



City of Yakima

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Second Count of General Election Returns Released

Three races for seats on the Yakima City Council didn't change much from last night's initial ballot count after the second batch of results of the 2017 General Election were released earlier today. Likewise, the outcome of an advisory vote about whether the growing, processing, and sale of recreational marijuana will be allowed in unincorporated areas of Yakima County has changed little when compared to the first count of ballots.

In Yakima City Council District 2, Jason White leads Pablo Gonzalez 76.02% (compared to 81.62% after the first count) to 23.98% (compared to 18.38% after the first count).

Kay Funk has 60.96% of the vote (compared to 59.20% after the first count) in District 4 compared to Keith Effler's 37.97% (compared to 39.86% after the first count).

In District 6, Brad Hill leads Macaela Razo 85.46% (compared to 86.80% after the first count) to 14.33% (compared to 12.99% after the first count).

Proposition 1 is a non-binding advisory ballot measure asking if Yakima County should continue its ban on the production, processing, and retail sales of recreational marijuana in unincorporated areas of the County. After the second count of ballots, Proposition 1 has 59.74% Yes votes (compared to 60.57% after the first count) and 40.26% No votes (compared to 39.43 after the first count), which means a majority of voters are indicating the existing ban should remain in place.

The 2017 General Election also featured city council races in Yakima County, 13 other cities and towns as well as mayoral races in Granger, Mabton, Wapato and Zillah. Seats on special purpose district boards, such as school districts, fire districts, and port districts, were also up for election. Yakima County Fire District #6 is also asking voters to approve a \$1.00 per \$1,000 of assessed value property tax levy to help pay for fire protection and emergency medical services.

Three statewide advisory votes were also on the ballot. To see the entire Yakima County general election ballot returns look on the County Auditor's website at yakimacounty.us.

Of the 114,819 ballots issued, 25,892 have been counted so far.

Additional ballot counts will be conducted over the next few days. Ballot counts will continue periodically until all of the ballots that were received before the midnight November 7th deadline have been tabulated. The 2017 General Election will be certified on November 28th.