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RESOLUTION NO. R2M20-47

A RESOLUTION OF THE ALHAMBRA CITY COUNCIL ACCEPTING THE OFFICIAL CERTIFICATE OF THE CANVASS OF THE ELECTION RETURNS AND STATEMENT OF VOTES CAST BY PRECINCT FOR MEASURE V BY THE ELECTORATE AT THE NOVEMBER 3, 2020 GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION AND DECLARING THE RESULTS THEREOF AND APPROVING THE CODIFICATION OF MEASURE V INTO THE ALHAMBRA CITY CHARTER

WHEREAS, a General Municipal Election was held and conducted in the City of Alhambra on November 3, 2020, pursuant to Resolution No. R2M20-23; and,

WHEREAS, a ballot measure, designated Measure V, was placed on the November 3, 2020 General Municipal Election ballot pursuant to Ordinance No. O2M20-4775 and Resolution No. R2M20-23, which requested that the election be consolidated with the Statewide General Election and conducted by the County of Los Angeles; and,

WHEREAS, the Los Angeles County Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk, who conducted the election on behalf of the City, canvassed the returns of the election and has certified the results to this City Council, the results are received, attached and made a part hereof as Exhibit "A"); and,

WHEREAS, pursuant to the provisions of Section 10411 of the Elections Code of the State of California, the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles was authorized to canvass the returns of said Election, which canvass was conducted and certified on November 30, 2020 by the Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk of the County of Los Angeles pursuant to Section 15300, *et seq.*, of the Elections Code of the State of California;

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALHAMBRA, CALIFORNIA, DOES RESOLVE AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION ONE: This Council hereby finds and determines that

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A. A General Municipal Election was held in the City of Alhambra on November 3, 2020 (hereinafter called "Election"), which Election was consolidated with the Statewide General Election held in Los Angeles County on said date, for the purpose of submitting to the voters the following question, designated as Measure V, regarding the adoption of ordinance amending the City's Charter to establish campaign finance rules for local elections and to establish by-district City Council elections:

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A CHARTER AMENDMENT TO ESTABLISH CAMPAIGN FINANCE RULES FOR LOCAL ELECTIONS AND TO ESTABLISH BY-DISTRICT CITY COUNCIL ELECTIONS:	Yes
Shall an Ordinance be adopted which amends the Alhambra City Charter to include restrictions on campaign finance in local elections and which establishes by-district elections for the Alhambra City Council?	No

B. Pursuant to the provisions of Section 10411 of the Elections Code of the State of California, the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles was authorized to canvass the returns of said Election, which canvass was completed on November 30, 2020 by the Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk of the County of Los Angeles pursuant to Section 15300, *et seq.*, of the Elections Code of the State of California.

SECTION TWO: This Council hereby accepts the official Certificate of the Canvass of the Election Returns and Final Statement of Votes Cast by precinct for Measure V conducted by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles for said Election, the correctness and accuracy of which Canvass has been certified to on November 30, 2020, by the Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk of the County of Los Angeles. A copy of said Canvass is attached hereto as Exhibit "A" and by this reference incorporated herein and made a part hereof as though fully set forth herein.

SECTION THREE: Based upon the aforesaid Canvass, the Alhambra City Council hereby finds, determines and declares as follows:

That the whole number of ballots cast for Measure V in the precincts, inclusive of provisional ballots was 6,223 and the whole number of vote by mail ballots cast in the City was 28,833, making a total of 35,056 ballots cast in the City;

That the number of votes cast in favor of Measure V was 21,218 and the number of votes cast opposing Measure V was 6,618 as outlined in Exhibit "A" attached;

That Measure V was passed by a majority of votes cast in the General Municipal Election.

SECTION FOUR: The City Clerk certifies to the receipt of the Official Canvass Certificate and the Official Statement of Votes Cast by precinct for the City of Alhambra General Municipal Election consolidated with the Statewide General Election held on November 3, 2020 from the Los Angeles County Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk which is attached hereto as Exhibit "A" by this reference incorporated herein and made a part hereof as though fully set forth herein.

