
RESOLUTION NO. 12-221

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA, CALLING A SPECIAL MUNICIPAL PRIMARY ELECTION TO BE HELD ON JANUARY 15, 2013, TO NOMINATE QUALIFIED PERSONS FOR THE OFFICE OF CITY COMMISSIONER FROM COMMISSION DISTRICT II AND CALLING A SPECIAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION TO BE HELD ON MARCH 12, 2013, TO ELECT A CITY COMMISSIONER FROM COMMISSION DISTRICT II; FURTHER ESTABLISHING A QUALIFYING PERIOD FOR SAID SPECIAL MUNICIPAL PRIMARY ELECTION.

WHEREAS, Vice-Mayor Charlotte E. Rodstrom has submitted her resignation effective November 19, 2012, thereby creating a vacancy on the City Commission; and

WHEREAS, City Commission desires to provide for a special municipal primary election and special municipal election in accordance with the provisions of Section 7.09 and Section 7.10 of the City Charter;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA:

SECTION 1. That a special municipal primary election of the City of Fort Lauderdale is hereby called to be held on the 15th day of January, 2013, for the purpose of nominating qualified persons for the office of City Commissioner from Commission District II of the City of Fort Lauderdale; provided, however, that if the number of candidates qualifying for the office of City Commissioner from Commission District II is two candidates or fewer for such office, then the special municipal primary election for the subject office shall not be held.

SECTION 2. That the qualifying period for said special municipal primary election shall be between December 5, 2012, and December 7, 2012, beginning each day at 9:00 a.m., and ending each day at 3:00 p.m.

SECTION 3. That a special municipal election of the City of Fort Lauderdale shall be held on the 15th day of January, 2013, for the purpose of electing a City Commissioner from Commission District II, from the candidates nominated for such office, such Commissioner so elected to serve as follows:

1. if a candidate is elected as a result of the special primary election, the term shall begin at 11:00 o'clock A.M. on Tuesday, the 22nd day of January 2013; or
2. if a candidate is elected as a result of a special municipal election, then the term shall begin at 11:00 o'clock A.M. on Tuesday, the 19th day of March, 2013;

~~in either case the term shall end at 11:00 o'clock A.M. on Tuesday, the 17th day of March, 2015, or until a successor is elected and qualified.~~

SECTION 4. That the City Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to place upon the ballots to be used at such special municipal primary election to be held January 15, 2013, the names of all candidates properly qualifying and to place upon the ballots to be used at said special municipal election to be held on March 12, 2013, the names of the candidates nominated at such special municipal primary election.

SECTION 5. That voting machines shall be used at such elections and the City Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to make all necessary arrangements for the use of said voting machines at such elections and for the form of ballot which shall be used in conducting elections by use of voting machines.

SECTION 6. Absentee voting shall be permitted in said elections as provided by law.

SECTION 7. That the polls shall be open at every polling place without intermission from 7:00 o'clock A.M. Eastern Standard Time until 7:00 o'clock P.M. Eastern Standard Time.

SECTION 8. That the registration books for the special municipal primary election shall be closed on December 17, 2012, and the registration books for the special municipal election shall be closed on February 11, 2013, before such elections. The Supervisor of Elections of Broward County is directed to close the registration books at the times above stated against persons desiring to register as electors for such elections.

SECTION 9. That the City of Fort Lauderdale, at both elections referred to herein, shall use the same voting precincts or parts thereof as are designated for use in Broward County and State of Florida elections.

SECTION 10. That the City Clerk shall notify all clerks and inspectors of each election board of their appointment and insure that each such election board is provided with the proper forms with which to conduct the elections referred to herein.

SECTION 11. That the result of the voting at each polling place, when ascertained, shall be delivered to the County Canvassing Board and the County Canvassing Board shall canvass the result of the special municipal primary election and the special municipal election as provided for in Section 8 of Chapter 75-350, Laws of Florida, Special Acts, and the County Canvassing Board shall certify the results of each election to the City Clerk.


SECTION 12. That the City Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to cause a copy of this Resolution to be published once each week for two consecutive weeks preceding the days of such elections in the Sun-Sentinel, South Florida, a newspaper published in Fort Lauderdale, Florida, the first publication to be not less than ten (10) days prior to such election and the second publication to be one week thereafter, and to post a copy of this Resolution on the bulletin Board at City Hall immediately after its passage.

ADOPTED this the 20th day of November, 2012.



Mayor
JOHN P. "JACK" SEILER

ATTEST:



City Clerk
JONDA K. JOSEPH

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