

RESOLUTION NO. 2012-38

A RESOLUTION OF THE ALBANY CITY COUNCIL ESTABLISHING RULES FOR THE CONDUCT OF THE NOVEMBER 6, 2012, ELECTION.

WHEREAS, the General Municipal Election will be consolidated with the Statewide Election on Tuesday, November 6, 2012; and

WHEREAS, the City Council desires to instruct the City staff on certain rules which should be followed during that election; and

WHEREAS, these rules will assist staff in the impartial handling of all candidates;

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALBANY DOES HEREBY RESOLVE, DECLARE, DETERMINE AND ORDER AS FOLLOWS:

THAT, the City Clerk shall use the following rules during the election of November 6, 2012:

1. Candidates may file a Statement of Qualifications.
2. Candidate Statements will be limited to 200 words.
3. The City Clerk **will not** correct spelling and/or grammatical errors occurring in the Candidates Statement.
4. A printing fee will be paid by the Candidate at the time of filing the nomination papers if they choose to file a Candidate Statement. The Candidate will pay the entire fee, as set by the County of Alameda. The City Clerk **will not** accept any Candidate Statement unless the fee is paid.
5. The Candidate should turn in to the City Clerk his/her Candidate Statement at the time he/she files his/her nomination papers.
6. The City **will not** mail other campaign materials with the voter's pamphlet.
7. In the event that there are ballot measures the voter's pamphlet will contain an impartial analysis of each measure prepared by the City Attorney. The analysis shall not exceed 500 words in length. The analysis shall be filed by 12:30 p.m., August 10, 2012, in the City Clerk's Office, 1000 San Pablo Avenue, Albany, California.
8. In the event that there are ballot measures the voter's pamphlet will contain arguments pro and con on the various measures. No argument shall exceed 300 words in length. Arguments submitted shall be filed by 12:00 p.m., August 17, 2012 in the City Clerk's Office, 1000 San Pablo Avenue, Albany, California.

9. In the event that ballot arguments are presented rebuttal arguments will be allowed for valid measures. These rebuttal arguments will be limited to 250 words. Arguments submitted in rebuttal of a ballot argument shall be filed by 12:00 p.m., August 24, 2012 in the City Clerk's Office, 1000 San Pablo Avenue, Albany, California.

10. On August 16, 2012 at 3:00 p.m. in the City Clerk's Office a drawing will be held to determine the position of various candidate names on the ballot.

11. The central counting place for the November 6, 2012 election will be at the County Building, 1225 Fallon Street, Oakland, in accordance with the Elections Code.

12. The City Clerk's Office **will not** charge a fee for processing a Candidate's Nomination Paper.

13. That pursuant to the Elections Code of the State of California and the City Charter, the canvass of the regular Municipal Election to be held in the City of Albany, County of Alameda, State of California, on Tuesday, November 6, 2012 is hereby ordered to be made by the County of Alameda Registrar of Voters.

14. That the compensation of the Election Officers is hereby affixed at the sum set by Alameda County for each Inspector and for each Judge and Clerk for said election.

15. The rental of each polling place, where a charge is made, shall be set by Alameda County.

16. The polls for said election shall be open at 7:00 a.m. on the day of said election, and shall remain open continuously from said time until 8:00 p.m. on the same day when said polls shall be closed, except as provided in Section 14401 of the Elections Code of the State of California.

17. That in all particulars not recited in this Resolution, said election shall be held and conducted as provided by law for holding Municipal Elections in said City.

Farid Javandel
Mayor