



Date: December 27, 2019

To: Mark F. Miller, City Manager

From: Robert J. Bruner, Assistant City Manager

M. Aileen Dickson, City Clerk

Subject: Request for Approval of Additional Location for Issuing Absent Voter Ballots

<u>History</u>

As of January 1, 2019, Michigan Election Law (168.761b) requires the City Clerk to obtain the governing body's approval in order to establish any additional locations where absent voter (AV) ballots are to be issued. The City Clerk is then required to submit the approved resolution to the Secretary of State at least 30 days prior to the event.

On Saturday, February 15, 2020, from 11am-1pm, there will be a Pop Up Clerk's Office held in the meeting room at the Troy Public Library. The City Clerk's Office would like to offer AV ballots during this time. A Troy voter would be able to bring their ID to the meeting room, apply for and obtain their AV ballot, vote it in a booth located in the meeting room and return it right away, or take it home. The City Clerk will be present to assist voters with ballots, along with any other services requested during that time.

Additionally, the City Clerk's Office is required to be open until 5:00 PM on Friday, March 6th, and from 8:00 AM until 4:00 PM on Saturday, March 7th, for AV ballot issuing.

The dates, times and locations for AV ballots will be posted on the City Clerk's Elections webpage.

Financial

There is no additional financial impact for the City of Troy to offer this service to Troy residents and voters.

Recommendation

City Management requests City Council approval of the additional location for issuing and receiving absent voter ballots on Saturday, February 15, 2020, as required by Michigan Election Law.