



City of Chula Vista

Staff Report

File#: 13-0168, **Item#:** 7.

- A. RESOLUTION NO. 2014-007 OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHULA VISTA CALLING A GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION TO BE HELD ON TUESDAY, JUNE 3, 2014, FOR THE ELECTION OF A MAYOR, TWO MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL 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 NO. 2014-008 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 3, 2014

RECOMMENDED ACTION

Council adopt the resolutions.

SUMMARY

The purpose of the June 3, 2014 General Municipal Election is to elect a Mayor, two Members of the City Council to fill Seats 1 and 2, and a City Attorney, each for a full term of four years commencing December 2014. Adoption of the proposed resolutions is required to give notice of the election and to adopt regulations for candidates.

ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW

The Development Services Director has reviewed the proposed activity for compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and has determined that this activity is not a "Project" as defined under Section 15378 of the State CEQA Guidelines because it will not result in a physical change to the environment; therefore, pursuant to Section 15060(c)(3) of the State CEQA Guidelines, the actions proposed are not subject to CEQA.

BOARD/COMMISSION 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 3, 2014. The purpose of the General Municipal Election is to elect a Mayor, two (2) Members of the City Council to fill Seats 1 and 2, and a City Attorney, each for a full term commencing in December 2014.

California Elections Code Section 10403 requires the City Council to adopt a resolution requesting

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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. The Registrar's estimated cost for a 200-word statement is \$1,250. Candidates who choose to file a candidate's statement will be required to pay \$1,250 as a deposit at the time their statements and nomination papers are filed with the City Clerk. Should the actual cost be less, 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 section 18704.2 (a)(1), is not applicable to this decision. Staff is not independently aware, and has not been informed by any Councilmember, of any other fact that may constitute a basis for a decision maker conflict of interest in this matter.

CURRENT YEAR FISCAL IMPACT

It is anticipated that the budgeted \$200,000 will be sufficient to cover the costs of conducting this election.

ONGOING FISCAL IMPACT

There are no ongoing costs associated with conducting the election.