

**BOUNTIFUL CITY COUNCIL**  
**meeting as the**  
**Bountiful City Board of Canvassers**  
**TUESDAY, November 19<sup>th</sup>, 2024 at 6:00 PM**

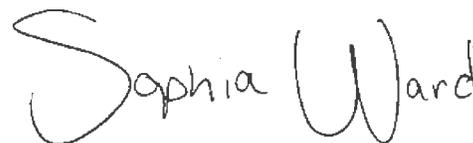
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN on the Public Notice and Bountiful City Websites and posted at City Hall that the City Council of Bountiful, Utah will hold a special Board of Canvassers meeting at **City Hall, 795 South Main Street**, at the time and on the date given above. The public is invited to the meeting. Persons who are disabled as defined by the Americans With Disabilities Act may request an accommodation by contacting the Bountiful City Manager at 801.298.6140. Notification at least 24 hours prior to the meeting would be appreciated.

If you are not on the agenda, the Council will not be able to discuss your item of business until another meeting. For most items it is desirable for the Council to be informed of background information prior to consideration at a Council meeting. If you wish to have an item placed on the agenda, contact the Bountiful City Manager at 801.298.6140.

**AGENDA**

**6:00 P.M.**

1. Welcome, Pledge of Allegiance and Thought/Prayer
2. Canvass votes for the 2024 RAP Tax Election – Mr. Gary Hill
3. Adjourn



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City Recorder



# City Council Staff Report



**Subject: Canvassing the RAP Tax Vote**  
**Author: City Recorder Sophia Ward**  
**Department: Executive**  
**Date: 19 November 2024**

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## **Background**

In any election the last step is to canvass the votes and declare the result. Since this is the first election since some of you came onto the City Council, here is an explanation of it.

## **Analysis**

In practice, the actual work of canvassing the votes will be done by Davis County election officials. You will recall that the City contracts with the County to conduct the election for us. The City Council meeting will consist of simply receiving the official voting numbers prepared by the Davis County election officials and making a motion to accept them. It will be a very short meeting.

“The mayor and municipal legislative body are the board of municipal canvassers for the municipality. The board...shall meet to canvass the returns...no sooner than seven days after the election and no later than 14 days...” (20A-4-301(2))

“The board of canvassers shall canvass the election by publicly: (i) reviewing the summary reports prepared by the election officer... and (ii) certifying the votes cast: (A) each person voted for; and (B) for and against each ballot proposition voted upon at the election.” (20A-4-303)

The specific work of counting votes is done by Davis County election officials. When we did it ourselves, this was done by the City Recorder and two helpers. They simply opened the ballots and re-counted the election judge tally sheets to make sure they were right. In other words, they recount the count, not the original ballots.

“After the canvass of election returns, the governing body shall record in its minutes: (i) an official finding as to the total number of votes cast, the number of affirmative votes, the number of negative votes, the number of challenged voters, the number of challenged

voters that were issued a provisional ballot, and the number of provisional ballots that were counted; (ii) an official finding that the...proposition was approved or rejected.”

Davis County provided the following information on Tuesday, November 19 for the City Council’s canvass:

**PROPOSITION #3 BOUNTIFUL CITY RAP TAX**

Yes:	13,925	64%
No:	7,885	36%
Total:	21,810	100%

Overvotes: 2 (defined as persons who voted for and against the proposition)  
Undervotes: 1,623 (defined as persons who cast a ballot but did not vote on the proposition)

Registered Voters – Total:	26,821
Ballots Cast – Total:	23,435
Voter Turnout – Total:	87.38%

**Department Review:** This staff report was prepared by the City Recorder and reviewed by the City Manager.

**Significant Impacts**

None.

**Recommendation**

It is recommended that the City Council canvass the election results by certifying the voting information provided by the Davis County Clerk.

**Attachments**

Summary Election Results – November 5, 2024

STATISTICS

TOTAL

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PROPOSITION #3 BOUNTIFUL CITY RAP TAX

Vote For 1

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