

**PRELIMINARILY ADOPTED MINUTES FROM  
COMPLETE COUNT COMMISSION MEETING  
November 27, 2018**

The meeting was called to order at 10:03 a.m. Those members present at the Chicago location were Miguel del Valle, Scott Gryder, Kathie Kane-Willis, Griselda Vega Samuel, and Chair Stroger. Those members present at the Springfield location were State Representative Theresa Mah. Those members present by phone were Helena Buckner, Emily Burke, Eira Corral Sepulveda, Michael Inman, Rose Joshua, Warren Callahan for Commissioner Stanley Moore, Leon Rockingham, Evelyn Rodriguez and Kristy Stephenson.

The minutes for the meeting of October 23, 2018 were preliminarily adopted; however, a formal adoption of the minutes was deferred until a meeting where a quorum is present.

Nathan Maddox, Executive Inspector General and Senior Legal Advisor to Secretary of State Jesse White, provided a review of the public hearing held on November 26, 2018 pertaining to the \$1.5 million in census grant money allocated in the FY '19 appropriation from the General Assembly to the Secretary of State. Also in attendance at the Commission meeting was Sharon Brticevich, the grant coordinator for the Office of the Secretary of State. Mr. Maddox indicated there were good issues raised during the public comment period of the hearing. He further stated the emergency rules and permanent rules, submitted by the Office of the Secretary of State and currently pending before the Joint Committee on Administrative Rules (JCAR), would be amended to try and reflect those concerns. Commission members and two members of the general public (from Common Cause and Forefront) asked follow up questions and Mr. Maddox addressed those comments. Mr. Maddox further indicated the Office of the Secretary of State was going to attempt to get the amended emergency and permanent rules on the JCAR December meeting agenda so the grant application process could restart, based on the amended rules, as soon as possible.

Chairperson Stroger thanked Mr. Maddox and Ms. Brticevich for attending the Commission meeting and they were excused from the room.

Chairperson Stroger reviewed, with the Commission members, the draft of the Interim Report of the Commission that is to be submitted on November 30, 2018. All members of the Commission had been given a copy of the draft report prior to the Commission meeting and an additional copy was made available for them at the meeting. Chair Stroger reviewed the report one section at a time asking for comments from the Commission members. The draft copy of the report was adjusted based upon Commission member comments.

Chairperson Stroger indicated all changes requested to the report would be made as soon as possible and the report would be filed, on time, with the General Assembly on November 30, 2018. She inquired from the Commission members whether it was acceptable that the next draft of the Interim Report be reviewed only by the Report

Review Subcommittee, rather than the entire membership of the Commission. Chair Stroger indicated concern about the ability to file the report in a timely manner if the next draft had to be reviewed by all the Commission members one more time. Commission Member Joshua inquired about the membership of the Report Review Subcommittee and Chair Stroger indicated the Commission members serving on it were Emily Burke, Kathie Kane-Willis Griselda Vega Samuel and Chair Stroger. Commission Member Joshua indicated this was acceptable to her and the other Commission members present in person at the meeting and on the phone did not voice any objections.

Chair Stroger indicated the next steps will be for the Report Review Committee to review the document a final time on Thursday, November 29<sup>th</sup> and, if acceptable, the report would be filed electronically with the General Assembly on Friday, November 30<sup>th</sup>. She further indicated that a copy of the report would be sent to all the Commission members and would also be available on the Complete Count Commission website located at [www.IllinoisCensus2020.com](http://www.IllinoisCensus2020.com) after it is filed with the General Assembly.

Chair Stroger inquired from the Commission members whether a monthly meeting should be scheduled for the month of December. The fourth Tuesday in December is the 24<sup>th</sup> so the meeting schedule would need to be revised because of the holiday. Commission Member Vega Samuel indicated interest in having a meeting on the 18<sup>th</sup>. Commission Member del Valle indicated, if the Secretary of State was successful in getting the amended emergency and permanent rules on the December JCAR meeting agenda, the Commission should probably meet to discuss the next course of action. It was decided that the meeting in December would be tentatively scheduled for the 18<sup>th</sup>, pending an update from the Secretary of State's Office on the emergency and permanent rules. If they were not successful in getting the rules on the JCAR December calendar, the meeting on the 18<sup>th</sup> would probably be cancelled.

Chair Stroger inquired of the Commission members concerning the monthly meeting schedule for 2019. There were no objections from those members present at the meeting or on the phone to continue with monthly meetings on the fourth Tuesday of each month. Chair Stroger indicated meetings notices would be sent out accordingly.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:33 a.m.