

RESOLUTION NO. 17-

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA, CALLING THE REGULAR TRIENNIAL MUNICIPAL PRIMARY ELECTION TO BE HELD ON JANUARY 16, 2018, TO NOMINATE OR ELECT QUALIFIED PERSONS FOR THE OFFICES OF MAYOR-COMMISSIONER AND CITY COMMISSIONERS FROM COMMISSION DISTRICTS 1 THROUGH 4, RESPECTIVELY, AND CALLING THE REGULAR TRIENNIAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION TO BE HELD ON MARCH 13, 2018, TO ELECT A MAYOR- COMMISSIONER AND FOUR CITY COMMISSIONERS.

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

SECTION 1. That the regular triennial municipal primary election of the City of Fort Lauderdale is hereby called to be held on the 16th day of January, 2018, for the purpose of nominating or electing a Mayor-Commissioner and City Commissioners, respectively of the City of Fort Lauderdale; provided, however, that if the number of candidates qualifying for the office of Mayor-Commissioner or City Commissioner from a single District is two candidates or less for any such office, then the primary election for the subject office shall not be held.

SECTION 2. That the regular triennial municipal election of the City of Fort Lauderdale shall be held on the 13th day of March, 2018 for the purpose of electing a Mayor-Commissioner and a City Commissioner from each of the four City Commission Districts, respectively from the candidates nominated for such offices, except for a candidate declared elected to office after the primary election, such Mayor-Commissioner and Commissioners so elected to each serve for a term beginning at 11:00 A.M. on Tuesday, March 20, 2018, and ending at 10:59 A.M. on Tuesday, the 16th day of March, 2021, or until their successors are elected and qualified.

SECTION 3. That the qualifying period for the 2018 regular primary election shall run for seven days commencing at noon on November 6, 2017 and ending at noon on November 13, 2017.

SECTION 4. That the City Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to place upon the ballots to be used at such primary election to be held on January 16, 2018, the names of all candidates properly qualifying and to place upon the ballots to be used at said regular municipal election to be held on March 13, 2018, the names of the candidates nominated at such primary election, or otherwise properly qualified.

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 regular triennial municipal primary election shall be closed on December 18, 2017 and the registration books for the regular triennial municipal election shall be closed on February 12, 2018, before such election. 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 result of the voting at each polling place, when ascertained, shall be delivered to the County Canvassing Board in order to canvas the result of the regular triennial municipal primary election and regular triennial 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 within five (5) days after the date of each election.

SECTION 11. That the City Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to cause a copy of this Resolution to be published once each week for two (2) consecutive weeks preceding the days of such elections in the Sun-Sentinel, 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 adoption.

ADOPTED this the _____ day of _____, 2017.

Mayor
JOHN P. "JACK" SEILER

ATTEST:

City Clerk
JEFFREY A. MODARELLI