SECTION FIVE: Measure V also requires that the City Clerk and City Attorney take all steps necessary to ensure the proper and efficient codification of Measure V into the Alhambra City Charter. Attached hereto as Exhibit "B" is the proposed codification and the Council hereby approves same for submittal to the City's code publisher for inclusion in the next set of updates to the City's Charter and Municipal Code.

SECTION SIX: That the City Clerk shall certify to the passage and adoption of this Resolution.

PASSED, APPROVED and ADOPTED this 14th day of December, 2020.

DAVID MEJIA, Mayor

ATTEST: LAUREN MYLES, Citv Clerk

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the above and foregoing resolution was duly passed and adopted by the Alhambra City Council on the 14th day of December, 2020, by the following vote, to wit:

AYES: LEE, MAZA, MALONEY, ANDRADE-STADLER, MEJIA

NOES: NONE ABSENT: NONE ABSTAIN: NONE

LAUREN MYLES, City Clerk

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Los Angeles County

Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk

Certificate of the Canvass of the Election Returns

I, DEAN C. LOGAN, Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk of the County of Los Angeles, of the State of California, DO HEREBY CERTIFY that pursuant to the provisions of Section 15300 et seq. of the California Elections Code, I did canvass the returns of the votes cast for each elective office and/or measure(s) for

Alhambra City

at the General Election, held on the 3rd day of November, 2020.

I FURTHER CERTIFY that the Statement of Votes Cast, to which this certificate is attached, shows the total number of ballots cast in said jurisdiction, and that the whole number of votes cast for each candidate and/or measure(s) in said jurisdiction in each of the respective precincts therein, and the totals of the respective columns and the totals as shown for each candidate and/or measure(s) are full, true and correct.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this 30th day of November, 2020.



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DEAN C. LOGAN Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk County of Los Angeles

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Exhibit "B"

Measure V Codification

Section 19 of Measure V, the "Alhambra Election and Campaign Finance Reform Act" as adopted by the voters of the City of Alhambra on November 3, 2020 provides:

The City Clerk and the City Attorney shall take all steps necessary to ensure the proper and efficient codification of this initiative into the Alhambra City Charter. This authority shall include making any necessary revisions to numbering, revising or substituting any references herein to other provisions of Alhambra or State law, and similar non-substantive items. In exercising this authority, the City Clerk and City Attorney shall not alter the substantive provision of this initiative nor take any action that contradicts the express terms and purpose of this initiative.

Based upon that direction, the following text represents the format of the codification of the operative provisions of Measure V into the Alhambra City Charter.

Section 101A-101Q is hereby added to Article XVII. Elections to read as follows.

SECTION 101A. Alhambra Campaign Finance Reform, Purpose and intent:

- A. Increasingly high campaign expenditures have become endemic in American politics, and campaigns in the City of Alhambra are no exception. Incidental to the high cost of election campaigning is the problem of improper influence, real, potential, or perceived, campaign contributions may have in local elections and policy making.
- B. Equal and fair representation is paramount to democracy. A by-district electoral system helps to ensure compliance with the California Voting Rights Act and that all city residents are fairly and equally represented by councilpersons of their districts. Such a system is intended to preserve democratic institutions, foster responsible government, decrease the cost of running an effective city council campaign and subsequently money's influence in politics, and encourage greater electorate participation in the political and governmental process.
- C. It is the purpose and intent of this legislation to:
 - 1. Place realistic and enforceable limits on the amounts persons and other entities may contribute to political campaigns in Alhambra municipal elections;
 - 2. Ensure and promote integrity, honesty, fairness, and transparency in municipal election campaigns;
 - 3. Provide opportunity for all citizens to become candidates for City office unhindered by a need to meet increasingly high campaign costs;
 - 4. Prevent impropriety, the appearance of impropriety, or the potential for corruption;

- 5. Place a premium on messaging, qualifications, and good governance rather than fundraising and power politics;
- 6. Alleviate the time, financial burden, and need for excessive fundraising while running for city council by limiting both the geographic area in which candidates need to campaign and the number of voters which candidates need to reach, thereby emphasizing issues of importance to their constituents;
- 7. Better ensure that the demographic makeup of the city will be more equally and fairly represented by their elected leaders;
- 8. Incentivize councilpersons elected from their districts to better represent the residents of their districts;
- 9. Eliminate district vote dilution;
- 10. Diminish the possibility that a minority group would face dilution of their votes;
- 11. Encourage more candidates to run for city council by removing monetary barriers, thus fostering more competitive elections;
- 12. Provide full and fair enforcement of all the provisions of this article.

