d. If the results of the Elections are challenged, how will it be determined which part failed? The Voter Rolls? The EPollBooks? The Poll Workers?, The Ballot Printers? The New Locations? The Network?

In sum, in a time very much like the Bush v. Gore Era - - the era of the HAVA Act, ironically - -I believe there is tremendous risk in a complete redesign of our Election Day operation. Pima County right now is the envy of the Arizona State House with our small precincts, paper ballots and hands on attention. There are many other ways to make improvements. Just ask.

Please don't THROW THE BABY OUT WITH THE BATHWATER!

Respectfully submitted,
Sarah Ramsey, P239, Precinct Inspector

(Read only if there is time: **AN INTERESTING LITTLE FACTOID**: One of the proposed conveniences of Voting Centers is that voters will be able to vote in ANY one of the 100 polling locations. The Proposal states that “thousands” of voters voted out of precinct and their votes didn’t count. By their own admission, the Elections Department reported that in the 2020 General Election out of 665K registered voters, only 653 voters didn’t vote in the correct precinct. Which Poll Worker let them vote? Were they told their vote probably wouldn’t count?)

Bernadette Russell

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, February 15, 2022 7:23 AM
To: District1; DIST2; District3; District4; District5; COB_mail
Subject: Please vote against Voting Centers and Electronics Poll Books

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TO: Supervisors Scott, Heinz, Bronson, Christy, Grijalva

Pima County Board of Supervisors,

Please read my comments into the official record. I request that you vote against voting centers and electronic pollbooks in Pima County. Please do not disenfranchise voters by eliminating 57% of our local precincts. Maricopa County uses this type of voting centers and every election I've seen news stories of people waiting hours to vote. I was a poll watcher in a Southern Tucson precinct in the 2020 election. There was a steady stream of voters all day. The lines were no more than a few minutes long. People had their ID checked and were efficiently given a pre-printed ballot, voted, and left. Most were in the polling place no more than 20 minutes start to finish. By eliminating over half of the precinct polling places, you guarantee much longer lines with hour or more waits. We need to make it easier to vote not harder. The electronic system will need to be connected to the internet to prevent people from voting twice. This opens the system up to hacking and denial of service attacks. If the system goes down on election day no one will be able to vote. This cannot happen with the current system which is why it is more reliable and trusted. The voting center system will also make it more difficult for groups with limited transportation from easily accessing the polls. The polling centers will suppress the vote. Please do not remove the vital touch point to our communities. Voting in our local communities with people that we know is vital retain confidence in the electoral system.

Please vote again centralized Voting Centers and Electronics Pollbooks.

Respectfully,
Brian K. McComas
Marana, AZ

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Bernadette Russell

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, February 15, 2022 5:41 AM
To: District1; DIST2; District3; District4; District5; COB_mail
Subject: Do not change the voting in Pima county

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I ask you to NOT disenfranchise Pima County voters with centralized Voting Centers and E-Pollbooks. Research shows consolidating polling places suppresses voter turnout. This is particularly true for minority and low-income voters.

Julie

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Bernadette Russell

From: Mark Muncrief <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Monday, February 14, 2022 11:41 PM
To: COB_mail
Subject: Voting

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Please do not reduce voting locations and no to electronic voting.

Sincerely,
Major Mark Muncrief

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Bernadette Russell

From: Stephanie Fox <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Monday, February 14, 2022 9:31 PM
To: District1; DIST2; District5; COB_mail
Subject: Messing with elections

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This needs to stop. Keep this country free by doing your part. Do not reduce election locations! WE THE PEOPLE ARE WATCHING!!!! Time to do the right thing. Paper. In person. With ID. NO MORE MACHINES!

Stephanie Fox

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Bernadette Russell

From: Dion Heimink Sr <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Monday, February 14, 2022 8:59 PM
To: COB_mail
Subject: No on Voting Centers and E-Pollbooks

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Clerk of The Pima County BOS

I would very much appreciate that you read my remarks into the official record.

