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Special Election Voters Reject Columbus Charter Change Minerva Park Levy Approved

(Columbus) Unofficial results from the Franklin County Board of Elections show 49,056 of 529,695 voters- 9.26 percent of those registered- voting in today's special election.

Returns show Columbus voters rejected a proposed charter amendment to expand city council and elect most members by wards while voters in Minerva Park approved a renewal levy for basic expenses in the Village.

Vote totals for Franklin County alone and results for precincts with overlaps from neighboring counties will be posted on our [Web](#) site shortly. Precinct level totals will be posted on our site tomorrow afternoon. Results of this election will be certified by the board of elections on or before Aug. 23.

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