

Requested Recount

Primary Election, August 7, 2018

Pierce County Canvassing Board Certification Report | September 7, 2018

As allowed by RCW 29A.64.011, candidates requested recounts in two races from the August 7, 2018 Primary Election.

On August 28, 2018 recounts were requested for the:

- US Senate in precincts 26-338, 28-528, 28-549, and 28-555
- 10th Congressional District in precincts 28-528 and 28-555

After preparing for the recount, but before sorting work began, the request for precinct 26-338 was withdrawn. The recounts of the remaining requests began on Wednesday, September 5, 2018, and will conclude with the certification on September 7, 2018.

Below is a summary of the steps taken during the recount:

Sorting

- Election staff sorted through batches to identify and isolate the ballots for the requested precincts.
- Expected quantities of ballots for each precinct were verified.
- Ballots were then aggregated into precincts.
- All ballots in each precinct were counted and verified against expected inventory.

Recount Process

- Ballots were separated into stacks for each candidate and verified.
- Ballots were recounted by hand by a team of elections workers. Ballots were manually counted twice to confirm the votes for each candidate.
- Results were recorded and verified against the abstract of votes.

Research #1

- During the review of results, it was discovered that one ballot in precinct 28-528 had a heavy smudge on the bottom of the ballot.
- Review of the tabulation system showed that the smudge caused the ballot to be counted into precinct 28-524, not precinct 28-528, but the votes were counted correctly.
- Because the physical count sorted this ballot into the *correct* precinct (28-528), the overall inventory for the precinct was incorrect, it should have contained one more ballot.

Research #2

- Review of sorting documents and inventory showed that one ballot had not been identified and isolated during the sorting process.
- The ballot was located in its original batch, and its tally was added to the recount.

Recount Outcome

The tally from the smudged ballot that was incorrectly attributed to precinct 28-524 was transferred into the correct precinct 28-528. The recount results for all other requested precincts and races matched the original abstract of votes.

The overall cumulative totals for the offices recounted were not changed.

Final Abstract (Amended)
 Pierce County, Washington, 2018 Primary, Aug 07, 2018
 28-524, 28-528, 28-555, All Districts, All Scan Stations, U.S. Representative 10th Congressional
 Total Ballots Cast: 1713, Registered Voters: 3971, Overall Turnout: 43.14%

U.S. Representative 10th Congressional (Vote for 1)

Precinct	Ballots Cast	Reg. Voters	Total Votes	Nancy Dailey Slotnick	Tamborine Borrelli	Joseph Brumbles	Denny Heck	Write-in	Over Votes	Under Votes
Precinct 28-524	592	1261	572	22 3.85%	18 3.32%	179 31.29%	352 61.54%	0 0.00%	0	21
Precinct 28-528	552	1290	532	18 3.38%	22 3.95%	160 30.08%	333 62.59%	0 0.00%	0	19
Precinct 28-555	569	1420	549	32 5.83%	15 2.73%	169 30.78%	333 60.66%	0 0.00%	0	20
Total	1713	3971	1653	72 4.36%	55 3.33%	508 30.73%	1018 61.58%	0 0.00%	0	60

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U.S. Senator (Vote for 1)

Precinct	Ballots Cast	Reg. Voters	Total Votes	Thor Amundson	Dave Strider	Joey Gibson	Mike Luke	GoodSpaceGuy	Clint R. Tannehill
Precinct 28-524	592	1261	583	2 0.34%	4 0.69%	8 1.37%	4 0.69%	0 0.00%	7 1.20%
Precinct 28-528	552	1290	535	0 0.00%	2 0.37%	6 1.12%	1 0.19%	0 0.00%	8 1.50%
Precinct 28-549	489	1019	481	2 0.42%	0 0.00%	7 1.46%	0 0.00%	2 0.42%	10 2.08%
Precinct 28-555	569	1420	556	2 0.36%	1 0.18%	8 1.44%	4 0.72%	3 0.54%	12 2.16%
Total	2202	4990	2155	6 0.28%	7 0.32%	29 1.35%	9 0.42%	5 0.23%	37 1.72%

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Precinct	Ballots Cast	Reg. Voters	Total Votes	Maria Cantwell		Susan Hutchison		Brad Chase		Tim Owen		Matthew D. Heines		Sam Wright	
Precinct 28-524	592	1261	583	299	51.29%	198	33.96%	1	0.17%	5	0.86%	3	0.51%	3	0.51%
Precinct 28-528	552	1290	535	297	55.51%	177	33.08%	0	0.00%	1	0.19%	2	0.37%	2	0.37%
Precinct 28-549	489	1019	481	245	50.94%	159	33.06%	2	0.42%	4	0.83%	3	0.62%	0	0.00%
Precinct 28-555	569	1420	556	287	51.62%	184	33.09%	0	0.00%	1	0.18%	2	0.36%	3	0.54%
Total	2202	4990	2155	1128	52.34%	718	33.32%	3	0.14%	11	0.51%	10	0.46%	8	0.37%

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Precinct	Ballots Cast	Reg. Voters	Total Votes	Art Coday		John Orlinski		Charlie R Jackson		Keith Swank		Alex Tsimerman		RC Smith	
Precinct 28-524	592	1261	583	3	0.51%	4	0.69%	2	0.34%	7	1.20%	0	0.00%	0	0.00%
Precinct 28-528	552	1290	535	3	0.56%	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	5	0.93%	0	0.00%	1	0.19%
Precinct 28-549	489	1019	481	4	0.83%	2	0.42%	0	0.00%	9	1.87%	0	0.00%	0	0.00%
Precinct 28-555	569	1420	556	7	1.26%	2	0.36%	0	0.00%	11	1.98%	0	0.00%	0	0.00%
Total	2202	4990	2155	17	0.79%	8	0.37%	2	0.09%	32	1.48%	0	0.00%	1	0.05%

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Precinct	Ballots Cast	Reg. Voters	Total Votes	Don L. Rivers		Jennifer Gigi Ferguson		Steve Hoffman		George H. Kalberer		James Robert "Jimmie" Deal		Roque "Rocky" De La Fuente	
Precinct 28-524	592	1261	583	2	0.34%	14	2.40%	4	0.69%	1	0.17%	0	0.17%	0	0.00%
Precinct 28-528	552	1290	535	2	0.37%	11	2.06%	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	1	0.00%	0	0.00%
Precinct 28-549	489	1019	481	3	0.62%	9	1.87%	2	0.42%	0	0.00%	5	1.04%	1	0.21%
Precinct 28-555	569	1420	556	3	0.54%	11	1.98%	0	0.00%	1	0.18%	0	0.00%	0	0.00%
Total	2202	4990	2155	10	0.46%	45	2.09%	6	0.28%	2	0.09%	6	0.28%	1	0.05%

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Precinct 28-524	592	1261	583	1	0.17%	8	1.37%	2	0.34%	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	0	0.00%
Precinct 28-528	552	1290	535	0	0.00%	15	2.80%	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	1	0.19%	1	0.19%
Precinct 28-549	489	1019	481	0	0.00%	5	1.04%	2	0.42%	2	0.42%	3	0.62%	0	0.00%
Precinct 28-555	569	1420	556	0	0.00%	8	1.44%	2	0.36%	2	0.36%	2	0.36%	0	0.00%
Total	2202	4990	2155	1	0.05%	36	1.67%	6	0.28%	4	0.19%	6	0.28%	1	0.05%

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Precinct 28-528	552	1290	535	6	10
Precinct 28-549	489	1019	481	3	5
Precinct 28-555	569	1420	556	8	5
Total	2202	4990	2155	20	27