  
**MINUTES OF THE OCOEE CANVASSING/AUDIT BOARD MEETING  
MARCH 14, 2025**

**CALL TO ORDER – MARCH 14, 2025**

**City Clerk/Canvassing Board Member Sibbitt** called the Canvassing/Audit Board to order at 10:02 a.m. in the office of the Supervisor of Elections, 119 West Kaley Street, Orlando.

**BOARD MEMBERS:** Member Sibbitt, Member Forges, and Member Chacon

**ALSO PRESENT:** City Attorney Geller and Deputy Clerk Parks

**ABSENT:** None

PUBLIC COMMENTS

*No public comments were made.*

QUESTIONABLE VOTE-BY-MAIL (VBM) BALLOTS RECONCILIATION

**Supervisor of Elections Representative Rosa Maldonado** explained that the three questionable ballots, from Election Day on March 11, 2025, were not cured by the deadline date and time of Thursday, March 13<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 p.m. She also explained that she spoke to all three (3) voters multiple times and that the overseas military ballot could have been cured by fax or email.

**MOTION: Move to reject the three (3) questionable ballots due to not being cured by the deadline date and time of Thursday, March 13, 2025, at 5:00 p.m.; Moved by Member Forges, seconded by Member Chacon. Motion carried unanimously.**

**Member Forges** stamped the three (3) questionable ballots as REJECTED.

BALLOT VERIFICATION FOR ALL PRECINCTS/CANVASS UNSIGNED BALLOTS (IF ANY)/ VERIFICATION OF VOTE COUNT CHANGES BY PRECINCT

Supervisor of Elections (SOE) Staff provided the precinct-by-precinct results verification.

Precinct OC06 had a total of 161 votes and no unscanned ballots.

Precinct OC07 had a total of 202 votes and no unscanned ballots.

Precinct OC08 had a total of 110 votes with no unscanned ballots.

Precinct OC09 had a total of 606 votes and no unscanned ballots

Control forms for the four (4) precincts were signed by Canvassing Board Member Sibbitt, Member Forges, and Member Chacon and returned to SOE staff.

DETERMINATION IF RECOUNT IS NEEDED

No recount is needed.

**Member Sibbitt** asked the question if all ballots cast have been counted and verified. **SOE Representative Lucy Melendez** confirmed that, to the best of their knowledge, all ballots have been counted.

RESULTS COMPILATION – CERTIFICATION

There were no changes between the unofficial and official results (attached).

**MOTION: Move to certify the official results provided by the SOE; Moved by Member Chacon, seconded by Member Forges. Motion carried unanimously.**

The election was certified with George Oliver III winning the seat as District 4 Commissioner and further certifying that all Amendments #1 through #3 were approved by majority vote.

RANDOM SELECTION OF RACE AND PRECINCTS

On Tuesday, March 11<sup>th</sup> the Canvassing Board determined by random selection which race would be randomly audited; however, SOE Representative Lucy Melendez advised that the random selection had to be conducted during the Audit Meeting.

**MOTION: Move to recognize the previous random selection made on Tuesday, March 11, 2025, as invalid and void; Moved by Member Chacon, seconded by Member Forges. Motion carried unanimously.**

The Canvassing Board conducted a random selection to determine which race would be audited, and **OC08 along with Amendment No. 1** was selected.

*(Recess from 10:31a.m. – 10:48 a.m.)*

**Supervisor of Elections Representative Lucy Melendez** explained the audit procedures to the Canvassing Board and Audit Team members. During the explanation, **City Attorney Geller** expressed concern about an external audit team conducting the audit and requested that the City of Ocoee Canvassing Board perform its own manual audit instead.

**MOTION: Move for the manual audit process to be conducted by the Ocoee Canvassing Board as opposed to the Audit Team provided by the SOE; Moved by Member Chacon, seconded by Member Forges. Motion carried unanimously.**

CANVASSING/AUDIT TEAM

**Supervisor of Elections Representative Lucy Melendez** provided *(OC08 and Amendment No.1)* to the Canvassing Board/Audit Team and briefed them again on the audit procedures before they proceeded. **Canvassing Board Members Sibbitt, Forges, and Chacon** began counting the ballots for *(OC08 and Amendment No.1)* and separating them into two (2) piles (Yes and No), stacks of ten (10), and the results were as follows:

**Early Votes**

Yes:	0
No:	0

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Under Vote: 0  
Over Vote: 0  
Questionable: 0

**Vote-By-Mail Votes**

Yes: 27  
No: 24  
Under Vote: 0  
Over Vote: 0  
Questionable: 0

**Election Day Votes**

Yes: 63  
No: 46  
Under Vote: 1  
Over Vote: 0  
Questionable: 0

**Total Audited Precinct Ballots: 161**

**RESULTS COMPILATION**

**Member Sibbitt and SOE Representative Luis Torres** compared the *Manual Audit Team Worksheet* with the machine results, and all numbers matched. **Member Sibbitt** filled out and signed the *Manual Audit Team Worksheet* (attached). The *Voting System Post-Election Audit Report* was certified and signed by all Canvassing Board members (attached).

