

BOARD OF RECOUNT

November 12, 2025 at 10:00 AM

The Clerk called the meeting to order.

Present: Alderman Levasseur, Board Members Goduti and McCoy

Matthew Normand, City Clerk, advised that the purpose of this meeting is to recount the votes cast for Ward 8 Alderman during the November 4, 2025, Municipal General Election and requests that a motion be made to adopt the procedures for recounts. Copies of the proposed procedures have been provided to the candidates and their representatives.

*On motion of **Alderman Levasseur**, duly seconded by **Don Goduti**, it was voted to adopt the procedures for the recount process.*

Alderman Levasseur requested the City Clerk begin the process for recount of votes cast for Ward 8 Alderman.

M. Normand: During the Municipal General Election there were a total of 1,774 votes cast for the office of Ward 8 Alderman. There were 831 votes cast for Cristina Goodwin, and 855 votes cast for Edward Sapienza according to the official return of votes from the Ward 8 election officials. In the event of a tie upon conclusion of the recount, I will determine the winner by lot in the presence of the two candidates or their representatives. I would like to remind everyone that all cell phones must be in silent-mode, and any cell phone communication should take place in the hallway. If an observer needs to take a break, the recount will not stop. It is up to the candidates to replace their observers. No observer may have a writing instrument or an electronic communication device while sitting at a recount table, and observers may not touch the ballots. I would also like to remind observers that the people sitting across from you are either my employees or ward election officials; they have no agenda here today, and they will do their best to determine voter intent on each ballot. I ask you treat them with respect and maintain decorum so we can get through the recount as quickly and painlessly as possible. With that said, we will begin the recount. We will get the ballots

from the safe in archives; if a representative from each candidate wants to go, you are welcome to go down with them to get the ballots.

The recount process ensued with representatives for Cristina Goodwin and Edward Sapienza taking their places across from a total of four, two-person recount teams staffed by the City Clerk's Office and ward election officials.

In total, one ballot was protested and presented to the Board of Recount for final determination. The recount of the race concluded at approximately 11:15AM with the following results:

Results of Ward 8 Alderman Race		
Candidate	Votes Tallied: November 4, 2025	Recount Votes Tallied: November 12, 2025
Cristina Goodwin	831	831
Edward Sapienza	855	857

*On motion of **Alderman Levasseur**, duly seconded by **Don Goduti**, it was voted to reaffirm and declare Edward Sapienza the elected Ward 8 Alderman, and to certify the results of the recount.*

*There being no further business, on motion of **Alderman Levasseur**, duly seconded by **Don Goduti**, it was voted to adjourn.*

A True Record. Attest.



City Clerk

Meeting Start Time: 10:00AM
Meeting End Time: 11:20AM
Minutes Prepared By: Michael Intranuovo