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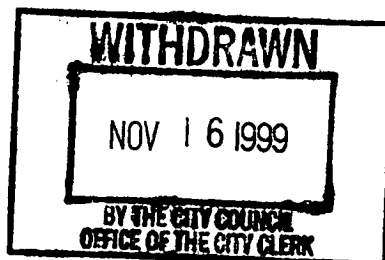
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Honorable Members In Session:

SUBJECT: ESTABLISHMENT OF REGULATIONS PERTAINING TO CANDIDATE
STATEMENTS FOR THE MARCH 7, 2000 SPECIAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION

LOCATION AND COUNCIL DISTRICT: City-wide

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the City Council adopt the attached resolution.

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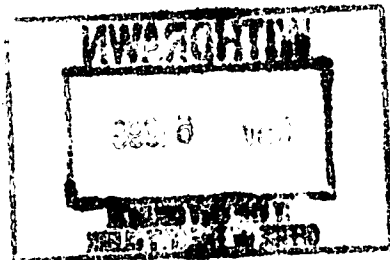
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SUMMARY

Pursuant to California Elections Code 13307, it is necessary to establish a regulation for preparation and payment of candidate statements for the March 7, 2000 Special Municipal Election.

BACKGROUND

Prior to an election, the jurisdictional governing body must adopt a resolution which establishes regulations for the preparation and payment of processing candidate statements. These statements are submitted with a candidate's nomination papers, and are for inclusion in the sample ballot. The statement may include the candidate's name, age and occupation and a brief description of no more than 200 words describing the candidate's education and qualifications.



Each candidate filing a statement is required to pay in advance an estimated pro rata share as a condition of having the statement included in the voter's pamphlet.

The County Registrar of Voter's office has estimated the pro rata share sufficient to cover the costs of printing, handling, and mailing to be \$2,130 and is based on current registration figures.

In addition, the candidate has the option of requesting translation of the candidate's statement into Spanish. The cost for Spanish translation is in addition to the cost for English, and is \$2,180.

Translation will be performed by an accredited translator as outlined in the Election Code, and at the request of the election official.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

The establishment of this regulation will allow for the candidates to absorb the cost of including the candidate's statement in the voter's pamphlet. The funds received will be deposited into the General Fund to be used to offset the overall costs incurred.

ENVIRONMENTAL CONSIDERATIONS

None.

POLICY CONSIDERATIONS


This procedure is established in accordance with California Elections Code 13307.

WBE/MBE

No impact.

Respectfully submitted,


Luann Lee, Elections Officer


Valerie Burrowes, City Clerk

RESOLUTION NO.

ADOPTED BY THE SACRAMENTO CITY COUNCIL

ON DATE OF _____

RESOLUTION ADOPTING REGULATIONS FOR CANDIDATES FOR ELECTIVE OFFICE PERTAINING TO CANDIDATE STATEMENTS, SUBMITTED TO THE VOTERS AT A SPECIAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION TO BE HELD ON MARCH 7, 2000

WHEREAS, Section 13307 of the Elections Code of the State of California provides that the governing body of any local agency adopt regulations pertaining to materials prepared by any candidate for a municipal election, including costs of the candidate's statement;

NOW THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA, DOES HEREBY RESOLVE, DECLARE, DETERMINE AND ORDER AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. GENERAL PROVISIONS. That pursuant to Section 13307 of the Elections Code of the State of California, each candidate for elective office to be voted for at a Special Election to be held in the City of Sacramento, California, on Tuesday, March 7, 2000, may prepare a candidate's statement on an appropriate form provided by the City Clerk. The statement may include the name, age and occupation of the candidate and a brief description of no more than two hundred (200) words of the candidate's education and qualifications expressed by the candidate himself or herself. The statement shall not include party affiliation of the candidate, nor membership or activity in partisan political organizations. The statement shall be filed in the office of the City Clerk at the time the candidate's nomination papers are filed. The statement may be withdrawn, but not changed, during the period for filing nomination papers and until 5:00 p.m. of the next working day after the close of the nomination period.

SECTION 2. ADDITIONAL MATERIALS. No candidate will be permitted to include additional materials in the sample ballot package.

SECTION 3. PAYMENT. A candidate filing a candidate's statement for inclusion in the sample ballot shall pay in advance his or her pro rata share for printing, handling and mailing, as a condition of having his or her statement included in the voter's pamphlet. The candidate will pay a deposit in the amount of \$2,130 at the time the candidate's statement is filed.

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Payment of the deposit shall be by cash or by check payable to the City of Sacramento. The City Clerk shall bill each candidate for any cost in excess of the deposit or, if the actual cost is found to be less than the deposit, shall refund a pro rata share of the unused portion of the deposit.

SECTION 4. The cost of translation of the candidate's statement into Spanish will cost \$2,180 in addition to the initial deposit of the candidate's statement. Spanish translation is optional. Translation will be performed by an accredited translator as outlined in the Election Code, and at the request of the election official.

SECTION 5. That the City Clerk shall provide each candidate or the candidate's representative a copy of this resolution at the time nominating petitions are issued.

SECTION 6. That all previous resolutions establishing Council policy on payment for candidate statements are repealed.

SECTION 7. That this resolution shall apply only to the Special Municipal Election to be held on Tuesday, March 7, 2000 and shall then be repealed.

SECTION 8. That the City Clerk shall certify to the passage and adoption of this resolution and enter it into the book of original resolutions.

VICE MAYOR

ATTEST:

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