

Resolution No. 2020-44

RESOLUTION ORDERING A GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION IN THE CITY OF MARINA, REQUESTING THE COUNTY ELECTIONS DEPARTMENT TO CONDUCT THE ELECTION, AND REQUESTING CONSOLIDATION OF THE ELECTION

City of Marina

WHEREAS, pursuant to Elections Code Section 10002, the governing body of any city or district may by resolution request the Board of Supervisors of the county to permit the county elections official to render specified services to the city or district relating to the conduct of an election; and

WHEREAS, the resolution of the governing body of the city or district shall specify the services requested; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Elections Code Section 10002, the city or district shall reimburse the county in full for the services performed upon presentation of a bill to the city or district; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Elections Code Section 10400, whenever two or more elections, including bond elections, of any legislative or congressional district, public district, city, county or other political subdivision are called to be held on the same day, in the same territory, or in territory that is in part the same, they may be consolidated upon the order of the governing body or bodies or officer or officers calling the elections; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Elections Code Section 10400, such election for cities and special districts may be either completely or partially consolidated; and

WHEREAS, the provisions of Section 2.06.010 of the Marina Municipal Code provide that the City of Marina's General Municipal Election shall be held on the same day as the Statewide General Election on the first Tuesday following the first Monday of November in every even-numbered year and the City Council may submit to the voters at the election such questions and or propositions as may be timely submitted; and

WHEREAS, on December 17, 2019, the City Council adopted Ordinance 2019-04 amending Chapter 2.06 of the Marina Municipal Code entitled "Municipal Elections" to add Section 2.06.020 establishing a by-district electoral system for four City Council members, with the office of Mayor to continue to be separately elected; and

WHEREAS, the November 3, 2020, general municipal election will be the first election held under a by-district electoral system for Council Districts 2 and 3; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Elections Code Section 10403, whenever an election called by a district, city or other political subdivision for the submission of any question, proposition, or office to be filled is to be consolidated with a statewide election, and the question, proposition, or office to be filled is to appear upon the same ballot as that provided for that statewide election, the district, city or other political subdivision shall, at least 88 days prior to the date of the election, file with the board of supervisors, and a copy with the elections official, a resolution of its governing board requesting the consolidation, and setting forth the exact form of any question, proposition, or office to be voted upon at the election, as it is to appear on the ballot. Upon such request, the Board of Supervisors may order the consolidation; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Elections Code Section 13307, whenever an election called by a district, city, or other political subdivision has offices to be filled, it is required to fix and determine the number of words that a candidate may submit on the candidate's statement to be either 200 or 400 words and to determine if the candidate and or the political subdivision will pay the cost of the statement; and

WHEREAS, Elections Code Section 15651 requires the city or district to determine the means and manner in which a tie vote is to be resolved in the event that two or more persons receive an equal number of votes and the highest number of votes ("tie votes") for an office to be voted upon; and

WHEREAS, the resolution requesting the consolidation shall be adopted and filed at the same time as the adoption of the ordinance, resolution, or order calling the election; and

WHEREAS, various district, county, state and other political subdivision elections may be or have been called to be held on a November 3, 2020.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AND ORDERED that the governing body of the City of Marina hereby orders an election be called and consolidated with any and all elections also called to be held on November 3, 2020, insofar as said elections are to be held in the same territory or in territory that is in part the same as the territory of the City of Marina, and the City of Marina requests the Board of Supervisors of the County of Monterey to order such consolidation under Elections Code Section 10401 and 10403.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ORDERED that said governing body hereby requests the Board of Supervisors to permit the Monterey County Elections Department to provide any and all services necessary for conducting the election and agrees to pay for said services, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ORDERED that the Monterey County Elections Department conduct the election for the purpose of electing two Members to this Governing Board on the November 3, 2020, ballot:

SEATS OPEN	OFFICE	TERM
Gail Morton	Councilmember - District 3	Full Term of Four Years
Frank O'Connell	Councilmember - District 2	Full Term of Four Years

