CITY OF NEWPORT, RHODE ISLAND
CANVASSING AUTHORITY
CITY HALL – 2nd Floor Conference Room
43 BROADWAY, NEWPORT, RI 02840
JANUARY 4, 2022
11:30 A.M.

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AGENDA

1. **Call to Order by the Clerk**

2. **Roll Call**

3. **Introduction of new member, Sharon Connors, to the Canvassing Authority**

4. **Nominations for the position of Chairperson**

5. **Approval of Minutes**
   a. Minutes of the meeting of December 7, 2021

6. **Communication (to be received/any item may be pulled for discussion and/or action by the Board)**
   a. Report on activities of the Canvassing Department for the month of December, 2021
   b. Updated list and contact information for the members of the Canvassing Authority

7. **Unfinished Business**
   a. Update relative to re-drawing of the city's ward and precinct lines in accordance with the Newport Charter *Section 3-7 Wards*; and RIGL 17-11-1 *Division of towns and representative district into voting districts* pursuant to the 2020 Census data
      (1) Re-apportionment Commission introduction of revised Senate Districts (proposals A, B, C); and revised Representative Districts (proposals A, B, C)
      (2) Announcement of redistricting tool from the Secretary of State Elections Division https://ridos-legislativedistrictcomparisons-ristate.hub.arcgis.com/
      (3) Consideration of dates of public meetings to be held pursuant to Council Resolution 2021-84

8. New Business

a. Consideration of 2021 Annual Activity Report of the Canvassing Authority to be submitted to the Newport City Council pursuant to Newport Code of Ordinances, Chapter 2.56.040

b. Responses to RFP 22-014 *Redistricting & Reprecincting Consulting Services*; and recommendation of the Canvassing Authority to be submitted to the Newport City Council for award of bid

c. Consideration of automatic mailing of mail ballot applications for the 2022 Statewide Primary and 2022 General Election to all active Newport voters, as requested by the Secretary of State Elections Division

9. Adjourn

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