

INDIAN WELLS CITY COUNCIL

June 20, 2024



To: City Council
From: City Manager Department
Prepared by: Angelica Avila, City Clerk
Subject: **Calling for the General Municipal Election on November 5, 2024**

RECOMMENDED ACTIONS:

Council **ADOPTS** Resolution calling and giving notice of the holding of a regular municipal election to be held concurrently with the statewide general election on Tuesday, November 5, 2024 for the election of certain officers as required by the laws of the State of California, adopting regulations pertaining to materials submitted to the electorate and costs thereof; requesting the Board of Supervisors of the County Riverside to consolidate said regular municipal election with the statewide general election to be held on the same date; and requesting said Board of Supervisors to permit the County Registrar of Voters to render certain services related to the consolidated municipal election; and

FINDS the action exempt from CEQA review under CEQA Guidelines section 15061(b)(3).

DISCUSSION:

As the first step in the election process, the City Council must adopt legislation calling for the regular municipal election on Tuesday, November 5, 2024, to be held concurrently with the statewide general election. Additionally, the Council must formally request the Riverside County Board of Supervisors to allow the Registrar of Voters to conduct the election.

Scheduled on this regular municipal election ballot are three (3) City Council Member seats currently held by Greg Sanders, Donna Griffith and Ty Peabody. The nomination period for City Council candidates begins on **July 15, 2024**, and ends on **August 9, 2024**. If an incumbent does not file papers the deadline will be extended to **August 14, 2024**. Any interested parties running for a City Council seat are encouraged to contact the City Clerk. The last day to register to vote in the November election is October 19, 2014. An election schedule listing the important dates in the election process is attached (**ATTACHMENT #2**).

FISCAL IMPACT:

Funding for the General Municipal Election is included annually as part of the Riverside County Election Services Program Budget approved by the City Council

CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT (CEQA):

The action is not a project within the meaning of Section 15378 of the State of California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA") Guidelines, because it has no potential for resulting in physical change in the environment, directly or indirectly; and that the action is nonetheless exempt from the requirements of CEQA in that the activity is covered by the general rule that CEQA applies only to projects that have the potential for causing a significant effect on the environment. (15061(b)(3).)

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Resolution
2. Election Calendar