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ORDERED that pursuant to Election Code Section 13307 the City of Marina has resolved that all costs of the Candidate's statement be paid by the Candidate and that no candidate may submit a statement of over 200 words.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ORDERED that pursuant to Elections Code Section 15651(a), a tie vote shall be resolved by drawing lots.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ORDERED that tie votes shall be determined by the City Council acting as the Election Board.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ORDERED that the Deputy City Clerk is hereby designated as the Elections Officials and is directed to submit forthwith a certified copy of this resolution to the Board of Supervisors, to the Registrar of Voters and to the County Clerk of the County of Monterey. The Deputy City Clerk shall certify as to the passage and adoption of this Resolution and enter it into the book of original Resolutions.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ORDERED that the Finance Director is authorized and directed to appropriate the necessary funds to pay for the cost of the election and the City Manager is authorized to execute an agreement for the provision of election services between the City of Marina and Monterey County, subject to review and approval by the City Attorney.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Marina on this 5thth of May 2020, by the following vote:

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS: Berkley, Urrutia, O'Connell, Morton, Delgado

NOES: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

ABSTENTIONS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

ABSENT: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

SIGNED: _____
Bruce C. Delgado, Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Anita Shepherd-Sharp, Deputy City Clerk

SERVICE AGREEMENT FOR THE PROVISION OF ELECTION

SERVICES BETWEEN **CITY OF MARINA** AND

MONTEREY COUNTY REGISTRAR OF VOTERS

NOVEMBER 3, 2020

This Agreement, entered into this _____ day of _____ 2020, by and between **CITY OF MARINA** and Monterey County Registrar of Voters (hereinafter referred to as Registrar of Voters);

WHEREAS, it is necessary and desirable that the Registrar of Voters be retained for the purpose of conducting an election hereinafter described for the **CITY OF MARINA** (hereinafter referred to as the City);

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY AGREED BY THE PARTIES HERETO AS FOLLOWS:

SERVICES TO BE PERFORMED BY THE CITY:

- 1) No later than the 88th day prior to the election the City shall submit a resolution requesting the Registrar of Voters for Monterey County to conduct an election for the City on **NOVEMBER 3, 2020**, and requesting election related services of the Registrar of Voters.
- 2) The City shall publish the Notice of Election and the Notice to File Declarations of Candidacy for the offices to be voted on, and/or the Notice to File Arguments for or against any measure.
- 3) The City shall submit to the Registrar of Voters in writing the exact number of offices to be voted on and the names and ballot designations of the candidates for those offices, and/or the exact ballot wording to be voted by no later than the 88th day prior to the election, or by the 83rd day prior to the election if Elections Code §§ 10225, 10229, and 10407 are applicable.
- 4) The City shall prepare and deliver to the Registrar of Voters the Voter Guide information containing, as applicable, candidates' statements of qualifications, ballot

measure, tax rate statements impartial analysis, arguments for or against and rebuttals thereto. The last day for the submission of primary arguments (300 words) and impartial analysis shall be no later than **AUGUST 13, 2020**. The last day for the submission of rebuttal arguments (250 words) is **AUGUST 20, 2020**.

- 5) The City shall be responsible for reviewing and approving the language of the sample ballot and official ballot wording for candidates and measures.

SERVICES TO BE PERFORMED BY REGISTRAR OF VOTERS:

- 1) The Registrar of Voters shall select and contract with the sample and official ballot printer(s) on behalf of the City.
- 2) The Registrar of Voters shall prepare and deliver to the printer the official ballot information.
- 3) The Registrar of Voters shall issue, receive and process all ballots on behalf of the City matters.
- 4) The Registrar of Voters shall procure all necessary and appropriate polling place locations, hire polling place workers, and conduct the election in accordance with all applicable state, federal and local laws.
- 5) The Registrar of Voters shall prepare a Canvass of Votes Cast and submit a Certificate of Registrar of Voters to the City regarding the City matters.
- 6) The Registrar of Voters shall conduct other various and miscellaneous election activities as required including but not limited to all those required as the City's Election Official other than those described under "Services to be Performed by the City".

TERMS:

This Agreement shall be in effect for the performance of all services incident to the preparation and conduct of the election to be held on **NOVEMBER 3, 2020**.

The parties will use best efforts to perform services herein. However, in the event the Registrar of Voters is unable to perform services required under this Agreement that are beyond his control, including an employee strike, vendor conditions, natural disasters, war, or other similar conditions, the Registrar of Voters will be relieved of all obligations under this Agreement. The Registrar will provide reasonable notice, if practical, of any conditions beyond his control, including notice at least 60 days prior to **NOVEMBER 3, 2020** of vendor conditions affecting the election services. In the event a vendor does not perform, the Registrar will attempt to obtain substitute services.

