

RESOLUTION NO. 7688

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ARCADIA, CALIFORNIA ADOPTING REGULATIONS FOR CANDIDATES FOR ELECTIVE OFFICE PERTAINING TO CANDIDATE STATEMENTS SUBMITTED TO THE VOTERS AT A GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION TO BE HELD ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2026

WHEREAS, Section 13307 of the Elections Code of the State of California provides that the governing body of any local agency shall adopt regulations pertaining to materials prepared by any candidate for a municipal election, including costs of the candidates' statements.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ARCADIA, CALIFORNIA, DOES HEREBY FIND, DETERMINE AND RESOLVE AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. GENERAL PROVISIONS. Pursuant to Sections 13307 and 13308 of the Elections Code of the State of California, each candidate for elective office to be voted for at the General Municipal Election to be held in the City of Arcadia on Tuesday, November 3, 2026, may prepare a candidate's statement on an appropriate form provided by the Elections Official for inclusion in the voter information. The statement may include the name, age, and occupation of the candidate and a brief description of no more than two hundred (200) words of the candidate's education and qualifications expressed by the candidate themselves. The statement shall not include party affiliation of the candidate, nor membership or activity in partisan political organizations. In addition, the statement shall be limited to a recitation of

the candidate's own personal background and qualifications and shall not in any way make reference to other candidates for that office or to another candidate's qualifications, character, or activities. The statement shall be filed in typewritten format 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 The statement may be withdrawn, but not changed, during the period for filing nomination papers and until 5:00 p.m. of the next working day after the close of the nomination period.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 2. FOREIGN LANGUAGE POLICY.

A. Pursuant to the Federal Voting Rights Act, all candidates' statements will be translated into all languages required by the County of Los Angeles. The County is required to translate candidates' statements into the following language: Spanish.

B. The County will mail separate voter information guides and candidates' statements in Armenian, Bengali, Burmese, Cambodian/Khmer, Chinese, Farsi, Gujarati, Hindi, Indonesian, Japanese, Korean, Mongolian, Russian, Spanish, Tagalog/Filipino, Telugu, Thai and Vietnamese to only those voters who are on the county voter file as having requested a voter information guide in a particular language. The County will make the voter information guides and candidate statements in the required languages available at all vote centers, on the County's website, and in the Election Official's office.

SECTION 3. PAYMENT.

A. Translations:

1. The candidate shall be required to pay for the cost of translating the candidates statement into any required foreign language as specified in subsections (A) and/or (B) of Section 2 above pursuant to Federal and/or State law.
2. The candidate shall be required to pay for the cost of translating the candidates statement into any foreign language that is not required as specified in subsections (A) and/or (B) of Section 2 above, 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 candidates statement in English in the main voter information guide.
2. The candidate shall be required to pay for the cost of printing the candidate's statement in a foreign language required by subsection (A) of Section 2 above, in the main voter information guide.
3. The candidate shall be required to pay for the cost of printing the candidate's statement in a foreign language required in subsection (B) of Section 2 above, in the main voter information guide.

The Elections Official 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 Elections Official their estimated pro rata share as a condition of having their statement included in the voter's pamphlet. The estimate of costs is just an approximation of the actual cost that varies from one election to another and the actual cost may ultimately be significantly more or less than the estimate, depending on the actual number of candidates filing statements. Each candidate shall be required to pay upon receipt of an invoice their prorated share of actual costs should those costs exceed the estimated amount deposited. In the event of overpayment, the Elections Official shall prorate the excess amount among the candidates and refund the excess amount paid within thirty (30) days of the election.

SECTION 4. ONLINE CANDIDATE STATEMENTS

Pursuant to Section 13307(c) of the California Elections Code, the governing body of the City of Arcadia authorizes the preparation of candidate statements for nonpartisan elective office for the purpose of electronic distribution. Candidates will prepare statements for electronic distribution pursuant to Section 13307(a) of the Elections Code. A statement prepared pursuant to this subdivision shall be posted on the internet website of the County Elections Official. Pursuant to Section 13307.7(a) of the Elections Code, candidates shall provide payment of the requisite

fee to cover the duties and procedures set forth in Sections 13307(b) and (d) of the Elections Code.

SECTION 5. MISCELLANEOUS

- A. That all translations shall be provided by professionally certified translators as set forth in Elections Code 13307(b).
- B. That candidates' statements shall comply with the formatting and submission guidelines provided by the City Clerk and the Los Angeles County Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk.
- C. That 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.

SECTION 6. ADDITIONAL MATERIALS. No candidate will be permitted to include additional materials in the sample ballot or voter information guide package.

SECTION 7. The Elections Official shall provide each candidate or the candidate's representative a copy of this Resolution at the time nominating petitions are issued.

SECTION 8. All previous resolutions establishing City Council policy on payment for candidates' statements to the extent they are inconsistent herewith are deemed to be of no further force or effect.

SECTION 9. This Resolution shall apply only to the election to be held on November 3, 2026, and shall thereafter be deemed to be of no further force or effect.

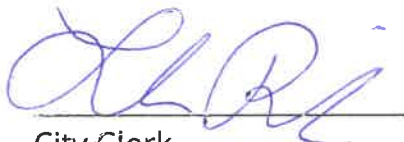
SECTION 10. The City Clerk shall certify to the adoption of this Resolution.

Passed, approved, and adopted this 2nd day of June, 2026.



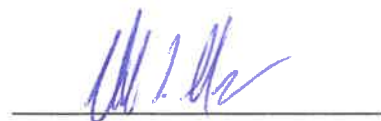
Mayor of the City of Arcadia

ATTEST:



City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



Michael J. Maurer
City Attorney

STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES) SS:
CITY OF ARCADIA)

I, LINDA RODRIGUEZ, City Clerk of the City of Arcadia, hereby certifies that the foregoing Resolution No. 7688 was passed and adopted by the City Council of the City of Arcadia, signed by the Mayor and attested to by the City Clerk at a regular meeting of said Council held on the 2nd day of June, 2026 and that said Resolution was adopted by the following vote, to wit:

AYES: Cao, Kwan, Fu, and Cheng

NOES: None

ABSENT: None



City Clerk of the City of Arcadia