

**PUBLIC MEETING NOTICE
OF THE CITY OF OCOEE CANVASSING BOARD
PUBLIC INSPECTION OF VOTE-BY-MAIL
BALLOTS AND ELECTION AUDIT
FOR THE MARCH 13, 2018, GENERAL ELECTION**

Sealed vote-by-mail ballots received prior to 8:00 a.m. on Tuesday, March 13, 2018, for the Ocoee General Election will be available for public inspection from 8:00 a.m. until 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, March 13, 2018, at the office of the Supervisor of Elections, 119 W. Kaley Street, Orlando, Florida. Immediately afterwards, those vote-by-mail ballots will be opened and processed; however, not tabulated until after 7:00 p.m.

The Canvassing Board will convene at 4:00 p.m. on Tuesday, March 13, 2018, at the office of the Supervisor of Elections, 119 W. Kaley Street, Orlando, Florida, to conduct the logic and accuracy test on the tabulating equipment, canvass vote-by-mail/provisional ballots and, if possible, certify the results.

In accordance with the Sunshine Law of Florida, all Canvassing Board meetings are open to the public and pursuant to Section 101.68(2) (C) 2, Florida Statutes, if any elector or candidate present believes that a vote-by-mail ballot is illegal due to a defect apparent on the voter's certificate, he or she may, at any time before the ballot is removed from the envelope, file with the Canvassing Board a protest against the canvass of that ballot, specifying the precinct, the ballot, and the reason he or she believes the ballot to be illegal. A challenge based upon a defect in the voter's certificate may not be accepted after the ballot has been removed from the mailing envelope.

If a recount is necessary, the board will reconvene at the office of the Supervisor of Elections, 119 W. Kaley Street, Orlando, Florida, at 12:00 p.m. on Thursday, March 15, 2018.

The Canvassing Board will meet again on Thursday, March 15, 2018, at 2:00 p.m. at the office of the Supervisor of Elections to certify the election results if not already done, canvass any outstanding provisional ballots, and to select the contest and the precinct to be audited in accordance with Chapter 101.591, Florida Statutes and Rule 1SER08-04, F.A.C. Any ballots cast during the early voting period in precincts selected by the Canvassing Board for audit will be segregated from the other early voting ballots. The process of separating these early voting ballots will be open to the public for viewing and will commence immediately after the Canvassing Board selects the precinct.

Note: Section 286.0105, Florida Statutes, states that if a person decides to appeal any decision by a board, agency or commission with respect to any matter considered at a meeting or hearing, he or she will need a record of the proceedings, and that, for such purpose, he or she may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based.

March 8, 2018

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