ORDINANCE NO.  ORD-17-0029

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE
CITY OF LONG BEACH AMENDING THE LONG BEACH
MUNICIPAL CODE BY AMENDING AND RESTATING
SECTIONS 1.21.010, 1.21.040(B) AND 1.21.050, ALL
RELATING TO SPECIFIC ELECTION PROCEDURES

WHEREAS, in order to increase voter turnout, reduce voter confusion and
increase public awareness of local elections, the City desires to coordinate its June 5,
2018 General Municipal Election with the Statewide Primary Election conducted on the
same date by the County of Los Angeles Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that coordination of elections is likely to
lead to increased voter turnout, reduced voter confusion at the polls and public
awareness of local elections;

NOW, THEREFORE, the City Council of the City of Long Beach ordains as
follows:

Section 1. Section 1.21.010 of the Long Beach Municipal Code is
amended to read as follows:

1.21.010  Canvass of returns.

Notwithstanding the provisions of California Elections Code Sections
10262 and 10263, the canvass of each municipal election held in the City of
Long Beach is ordered to be made by the City Clerk within twenty-one (21)
days after the date of the election. Upon completion of the canvass, the City
Clerk shall certify the results to the City Council who shall thereupon meet
and shall adopt a resolution reciting the fact of the election and the
statement of the result as provided in Section 10264 of the California
Elections Code.

For the June 5, 2018 General Municipal Election only, the Los Angeles County Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk shall complete the canvass of returns within thirty (30) days after the election, in accordance with California Elections Code Section 15372. Following certification of the June 5, 2018 General Municipal Election, this amendment shall cease to be effective and Long Beach Municipal Code Section 1.21.010 shall revert to the language in effect immediately prior to the adoption of this amendment.

Section 2. Section 1.21.040(B) of the Long Beach Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

B. Ballot designations shall remain the same for all purposes of both the primary and general election, unless a candidate, at least seven (7) days after the date of the primary election, requests in writing to the City Clerk an alternate designation for the general election which the candidate is entitled to use at the time of the request.

For the June 5, 2018 General Municipal Election only, ballot designations shall remain the same for all purposes of both the primary and general election, unless a candidate, at least three (3) days after the date of the primary election, requests in writing to the City Clerk an alternate designation for the general election which the candidate is entitled to use at the time of the request. Following certification of the June 5, 2018 General Municipal Election, this amendment shall cease to be effective and Long Beach Municipal Code Section 1.21.040(B) shall revert to the language in effect immediately prior to the adoption of this amendment.
Section 3. Section 1.21.050 of the Long Beach Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

1.21.050 Candidates' statements - General election.

Notwithstanding the provisions of the California Elections Code, candidates' statements, as defined in California Elections Code Section 13307, for candidates in any general municipal election shall be filed with the City Clerk by the tenth (10th) day following the date of the primary nominating election.

For the June 5, 2018 General Municipal Election only, candidates' statements, as defined in California Elections Code Section 13307, for candidates in any general municipal election shall be filed with the City Clerk by the fifth (5th) day following the date of the primary nominating election. Following certification of the June 5, 2018 General Municipal Election, this amendment shall cease to be effective and Long Beach Municipal Code Section 1.21.050 shall revert to the language in effect immediately prior to the adoption of this amendment.

Section 4. The City Clerk shall certify to the passage of this ordinance by the City Council and cause it to be posted in three (3) conspicuous places in the City of Long Beach, and it shall take effect on the thirty-first (31st) day after it is approved.
I hereby certify that the foregoing ordinance was adopted by the City Council of the City of Long Beach at its meeting of December 12, 2017, by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers: Gonzalez, Pearce, Supernaw, Mungo, Andrews, Uranga, Austin.

Noes: Councilmembers: None.

Absent: Councilmembers: Price, Richardson.

Approved: 12/16/17
(Date)

City Clerk

Mayor
STATE OF CALIFORNIA ) ss
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES )
CITY OF LONG BEACH )

Karen Moore being duly sworn says: That I am employed in the Office of the City Clerk of the City of Long Beach; that on the 14th day of December 2017, I posted three true and correct copies of Ordinance No. ORD-17-0029 in three conspicuous places in the City of Long Beach, to wit: One of said copies in the entrance lobby of City Hall in front of the Information Desk; one of said copies in the Main Library; and one of said copies on the front counter of the Office of the City Clerk.

Subscribed and sworn to before me
This 14th day of December, 2017.

CITY CLERK