

LWV Jeffco Discussion Questions, April 10 & April 13, 2023

25 Minutes Questions - Bette and Linda for 10th and Bette and Mary Ann for 12th.

1. (From EMM:) Is the fact that someone may be elected with less than 50% of the vote important enough to change to a different election system?
2. Do you believe these alternative voting methods would encourage better voter turnout and why?
3. How important is it for an election system to encourage others to vote for their true favorite rather than for someone who has a better chance of winning?
4. Who will benefit from implementing Rank Choice Voting with instant Runoff? Who will be disadvantaged or negatively impacted?
5. How will alternative voting methods lead to changes in the traditional two-party system?
6. Is the fact that alternative voting systems may be more complex and tabulation more difficult to understand, be sufficient reason to reject them?
7. If you were voting in Denver would having alternative voting methods affect your decision in whom you would have voted for?

15 Minutes - Further action: Christina and Mary L.

1. Given LWVCO and LWVUS strong positions in support of AVMs, are the benefits of AVM enough for the LWV Jeffco to move forward with pursuing these types of voting methods in Jeffco?
2. Which cities might we approach?
3. What steps do you suggest we take?
4. Would your unit be willing to inquire whether the city has situations where more than 2 candidates ran for any position? (Golden and Arvada - no)
5. Has that city considered rank choice voting with instant run-off?
6. Would your city like to know more about rank choice voting?