To: Mayor Farrer and the Honorable Members of the City Council

Prepared by: Heather Glaser, City Clerk

Approved by: Reva Feldman, City Manager

Date prepared: May 18, 2020

Meeting date: June 8, 2020

Subject: November 3, 2020 General Municipal Election

RECOMMENDED ACTION: 1) Adopt Resolution No. 20-27 calling and giving notice of the holding of a General Municipal Election to be held on Tuesday, November 3, 2020, 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) Adopt Resolution No. 20-28 requesting the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles to consolidated a General Municipal Election to be held on November 3, 2020, with the Statewide General Election to be held on the date pursuant to California Elections Code Section 10403.

FISCAL IMPACT: There is no fiscal impact associated with adoption of the resolutions. $50,000 has been included in the Proposed Budget for Fiscal Year 2020-2021 to cover the costs of the November 3, 2020 General Municipal Election.

WORK PLAN: This item was not included in the Adopted Work Plan for Fiscal year 2019-2020. This project is part of normal staff operations.

DISCUSSION: State law requires adoption of various resolutions in order to conduct a General Municipal Election. Staff has prepared the 2020 Election resolutions for Council consideration and adoption. Resolution No. 20-27 (Attachment 1) calls the election and sets the date at Tuesday, November 3, 2020, and Resolution No. 20-28 (Attachment 2) requests the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles to consolidate the General Municipal Election with the Statewide General Election.

On June 13, 2016, the Council adopted Resolution No. 16-24 (Attachment 3) adopting regulations for candidates for elective office pertaining to candidate statements submitted to the voters at the November 8, 2016 General Municipal Election and at each municipal election thereafter.
For information purposes, attached to the staff report is a list of important dates (Attachment 4) related to the November 3, 2020 General Municipal Election.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Resolution No. 20-27
2. Resolution No. 20-28
3. Resolution No. 16-24
RESOLUTION NO. 20-27


The City Council of the City of Malibu does hereby find, order and resolve as follows:

SECTION 1. Pursuant to the requirements of the laws of the State of California relating to general law cities, the City Council hereby calls and orders a General Municipal Election for the purpose of electing three members of the City Council for the full term of four years to be held in the City of Malibu, on Tuesday, November 3, 2020.

SECTION 2. The ballots to be used at the election shall be in form and content as required by law.

SECTION 3. The City Clerk is authorized, instructed and directed to coordinate with the Los Angeles County Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk to procure and furnish any and all official ballots, notices, printed matter and all supplies, equipment and paraphernalia that may be necessary in order to properly and lawfully conduct the election.

SECTION 4. The polls for the election shall be open at seven a.m. of the day of the election and shall remain open continuously from that time until eight p.m. of the same day when the polls shall be closed pursuant to the California Elections Code Section 10242, except as provided in Elections Code Section 14401.

SECTION 5. In all particulars not recited in this resolution, the election shall be held and conducted as provided by law for holding municipal elections.

SECTION 6. Notice of the time and place of holding the election is given and the City Clerk is authorized, instructed and directed to give further or additional notice of the election, in time, form and manner as required by law.

SECTION 7. Pursuant to Resolution No. 99-86, in the event of a tie vote as certified by the County of Los Angeles Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk, the City Council shall conduct a special runoff election to resolve the tie vote and such special runoff election is to be held on a Tuesday not less than 40 days nor more than 125 days after the administrative or judicial certification of the election which resulted in a tie vote.

SECTION 8. The City Council authorizes the City Clerk to administer said election and all reasonable and actual election expenses shall be paid by the City upon presentation of a properly submitted bill.

SECTION 9. The City Clerk shall certify to the passage and adoption of this resolution and enter it
into the book of original Resolutions.

PASSED, APPROVED and ADOPTED this 8th day of June 2020.

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KAREN FARRER, Mayor

ATTEST:

HEATHER GLASER, City Clerk
(seal)

APPROVED AS TO FORM:
THIS DOCUMENT HAS BEEN REVIEWED
BY THE CITY ATTORNEYS OFFICE
CHRISTI HOGIN, City Attorney
RESOLUTION NO. 20-28

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MALIBU REQUESTING THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES TO CONSOLIDATE A GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION TO BE HELD ON NOVEMBER 3, 2020, WITH THE STATEWIDE GENERAL ELECTION TO BE HELD ON THE DATE PURSUANT TO CALIFORNIA ELECTIONS CODE SECTION 10403

The City Council of the City of Malibu does hereby find, order and resolve as follows:

SECTION 1. Recitals.

