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dean francois submitted a new eComment.

Meeting: City Council Special Virtual Meeting 5:00 PM

Item: 1. REPORT 21-0361 RESOLUTION DECLARING THE RESULTS OF THE SPECIAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION OF MAY 11, 2021 (City Clerk Eduardo Sarmiento)

eComment: The City Council has a regular meeting scheduled June 8th at 5:00 p.m. ...closed session with regular meeting starting at 6:00. This meeting was duly posted as required. This special meeting has just been scheduled without being duly posted and called in order to certify the recent election at the same time...June 8th at 5:00 p.m. Meetings should be open, and duly posted. Meetings should not be scheduled and issues decided based on a letter the city receives from the public. While public communication is crucial towards open government, it should not be running our government. The apparent undisputed winner of the recent election has not been publicly sworn in. The winner is listed on the agenda as a council member for the special meeting and the regular meeting. This seems highly unusual and presents serious questions about the integrity of the election process and city management. I would hope this body gets the appropriate advice so more taxpayers money is not wasted. It would appear to me that a reasonable course of action would be for the winner of the election to not be considered a councilmember yet and especially not be voting on the certification of the election. And after the election is certified, the winner of the election should then be publicly sworn in before they take on the duties of a council member.

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