I am EXTREMELY concerned that the Pima County BOS is proposing to reduce the number of polling places in the upcoming Election cycle. Reducing the number of polling places will create a real hardship on many voters in Pima County. Especially those minority and low income voters. This will absolutely disenfranchise many voters in Pima County. Forcing voters to have to vote by mail which is RIFE with corruption and possible fraud. Most Americans are very concerned about voter integrity issues. I have voted at my polling place for over 25 years. Having to figure out where a new polling place and being forced to stand in a long line is unacceptable. I have always voted in person on Election Day. I feel voting a serious and solemn responsibility. I have always felt it is my civic duty as well as my Constitutional right. You seem to have all kinds of money when it comes to spending millions of dollars on the care and placement of illegal immigrants into our Country and communities but you don't want to spend sufficient funds to insure our elections are completely above board. The Optics of this proposal is very infuriating. I am totally against the creation of voting centers. I believe it's important for you to earn the trust of your voting constituents.

Additionally the implementation of E- Pollbooks is a hackers DREAM and a voters NIGHTMARE. Any tech savvy individual could easily corrupt the election process and potentially Change voting numbers. Anything that is connected to the internet is at risk for compromise. There was a reason that our elections are decentralized. Again this will disenfranchise may voters. The paper Poll Books can not be counterfeited. This process has worked and a vast amount of voters have confidence in them.

This is why I strongly urge you vote NO on Voting Centers and E- Pollbooks. I thank you and appreciate your time and consideration on these serious matters.

Respectfully submitted

Dion Heimink Sr.
110 E.Calle Concordia
Oro Valley Az.

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Bernadette Russell

From: Tom Paulin <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Monday, February 14, 2022 8:56 PM
To: District1; DIST2; District3; District4; District5; COB_mail; Tom Paulin
Subject: Pima County elections proposed changes

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Dear Supervisors,

I am vehemently opposed to modifying the Pima County elections process as is being proposed at the 15 February 2022 meeting.

The changes being proposed would enable more opportunity for voter fraud. The results of the Maricopa audit show this to be the case.

The list of proposed changes is exactly the opposite of the intent of various Bills currently working their way through the State Legislator.

Among these bills are the statewide of mandating of **MORE PRECINCTS, LESS TECHNOLOGY, HIGHER SECURITY, BETTER VOTER ROLL MAINTENANCE, and MORE SCRUTINY BY ELECTION OFFICIALS AND OBSERVERS.**

It is NOT the time to implement such sweeping changes in Pima County when we are only a few months away from the very important 2022 Mid-Term Primaries.

Dramatically reducing the number of Precinct Polling places seems to be a form of **VOTER SUPPRESSION. Reducing access to polling places is especially impactful on the lower income portion of our population and could result in them just not voting.** I find it hard to believe you want your name associated with such a hot button issue.

Please read my comments into the official record. I ask you to NOT disenfranchise Pima County voters with centralized Voting Centers and E-Pollbooks.

Thank you for the serious consideration of these concerns. Election Integrity is key to the success of our Republic

Tom Paulin
LD11
Precent Committeeman

Bernadette Russell

From: Debbie Foster <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Monday, February 14, 2022 6:30 PM
To: District1; DIST2; District3; District4; District5; COB_mail
Subject: Voting

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Dear District Supervisors,

Please know that many people now know that the 2020 election was fraught with corruption and that a lot of cheating was done. **You need to do everything in your power to make our elections more secure.** We definitely want things like watermarks on ballots, in-person voting for the majority and very few excuses for not going to the poles in person to vote. We also want a Republican and Democrat present during all counting of votes and checking of ballots so there is double verification which is fair to both parties. **Anything less is not acceptable to most Americans any longer.** We also want the 2020 election decertified since many votes were obviously fraudulent and cannot be verified. We will accept nothing less as voters and anyone who does not want these things will be voted out in November of 2022. **I know I speak for many people, whether Republican or Democrat, since this is the talk of Pima County and also elsewhere in the country.** We the people are watching everything closely.

**On February 15th and on any future Bills coming down the pike,
please know the people will accept nothing less than making
our elections more safe and secure!!!**

Thank you to any of you who take the time to read this email.

