



CITY OF DETROIT

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COUNCIL PRESIDENT

MEMORANDUM

To: Gina Avery, Elections Department

Through: Member Fred Durhal, Chair, Budget, Finance & Audit Standing Committee

From: Council President Mary Sheffield submitting memorandum relative to

Date: 3/10/2023

RE: Elections Department Budget Hearing Questions for FY23-24

SUMMARY:

- 1) How many vacancies does the department have?
- 2) Given the upcoming US Senator election in 2025, what equipment will the office require for an efficient election?
 - a. How will the department allocate the \$41,432 for equipment allocation, indicated on page B71-5?
- 3) How many polling locations are registered with the department?
- 4) On election day polling locations are often accused of not having handicapped accessible necessities, not opening on time, or having misinformed staff...how will the department mitigate these issues?
- 5) How many poll workers does the department need/utilize on election day?
 - a. Please list all the positions needed?
- 6) What capital improvements are needed in the Elections building?
- 7) What is the status of the city-wide alert text message to least likely voters on primary and general election days?
 - a. How many persons were the alerts send to last election?

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