CONSIDERATION:

In consideration of the performance of services and supplies provided by the Registrar of Voters, the City shall pay to the Registrar of Voters a sum equal to the actual cost of such services, expenses, and supplies related to the work performed on behalf of City. In the event that this Agreement is terminated prematurely, the City shall pay to the Registrar a sum equal to the actual cost of such services performed or supplies/expenses incurred as of the effective date of the termination.

The City shall make payment within 30 days of receipt of invoice from Registrar of Voters.

CITY:

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Print Name: _____

Title: _____

COUNTY:

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Print Name: _____

Title: _____

May 1, 2020

Item No. **8g(1)**

Honorable Mayor and Members
of the Marina City Council

City Council Meeting
of May 5, 2020

CITY COUNCIL CONSIDER ADOPTING RESOLUTION NO. 2020-, CALLING A GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION TO BE HELD ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2020, FOR THE ELECTION OF CERTAIN CITY OFFICERS FROM COUNCIL DISTRICTS 2 AND 3 AND REQUESTING THAT THE COUNTY OF MONTEREY AGREE TO CONSOLIDATION OF SAID ELECTION WITH THE STATEWIDE GENERAL ELECTION TO BE HELD ON SAID DATE, AND REQUESTING THE COUNTY TO RENDER ANY AND ALL SERVICES IN CONNECTION WITH SAID CONSOLIDATED ELECTION; AUTHORIZING THE FINANCE DIRECTOR TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS AND THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT, SUBSTANTIALLY IN THE FORM ATTACHED HERETO, FOR THE PROVISION OF ELECTION SERVICES WITH MONTEREY COUNTY, SUBJECT TO FINAL REVIEW AND APPROVAL BY CITY ATTORNEY.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the City Council:

1. Consider adopting Resolution No. 2020-, calling for a general municipal election in the City of Marina on Tuesday, November 3, 2020, for the election of certain city officers; and
2. Requesting the County of Monterey agree to the consolidation of the election with the statewide general election and requesting the County Elections Department to render any and all services required to conduct the election; and
3. Authorizing the Finance Director to appropriate funds and the City Manager to execute a service agreement for the provision of election services between the City of Marina and Monterey County Elections Department/Registrar of Voters subject to final review and approval by City Attorney.

BACKGROUND:

The terms of Councilmember Morton and Councilmember O'Connell will expire as of November 2020. On December 17, 2019, the City Council adopted Ordinance 2019-04 amending Chapter 2.06 of the Marina Municipal Code entitled "Municipal Elections" to add Section 2.06.020 establishing a by-district electoral system for four City Council members, with the office of Mayor to continue to be separately elected. The November 3, 2020, general municipal election will be the first election held under the by-district electoral system for Council Districts 2 and 3.

ANALYSIS:

Pursuant to Elections Code (EC) Section 10002, the City may, by resolution, request the Board of Supervisors of the County to permit the County Elections Official to render specified services to the city or district relating to the conduct of an election.

Pursuant to EC §§12101 the first day for the City Council to call for an election and for the City Clerk to publish notice of the election, is June 29, 2020.

Pursuant to EC Section, 10403 the last day for the City Council to file with the Elections Department a resolution requesting consolidation of an election for candidates or measures is August 7, 2020.

Pursuant to Elections Code Section 10400, whenever two or more elections, including bond elections, of any legislative or congressional district, public district, city, county, or other political subdivision are called to be held on the same day, in the same territory, or in territory that is in part the same, they may be consolidated upon the order of the governing body or bodies or officer or officers calling the elections.

Consistent with past practice, when the City's election is consolidated and the County be requested to render specified services in connection with said consolidated election, the County requires a contract for any and all services. The form of a contract for the November 6, 2018 General Municipal Election is attached as **EXHIBIT A**.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Should the City Council approve this request, adequate funding is included in the FY 2019-20 and FY 20-21 Budgets, and will be charged to General Fund, City Administration, Elections, Account No. 11.112.65895. The County Elections Department has estimated the cost to the City for the consolidation of the November 3, 2020 election to be between \$60,426 and \$80,568.

CONCLUSION:

This request is submitted for the City Council consideration and possible action.

Respectfully submitted,

Anita Sharp
Deputy City Clerk
City of Marina

REVIEWED/CONCUR:

Layne Long
City Manager
City of Marina

SOURCE OF FUNDING:

Should the City Council approve this request, adequate funding is included in the FY 2019-20 and FY 2020-2021 Budgets and will be charged to General Fund, City Administration, Elections, Account No. 11.112.65895.