SECTION 101B. Definitions:

- A. For the purpose of this article, certain words and phrases are defined, and the definitions set forth as follows shall apply to the provisions of this article unless it is apparent from the context that a different meaning is necessarily intended.
 - 1. "By-district" shall mean election of members of the Alhambra City Council by voters of the district alone.
 - 2. "Candidate" means any person who is a candidate for an elected city office or who is an elected City official and who is the subject of recall election, or who receives contributions or makes an expenditure or gives his or her consent for any other person to receive a contribution or make an expenditure with a view to bringing about his or her nomination or election to City office, whether or not the specific elective office for which he or she will seek nomination or election is known at the time the contribution is received or the expenditure is made and whether or not he or she has announced his or her candidacy or filed a declaration of candidacy at such time. An individual who becomes a City candidate shall retain his or her status as a City candidate until such time as that status is terminated pursuant to California Government Code Section 84214. "Candidate" does not include: (1) any person within the meaning of 52 U.S.C.A. § 30101(2); and (2) any candidate for the Alhambra Board of Education.
 - 3. "City" means the City of Alhambra, a California municipal corporation.

- 4. "City Clerk" shall mean the duly appointed City Clerk, along with any person serving as acting or interim City Clerk, and any member of the City Clerk's office staff or designee.
- 5. "City Council" shall mean the elected governing body of the City of Alhambra as defined in Article VI, Sec. 37 of the Alhambra City Charter.
- 6. "Committee" means any person or combination of persons formed for the purpose of promoting or opposing the election or reelection of a person to City elected office who directly or indirectly, (i) receives contributions, or (ii) makes independent expenditures or (iii) makes contributions at the behest of any City candidate within the meaning of California Government Code 82013. A campaign committee includes any "Controlled Committee" within the meaning of California Government Code section 82016, any "General Purpose Committee" within the meaning of California Government Code section 82027.5, any "Primarily Formed Committee" within the meaning of California Government Code section 82047.5, any "Sponsored Committee" within the meaning of California Government Code section 82047.5, or political action committee.
- 7. "Contractor" shall mean any person or entity that has an existing contract, agreement, or other arrangement to provide the City with goods, services, or other items, or who has an interest in or expectation of obtaining such a contractual arrangement in the future. The term shall include any agent or representative of the Contractor and where the Contractor is a business entity shall include all owners, shareholders, principals, partners, members, officers, directors, and managers.
- 8. "Contribution" shall have the same meaning as set forth under California Government Code 82015.
- 9. "Councilperson" shall mean a member of the City Council.
- 10. "Developer" shall mean any person or entity who is currently seeking, or who has an interest in or expectation of seeking from the City a specific plan, zone change, development agreement, density bonus, subdivision tract map, conditional use permit, or an industrial or commercial use having a building area of 20,000 square feet or more. The term shall include any agent or representative of the Developer and where the Developer is a business entity shall include all owners, shareholders, principals, partners, members, officers, directors, and managers.
- 11. "District" shall mean a geographic area of representation created for the purpose of municipal elections pursuant to state law.
- 12. "Election" means any primary, general or special municipal election held in the City, including a recall election.

- 13. "Excessive Contribution" means any contribution accepted that would cause the total amount of contributions from a single donor to exceed the contribution limitations set forth in this article.
- 14. "Independent Expenditure" shall have the same meaning as set forth under California Government Code section 82031.
- 15. "Loan" means the temporary transfer of money or goods for the personal use of an individual with the exception that the money or goods will be returned.
- 16. Officeholder" shall mean any person who holds elected office in the City of Alhambra.
- 17. "Person" shall have the same meaning as set forth under California Government Code section 82047.
- 18. "Political Action Committee" refers to any committee or organization as defined in California Government Code Section 82048.7 or Section 84222.
- 19. "Political Reform Act" means the California Political Reform Act of 1974 (California Government Code Sections 81000 et seq.) and the related regulations of the California Fair Political Practices Commission as amended from time to time.

