

REPORT TO CITY COUNCIL

DATE: JUNE 8, 2005

TO: HONORABLE MAYOR AND MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL

FROM: GREG RAMIREZ, CITY MANAGER

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SUBJECT: GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION – NOVEMBER 8, 2005

The City of Agoura Hills conducts its municipal election in consolidation with the Las Virgenes Joint Unified School District during odd-numbered years.

Pursuant to § 36503 of the Government Code, all elective city offices shall be filled by the city electorate at a general municipal election. This year, three terms of office on the City Council will expire on November 30, 2005. As such, it will be necessary to adopt the appropriate resolutions to commence the election procedure in conformance with the State of California's Election laws.

In addition to adopting resolutions to call an election and to adopt regulations for candidates statements, pursuant to § 10403 of the Elections Code, the City Council must also adopt a resolution requesting consolidation with the election.

The resolution requesting consolidation agrees to reimburse the County for the costs of the election services provided to the City for its portion of the consolidated election and includes the possible submission of a ballot measure. Although there is no current plan to submit a ballot measure, this resolution preserves the option to do so, if the need arises between now and August 12, 2005, without the need to go back to the County with another request for consolidation.

Following are three resolutions for City Council approval relating to the November 8, 2005 General Municipal Election:

1. Resolution No. 05-1372, Calling and Giving Notice of the Holding of a General Municipal Election to be held on Tuesday, November 8, 2005 for the Election of Certain Officers as Required by the Provisions of the Laws of the State of California Relating to General Law Cities; and,
2. Resolution No. 05-1373, Adopting Regulations for Candidates for Elective Office Pertaining to Candidates Statements Submitted to the Voters at an Election to be Held on Tuesday, November 8, 2005; and,

3. Resolution No. 05-1374, Requesting the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles to Consolidate a General Municipal Election to be held on November 8, 2005, with the Las Virgenes Joint Unified School District Election to be held on said Date and to Render Specified Services to the City Pursuant to § 10403 of the Elections Code.

Persons interested in running for office as a Member of the City Council must be a resident of the City of Agoura Hills and a registered voter in the City at the time nomination papers are issued and throughout the time the person is in office. Nomination papers are available, through the Office of the City Clerk, during the nomination filing period beginning Monday, July 18, 2005, and ending Friday, August 12, 2005. The nomination filing period will be extended if any incumbent does not file by the August 12, 2005 deadline.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff respectfully recommends the City Council adopt Resolution Nos. 05-1372, 05-1373, and 05-1374, and direct the City Clerk to file signed copies of the resolutions “calling the election” and “requesting consolidation” with the offices of the County of Los Angeles Board of Supervisors and the Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk.

Attachments: Resolution Nos. 05-1372, 05-1373, and 05-1374