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June 11, 2024

Sent Via Email and U.S. Mail Email: <u>eyen@bos.lacounty.gov</u> executiveoffice@bos.lacounty.gov

Mr. Edward Yen, Executive Officer County of Los Angeles Board of Supervisors Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration 500 West Temple Street, Ste. 381B Los Angeles, CA 90012

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

54 July 9, 2024

RE: Request for Consolidation with the November 5, 2024, General Election

Edward yen EDWARD YEN EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Dear Mr. Yen:

This letter is to inform you that formal action was taken by the Bellflower City Council at its June 10, 2024, Regular Meeting to call for the holding of a Special and General Municipal Election for the purpose of electing three (3) members of the City Council: Council District 1 for a short term of (2) two years and Council Districts 2 and 4 for full terms of four (4) years; and request consolidation with the November 5, 2024 General Election. A certified copy of Resolution No. 24-29 formally requesting consolidation with the November 5, 2024, General Election is enclosed. We respectfully ask that consideration of our request be placed on the Board's agenda as soon as possible.

Certified copies of the election-related resolutions formalizing the City Council's actions are also being provided to Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk Dean C. Logan under separate cover.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me at Bellflower City Hall, telephone no. (562) 804-1424, extension 2222, or via e-mail at mochiqui@bellflower.org.

As always, thank you for your help and consideration. I look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

Mavta Ochiqui. City Clerk

Enclosure

cc: Dean C. Logan, Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk (without enclosures); ecu@rrcc.lacounty.gov

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Sent via U.S. Mail and Email: <u>AOlvera@rrcc.lacounty.gov</u> <u>ANevarez@rrcc.lacounty.gov</u>

Mr. Dean C. Logan Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk L. A. County Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk 12400 East Imperial Highway Norwalk, CA 90650

Attention: Alex Olvera, Division Manager, Election Information and Preparation

Dear Mr. Logan:

This letter is to inform you that formal action was taken by the Bellflower City Council at its June 10, 2024, Regular Meeting to adopt <u>Resolution No. 24-28</u>, calling for a Special and General Municipal Election for the purpose of electing three (3) members of the City Council: Council District 1 for a short term of two (2) years and Council Districts 2 and 4 for full terms of four (4) years; <u>Resolution No. 24-29</u>, requesting consolidation with the November 5, 2024, General Election; and <u>Resolution No. 24-30</u>, updating the requirements of candidate statements to include the authorization for online candidate statements. For reference, <u>Resolution No. 18-33</u> also provides for the conduct of a special runoff election, as needed. We have enclosed certified copies of these resolutions for your information and sent a certified copy of Resolution No. 24-29 to the Board of Supervisors under separate cover.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me at Bellflower City Hall, telephone no. (562) 804-1424, extension 2222, or via e-mail at mochiqui@bellflower.org.

I look forward to working with you. Thank you in advance for your help and consideration.

Sincerely,

Mayra Ochiqui

City Clerk

Enclosures (5)

RESOLUTION NO. 18-33

A RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE CONDUCT OF A SPECIAL RUNOFF ELECTION FOR ELECTIVE OFFICES IN THE EVENT OF A TIE VOTE AT ANY MUNICIPAL ELECTION, AND SUPERSEDING RESOLUTION NO. 89-118

THE CITY COUNCIL RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. Pursuant to Section 15651 of the Elections Code of the State of California, if any two or more persons receive an equal and the highest number of votes for an office to be voted for within the City, the City Council will call for the runoff election to be held in the City on a Tuesday not less than 40 nor more than 125 days after the administrative or judicial certification of the election that resulted in a tie vote. If a regular election is to be held in the City within that time period, the special runoff election will be held on the same day as, and consolidated with, the regular election.

SECTION 2. The provisions of Section 1 will apply at the next municipal election within the City and at each municipal election thereafter.

SECTION 3. This Resolution does not affect any penalty, forfeiture, or liability incurred before, or preclude prosecution and imposition of penalties for any violation occurring before, this Resolution's effective date. Any such amended part will remain in full force and effect for sustaining action or prosecuting violations occurring before the effective date of this Resolution.

