



**Election Advisory Committee  
Kick-Off Meeting**

**April 28, 2022  
5:30 p.m.**

**Zoom Meeting Recording:**

<https://cloud.castus.tv/vod/rivcotv/video/6271cba3d640840009468664?page=HOME>

Meeting Minutes

Committee Members Present:

Janet Bernabe, League of Women Voters Riverside  
Loren Dean, Riverside County Libertarian Party  
Tisa Rodriguez, Riverside County Democratic Party  
Chad Schnitger, Republican Party of Riverside County

Absent:

Gilberto Esquivel, League of United Latin American Citizens Council #3190

Legal Counsel:

Ronak N. Patel, Chief Deputy County Counsel

**1. Welcome – Election Advisory Committee Chair**

Chairman Larry Rubio specified that the Committee has been established by the County to increase voter engagement and serve as a forum to provide information about our election process.

**2. Election Advisory Committee Introductions**

Chairman Larry Rubio introduced the Election Advisory Committee

### **3. Election Advisory Committee Overview**

Juan C. Perez, Riverside County COO, provided general background regarding the Committee. The Board approved the formation of the Committee on March 29, 2022, to provide a public forum for voters to receive information, submit questions and provide feedback about the electoral process. After each statewide election, the committee will prepare a report that identifies public feedback and recommendations which will be presented to the Board, the Executive Office and Registrar of Voters.

### **4. Report from Registrar of Voters**

Rebecca Spencer, Registrar of Voters, updated the committee on the Voter's Choice Act. In December 2021, the Board of Supervisors approved and directed ROV to move forward implementing the Voter's Choice Act for the June 2022 election. Ms. Spencer discussed the number of legal requirements for implementation.

### **5. Public Comment**

No motion or action item(s).

### **6. Committee Remarks**

Loren Dean pointed out that Riverside County does not have a majority party and stated, "No party owns a registration majority here." Mr. Dean also stated, "my goal is to provide a voice to those that have been politically ignored for way too long."

Tisa Rodriguez thanked everyone that provided public comment. She stated, "Our election system is made strong by those who are willing to step up, give options and help us grow."

Chad Schnitger emphasized the way the election is conducted is the utmost priority for everyone.

Chairman Rubio stated that the Committee will take public comments into consideration.

### **7. Next Meeting Date- August 11, 2022**

### **8. Adjournment**

Adjournment at 6:14 p.m. to the next meeting.