SECTION 101C. Campaign Contribution limitations:

- A. No person shall make to any candidate and/or the controlled committee of such a candidate and no such candidate and/or the candidate's controlled committee shall accept from a person a contribution or contributions totaling more than two hundred fifty dollars (\$250.00) for each election in which the candidate is on the ballot or is a write-in candidate.
- B. Any primarily formed committee that makes contributions or independent expenditures supporting or opposing a candidate or candidates in Alhambra shall not accept from any person a contribution or contributions totaling more than two hundred fifty dollars (\$250.00) for each election in which the candidate or candidates are on the ballot or are write-in candidates.
- C. The City Council shall adjust the contribution limits established in this subsection in March of every odd numbered year to reflect any increase or decrease in the California Consumer Price Index since the last such adjustment of the contribution limit. Such adjustments shall be rounded to the nearest Ten and no/100ths (\$10.00) Dollar amount.
- D. Any contributions solicited or accepted pursuant to this section shall be expended only in connection with the candidacy for the office specified in the candidate's declaration of intent to solicit and receive contributions or for any valid purpose as defined in Political Reform Act of 1974, as amended, or the fair political practices commission regulations interpreting the act, unless otherwise noted in this article.

- F. No candidate or officeholder, the controlled committee of such a person, or a primarily formed committee which will make any contribution and/or independent expenditures in a municipal election, shall accept any contribution except between eighteen (18) months prior to an election and December 31 immediately following an election, where the candidate or officeholder who is the beneficiary of the contribution or expenditure is on the ballot.
- G. A committee may not change its status from the type of committee that is reported on its statement of organization to any other type of committee between the period that is eighteen (18) months prior to an election and December 31 immediately following an election.
- H. Contributions from Developers, Contractors, and Political Action Committees to a candidate or committee primarily formed to support or oppose a candidate are prohibited.

SECTION 101D. Loans:

- A. Except as provided in subsections C and D of this section, a loan shall be considered a contribution from the maker and the guarantor of the loan and shall be subject to the contribution limitations of this article.
- B. Every loan to a candidate or the candidate's controlled committee shall be by written agreement and such written agreement shall be filed with the candidate's or committee's campaign statement on which the loan is first reported.
- C. The proceeds of a loan made to a candidate by a commercial lending institution in the regular course of business on the same terms available to members of the public and which is secured or guaranteed shall not be subject to the contribution limitations of this article.
- D. During the election cycle, no candidate shall personally make loans to the candidate's campaign or the candidate's committee which total more than ten thousand dollars (\$10,000.00).
- E. Extensions of credit (other than loans pursuant to subsections C and D of this section) for a period of more than thirty (30) days are subject to the contribution limitations of this article.
- F. Nothing in this section shall prohibit a candidate from making unlimited contributions to the candidate's campaign.

SECTION 101E. One campaign committee and one checking account per candidate:

A candidate shall have no more than one campaign committee and one checking account out of which all expenditures shall be made. This section shall not prohibit the establishment of savings accounts, but no qualified campaign expenditures shall be made out of these accounts. The provisions of this section shall not apply to a petty cash fund established pursuant to Title 2 Section 18524(d) of the California Code of Regulations as amended from time to time by the Fair Political Practices Commission.

SECTION 101F. Transfers:

No candidate and no committee controlled by a candidate or officeholder shall make any contribution from the checking account established pursuant to the previous section of this article to any other candidate running for office or to any committee supporting or opposing a candidate for office in excess of two hundred fifty dollars (\$250) in the aggregate per calendar year. This section shall not prohibit a candidate from making a contribution from the candidate's own personal funds to the candidate's campaign or to the campaign of any other candidate for elective office.

