



Legislation Text

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Recommendation to adopt resolution ordering, proclaiming, calling and giving notice of a Primary Nominating Election in the City of Long Beach, California, on Tuesday, the 10th day of April, 2018, for the nomination and/or election of candidates for five (5) offices on the City Council, and four (4) City Officials, each for a full term of four (4) years, commencing with the third Tuesday of July, 2018, and adopting provisions relating to the translations of and the charges for costs of candidate statements;

Pursuant to the City Charter, on April 10, 2018, the City of Long Beach electorate will vote on the following City offices: Mayor, City Attorney, City Auditor, City Prosecutor, Members of the City Council for Districts 1, 3, 5, 7, and 9. The nomination period for these offices is December 18, 2017 through January 12, 2018.

In addition, pursuant to the City Charter, the State Education Code, and the State Elections Code, the Board of Education of the Long Beach Unified School District (LBUSD) and the Board of Trustees of the Long Beach Community College District (LBCCD) have requested consolidation of their governing bodies' elections with the City's Primary Nominating Election on April 10, 2018. Accordingly, the Office of the City Clerk is prepared to conduct the LBUSD Board of Education Election in Districts 1, 3, and 5, and the LBCCD Board of Trustees Election in Areas 1, 3, and 5.

On October 3, 2017, the City Council provided direction to the City Attorney to prepare a resolution adopting a plan to comply with SB 415, moving the City elections date to coincide with those of state-wide elections, beginning in 2020, to increase voter turnout. The April and June 2018 elections are not affected by this plan.

It is recommended that the City Council adopt the attached resolutions relating to the City of Long Beach Primary Nominating Election on April 10, 2018, titled as follows:

This matter was reviewed by Deputy Attorney Amy Webber on October 2, 2017 and by Budget Management Officer Rhutu Amin Gharib on October 10, 2017.

The FY 2018 Election Budget includes \$1,475,000 for the April Primary Nominating Election and \$1,117,000 for the June General Municipal Election. Sufficient funds are budgeted in the General Fund (GF) in the Office of the City Clerk (CC) to support these expenses. The election costs for LBCC and LBUSD will be reimbursed to the City's General Fund. The actual costs for each election will depend on the number of registered voters and vote-by-mail participation rate involved in each election. Each of these cost components will ultimately drive the actual printing and postage costs.

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LONG BEACH, CALIFORNIA, ORDERING, PROCLAIMING, CALLING AND GIVING NOTICE OF A PRIMARY NOMINATING ELECTION IN THE CITY OF LONG BEACH, CALIFORNIA, ON TUESDAY, THE 10TH DAY OF APRIL, 2018, FOR THE NOMINATION AND/OR ELECTION OF CANDIDATES FOR FIVE (5) OFFICES ON THE CITY COUNCIL, AND FOUR (4) CITY OFFICIALS, EACH FOR A FULL TERM OF FOUR (4) YEARS, COMMENCING WITH THE THIRD TUESDAY OF JULY, 2018, AND ADOPTING PROVISIONS RELATING TO THE TRANSLATIONS OF AND THE CHARGES FOR COSTS OF CANDIDATE STATEMENTS

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