



Legislation Text

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Recommendation to adopt resolution pursuant to the provisions of Long Beach Municipal Code Section 1.21.070, providing for the appointment of Lena Gonzalez to the Office of Councilmember, First Council District, Charles Parkin to the Office of City Attorney, Laura L. Doud to the Office of City Auditor, and Douglas P. Haubert to the Office of City Prosecutor, for the term of four years commencing on the third Tuesday of July, 2018; and the cancellation of the Primary Nominating Election for Member of the City Council for the First Council District, City Attorney, City Auditor and City Prosecutor scheduled to be held on April 10, 2018. (Citywide)

On October 24, 2017, the City Council adopted a resolution calling and giving notice of a Primary Nominating Election for Mayor, City Auditor, City Attorney, City Prosecutor, City Council in Council Districts 1, 3, 5, 7, and 9 scheduled to be held on April 10, 2018.

With the close of the candidate nomination period on January 12, 2018, the Office of the City Clerk received only one nomination for each of the following offices: Lena Gonzalez for the Office of Councilmember, First Council District; Charles Parkin for the Office of City Attorney; Laura L. Doud for the Office of City Auditor; and Douglas P. Haubert for the Office of City Prosecutor. The City Clerk Certification of Fact regarding the only person duly nominated is shown in Attachment A.

Under this circumstance, Long Beach Municipal Code Section 1.21.070 provides that if no one or only one candidate files nomination papers for any office, a write-in candidate shall be permitted to obtain and submit nomination papers for such office by 5:00 P.M. on January 16, 2018. As of the January 16, 2018 deadline, no eligible voter has filed nomination papers to run as a qualified write-in candidate.

The City Council has the option to either:

- A. Appoint to the office the person who has been nominated; or
- B. If, by the 75th day prior to the April 10, 2018 Primary Nominating Election, January 25, 2018, no person has been appointed to the office, the election shall be held.

If the City Council has not appointed any person to the office pursuant to Municipal Code Section 1.21.070 by January 25, 2018, an election for the abovementioned offices will be held. As such, the write-in period for the Offices of City Attorney, City Auditor, City Prosecutor, and Council District One will begin February 12, 2018 to March 27, 2018, in accordance with California Elections Code, Section 8601.

If the City Council makes an appointment pursuant to Municipal Code Section 1.21.070, the City Clerk shall not accept any filing for write-in candidacy that is submitted after the appointment is made, pursuant to Municipal Code Section 1.21.070.

The Office of the City Clerk budget contains the appropriations necessary to conduct the April 10, 2018 Primary Nominating Election. Should the City Council opt to cancel the election for City Attorney, City Auditor, City Prosecutor, and First Council District, it could result in cost savings.

Approve recommendation.

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LONG BEACH PROVIDING FOR THE APPOINTMENT OF LENA GONZALEZ TO THE OFFICE OF COUNCILMEMBER, FIRST COUNCIL DISTRICT; CHARLES PARKINTO THE OFFICE OF CITY ATTORNEY; LAURA L. DOUD TO THE OFFICE OF CITY AUDITOR; AND, DOUGLAS P. HAUBERT TO THE OFFICE OF CITY PROSECUTOR, FOR A FULL TERM OF FOUR YEARS COMMENCING ON THE THIRD TUESDAY OF JULY, 2018

MONIQUE DE LA GARZA
CITY CLERK