

**Statement of Alderman Mike McGee, Jr.
March 13, 2007**

Today, more than 100 voters who wanted to vote in person at City Hall with absentee ballots were turned away at the Election Commission office. They were told there were no absentee ballots available. State law mandates that voters be allowed to cast their votes 20 days prior to an election, and here the Election Commission doesn't even have ballots available to people who want to vote. I've notified the State Elections Board of the problem, and they are currently looking into it.

Once again voters in the 6th Aldermanic District and the city as a whole have been disenfranchised because of the snafus of our Election Commission.

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