



## ELECTION INTEGRITY COMMISSION

### MEMORANDUM

Date: October 20, 2019

To: Richard Elias, Chair  
Pima County Board of Supervisors

From: Brian Bickel, Chair  
Pima County Election  
Integrity Commission

Re: **Perceived Irregularities in the Tucson City Election**

At the October regular meeting of the Pima County Election Integrity Commission, the commissioners were presented a copy of a standard City of Tucson ballot affidavit for the November 5, 2019 general election. The form shows printing irregularities that could result in voter fraud were malicious judgements and acts carried out. A copy of the affidavit envelope is attached.

The envelope clearly displays voter information that should be private, above the signature line. The copy of the affidavit envelope with private information blanked out, is enclosed and shows:

PCT: 218    WARD: 04    PTY: REP    VOTE PTY: REP    VA: 218-4

Additionally, under certain circumstances the affidavit and the information it includes may be legible from the outside of the return envelope before the return envelope is opened.

Disclosure of the party designation is personal information that should not be available to anyone who may be handling, receiving, processing or tabulating cast votes. At the very least it has the effect of eroding confidence in the handling of elections. Questions of election integrity at every level spill over to other elections. The City of Tucson's perceived disclosure of private information could possibly have an adverse impact on the integrity of all Pima County Elections.

In a 5-3 vote the members of the Pima County Election Integrity Commission requests that the Board of Supervisors send a letter of concern to the City of Tucson recommending that election officials investigate the cause of this irregularity, its possible consequences and the effect, if any, on the ongoing City of Tucson election.