

and they shall also provide booths in each precinct at the ratio of one for each 400 registered voters, or fractional part thereof. Any person offering to vote whose name shall appear upon the registration books and who shall establish his identity to the satisfaction of the Judges, shall be furnished by one of the Judges with an official ballot for the ward in which he lives, having the initials of said Judge thereon, and he shall then repair to one of the booths or compartments and therein mark his ballot with a pencil making a cross (X) or a check (✓) mark in the square opposite the name of each candidate for whom he may desire to vote. He shall then fold the ballot without displaying the marks thereon and return it to one of the Judges of Election, who shall in his presence deposit it in the ballot box, and his name shall be checked by the Judges on the registration books or a card index in a space provided for that purpose. Any voter who shall spoil a ballot so that he cannot vote it may return said ballot to the Judge and receive another in its stead, and he shall in the same way be entitled to a third ballot, but no more; said spoiled ballots shall be immediately cancelled by the Judges by endorsing thereon the word "Spoiled". No voter shall be allowed more than seven minutes within which to vote. Each Clerk of Election shall keep a poll book containing a column headed "Number", and another headed "Name of Voter". All entries therein shall be made in ink and the number and name of each person found entitled to vote and given a ballot shall be entered on each of the poll books by the Clerks having charge thereof in regular succession under the proper heading; but if the vote of any person whose name has been entered on the poll books shall be afterwards rejected by the Judges, and his ballot not put in a ballot box, the Clerks shall thereupon draw a line through his name and number.

Immediately after the closing of the polls, the Judges of Elections shall proceed to count the ballots for said precinct and the counting thereof shall not be adjourned or postponed until it shall have been fully completed, the returns announced publicly and the written returns hereinafter provided for fully completed, and signed by the Judges and Clerks of Election. No ballot shall be counted for Mayor whereon the voter has made a cross (X) mark or a check (✓) mark opposite the name of more than one candidate for Mayor, and the same shall be true in respect to the counting the votes for Councilman for each of the several wards. In counting the ballots the Judges of Election shall be governed by the manifest intent of the voter where the same can be ascertained, and a cross (X) mark or a check (✓) mark protruding slightly beyond any square in which the