

ORDINANCE NO. 1014

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LANCASTER, CALIFORNIA, AUTHORIZING A SPECIAL ALL MAIL BALLOT ELECTION TO BE CONDUCTED ON OCTOBER 11, 2016, AND ESTABLISHING PROCEDURES, RULES AND REGULATIONS THEREFOR

WHEREAS, a city charter may provide that the city governed thereunder is authorized to make and enforce all ordinances and regulations in respect to municipal affairs and may provide for, among other things, the conduct of city elections (Cal. Const. art. XI, § 5(a), (b).); and

WHEREAS, Section 102 of the City of Lancaster (the “City”) Charter provides that the City may “adopt ordinances establishing procedures, rules or regulations concerning City of Lancaster elections and public officials including but not limited to, the qualifications and compensation of elected officials the method, time and requirements to hold elections, to fill vacant offices and for voting my mail”; and

WHEREAS, Section 102 of the City’s Charter also provides that “[u]nless in conflict with ordinances adopted by the City, state law regarding elections shall apply”; and

WHEREAS, notwithstanding those provisions of state law that establish dates for conducting a special all-mail ballot election, the City desires to authorize a Special All Mail Ballot Election be conducted on October 11, 2016.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LANCASTER, CALIFORNIA DOES ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. In addition to the other dates authorized by state law, the City of Lancaster (the “City”) may conduct a Special All Mail Ballot Election on October 11, 2016, if and to the extent the City Council adopts a resolution calling for such election.

SECTION 2. If and to the extent a Special All Mail Ballot Election is called as authorized by Section 1 of this Ordinance, such election shall be conducted pursuant to the rules, procedures and regulations established by state law, including, without limitation, the mail ballot provisions of the Elections Code (Cal. Elect. Code § 4000 *et seq.*); provided, however, that in the event of any conflict or inconsistency between the state law and provisions of this Ordinance, this Ordinance shall control.

SECTION 3. Pursuant to Section 36937 of the Government Code, this ordinance shall take effect immediately.

SECTION 4. The City Clerk shall certify to the passage and adoption of this Ordinance and shall cause the same to be published according to law.

I, Britt Avrit, CMC, City Clerk of the City of Lancaster, do hereby certify that the foregoing ordinance was regularly introduced and placed upon its first reading on the 6th day of July, 2016, and placed upon its second reading and adoption at a regular meeting of the City Council on the _____ day of _____, 2016, by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

BRITT AVRIT, CMC
City Clerk
City of Lancaster

R. REX PARRIS
Mayor
City of Lancaster

STATE OF CALIFORNIA }
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES }ss
CITY OF LANCASTER }

CERTIFICATION OF ORDINANCE
CITY COUNCIL

I, _____, _____ City of Lancaster, California, do hereby certify that this is a true and correct copy of the original Ordinance No. 1014, for which the original is on file in my office.

WITNESS MY HAND AND THE SEAL OF THE CITY OF LANCASTER, on this _____ day of _____, _____.

(seal)
