

May 13, 2014

Mr. Michael Allen Office of the County Administrator 105 East Anapamu Street, Room 407 Santa Barbara, Ca. 93101-2065

Dear Mr. Allen:

Attached please find the original and eight (8) copies of Resolution No. 14-942 requesting consolidation with the County of Santa Barbara in the General Municipal Election to be held on Tuesday, November 4, 2014. We have timed adoption of the resolution for the agenda of the Board of Supervisors meeting of June 3, 2014.

If you have any questions, please feel free to call.

Sincerely,

Mary Ellen Rio, CMC

City of Solvang

Enclosure

cc: Santa Barbara County Elections

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 14-942**

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SOLVANG, CALIFORNIA, REQUESTING THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA TO CONSOLIDATE A GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION TO BE HELD ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 2014 WITH THE STATEWIDE GENERAL ELECTION TO BE HELD ON THE DATE PURSUANT TO SEC. § 10403 OF THE ELECTIONS CODE

WHEREAS, under the provisions of the laws relating to Charter Cities in the State of California, a General Municipal Election shall be held on November 4, 2014 for the purpose of electing a Mayor with a two (2) year term and two (2) Members of the Solvang City Council with four (4) year terms; and

WHEREAS, it is desirable that the General Municipal election be consolidated with the Statewide General election to be held on the same date and that within the city the precincts, polling places and election officers of the two elections be the same and that the county election department of the County of Santa Barbara canvass the returns of the General Municipal Election and that the election be held in all respects as if there were only one election;

# NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SOLVANG DOES HEREBY RESOLVE, DECLARE, DETERMINE AND REQUEST AS FOLLOWS:

**SECTION 1.** That pursuant to the requirements of Section § 10403 of the Elections Code, the Board of Supervisors of the County of Santa Barbara is hereby requested to consent and agree to the consolidation of a General Municipal Election with the Statewide General Election on Tuesday, November 4, 2014, for the following purposes:

A. For the purpose of electing a Mayor with a two (2) year term and two (2) Members of the Solvang City Council for terms of four (4) years.

**SECTION 2.** That the Board of Supervisors is requested to direct the County Elections Division to take any and all steps necessary for the conducting of the consolidated election.

## THE CITY COUNCIL REQUESTS THAT THE COUNTY ELECTIONS OFFICE TAKE ALL ACTIONS NECESSARY TO CONDUCT THE ELECTION:

SECTION 3. That the City of Solvang recognizes that additional costs will be incurred by the County by reason of this consolidation and agrees pursuant to Section § 10002 of the Elections Code to reimburse the County in full for the cost of services performed upon presentation of a bill.

### **SECTION 4.** That the City will be providing the following services:

- 1. Be responsible for the procedures relative to their measures including publishing the "Notice of Election" and the "Notice to Submit Arguments"; accepting and selecting direct arguments; processing rebuttal arguments; preparing the impartial analysis; the 10-Day public exam period and all other related legal requirements.
- 2. Submit <u>electronic copies</u> of direct arguments, rebuttal arguments, impartial analysis and the full text of measures by the printing deadline established by the County elections official.
- 3. Prepare and process nomination documents for city candidates, resolve ballot designation issues and ensure all other related legal requirements are met.
- 4. Provide the County Elections Official with a certified list of candidates, including ballot designations and if a candidate filed a statement to appear in the sample ballot.
- 5. Review the sample ballot page proofs for candidate statements, direct arguments, rebuttal arguments, impartial analysis and the full text for measures and give the County elections official the final approval for printing.
- 6. Review the official ballot proofs and give the County elections official the final approval for printing.
- 7. In the case of a tie vote, the City will determine the method to resolve the tie vote.
- 8. Prepare and furnish Oaths of Office for candidates.

## **SECTION 5.** The City Council recognizes that the County Elections Official will be Providing the following services:

- 1. Prepare a calendar of events and due dates for the election.
- 2. Publish the precinct officers and polling places information and provide the City Clerk with a copy of the publication.
- 3. Establish Polling Places, and recruit and train election officers.
- 4. Verify nomination petitions for city candidates.
- 5. Print candidate statements exactly as submitted by the city. The County elections official is not responsible for any errors in punctuation, spelling, and grammar.
- 6. Arrange for the Spanish translation of all materials provided to the voters.
- 7. Prepare and arrange for the printing of sample ballot booklets and official ballots.
- 8. Provide the City Clerk with the sample ballot page proofs for candidate statements, direct arguments, rebuttal arguments, impartial analysis and full text information for measures (English & Spanish) for their review and final approval.
- 9. Provide the City Clerk with the official ballot proofs (English & Spanish) for their review and final approval.
- 10. Manage vote-by-mail process.

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- 11. Tally votes at polling locations and/or vote-by-mail ballots at the County Elections Office.
- 12. Conduct election canvass procedures.
- 13. Provide a copy of the election certification and final results.
- 14. Prepare and mail invoice to the city for costs of the election.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 12th day of May 2014.

Jim Richardson, Mayor

ATTEST:

Mary Ellen Rio, City Clerk

I, Mary Ellen Rio, City Clerk of the City of Solvang, do hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was duly adopted by the City Council of the City of Solvang at a regular meeting held on the 12<sup>th</sup> day of May 2014, by the following vote of the Council:

AYES: Mayor Richardson, Council Members Duus, Jamieson, Skytt and Wood

NOES:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

Mary Ellen Rio, City Clerk