

RESOLUTION NO. 2024-

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BRENTWOOD, CALIFORNIA, ADOPTING REGULATIONS FOR CANDIDATES FOR ELECTIVE OFFICE PERTAINING TO CANDIDATE STATEMENTS SUBMITTED TO THE VOTERS AT AN ELECTION; AND REPEALING RESOLUTION NO. 2022-72

WHEREAS, Section 13307 of the Elections Code of the State of California provides that the governing body of any local agency adopt regulations pertaining to materials prepared by any candidate for the municipal election, including costs of the candidate's statement; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council of the City of Brentwood does declare, determine, and order as follows:

1. That pursuant to Section 13307 of the Elections Code of the State of California, each candidate for elective office to be voted for at an election to be held in the City of Brentwood may prepare a candidate's statement on an appropriate form provided by the City Clerk. The statement may include the name, age and occupation of the candidate and a brief description of no more than 250 words of the candidate's education and qualifications expressed by the candidate himself or herself. The statement will not include party affiliation of the candidate, nor membership or activity in partisan political organizations.
2. Pursuant to the Voting Rights Act of 1965 (the "Act") and State law, the City is required to translate candidate statements into Spanish and Chinese. The City Clerk is requested to have all candidate statements translated into Spanish and Chinese and printed in the voter's pamphlet.
3. The candidate will be required to pay for the cost of printing the candidate's statements in English, Spanish, and Chinese. The Contra Costa County Clerk - Recorder - Elections Department has provided a cost for the handling, translating, and mailing of the candidate's statements filed pursuant to this section including costs incurred as a result of complying with the Act (as amended), and requires each candidate filing a statement to pay in advance to the local agency his or her pro rata share as a condition of having his or her statement included in the voter's pamphlet.
4. Candidates will be required to make a payment, which will be submitted to the City Clerk at the time the candidate's statement is filed. The City is providing an estimate of the charges. Once an invoice is received from the County, the actual costs will be determined. In the event of an overpayment by the candidate, the overpaid amount would be refunded; if there is an underpayment by the candidate, staff would bill the additional amount to the candidate. The payment will apply against the estimated cost of producing the candidate's statement and voter pamphlet the costs are:

Office	Cost
Council Member District 1	\$345.00
Council Member District 3	\$405.00
Mayor (at large)	\$984.00

5. That Resolution 2022-72 establishing City Council policy on payment for candidate's statements is repealed.
6. That this resolution will apply to the municipal election to be held on November 5, 2024.
7. That in all particulars not recited in this resolution related to candidate statements will be handled as provided by local, state, and federal law for holding municipal elections.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Brentwood at regular meeting held on the 28th day of May 2024 by the following vote: