



# **2022 New Owner Election Results** **Breakdown**

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# Preface

The point of this report is to transparently inform the community how the new owner of Lunarlys was calculated.

The election was hosted using the **ranked choice voting** system. This means that every voter was permitted to list the available candidates in order of their preference. In order for a candidate to win, they had to possess a clear majority (over 50%) out of all first-preference ballots.

If no candidate possessed the required majority at first-preference, the candidate with the least votes was eliminated. Then, in the next “round” of voting, whichever ballots listed the eliminated candidate as their first preference were recalculated. These recalculated ballots would have their vote transferred to whichever was the highest-preference candidate still in the race.

If a ballot did not possess a candidate still in the race during recalculation, it was considered “exhausted”, and was no longer counted. Every time ballot exhaustion occurred it resulted in the total majority required to win being recalculated in the following round.

The above process continued until a candidate obtained the required majority.

# Resources Used

Resource Link	Purpose
<a href="https://www.rankedvote.co/faq">https://www.rankedvote.co/faq</a>	The question “ <i>What happens if there is a tie?</i> ” was used to determine how the tie in round 2 would be resolved.
<a href="#">LINK</a>	Used to determine what the required majority would be when ballots were exhausted.
<a href="#">LINK</a>	Used to clarify that the required majority should be out of all non-exhausted ballots rather than out of total voters.

# Round 1

When the ballot box was closed a total of **64** people participated. As such, in order for a candidate to win outright, they needed a total of **33** first preference votes.

In the first round, votes were as follows:

<b>Burbs</b>	9
<b>EMP Fingers</b>	28
<b>Monstrosity</b>	17
<b>Owen</b>	3
<b>Travis</b>	7

No candidate possessed the required majority. Therefore, **Owen** was eliminated in round 1.

## Round 2

With **Owen** eliminated, 1 ballot was exhausted and 2 ballots were recalculated to be for **Travis**.

Ballot exhaustion at this round brought the required majority down to a total of **32**.

In the second round, votes were as follows:

<b>Burbs</b>	9
<b>EMP Fingers</b>	28
<b>Monstrosity</b>	17
<b>Travis</b>	9

No candidate possessed the required majority. However, elimination of the lowest candidate was not possible, as the 2 lowest candidates were tied.

To break the tie, *all* ballots were evaluated to break down how many selections of each preference level were given to the tied candidates. Each preference rank was given a number of points per selection, with a higher placement resulting in more points. This was done so as to evaluate which candidate had the most total support.

The breakdown is:

<b>Candidate</b>	<b># of First Place Selections (4 points)</b>	<b># of Second Place Selections (3 points)</b>	<b># of Third Place Selections (2 points)</b>	<b># of Fourth Place Selections (1 point)</b>	<b># of Fifth Place Selections (0 points)</b>
Burbs	9	17	6	0	4
Travis	9	4	4	4	2

This resulted in the following:

<b>Burbs</b>	99
<b>Travis</b>	76

Thus, **Travis** was eliminated in round 2.

## Round 3

With **Travis** eliminated, 1 ballot was exhausted, the ballot recalculated to **Travis** in round 2 was recalculated again to **Burbs**, 1 ballot was recalculated to **EMP Fingers**, and 4 ballots were recalculated to **Monstrosity**.

Ballot exhaustion at this round has not changed that the required majority is **32**.

In the third round, votes were as follows:

<b>Burbs</b>	10
<b>EMP Fingers</b>	29
<b>Monstrosity</b>	21

No candidate possessed the required majority. Therefore, **Burbs** was eliminated in round 3.

## Round 4

With **Burbs** eliminated, 4 ballots were exhausted, 3 ballots were recalculated to **EMP Fingers**, and 3 ballots were recalculated to **Monstrosity**.

Ballot exhaustion at this round brought the required majority down to a total of **30**.

In the third round, votes were as follows:

<b>EMP Fingers</b>	32
<b>Monstrosity</b>	24

**EMP Fingers** possesses the required majority, and thus wins the election.