SECTION 4. If any part of this Resolution or its application is deemed invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, the City Council intends that such invalidity will not affect the effectiveness of the remaining provisions or applications and, to this end, the provisions of this Resolution are severable.

SECTION 5. To the extent that Resolution No. 89-118 (adopted December 11, 1989), any other resolution pertaining to provisions relative to the conduct of a Special Runoff Election for elective offices in the event of a tie vote at any municipal election is incorporated into this Resolution, it is superseded in its entirety.

SECTION 6. The Mayor, or presiding officer, is hereby authorized to affix his signature to this Resolution signifying its adoption by the City Council of the City of Bellflower, and the City Clerk, or her duly appointed deputy, is directed to attest thereto.

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SECTION 7. This Resolution will become effective immediately upon adoption.

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BELLFLOWER THIS 25TH DAY OF JUNE 2018.

Ray Dunton Mayor

ATTEST:

yer Mayra Ochiqui, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

I, **Mayra Ochiqui**, City Clerk of the City of Bellflower, California, do hereby certify under penalty of perjury that the foregoing Resolution No. 18-33 was duly passed, approved, and adopted by the City Council of the City of Bellflower at its Regular Meeting of June 25, 2018, by the following vote to wit:

> AYES: Council Members - Koops, Santa Ines, Garza, and Mayor Dunton ABSENT: Council Member - Schnablegger

Dated: June 26, 2018

Mayra Ochiqui, City Clerk

City of Bellflower, California

I, **Mayra Ochiqui**, City Clerk of the City of Bellflower, California, do hereby certify under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of Resolution No. 18-33 adopted by the City Council of the City of Bellflower at its Regular Meeting thereof held on the 25th day of June 2018.

Mayra Ochiqui, City Clerk City of Bellflower, California

RESOLUTION NO. 24-28

A RESOLUTION CALLING FOR A SPECIAL AND GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION TO BE HELD ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 2024, FOR THE ELECTION OF CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS AS REQUIRED BY THE PROVISIONS OF THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA RELATING TO GENERAL LAW CITIES

THE CITY COUNCIL RESOLVES, DECLARES, DETERMINES, AND ORDERS AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. Pursuant to Elections Code §§ 1301 and 1400 governing General and Special Elections the City Council calls for a special and general municipal election to be held in the City of Bellflower, California, on Tuesday, November 5, 2024, for the purpose of electing three members of the City Council for: District 1 (Special Election; short-term/2 years); and Council Districts 2 and 4 (General Election; full-term/4 years).

SECTION 2. The exact form of the question to be voted on at the election for City Council for District No. 1 as it should appear on the ballot is as follows:

"FOR MEMBER OF THE CITY COUNCIL (District 1) – Vote for one (two year term)"

SECTION 3. The exact form of the question to be voted on at the election for City Council for District Nos. 2 and 4 as it should appear on the ballot is as follows:

"FOR MEMBER OF THE CITY COUNCIL (District 2) – Vote for one (four year term)"

"FOR MEMBER OF THE CITY COUNCIL (District 4) – Vote for one (four year term)"

SECTION 4. The ballots to be used at the election must be in form and content as required by law.

SECTION 5. The City Clerk is authorized, instructed, and directed to procure and furnish any and all official ballots, notices, printed matter, and all supplies, equipment, and paraphernalia that may be necessary in order to properly and lawfully conduct the election.

SECTION 6. The vote centers for the election will be open at 7 a.m. of the day of the election and will remain open continuously from that time until 8 p.m. of the same day when the vote centers will be closed, pursuant to Elections Code Section 14212, except as provided in Section 14401 of the Elections Code of the State of California.

SECTION 7. In all particulars not recited in this Resolution, the election will be held and conducted as provided by law for holding municipal elections.

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SECTION 8. Notice of the time and place of holding the election is given and the City Clerk is authorized, instructed, and directed to give further or additional notice of the election, in time, form, and manner as required by law.

