

SEC. 26. As soon as the polls have been closed, the Judges shall immediately proceed to canvass the votes cast, and in making such canvass conform to the procedure provided by law in the instance of State and County elections. Upon the completion of the canvass, the judges shall make out and sign two duplicate copies of a statement or return of the result of the canvass on forms provided by the Board of Election Supervisors, which forms shall immediately be placed in sealed envelopes. The Judges on the morning following the election day shall deliver one copy of such statement or return to the President of the Board of Election Supervisors and at the same time deliver the other copy thereof to the City Clerk. After completion of the canvass herein provided, the said Judges shall present in the ballot boxes all ballots cast, defective and rejected ballots, tally sheets then lock the same and deliver them with the key thereof on the following morning to the City Clerk for safe-keeping.

SEC. 27. The Board of Election Supervisors shall meet at the City Council Chamber at the hour of twelve o'clock noon on the day next succeeding the day of election, and from the statement return filed with them as hereinbefore provided by the Judges of Election, they shall proceed to canvass the number of votes cast at said election, and shall declare and proclaim the result of said election; and they shall prepare and file with the City Clerk, addressed to the Mayor and City Council, a written statement signed by them or a majority of them, of the result of said election. And the said Board of Election Supervisors shall have jurisdiction to hear and determine under such rules and regulations as the Mayor and City Council may by ordinance prescribe, all contested City elections, and any party to such contest may, within ten days after such determination by said Board, appeal to the Circuit Court for Harford County.

VOTING BALLOTS

SEC. 28. Ballots must be provided by the Board of Election Supervisors with the name of every candidate certified to or nominated and every question submitted to vote printed thereon. Ballots other than those printed and furnished by the Board of Election Supervisors as provided by this Charter shall not be cast or counted in any election nor any consideration given to any name of any candidate other than those printed and submitted in the official ballot. Any voter may take with him to the polling booth any written or printed memo or paper to assist him in making or preparing his official ballot. Ballots shall be printed and in the possession of the Board of Election Supervisors at least five days before