

before said election, said committee shall cause a notice thereof to be published once in a newspaper published in the City of Hyattsville, and shall post in at least five (5) public places within the territory proposed by this Act to be annexed to the City of Hyattsville, a notice of said election; said advertisement and posters shall notify the residents of said territory that there will be held on said day at a place or places to be designated therein, and between the hours of nine o'clock A. M., and nine o'clock P. M., an election to determine whether or not said residents desire the territory described in this Act to be annexed to the City of Hyattsville. The said Committee shall provide a polling place or places, ballot boxes, booths, and ballots for said election, the cost thereof to be paid by The Mayor and City Council of Hyattsville, which is hereby authorized to pay the same. The said ballots shall contain the words "FOR ANNEXATION TO THE CITY OF HYATTSVILLE" on one line, and "AGAINST ANNEXATION TO THE CITY OF HYATTSVILLE" on another line, with a square opposite each. The election shall be conducted as nearly as practicable as are elections for County officers in Prince George's County. The committee shall appoint two (2) judges and two (2) clerks, who shall conduct said election, and any of said committee are hereby authorized to act as judges or clerks. The said judges and clerks, before undertaking to perform the duties of their office shall subscribe to the same oath as is now required for judges and clerks in any municipal election of officers in the City of Hyattsville.

For the purpose of said election, all persons over the age of twenty-one (21) years who have actually resided in the territory proposed to be annexed to the City of Hyattsville by this Act for six full calendar months prior to the date of said election, shall be eligible to vote at said election. The said judges, or any of them, before permitting any person to vote at said election, shall administer to such person an oath to tell the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth in reference to any questions which might be asked them in reference to their qualifications as a voter in said election, and shall examine each of said persons, and if they do not bring themselves within the terms of this section, shall refuse them the right to vote.

Upon the closing of said polls, the said judges and clerks shall canvass the said vote, publicly announce the result of said canvass, certify the result to The Mayor and City Council of Hyattsville within forty-eight hours, and deliver the ballot boxes with the ballots sealed therein, and the booths to the Clerk of The Mayor and City Council of Hyattsville, who shall faithfully keep the sealed ballot boxes for a period of thirty (30) days after said election. No ballots shall be deposited