SECTION 9. If the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors permits the Special and General Municipal Election to be consolidated with the Countywide General Election on November 5, 2024, then, notwithstanding anything to the contrary in Sections 4, 5, or 6, above, within the City precincts, voting centers, and election officers of the two elections will be the same; the Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk of the County of Los Angeles will canvass the returns of the Special and General Municipal Election; and the election will be held in all respects as if there were only one election.

SECTION 10. Electronic Signatures. This Resolution may be executed with electronic signatures in accordance with Government Code §16.5. Such electronic signatures will be treated in all respects as having the same effect as an original signature.

SECTION 11. The Mayor, or presiding officer, is hereby authorized to affix his signature to this Resolution signifying its adoption by the City Council of the City of Bellflower, and the City Clerk, or her duly appointed deputy, is directed to attest thereto.

SECTION 12. This Resolution will become effective immediately upon adoption.

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BELLFLOWER ON THIS 10th DAY OF JUNE 2024.

Dán Koops, Mayor

ATTEST:

Mayra Ochigui, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

I, **Mayra Ochiqui**, City Clerk of the City of Bellflower, California, do hereby certify under penalty of perjury that the foregoing Resolution No. 24-28 was duly passed, approved, and adopted by the City Council of the City of Bellflower at its Regular Meeting of the City Council on June 10, 2024, by the following vote to wit:

> AYES: Council Members – Morse, Sanchez, Santa Ines, Dunton and Mayor Koops

Dated: June 11, 2024

Mayra Ochiqui, City Clerk City of Bellflower, California

I, **Mayra Ochiqui**, City Clerk of the City of Bellflower, California, do hereby certify under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of Resolution No. 24-28 adopted by the City Council of the City of Bellflower at its Regular Meeting thereof held on the 10th day of June 2024.

Mayra Ochiqui, City Clerk City of Bellflower, California

RESOLUTION NO. 24-29

A RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES TO CONSOLIDATE THE CITY OF BELLFLOWER'S SPECIAL AND GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION TO BE HELD ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 2024, WITH THE GENERAL ELECTION TO BE HELD ON THE DATE PURSUANT TO SECTION 10403 OF THE ELECTIONS CODE

THE CITY COUNCIL RESOLVES, DECLARES, DETERMINES, AND ORDERS AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. Pursuant to the requirements of California Elections Code § 10002, the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles is hereby requested to consent and agree to conduct specified election services for the consolidation of the City of Bellflower's Special and General Municipal Election with a Countywide General Election that will be held on Tuesday, November 5, 2024, for the purpose of electing three (3) members of the City Council for: District 1 (Special Election; short-term/2 years) and Districts 2 and 4 (General Election; full-term/4 years); and that the County of Los Angeles take all necessary steps to hold a consolidated election.

SECTION 2. The City Council requests the Board of Supervisors to direct the Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk to administer, manager, and oversee all facets of the City of Bellflower's November 5, 2024, Special and General Municipal Election and further direct the Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk to perform all necessary function, services, and tasks related to the complete and successful conduct of the election; the provision of all election materials and equipment; the hiring, training, and supervision of vote center workers and other election personnel; the printing and distribution of ballot materials; the translation of ballot materials; the collection results. The County election department is authorized to canvass the returns of the special and general municipal election. The election will be held in all respects as if there were only one election and only one form of ballot will be used. The election will be held and conducted in accordance with the provisions of law regulating the Countywide Election.

SECTION 3. The City of Bellflower recognizes that all necessary expenses incurred by the County in performing these services will be paid by the City of Bellflower.

SECTION 4. The County's services will not include the final declaration of the results by the City Council pursuant to Elections Code §§ 10262 through 10265.

<u>SECTION 5.</u> The candidate filing process will be conducted by the City Clerk with the support of the County Registrar between the dates of July 15 and August 9, 2024 (or August 14, 2024, if an incumbent does not file), pursuant to Elections Code §§ 10220 through 10230. Any person seeking to file nomination documents on the last day should contact the City Clerk's Office in advance.