**POST LOGIC AND ACCURACY TEST & ZERO TAPE**

**SOE Representative Cesar Castro** explained the Post Logic and Accuracy (L&A) Test he did after the election. The Canvassing Board verified the pattern as correct; and further, the Canvassing Board signed and dated both tapes. **SOE Representative Luis Torres** explained the independent audit process and reports. He confirmed that the Ocoee Election audits match 100%.

**MOTION: Move to adjourn by Member Forges, seconded by Member Sibbitt. Motion carried unanimously.**

**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 11:28 a.m.

APPROVED

City of Ocoee



Melanie Sibbitt, City Clerk

**Karen Castor Dentel**

**Supervisor of Elections**

Orange County, FL

Date 3/11/2025

Time 11:38 AM

**Referred Absentee Ballots (Jan/29/2025 thru Mar/11/2025) for**

**03/11/2025 2025 Ocoee General Election**

Election 295 2025 Ocoee General Election

3/11/25

Voter Name

Voter ID

Error Description

Precinct

Date  
Returned

Ballot  
Style Number

**SIGNATURE DIFFERENCE**

FINLEY, SHERIKA J

129773580 SIGNATURE DIFFERENCE

223S09 3/10/25

008G

260

SIGNATURE DIFFERENCE

Total:

1

**REJECTED**

**Karen Castor Dentel**

**Supervisor of Elections**

Orange County, FL

Date 3/11/2025

Time 11:41 AM

**Referred Absentee Ballots (Jan/29/2025 thru Mar/11/2025) for**

**03/11/2025 2025 Ocoee General Election**

Election 295 2025 Ocoee General Election

3/11/25

<u>Voter Name</u>	<u>Voter ID</u>	<u>Error Description</u>	<u>Precinct</u>	<u>Date Returned</u>	<u>Ballot Style</u>	<u>Ballot Number</u>
<b>NO SIGNATURE</b>						
PEART, ALVA	128541888	NO SIGNATURE	222S09	3/3/25	008G	189
PEART, EULALEE	128193328	NO SIGNATURE	222S09	3/3/25	008G	190
		NO SIGNATURE	Total:	2		

**REJECTED**

<b>Statistics</b>	TOTAL	ED-DS300	AV-DS950	EV-DS300
Precincts Complete	14 of 14	14	0	0
Registered Voters - Total	73,823			
Ballots Cast - Total	9,080	6,483	2,426	171
Ballots Cast - Blank	4	4	0	0
Voter Turnout - Total	12.30%			

**Ocoee City Commissioner, D4**

Vote For 1

	TOTAL	VOTE %	ED-DS300	AV-DS950	EV-DS300
Ages Hart	350	46.60%	290	56	4
George Oliver III	401	53.40%	316	81	4
Overvotes	0		0	0	0
Undervotes	0		0	0	0
Contest Totals	751		606	137	8

**Ocoee Question #1**

Vote For 1

	TOTAL	VOTE %	ED-DS300	AV-DS950	EV-DS300
YES	748	55.65%	585	155	8
NO	596	44.35%	461	125	10
Overvotes	1		1	0	0
Undervotes	40		32	7	1
Contest Totals	1,385		1,079	287	19

**Ocoee Question #2**

Vote For 1

	TOTAL	VOTE %	ED-DS300	AV-DS950	EV-DS300
YES	729	53.96%	573	147	9
NO	622	46.04%	480	133	9
Overvotes	0		0	0	0
Undervotes	34		26	7	1
Contest Totals	1,385		1,079	287	19

**Ocoee Question #3**

Vote For 1

	TOTAL	VOTE %	ED-DS300	AV-DS950	EV-DS300
YES	847	63.59%	652	187	8
NO	485	36.41%	389	87	9
Overvotes	1		0	1	0
Undervotes	52		38	12	2
Contest Totals	1,385		1,079	287	19