A. The City Council of the City of Malibu called a General Municipal Election to be held on November 3, 2020, for the purpose of the election of three members of the City Council for the full term of four years.

B. It is desirable that the General Municipal Election be consolidated with the Statewide General Election to be held on the same date and that within the City the precincts, polling places, and election officers of the two elections be the same, and that the County election department of the County of Los Angeles canvass the returns of the General Municipal Election and that the election be held in all respects as if there were only one election.

SECTION 2. Pursuant to the requirements of Elections Code Section 10403, the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles is hereby requested to consent and agree to the consolidation of a General Municipal Election with the Statewide General Election on Tuesday, November 3, 2020, for the purpose of the electing three members of the City Council for the full term of four years.

SECTION 3. The County election department is authorized to canvass the returns of the General Municipal Election. The election shall be held in all respects as if there were only one election, and only one form of ballot shall be used. The election will be held and conducted in accordance with the provisions of law regulating the statewide or special election including Elections Code Section 10418.

SECTION 4. The Board of Supervisors is requested to issue instructions to the County election department to take any and all steps necessary, with the exception of candidate filing services, for the holding of the consolidated election.

SECTION 5. The City of Malibu recognizes that additional costs will be incurred by the County by reason of this consolidation and agrees to reimburse the County for any costs.

SECTION 6. The City Clerk is hereby directed to file a certified copy of this resolution with the Board of Supervisors and the election department of the County of Los Angeles.

SECTION 7. The City Clerk shall certify to the passage and adoption of this resolution and enter it into the book of original resolutions.
PASSED, APPROVED and ADOPTED this 8th day of June 2020.

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KAREN FARRER, Mayor

ATTEST:

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HEATHER GLASER, City Clerk
(seal)

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

THIS DOCUMENT HAS BEEN REVIEWED
BY THE CITY ATTORNEYS OFFICE
CHRISTI HOGIN, City Attorney
RESOLUTION NO. 16-24

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MALIBU
ADOPTING REGULATIONS FOR CANDIDATES FOR ELECTIVE OFFICE
PERTAINING TO CANDIDATES STATEMENTS SUBMITTED ON THE VOTES
AT AN ELECTION TO BE HELD ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2016 AND
REPEALING RESOLUTION NO. 11-48

The City Council of the City of Malibu does hereby find, order and resolve as follows:

SECTION 1. Elections Code Section 13307 provides that the governing body of any local agency
adopt regulations pertaining to materials prepared by any candidate for a municipal election,
including costs of the candidate’s statement.

SECTION 2. GENERAL PROVISIONS.

Pursuant to Elections Code Section 13307, each candidate for elective office to be voted for at an
Election to be held in the City of Malibu on November 8, 2016, may prepare a candidate’s statement
on an appropriate form provided by the City Clerk. The statement may include the name, age, and
occupation of the candidate and a brief description of no more than 200 words of the candidate’s
education and qualifications expressed by the candidate himself or herself. The statement shall not
include party affiliation of the candidate, nor membership or activity in partisan political
organizations. The statement shall be filed electronic form in the office of the City Clerk at the time
the candidate’s nomination papers are filed. The statement may be withdrawn, but not changed,
during the period for filing nomination papers and until 5:00 p.m. of the next working day after the
close of the nomination period.

SECTION 3. FOREIGN LANGUAGE POLICY.

A. Pursuant to the Federal Voting Rights Act, candidate’s statements will be translated into all
languages required by the County of Los Angeles. The County is required to translate
candidate’s statements into the following languages: Chinese, Hindi, Japanese,
Cambodian/Khmer, Korean, Spanish, Tagalog/Filipino, and Vietnamese.

B. The County will mail separate sample ballots and candidates statements to only those voters
who are on the county voter file as having requested a sample ballot in a particular language.
The County will make the sample ballots and candidates statements in the required languages
available at all polling places, on the County’s website, and in the Election Official’s office.

SECTION 4. PAYMENT.