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SECTION 6. The City Clerk is hereby directed to file a certified copy of this Resolution with the Board of Supervisors and the County election department of the County of Los Angeles.

SECTION 7. This Resolution does not affect any penalty, forfeiture, or liability incurred before, or preclude prosecution and imposition of penalties for any violation occurring before, this Resolution's effective date. Any such amended part will remain in full force and effect for sustaining action or prosecuting violations occurring before the effective date of this Resolution.

SECTION 8. If any part of this Resolution or its application is deemed invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, the City Council intends that such invalidity will not affect the effectiveness of the remaining provisions or applications and, to this end, the provisions of this Resolution are severable.

SECTION 9. To the extent that any other resolution pertaining to the request to the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles to direct the Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk to administer, manage, and oversee the City of Bellflower's Special and General Municipal Election to held on Tuesday, November 5, 2024, and request for consolidation with any countywide election to be held on November 5, 2024, is incorporated into this Resolution, it is superseded in its entirety. In all other particulars not specifically provided in this Resolution, the Election will be held and conducted as provided by law.

<u>SECTION 10.</u> Electronic Signatures. This Resolution may be executed with electronic signatures in accordance with Government Code §16.5. Such electronic signatures will be treated in all respects as having the same effect as an original signature.

SECTION 11. The Mayor, or presiding officer, is hereby authorized to affix his signature to this Resolution signifying its adoption by the City Council of the City of Bellflower, and the City Clerk, or her duly appointed deputy, is directed to attest thereto.

SECTION 12. This Resolution will become effective immediately upon adoption.

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BELLFLOWER ON THIS 10TH DAY OF JUNE 2024.

Dan Koops, Mayor

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Mayra Ochigui, City

I, **Mayra Ochiqui**, City Clerk of the City of Bellflower, California, do hereby certify under penalty of perjury that the foregoing Resolution No. 24-29 was duly passed, approved, and adopted by the City Council of the City of Bellflower at its Regular Meeting of the City Council on June 10, 2024, by the following vote to wit:

> AYES: Council Members – Morse, Sanchez, Santa Ines, Dunton and Mayor Koops

Dated: June 11, 2024

Mayra Ochiqui, City Clerk City of Bellflower, California

I, **Mayra Ochiqui**, City Clerk of the City of Bellflower, California, do hereby certify under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of Resolution No. 24-29 adopted by the City Council of the City of Bellflower at its Regular Meeting thereof held on the 10th day of June 2024.

Mayra Ochiqui, City Clerk

City of Bellflower, California

RESOLUTION NO. 24-30

A RESOLUTION ADOPTING REGULATIONS FOR CANDIDATES FOR ELECTIVE OFFICE PERTAINING TO CANDIDATES' STATEMENTS SUBMITTED TO THE VOTERS AT A SPECIAL AND GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION TO BE HELD ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 2024, AND EACH ELECTION THEREAFTER, AND SUPERSEDING RESOLUTION NO. 16-78

THE CITY COUNCIL RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. Pursuant to Elections Code § 13307, the governing body of any local agency adopt regulations pertaining to materials prepared by any candidate for a municipal election, including costs of the candidates' statement.

SECTION 2. General Provisions. Pursuant to Elections Code § 13307, each candidate for elective office to be voted for at the Special and General Municipal Election to be held in the City of Bellflower on November 5, 2024, and each election thereafter, may prepare a candidate's statement on an appropriate form provided by the City Clerk. Such statement may include the name, age, and occupation of the candidate and a brief description of no more than 200 words of the candidate's education and qualifications expressed by the candidate himself or herself. Such statement must not include party affiliation of the candidate nor membership or activity in partisan political organizations. Such statement must be filed, in typewritten form, in the City Clerk's Office at the time the candidate's nomination papers are filed. Such 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.

