RESOLUTION NO. 2024-078

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ELK GROVE ADOPTING REGULATIONS FOR CANDIDATES FOR ELECTIVE OFFICE PERTAINING TO CANDIDATES' STATEMENTS OF QUALIFICATIONS SUBMITTED TO THE VOTERS AT AN ELECTION TO BE HELD ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 2024

WHEREAS, the State of California Elections Code Section 13307 provides that the governing body of any local agency may adopt regulations pertaining to materials prepared by any candidate for elective office, including costs of the candidate's statement.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Elk Grove hereby determines as follows:

Section 1. GENERAL PROVISIONS. Pursuant to Elections Code Section 13307, each candidate for elective office to be voted for at an election to be held in the City of Elk Grove on November 5, 2024, may prepare a candidate's statement of qualifications (hereafter "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 200 words of the candidate's education and qualifications expressed by the candidate themself. The statement shall not include party affiliation of the candidate, nor membership or activity in partisan political organizations. The statement shall be filed in typewritten form in the Office of the City Clerk at the time the candidate's nomination papers are filed. The statement may be withdrawn, but not changed, during the period for filing nomination papers and until 5:00 p.m. of the next working day after the close of the nomination period.

PAYMENT. The candidate shall be required to pay for the cost of printing the candidate's statement, including the required foreign languages of Spanish and Chinese, in the voters' pamphlet. In accordance with the Sacramento County Voter Registration and Elections Department's estimate of the total cost of printing, handling, translating, and mailing the candidates' statements filed pursuant to this section, including costs incurred as a result of complying with the Voting Rights Act of 1965 (as amended), the City Clerk shall require each candidate filing a statement to pay in advance the estimated pro rata share as a condition of having their statement included in the County Voter Information Guide. The estimate is an approximation of the actual cost that varies from one election to another election and may be significantly more or less than the estimate, depending on the actual number of candidates filing statements. Accordingly, the City Clerk is not bound by the estimate and may, on a pro rata basis, bill the candidate for additional actual expense or refund any excess paid depending on the final actual cost. In the event of underpayment, the candidate shall pay the balance of the cost incurred. In the event of overpayment, the City Clerk shall refund the excess amount paid within 30 days after the election.

<u>Section 3</u>. ADDITIONAL MATERIALS. No candidate will be permitted to include additional materials in the County Voter Information Guide.

<u>Section 4</u>. The City Clerk shall provide each candidate or the candidate's representative a copy of this resolution at the time nominating petitions are issued.

<u>Section 5</u>. That all previous resolutions establishing Council policy on payment for candidates' statements are repealed.

<u>Section 6</u>. That this resolution shall apply only to the election to be held on November 5, 2024, and shall then be repealed.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Elk Grove this 22^{nd} day of May 2024

BOBBIE SINGH-ALLEN, MAYOR of the CITY OF ELK GROVE

ATTEST:

JASON LINDGREN, CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

JÓNATHAN P. HOBBS, CITY ATTORNEY

CERTIFICATION ELK GROVE CITY COUNCIL RESOLUTION NO. 2024-078

STATE OF CALIFORNIA)	
COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO)	ss
CITY OF ELK GROVE)	

I, Jason Lindgren, City Clerk of the City of Elk Grove, California, do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly introduced, approved, and adopted by the City Council of the City of Elk Grove at a regular meeting of said Council held on May 22, 2024 by the following vote:

AYES: COUNCILMEMBERS: Singh-Allen, Brewer, Robles, Spease, Suen

NOES: COUNCILMEMBERS: None

ABSTAIN: COUNCILMEMBERS: None

ABSENT: COUNCILMEMBERS: None

Jason Lindgren, City Clerk City of Elk Grove, California