A. Translations:

1. The candidate shall be required to pay for the cost of translating the candidate’s statement
into any required foreign language as specified in Section 3.A. pursuant to Federal and/or
State law.

2. The candidate shall be required to pay for the cost of translating the candidate’s statement
into any foreign language that is not required as specified in Section 3.B., pursuant to
Federal and/or State law, but is requested as an option by the candidate.
B. Printing:

1. The candidate shall be required to pay for the cost of printing the candidate’s statement in English in the main voter pamphlet.

2. The candidate shall be required to pay for the cost of printing the candidate’s statement in a foreign language required in Section 3.A., in the main voter pamphlet.

3. The candidate shall be required to pay for the cost of printing the candidate’s statement in a foreign language requested by the candidate per Section 3.B. above, in the main voter pamphlet.

4. The candidate shall be required to pay for the cost of printing the candidate’s statement in a foreign language required Section 3.A., in the facsimile voter pamphlet.

The City Clerk shall estimate the total cost of printing, handling, translating, and mailing the candidate’s statements filed pursuant to this section, including costs incurred as a result of complying with the Voting Rights Act of 1965 (as amended), and require each candidate filing a statement to pay in advance to the local agency his or her estimated pro rata share as a condition of having his or her statement included in the voter’s pamphlet. In the event the estimated payment is required, the estimate is just an approximation of the actual cost that varies from one election to another election and may be significantly more or less than the estimate, depending on the actual number of candidates filing statements. Accordingly, the clerk is not bound by the estimate and may, on a pro rata basis, bill the candidate for additional actual expense or refund any excess paid depending on the final actual cost. In the event of underpayment, the clerk may require the candidate to pay the balance of the cost incurred. In the event of overpayment, the clerk shall prorate the excess amount among the candidates and refund the excess amount paid within 30 days of the election.

SECTION 5. MISCELLANEOUS.

A. All translations shall be provided by professionally-certified translators.

B. The City Clerk shall allow bold type, underlining, capitalization, indentations, bullets, and leading hyphens to the same extent and manner as allowed in previous City elections.

C. The City Clerk shall comply with all recommendations and standards set forth by the California Secretary of State regarding occupational designations and other matters relating to elections.

D. No candidate will be permitted to include additional materials in the sample ballot package.

SECTION 6. The City Clerk shall provide each candidate or the candidate’s representative a copy of this Resolution at the time nominating petitions are issued.

SECTION 7. Resolution No. 11-48 is hereby repealed.
SECTION 8. This resolution shall apply at the next ensuing municipal election and at each municipal election after that time.

SECTION 9. The City Clerk shall certify to the passage and adoption of this resolution and enter it into the book of original resolutions.

PASSED, APPROVED and ADOPTED this 13th day of June 2016.

LAURA ROSENTHAL, Mayor

ATTEST:

LISA POPE, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

CHRISTI HOGIN, City Attorney

I CERTIFY THAT THE FOREGOING RESOLUTION NO. 16-24 was passed and adopted by the City Council of the City of Malibu at the regular meeting thereof held on the 13th day of June 2016 by the following vote:

AYES: 5    Councilmembers: House, Peak, Sibert, La Monte, Rosenthal
NOES: 0
ABSTAIN: 0
ABSENT: 0

LISA POPE, City Clerk
(seal)
Important Dates

July 13, 2020  First Day of period for Nomination Papers
August 7, 2020  Last Day to Call Election for Ballot Measures
August 7, 2020  Last day to file Nomination Papers
August 13, 2020  Secretary of State to determine order of names on ballot
August 20, 2020  Last day to cancel election for insufficient candidates
September 7 – October 20, 2020  Filing period for Write-in Candidate
October 5 – October 27, 2020  Voters may request vote-by-mail ballots
October 19, 2020  Last day to register to vote
NOVEMBER 3, 2020  ELECTION DAY
December 14, 2020  Canvass of election results and Council reorganization

1 Date to be extended to August 12, 2020, in the event the incumbent does not file.
2 Pursuant to the Governor’s Executive Order N-64-20 Vote By Mail ballots for the November 3, 2020 General Election will be mailed to all voters who are registered to vote in that election as of the last day on which vote-by-mail ballots may be mailed to voters in connection with that election.