



CITY COUNCIL AGENDA STATEMENT



January 16, 2018

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TITLE

- A. RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHULA VISTA CALLING A GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION TO BE HELD ON TUESDAY, JUNE 5, 2018, FOR THE ELECTION OF A MAYOR, TWO MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL, REPRESENTING DISTRICTS 1 AND 2, AND A CITY ATTORNEY; CONSOLIDATING THE ELECTION WITH THE STATEWIDE ELECTION; AND REQUESTING THE COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO PERMIT THE REGISTRAR OF VOTERS TO PERFORM CERTAIN SERVICES FOR THE CONDUCT OF THE ELECTION

- B. RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHULA VISTA ADOPTING REGULATIONS FOR CANDIDATES FOR ELECTIVE OFFICE PERTAINING TO MATERIALS SUBMITTED TO THE ELECTORATE AT THE GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION TO BE HELD TUESDAY, JUNE 5, 2018

RECOMMENDED ACTION

Council adopt the resolutions.

SUMMARY

The purpose of the June 5, 2018 General Municipal Election is to elect a Mayor, two Members of the City Council to represent Districts 1 and 2, and a City Attorney, each for a full term of four years commencing December 2018. Adoption of the proposed resolutions is required to give notice of the election and to adopt regulations for candidates.

ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW

The Director of Development Services has reviewed the proposed activity for compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and has determined that the activity is not a "Project" as defined under Section 15378 of the State CEQA Guidelines because it will not result in a physical change in the environment; therefore, pursuant to Section 15060(c)(3) of the State CEQA Guidelines, the activity is not subject to CEQA. Thus, no environmental review is required.

BOARD/COMMISSION/COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

Not applicable.

DISCUSSION

The Chula Vista Charter requires that General Municipal Elections be scheduled in conjunction with statewide primary elections. The next statewide primary election will be held on June 5, 2018. The purpose

of the general municipal election is to elect a Mayor, two Members of the City Council to represent Districts 1 and 2, and a City Attorney, each for a full term commencing in December 2016.

Pursuant Charter section 300, the two candidates who receive the highest and second highest number of votes cast in the June election will be the candidates in a runoff election to be held on November 6, 2018. The Charter requires a run off, regardless if any one candidate receives more than 50% of the vote in June. If only two qualified candidates file nomination papers to participate in the general municipal election for a particular seat, no June election will be held for that seat, and the two candidates will be the candidates at the run-off election in November.

The period for filing nomination documents for the June 2018 election is February 12, through March 9, 2018, during normal office hours, as posted, of the Office of the City Clerk.

California Elections Code Section 10403 requires the City Council to adopt a resolution requesting the Board of Supervisors to consolidate Chula Vista's election with the statewide general election and to permit the Registrar of Voters to perform certain services in conjunction with the City's election.

Additionally, California Elections Code Section 13307 provides that the local agency must adopt regulations pertaining to the materials prepared by candidates and the costs thereof. Historically, the City has allowed each candidate to submit a candidate's statement of no more than 200 words. Candidates who choose to file a candidate's statement will be required to pay a deposit at the time their statements and nomination papers are filed with the City Clerk. Should the actual cost be less than the amount of the deposit, the balance will be refunded to the candidates; and should the actual cost be more, candidates will be billed for the difference.

DECISION-MAKER CONFLICT

Staff has reviewed the decision contemplated by this action and has determined that it is not site-specific and consequently, the 500-foot rule found in California Code of Regulations Title 2, section 18702.2(a)(11), is not applicable to this decision for purposes of determining a disqualifying real property-related financial conflict of interest under the Political Reform Act (Cal. Gov't Code § 87100, et seq.).

Staff is not independently aware, and has not been informed by any City Councilmember, of any other fact that may constitute a basis for a decision maker conflict of interest in this matter.

LINK TO STRATEGIC GOALS

The City's Strategic Plan has five major goals: Operational Excellence, Economic Vitality, Healthy Community, Strong and Secure Neighborhoods and a Connected Community. While conducting the election is not specifically associated with one of the City's strategic goals, carrying out this important function in an ethical, impartial, transparent manner aligns with the City's goals of Operational Excellence and Connected Community.

CURRENT-YEAR FISCAL IMPACT

It is anticipated that the budgeted amount of approximately \$164,000 will be sufficient to cover the costs of conducting this election.

ONGOING FISCAL IMPACT

There are no ongoing costs associated with conducting the election.

ATTACHMENTS

None.

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