SECTION 101G. Aggregation of payments:

For purposes of the contribution limitations in this article the following shall apply:

- A. All payments made by a person, as defined in the Political Reform Act of 1974, as amended, whose contribution or expenditure activity is financed, maintained or controlled by any corporation, labor organization, association, political party or any other person or committee, including any parent, subsidiary, branch, division, department or local unit of the corporation, labor organization, association, political party or any other person, or by any group of such persons shall be considered to be made by a single person or committee.
- B. Two (2) or more entities shall be treated as one person when any of the following circumstances apply: 1. The entities share the majority of members of their boards of directors. 2. The entities share two (2) or more officers. 3. The entities are owned or controlled by the same majority shareholder or shareholders. 4. The entities are in a parent-subsidiary relationship.
- C. An individual and any general partnership in which the individual is a partner, or an individual and any corporation in which the individual owns a controlling interest, shall be treated as one person.

SECTION 101H. Assumed name contributions:

Under this article no contribution shall be made, directly or indirectly, by any person or combination of persons acting jointly in a name other than the name by which they are identified for legal purposes nor in the name of another person or received from another person on the condition that it be used as a contribution. If it is discovered by a candidate or committee treasurer that a contribution has been received in violation of this article, the candidate or treasurer shall promptly pay the amount received in violation of this article to the city treasurer for deposit in the general fund of the city.

SECTION 101I. Omitted

SECTION 101J. Unexpended contribution:

If a candidate cancels his declaration of intent to solicit and receive contributions for a particular office, ceases to be a candidate or fails to qualify for an office for which contributions have been solicited or accepted, or if there remains a balance in a campaign checking account of a candidate

or committee after the date of the election in which the candidate appeared on the ballot, all unexpended funds remaining in the account shall be returned on a pro rata basis to those who have made the contributions or be donated to one or more charitable organizations qualifying for federal income tax exemption within 90 days from the date a candidate withdraws from the race or the date of the election in which the candidate appeared on the ballot, whichever comes first. However, a maximum of \$6,000.00 in unexpended funds may be retained by a candidate or committee and may be used for any political purpose or other lawful use. The provisions of this section shall apply retroactively to any unexpended funds in an account as of 1 year from the date of adoption of this amendment.

SECTION 101K. Increased transparency:

- A. Within 72 hours of each applicable filing deadline in the Political Reform Act of 1974 (as amended), the City shall post on its internet website a copy of any statement, report, or other document required by California Government Code, Title 9, Chapter 4 and Chapter 5 that is filed with the City Clerk's office (including but limited to all committee statements of organization, campaign statements, 24-hour contribution and independent expenditure reports, late payment reports, and statements of economic interest). If the final day of the 72-hour period falls on a holiday or any other day on which City Hall is closed for business, the period is extended to the next day that is not a holiday or other day on which City Hall is closed for business. Before posting, the City Clerk shall redact the street name and building number of the persons or entity representatives listed on any statement, report, or document, or any bank account number required to be disclosed by the filer. Providing a link on the agency's internet website to the statement, report, or other document satisfies this Section.
- B. A statement, report, or other document posted pursuant to this section shall be made available for four years from the date of the election associated with the filing, or 1 year after the incumbent leaves office, whichever is longer.

SECTION 101L. Return of excessive contributions:

The city candidate, or his or her campaign committee, or a primarily formed committee pursuant to Section 101C(B), in receipt of any excessive or prohibited contribution shall, within 72 hours of receipt thereof, return any such excessive or prohibited contribution to the donor. In the event an excessive or prohibited contribution is received and reported in the campaign statement, the recipient shall, within 72 hours of notification by the City Clerk or within 72 hours of notice of complaint from the Fair Political Practices Commission, return such excessive contribution to the donor.

SECTION 101M. City Clerk responsibilities.

A. In addition to other duties required by law, the City Clerk shall:

1. Furnish a copy of this article to all qualified city candidates during the nomination period for city office.

- 2. Determine whether required statements and declarations have been filed timely and, if so, whether they conform on their face with the requirements of this article.
- 3. Promptly notify city candidates, or his or her campaign committee, or a primarily formed committee pursuant to Section 101C(B), of any errors or excessive contributions in their statements or failure to file.

