

RESOLUTION NO. 1327-24

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PAGE, COCONINO COUNTY, ARIZONA, DECLARING AND ADOPTING THE RESULTS OF THE GENERAL ELECTION HELD ON NOVEMBER 5, 2024; CERTIFYING THE FACTS REQUIRING AN AUTOMATIC RECOUNT; AND AUTHORIZING THE FILING OF A PETITION IN COCONINO COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT FOR AN ORDER REQUIRING THE RECOUNT.

WHEREAS, the City of Page, Coconino County, Arizona held a general election on the 5th day of November 2024 (“General Election”) for the election of three (3) Councilmembers and two (2) recalled councilmembers; and

WHEREAS, the election returns have been presented to the City Council and the City Council must canvass no more than twenty days following the election pursuant to Arizona Revised Statutes §§ 16-642 and 16-646; and

WHEREAS, A.R.S. § 16-661 et al. requires a recount of the vote when the canvass of returns in the General Election shows that the margin between the two candidates receiving the greatest number of votes for a particular office is less than or equal to one-half of one percent of the number of votes cast for both such candidates; and

WHEREAS, the election returns as canvassed by the City Council demonstrate the margin between the Tom Sunshine Preller and John Kocjan for Council Member (4-Year Term) and David Auge and Corey Ekstrand for Council Member-Recall (2-Year Term) is less than one-half of one percent of the votes cast for the candidates in both such races, requiring an automatic recount for those two races; and

WHEREAS, when an automatic recount is required by A.R.S. § 16-661, the City Council shall certify the facts requiring a recount to the superior court pursuant to A.R.S. § 16-662 and upon ordering the recount, Coconino County, as administrator of the City’s elections, will conduct the recount pursuant to tabulation and testing requirements under state law; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to A.R.S. § 16-665(A), the result of the recount shall be presented to superior court, and the court shall then announce the result and make and enter an order setting forth its determination, including ordering the City Clerk to issue the certificate of elections to the declared winners, and no additional canvass will be held for the General Election.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the City of Page, Coconino County, Arizona, declare the results of the General Election, as follows:

SECTION 1. That the total number of ballots cast at said General Election, as

shown by the polls list or reported by the county, was 3,028 (see Exhibit A).

SECTION 2. That the number of ballots rejected was 68.

SECTION 3. That the votes cast for the candidates for councilmember were as follows:

Debra Roundtree	1,230	Amanda Hammond	1,122
John Kocjan	1,111	Tom Sunshine Preller	1,119
Richard Leightner	908	Tina Beckwith	904

SECTION 4. That the votes cast for the recalled councilmembers were as follows:

<u>Recall for David Auge:</u>		<u>Recall for Michael Farrow</u>	
David Auge	1,047	(unopposed):	
Corey Ekstrand	1,042	Michael Farrow	1,572

SECTION 5. That it is hereby found, determined and declared of record, that the following three (3) candidates did receive the highest number of votes cast and are hereby issued certificates of election:

For the office of Council Member (4-Year Term):

Debra Roundtree
Amanda Hammond

For the office of Council Member-Recall (Unopposed):

Michael Farrow

SECTION 6: It is hereby found, determined and declared of record, pursuant to the statutory calculation in A.R.S. § 16-661, an automatic recount is required on the following two races:

For the office of Council Member (4-Year Term): Tom Sunshine Preller and John Kocjan because the total votes cast between the two candidates is 2,230 with a margin of 8 votes, which is less than one-half of 1% of votes cast between the two candidates.

For the office of Council Member-Recall (2-Year Term): David Auge and Corey Ekstrand because the total votes cast between the two candidates is 2,089 with a margin of 5 votes, which is less than one-half of 1% of votes cast between the two candidates.

SECTION 7: The City Council hereby certifies to the Coconino County Superior Court the election results and the facts set forth in this resolution, including the recitals.

SECTION 8: The City Council hereby authorizes the City Clerk, with assistance from the City Attorney, to submit this certification and file the necessary documents in Coconino County Superior Court within twenty-four hours after the canvass and take all necessary steps to comply with the automatic recount requirements under state law.

SECTION 9: Pursuant to A.R.S. § 16-666, the City is required to pay the expenses of City recounts, and the City Manager is hereby authorized to pay Coconino County for the costs associated with the two recounts.

SECTION 10: The Mayor, City Manager, City Clerk and City Attorney are hereby authorized and directed to take all steps necessary to carry out the purpose and intent of this Resolution.

SECTION 11: This Resolution shall be in full force and effect immediately upon its adoption.

PASSED AND ADOPTED BY the Mayor and Council of the City of Page, Coconino County, Arizona, this 19th day of November 2024.

CITY OF PAGE

William R. Diak

Mayor

ATTEST:

[Signature]

City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

[Signature]

City Attorney



Canvass of November 5, 2024 General Election

City of Page, Coconino County, Arizona

	Central	East	South	West	Total
<i>Registered Voters</i>	1,078	975	961	1,099	4,113*
<i>Ballots Cast</i>	787	755	612	874	3,028

* This number shows the total registered voters in all precincts in Page. The total number of registered voters that are in precincts eligible to vote in the following races is 3,750.

Councilmember 3 seats (4 year term)

Beckwith, Tina	250	232	193	229	904
Hammond, Amanda	283	331	245	263	1,122
Kocjan, John	318	335	252	206	1,111
Leightner, Richard	246	288	158	216	908
Preller, Tom Sunshine	317	346	213	243	1,119
Roundtree, Debra	354	346	274	256	1,230
Write-In Totals	10	7	11	3	31
Overvotes	0	3	0	6	9
Undervotes	577	377	487	312	1,753

Councilmember Recalled Seat (2026 Term)

David Auge	292	298	247	210	1,047
Corey Ekstrand	324	279	238	201	1,042
Write-In Totals	6	11	4	13	34
Overvotes	2	5	1	3	11
Undervotes	161	162	121	151	595

Councilmember Recalled Seat (2026 Term)

Michael Farrow	473	429	395	275	1,572
Write-In Totals	33	45	31	50	159
Overvotes	0	0	0	1	1
Undervotes	279	281	185	252	997