<u>SECTION 3.</u> Electronic Distribution of Candidate Statement. Pursuant to Elections Code § 13307(c), the City Council authorizes the preparation of candidate statements for nonpartisan elective office for the purpose of electronic distribution. Candidates will prepare statements for electronic distribution pursuant to Elections Code § 13307(a). A statement prepared pursuant to this subdivision will be posted on the internet website of the County Elections Official. Pursuant to Election Code § 13307.7(a), candidates must provide payment of the requisite fee to pay for the duties and procedures set forth in Elections Code § 13307(b) and (d).

<u>SECTION 4.</u> Foreign Language Policy. Pursuant to 52 U.S.C. § 10503, the main voter pamphlet must be printed in English and Spanish with translations of candidates' statements printed in facsimile voter pamphlets. The City Clerk will have all translations made available upon request in the City Clerk's Office. Additionally, a candidate's statement must be translated and printed in any language at the candidate's request.

SECTION 5. Payment. The candidates will be required to pay for the actual cost of translating and printing their candidates' statements into any required foreign language as specified in Section 3, and into any other foreign language requested by the candidate.

<u>SECTION 6.</u> Printed Format of Candidate's Statement. Candidate's statements must be filed as specified in Section 2 and will be printed in uniform type, style, and spacing using block paragraphs and single-space format. Text submitted indented or centered will be typeset in block paragraph form; however, dashes/hyphens and bullets may be used at the left margin. Enhanced text and any combination of enhanced text (e.g., **boldface typed**, <u>underscored</u>, *italicized*, and/or CAPITALIZED) is unacceptable and will be printed in uniform type and style.

<u>SECTION 7.</u> Additional Materials. No candidate will be permitted to include additional materials in the sample ballot package.

SECTION 8. **Consolidated Elections**. If a municipal election is consolidated with any Countywide or Statewide election administered by the Los Angeles County Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk, the requirements stated in Sections 4, 5, 6, and 7 above, will follow the requirements set forth by the County.

SECTION 9. The City Clerk is directed to provide each potential candidate, or the potential candidate's representative, a copy of this Resolution at the time nominating petitions are issued.

SECTION 10. If any part of this Resolution or its application is deemed invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, the City Council intends that such invalidity will not affect the effectiveness of the remaining provisions or applications and, to this end, the provisions of this Resolution are severable.

SECTION 11. Construction. This Resolution must be broadly construed to achieve the purposes stated in this Resolution. It is the City Council's intent that the provisions of this Resolution be interpreted or implemented by the City and others in a manner that facilitates the purposes set forth in this Resolution.

SECTION 12. Electronic Signatures. This Resolution may be executed with electronic signatures in accordance with Government Code §16.5. Such electronic signatures will be treated in all respects as having the same effect as an original signature.

<u>SECTION 13.</u> The Mayor, or presiding officer, is authorized to affix its signature to this Resolution signifying its adoption by the City Council of the City of Bellflower, and the City Clerk, or its duly appointed deputy, is directed to attest.

SECTION 14. Effective Date. This Resolution will become effective immediately upon adoption and will remain effective unless repealed or superseded.

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PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BELLFLOWER THIS 10TH DAY OF JUNE 2024.

Dan Koops, Mayor

ATTEST:

Mayra Ochiqui, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

I, **Mayra Ochiqui**, City Clerk of the City of Bellflower, California, do hereby certify under penalty of perjury that the foregoing Resolution No. 24-30 was duly passed, approved, and adopted by the City Council of the City of Bellflower at its Regular Meeting of the City Council on June 10, 2024, by the following vote to wit:

> AYES: Council Members – Morse, Sanchez, Santa Ines, Dunton and Mayor Koops

Dated: June 11, 2024

Mayra Ochiqui, City Clerk

City of Bellflower, California

I, **Mayra Ochiqui**, City Clerk of the City of Bellflower, California, do hereby certify under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of Resolution No. 24-30 adopted by the City Council of the City of Bellflower at its Regular Meeting thereof held on the 10th day of June 2024.

Mayra Ochiqui, City Clerk

City of Bellflower, California