B. Nothing contained in Sections 101N and 101P below shall be interpreted to create separate criminal or civil liability on the part of the City Clerk for unintentional failure to carry out the duties described herein.

SECTION 101N. Criminal misdemeanor actions:

Any person who violates any provision of this article or causes or aids or abets any other person to violate any provision of this article, and who, upon receipt of written notice of a violation of this article from the prosecuting authority or any person residing within the jurisdiction, fails to cure said violation within 14 days, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor. Prosecution for violation of any provision of this article shall be commenced within four (4) years after the date on which the violation occurred. Alhambra Municipal Code Title I Chapter 1.12.010 does not apply to this provision.

SECTION 1010. Omitted

SECTION 101P. Civil actions:

- A. Any person who intentionally or negligently violates the contribution provisions of this article and fails to cure any such violation within 14 days of receipt of a written notice of violation, shall be liable in a civil action brought by the City Attorney or by any person residing within the jurisdiction who has issued such notice of violation. Said written notice shall also be sent concurrently to the City Attorney, which shall be preserved in the public record for the term of the statute of limitations of this article.
- B. Before filing a civil action pursuant to this article, a person must first file with the City Attorney a written request for the City Attorney to commence the action. The request shall include a statement of the grounds for believing a cause of action exists. The City Attorney shall respond to the person in writing within 14 days of receipt of such request, indicating whether he or she intends to file a civil action and the reasons therefore. The City Attorney's response shall be preserved in the public record for the term of the statute of limitations of this article. If the alleged violation is not cured or the City Attorney does not respond with 14 days or does not intend to file a civil action pursuant to this article then the person(s) requesting the action may proceed to file a civil action pursuant to this article. Civil liability under this section shall not exceed five (5) times the amount of the unlawful contribution.
- C. If two or more persons are responsible for any violation, they shall be jointly and severally liable.

- D. No civil action alleging a violation of any provision of this article shall be filed more than two (2) years after the date the violation occurred.
- E. The prevailing party in any civil action to enforce the provisions of this article shall have the right to collect from the other party all reasonable attorneys' fees and other costs incurred.
- F. No civil action alleging a violation of this title may be filed against a person pursuant to this section if the criminal prosecutor is maintaining a criminal action against that person pursuant to Section 101N.

SECTION 101Q. Injunctive relief:

- A. The City Attorney or any person residing in the jurisdiction, in addition to an award of damages outlined in Section 101P, may also seek injunctive relief to enjoin violations or to compel compliance with the provisions of this article.
- B. If a candidate is found liable for a violation of any section of this article and a court of law determines that the violation was substantial and that it might have had a bearing on the outcome of an election, that court of law may order equitable relief as follows:
- 1. If adjudication by a court of law becomes final before the date of the election, the votes for such candidate shall not be counted, and the election shall be determined on the basis of the votes cast for the other candidates in the race.
- 2. If such adjudication becomes final after the date of the election and if such candidate was declared to have been elected, such candidate shall not assume office, and the City Council shall within (30) days call a special election to fill that vacancy. The special election shall be held not less than 114 days from the call of the special election, but within 365 days from the call of the special election, and at least 365 days before the next regularly scheduled municipal election.

SECTION 102. Omitted

Section 7A shall be added to the Charter to read as follows:

SECTION 7A. By-district City Council elections:

- A. The office of the councilpersons shall be filled through by-district elections, pursuant to California Government Code Sections 34870—34886.
- B. Commencing with the next municipal election after the adoption of this amendment, members of the City Council shall be elected in the electoral districts established by subsection (c) of this section and subsequently reapportioned in accordance with state law. Elections shall take place by-district as that term is defined in California Government Code Section 34871,

meaning one member of the City Council shall be elected from each district, by the voters of the district alone. Each member of the City Council shall serve a four-year term. Such districts shall be used in all matters concerning the appointment, recall, vacancy or any other aspects of that particular council seat.