**\*\*\* OFFICIAL RESULTS \*\*\***  
**CERTIFICATE OF CITY OF OCOEE CANVASSING BOARD**

STATE OF FLORIDA  
**Orange County**

We, the undersigned, Lincoln Forges, Derrick Chacon, Melanie Sibbitt, constituting the City of Ocoee Canvassing Board in and for said City, do hereby certify that we met on the Fourteenth day of March, 2025 A.D., and proceeded publicly to canvass the votes given for the offices herein specified at the General Election on the Eleventh day of March, 2025 A.D., as shown by the returns on file in the office of the Supervisor of Elections. We do hereby certify from said returns as follows:

**CITY COMMISSIONER DISTRICT 4**

AGES HART   **350** VOTES  
GEORGE OLIVER III   **401** VOTES

**CITY CHARTER QUESTION 1**

Section C-9 of the City of Ocoee's Charter shall be amended to provide that the City Commission has authority to interpret and enforce the City Charter subject to review of such decisions by a court of competent jurisdiction.

YES   **748** VOTES  
NO    **596** VOTES

**CITY CHARTER QUESTION 2**

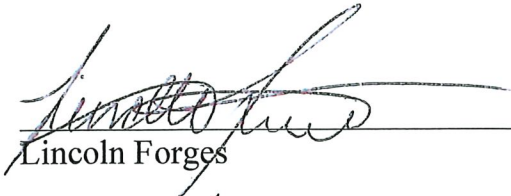
Section C-10 of the City of Ocoee's Charter shall be amended to provide that the City Commission has authority to judge the qualifications and eligibility of candidates for the Commission, establish procedural rules for C-10, including ensuring that notice and due process is given to affected persons, and provide for review of such decisions by a court of competent jurisdiction.

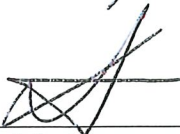
YES   **729** VOTES  
NO    **622** VOTES

**CITY CHARTER QUESTION 3**

Section C-17 of the City of Ocoee's Charter shall be amended to state that a member of the City Commission who resigns cannot thereafter seek election to any part of the same term of office from which the member resigned.

YES **847** VOTES  
NO **485** VOTES

  
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Lincoln Forges

  
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Derrick Chacon

  
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Melanie Sibbitt

**PCT: OC08**

**QUESTION #1**

**OC08**

**Statistics**

	TOTAL	ED-DS300	AV-DS950	EV-DS300
Registered Voters - Total	6,353			
Ballots Cast - Total	161	110	51	0
Ballots Cast - Blank	1	1	0	0
Voter Turnout - Total	2.53%			

**Ocoee Question #1**

Vote For 1

	TOTAL	ED-DS300	AV-DS950	EV-DS300
YES	90	63	27	0
NO	70	46	24	0
Overvotes	0	0	0	0
Undervotes	1	1	0	0
Contest Totals	161	110	51	0

**Ocoee Question #2**

Vote For 1

	TOTAL	ED-DS300	AV-DS950	EV-DS300
YES	87	63	24	0
NO	73	46	27	0
Overvotes	0	0	0	0
Undervotes	1	1	0	0
Contest Totals	161	110	51	0

**Ocoee Question #3**

Vote For 1

	TOTAL	ED-DS300	AV-DS950	EV-DS300
YES	102	72	30	0
NO	53	36	17	0
Overvotes	0	0	0	0
Undervotes	6	2	4	0
Contest Totals	161	110	51	0

*Meli Schmitt*  
 3/14/2025

*[Signature]*

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# Voting System Post-Election Audit Report

County: ORANGE Date of Election: MARCH 11, 2025

Type of Audit (check applicable box):  Manual  Automated Independent

Precinct Number(s): 0008

Race (if Manual Audit): QUESTION #1

- Overall accuracy of the audit:  
100% Accuracy.
- Description of any problems or discrepancies encountered:  
No Problems.
- Likely cause of such problems or discrepancies:  
No problems or issues found.
- Recommended corrective action with respect to avoiding or mitigating such circumstances in future elections:  
None needed.

### Check applicable box and sign below:

We hereby certify that the report of the voting system audit performed for the election is accurate and that attached are precinct summary reports for each precinct audited.

We hereby certify that a voting system audit was not done because a manual recount was conducted under s. 102.166, Florida Statutes.

Signatures of County Canvassing Board members:

<u>Melanie Sibbitt</u> Printed Name	<u>Melanie Sibbitt</u> Signature	<u>3/14/2025</u> Date
<u>Derrick Chacon</u> Printed Name	<u>[Signature]</u> Signature	<u>3/14/2025</u> Date
<u>Lynne Forges</u> Printed Name	<u>[Signature]</u> Signature	<u>03/14/2025</u> Date