

date, extending to a square or parallelogram opposite the name of the candidate, and near the border of the paper. Provision for writing in the names of persons not nominated shall be made by adding one or two blank spaces (according to whether one or two candidates are to be voted for) below the names of the candidates nominated.

(K) In the event that the voting is to be by paper ballots, an intending voter shall present himself at the bar of the voting booth or place of election to vote, and on being admitted, if his name shall have been certified by the Board of Election Supervisors under the provisions of the next succeeding section, and not otherwise, one of the Clerks of Election shall hand to said voter one of the official ballots above described, with the said clerk's initials written on the back thereof, and without any other written sign or mark thereon. The Council shall provide a convenient and suitable place within said booth or voting place where the said voter may fill out or mark said ballot privately by placing a cross (X) mark opposite the name of the candidate for whom he desires to vote, but in so doing said voter shall make or place no other mark, writing or device than such as is authorized by this section. No voter shall occupy a booth more than two minutes in marking his ballot, at the end of which time, at the demand of the Clerk of Election, the voter shall immediately surrender his said ballot to the Judge of Election designated for that purpose. Before being surrendered to the Judge of Election the said ballot shall be properly folded so as to show the initials of the Clerk of Election, and if said initials shall properly appear thereon, the said ballot shall be received and placed in the ballot box. If on opening of any of said ballots it shall appear that the voter has placed thereon any unauthorized mark, writing or device, the ballot on which such unauthorized mark appears shall not be counted by the Judges of Election.

(L) If the initials of the Clerk of Election shall not appear on the back of said ballot it shall not be placed in the ballot box, but shall be rejected and kept by the Judges and Clerk of Election in a separate place. If any ballot be spoiled by a voter he may surrender the same and receive from the said clerk a second ballot to be voted. Rejected ballots shall not be counted by the Judges of Election, but shall be preserved by the said Judges and the Clerk of Election. The Judges of Election shall transmit all ballots counted by them, and all such rejected ballots, as a part of their report of the election, to the Council. Such reports of election shall be filed as part of the official records of the said city; provided, however, that the Council may in their discretion direct that such