- C. Members of the City Council shall be elected on a by-district basis from the five City Council districts established in Article II, Sec. 4 of the Alhambra City Charter.
- D. Alhambra City Councilpersons shall be elected by-district for full four-year terms commencing with the next general municipal election after the adoption of this amendment and thereafter.
- E. Each member of the City Council elected to represent a district must reside in that district and be a registered voter in that district, and any candidate for City Council must reside in, and be a registered voter in, the district in which he or she seeks election at the time nomination papers are issued pursuant to Government Code Section 34882 and Elections Code Section 10227. No term of any member of the City Council that commenced prior to the effective date of this amendment shall be affected by this article until the expiration of said term. Thereafter, this article applies to all sitting councilpersons irrespective of incumbency prior to the enactment of this article.
- F. If a City Council vacancy should occur prior to the completion of a councilperson's full term, the City Council shall within (30) days call a special election to fill that vacancy. The special election shall be held not less than 114 days from the call of the special election, but within 365 days from the call of the special election, and at least 365 days before the next regularly scheduled municipal election. The City Council seat shall remain vacant until a vote by the electorate fills the vacancy.
- G. Registered voters signing nomination papers or voting for a member of the City Council shall be residents of the geographical area making up the district from which the candidate is to be elected.
- H. Termination of residency in a district by a City Councilperson shall create an immediate vacancy for that City Council district unless the City Councilperson immediately declares and establishes another residence within the district within 30 days.

Additionally, the following sections of the Charter shall be modified to incorporate the "By-District" election provisions of Measure V:

SEC. 7. <u>SCHOOL BOARD</u> ELECTIVE OFFICIALS DESIGNATED - RESIDENCE REQUIREMENTS.

Five city councilpersons shall be elected officials of the City of Alhambra, all of whom shall be elected at the general municipal election on a general ticket from the city at large; provided that, of the five councilpersons, one shall be nominated by the qualified electors of each district, of which the councilperson so nominated must have been a resident not less than thirty days next preceding the filing of a declaration of intent to run

for office as required by this Charter. The office of councilperson of each district shall constitute a separate office. Five members of the board of education shall be elected officials of the unified school district, of which the City of Alhambra is a part. All school board members shall be elected at the general municipal election on a general ticket from the unified school district at large. The five members of the board of education must have the residence qualifications specified in Section 86 of Article XIV of this Charter.

SEC. 10. "COMMISSION" REFERENCES REPLACED WITH "COUNCIL" COMPOSITION OF COUNCIL - RESIDENCE REQUIREMENTS.

The council shall consist of five councilpersons, each of whom, including the mayor, shall have a vote on all questions coming before the council. To be eligible to the office of councilperson a person must be a qualified elector of the City of Alhambra and shall have resided in said city for at least thirty days next preceding the filing of a declaration of intent to run for office as required by this Charter. Wherever in this Charter the word "commission" is used, referring to the city commission of the City of Alhambra, the word "council" shall be substituted in lieu thereof, and wherever in this Charter the word "commissioner" is used, referring to a commissioner of the city commission of the City of Alhambra, the word "commissioner" is used, referring to a commissioner of the city commission of the City of Alhambra, the word "councilperson" shall be substituted in lieu thereof. Wherever in this Charter the word "mayor" shall be substituted in lieu thereof. Wherever hereinafter in this Charter the word "mayor" shall be substituted in lieu thereof. Wherever hereinafter in this Charter the word "mayor" shall be substituted in lieu thereof. Wherever hereinafter in this Charter the word substituted in lieu thereof. Wherever hereinafter in this Charter the word substituted in lieu thereof. Wherever hereinafter in this Charter the word substituted in lieu thereof. Wherever hereinafter in this Charter the words "vice-president of the commission" are used, the words "vice-mayor" shall be substituted in lieu thereof.

SEC. 13. FILLING VACANCIES.

If a vacancy shall occur in the office of council-person, the council shall appoint a person to fill such vacancy, but such appointee must be a resident and qualified elector of the district in which the former councilperson resided at the time of his or her election or appointment, and such appointee shall hold office, subject to the provisions of this Charter, only until the next general municipal election.

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