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UNOFFICIAL SECOND MUNICIPAL ELECTION (RUN-OFF) RESULTS AVAILABLE

Sarasota, FL – Based on [unofficial results](#) for the City Commission Second Election (Run-off) of May 12, 2015, Liz Alpert has been elected District 2 Commissioner and Shelli Freeland Eddie has been elected District 3 Commissioner. The Municipal Canvassing Board of the City of Sarasota will convene to count Provisional Ballots this Thursday, May 14, 2015 at 4:30 p.m. at the Supervisor of Elections office, 2001 Adams Lane, Sarasota.

District 1 Incumbent Willie Charles Shaw was the only candidate to qualify in District 1; therefore, he will assume office for his second term in accordance with the City of Sarasota Charter, Article IX, Section 5(a)(2).

All three elected District Commissioners will be sworn into office on Friday, May 15, 2015, at 12:00 noon in the City Commission Chambers at City Hall, 1565 First Street, Sarasota, during the Statutory City Commission Meeting.

Unofficial Results: District 2		
Candidate	Votes	Percentage
Liz Alpert	2,124	53.02%
Eileen Normile	1,882	46.98%

Unofficial Results: District 3		
Candidate	Votes	Percentage
Shelli Freeland Eddie	894	53.60%
Stan Zimmerman	774	46.40%

The following City of Sarasota Charter Amendments also appeared on the ballot on Tuesday, May 12, 2015:

TITLE:

Charter Amendment: One Year Residency and Qualified Elector Requirement for persons filling vacancy on the City Commission

SUMMARY:

Requires persons elected or appointed to fill a vacancy in an at large City Commission seat to have been a resident and qualified elector of the city for one year prior to taking oath of office. Requires persons elected or appointed to fill a vacancy in a district City Commission seat to have been a resident and qualified elector of the district to be represented for one year prior to taking oath of office.

Unofficial Results:		
Charter Amendment: One Year Residency and Qualified Elector Requirement for persons filling vacancy on the City Commission		
	Votes	Percentage
YES, for the Amendment	5,650	93.92%
NO, against the Amendment	366	6.08%

TITLE:

Charter Amendment: Citizens’ Initiative Petition to Amend Charter, Time to obtain signatures and adopt ordinance scheduling referendum

SUMMARY:

Provides that copy of a citizens’ initiative petition to amend the city charter must be filed with city clerk before signatures are collected; that 180 day period to obtain signatures on petition shall commence upon the date such copy is filed with clerk and certified as received; extends time to adopt an ordinance scheduling charter amendment proposed by citizens’ initiative for referendum from 30 to 60 days after petition is presented to the city commission.

Unofficial Results:		
Charter Amendment: Citizens’ Initiative Petition to Amend Charter, Time to obtain signatures and adopt ordinance scheduling referendum		
	Votes	Percentage
YES, for the Amendment	4,787	83.43%
NO, against the Amendment	951	16.57%

The unofficial election results are posted on the Supervisor of Elections website at www.sarasotavotes.com.

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