Respectfully,

Debbie Foster

Bernadette Russell

From: Leslie Ann Williams <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Monday, February 14, 2022 6:24 PM
To: COB_mail
Subject: Vote YES to increase vote centers and automating pollbooks

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I urge you and the Pima County Board of Supervisors to VOTE in FAVOR OF ESTABLISHING VOTE CENTERS AND AUTOMATING POLLBOOKS. The process of voting must be accessible to everyone, and should not keep anyone from casting their ballot because they went to the "wrong" voting location. This is already a well-established practice in 11 other counties. Having more voting centers especially helps our rural, indigenous, low-income, and disabled voters, who require easier access to fully participate in our democracy. Having more vote centers and automating this system will make elections safer, since they will use their own secure networks; it will also be faster and decrease the burden on all elections staff and volunteers. I am confident in the ability of the Pima County Recorder's office and Elections department to execute a public information campaign on the new system and to carry out the most successful, secure, and highest voter turnout in the midterm election in Pima County this fall. Please vote yes and support a full participation democracy.

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LeslieAnn Williams
Writer & Traveler with XYZ Extra Years of Zest
Tucson, Arizona
[Handwritten signature]

Bernadette Russell

From: District1
Sent: Monday, February 14, 2022 5:24 PM
To: COB_mail
Subject: FW: Future elections

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From: Karl Schneider <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Monday, February 14, 2022 5:23 PM
To: District1 <District1@pima.gov>
Subject: Future elections

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I am asking you to not disenfranchise any Pima County voters.

We have found that consolidating our polling places, suppresses voter turnout, not increase it. This is especially true for minorities and low income voters.

The E-Polibooks are pathetic. They connect to the internet and are very easily hackable and often do not work.

Our elections were instituted to be decentralized and accessible and to have Accountability.

Pima County needs to earn back the voters' trust, by seeing to it that our locations are not consolidated.

Also, please make no change to our paper Polibooks.

Thank you,

Karl Schneider

Sent from my iPhone

KHS

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From: District1
Sent: Monday, February 14, 2022 5:24 PM
To: COB_mail
Subject: FW: Future elections

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Subject: Future elections

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AGENDA MATERIAL

DATE 2-15-22 ITEM NO. PA 16

Corrie Cotugno

From: Cheryl Purvis [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, February 15, 2022 8:07 AM
To: COB_mail
Subject: Please vote in favor of vote centers!

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I'm an old woman who has voted all my life. At 72 years of age, I have missed perhaps one election (local or general) in that time. So I can authoritatively say that for me model of centralized polling places is much better than the way I've had to vote for most of my life. In this model, virtually every election has been held in a different local center, maybe the elementary school one election, the high school another, who could say where one might be going? So each election, in addition to doing my duty as a citizen and informing myself about the issues and candidates, and taking time off somehow to vote, I must also figure where to vote. A number of well known vote centers w/ well publicized locations along major transportation lines seems to me a huge improvement for this reason and many others as well. It will be administratively simpler, and administrative simplicity leads to fewer mistakes and lower costs. Also the current system of manual poll books is slower and more cumbersome and, therefore, more expensive.

This is an idea whose time has definitely come and has already come in 11 of 16 Arizona counties. Time for Pima County to get on board!

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Corrie Cotugno

From: District1
Sent: Tuesday, February 15, 2022 8:24 AM
To: COB_mail
Subject: FW: NO on E-Poll Books in Pima County

From: Dion Heimink Sr [REDACTED]
Sent: Monday, February 14, 2022 8:54 PM
To: District1 <District1@pima.gov>
Subject: NO on E-Poll Books in Pima County

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Respectfully submitted

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Corrie Cotugno

From: Bonnie Roque [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, February 15, 2022 9:29 AM
To: COB_mail; District1; DIST2; District3; District4; District5
Subject: Voting Locations/Elections Comment for Feb 15th BOS Meeting

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To the Pima County Board of Supervisors:

Please read my comments into the official record. Please do not use centralized Voting Centers and E-Pollbooks because consolidating polling places suppresses voter turnout and E-Pollbooks are connected to the internet, easily hackable, and frequently malfunction.

Elections in the United States were purposely structured to be decentralized, accessible, and accountable. Pima County needs to earn back the trust of voters by ensuring our local precinct voting locations aren't consolidated, and there's no change to our paper Pollbooks.

PLEASE LISTEN TO THE CITIZENS OF YOUR COUNTY! Reducing Polling locations will reduce voter turnout!!! and E-Pollbooks is not a secure method to manage our votes on. Please use Paper ballots with security paper, one day voting, a voting holiday, remove all drop boxes, and require in person voting unless there is an excused need for an absentee ballot.

Thank you,

Bonnie Roque

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