

RESOLUTION 2000-454

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND COMMON COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF CAMP VERDE, YAVAPAI COUNTY, ARIZONA, ESTABLISHING MAIL BALLOT PROCEDURES FOR THE PRIMARY AND GENERAL 2001 ELECTIONS

WHEREAS, ARS 16-409.B allows cities and towns to conduct mail ballot elections, and

WHEREAS, the experience in other municipalities using mail ballot elections has shown to dramatically increase voter turnout, and

WHEREAS, it would be in the best interest of the Town to adopt mail ballot procedures for the 2001 elections to compare election costs and determine the effect on voter turnout,


NOW THEREFORE THE COUNCIL RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:


1. Adoption of Mail Ballot Procedures. Pursuant to ARS 16-409.B, the Town Clerk shall conduct the primary and general elections for 2001 using mail ballots and the specific procedures outlined in ARS 16-558.01/.02. The Clerk shall send by first class mail all official ballots with printed instructions and a return envelope bearing a printed ballot affidavit as required in ARS 16-547 to each qualified elector in the Town between 33 and 15 days prior to the primary and general election. The Town will pay the return postage.
2. County Elections Agreement. The Town shall enter into an intergovernmental agreement with Yavapai County Elections Department and Recorder for electronically scanning and matching the voter signatures and counting of the ballots.
3. Legislative Report. The Town Clerk shall tabulate and collect information after both elections, and, prior to January 1, 2002, submit to the Legislature the report required in ARS 16-409.B to include changes in voter turnout, relative costs of mail ballot elections compared to traditional elections (with cost per voter), suggestions for improvements, frequency of mail ballot irregularities, voter satisfaction with the mail ballot program, and the number of nondeliverable ballots.

PASSED AND APPROVED by a majority vote of the Common Council
at the regular meeting of September 20th, 2000:


Barbara Miller, Mayor

Attest:


Debbie Barber, Town Clerk

Approved as to form:

Ronald C. Ramsey, Town
Attorney

