

**RESOLUTION NO.**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SALINAS, CALIFORNIA, CALLING FOR THE HOLDING OF A GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION TO BE HELD ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2026 FOR THE ELECTION OF CERTAIN OFFICERS AS REQUIRED BY THE PROVISIONS OF THE CHARTER OF SALINAS; AND REQUESTING THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF MONTEREY TO CONSOLIDATE SAID GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION TO BE HELD ON THE DATE PURSUANT TO § 10403 OF THE ELECTIONS CODE**

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Elections Code Section 10002, the governing body of any city or district may by resolution request the Board of Supervisors of the county to permit the county elections official to render specified services to the city or district relating to the conduct of an election. The city or district shall reimburse the county in full for the services performed upon presentation of a bill to the City or district; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Elections Code Section 10400, whenever two or more elections, including bond elections, of any legislative or congressional district, public district, city, county or other political subdivision are called to be held on the same day, in the same territory, or in territory that is in part the same, they may be consolidated upon the order of the governing body or bodies or officer or officers calling the elections; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Elections Code Section 10403, whenever an election called by a district, city or other political subdivision for the submission of any question, proposition, or office to be filled is to be consolidated with a statewide election, and the question, proposition, or office to be filled is to appear upon the same ballot as that provided for that statewide election, the district, city or other political subdivision shall, at least 88 days prior to the date of the election, file with the board of supervisors, and a copy with the elections official, a resolution of its governing board requesting the consolidation, and setting forth the exact form of any question, proposition, or office to be voted upon at the election, as it is to appear on the ballot. Upon such request, the Board of Supervisors may order the consolidation. The resolution requesting the consolidation shall be adopted and filed at the same time as the adoption of the ordinance, resolution, or order calling the election; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Elections Code Section 13307, whenever an election called by a district, city, or other political subdivision has offices to be filled, it is required to fix and determine the number of words that a candidate may submit on the candidate's statement to be either 200 or 400 words and to determine if the candidate shall be responsible for the cost of the statement; and

**WHEREAS**, Elections Code Section 15651 requires the city to determine the means and manner in which a tie vote is to be resolved in the event that two or more persons receive an equal number of votes and the highest number of votes ("tie votes") for an office to be voted upon; and

**WHEREAS**, various district, county, state and other political subdivision elections may

be or have been called to be held on November 3, 2026; and

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AND ORDERED** that the governing body of the City of Salinas hereby orders an election be called and consolidated with any and all elections also called to be held on **November 3, 2026** insofar as said elections are to be held in the same territory or in territory that is in part the same as the territory of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Monterey to order such consolidation under Elections Code Section 10401 and 10403;

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ORDERED** that pursuant to Elections Code Section 10002 said governing body hereby requests the Board of Supervisors to permit the County of Monterey Department of Elections to provide any and all services necessary for conducting the election and agrees to pay for said services;

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ORDERED** that pursuant to the requirements of California Elections Code section 10403, the Board of Supervisors of the County of Monterey is hereby requested to consent and agree to the consolidation of a General Municipal Election with the Statewide General Election for the purpose of electing four (4) Members to said governing body on the November 3, 2026 ballot.

#### RECITALS

SECTION I. The General Municipal Election for the year 2026 is hereby called and shall be held in the City of Salinas, under and by virtue of the provisions of Article 3 of the Charter of said City and California Elections Code, on the 3<sup>rd</sup> day of November 2026, said date being the first Tuesday following the first Monday in November 2026.

SECTION II. The following officers of Salinas shall be elected at said General Municipal Election, to wit:

- Mayor, one (1), for a term of two years from the City at large.
- District No. 2, one (1) Councilmember for a term of four years.
- District No. 3, one (1) Councilmember for a term of four years.
- District No. 5, one (1) Councilmember for a term of four years.

SECTION III. Nomination papers shall be filed with the Salinas City Clerk's Office not later than 4:00 p.m. on Friday, August 7, 2026, except that the nomination filing period will be extended to 4:00 p.m. on Wednesday, August 12, 2026 for the office of Mayor, District 2, District 3, or District 5 if the incumbent does not file or fails to qualify by close of the regular nomination period on August 7, 2026.

SECTION IV. Pursuant to the provisions of Section 13307 of the Elections Code of the State of California, the City Council has determined that candidates for office may file a written statement of qualifications with their nomination papers, said statement not to exceed 200 words in length, with those candidates filing said statements shall be responsible for the cost of the statement as determined by the County of Monterey Registrar of Voters.

SECTION V. The official ballot to be used at said election shall conform to the provisions of the Charter of said City and the laws of the State of California with relation thereto.

SECTION VI. The City authorizes the County of Monterey Registrar of Voters to consolidate this election with any other election to be held on November 3, 2026, for the convenience of the registered voters and to effectuate any cost savings by such consolidation.

SECTION VII. The County of Monterey Department of Elections is hereby directed to publish such notices as are provided by law for the holding of the municipal election, which said notices shall be published in an adjudicated newspaper in the City of Salinas and hereby designated for that purpose.

SECTION VIII. Said General Municipal Election shall be held and conducted, and the votes thereof canvassed, and the return thereof made, and the results thereof ascertained and determined as herein provided, and in all particulars not described by this Resolution, said General Municipal Election shall be held as provided by law for the holding of municipal elections in said City; and the Registrar of Voters of the County of Monterey is authorized to canvass the return and certify the results to said Council of Salinas.

SECTION IX. Pursuant to Salinas Charter Section 3.4 for any municipal election for Mayor or for Councilmember, there shall be no choice between candidates by reason of two or more candidates having received an equal number of votes, then the City Council shall proceed to determine the election of such candidates by lots.

SECTION X. The City Clerk shall enter the results into the record following receipt of the declared results in accordance with Elections Code Section 10264. The City Clerk shall sign and deliver to each person elected a certificate of election and administer the oath of office to each person elected. This Resolution shall be forthwith entered upon the minutes of this Council and kept and maintained by the City Clerk of Salinas.

SECTION XI. The City Clerk is hereby directed to file a certified copy of this resolution with the Board of Supervisors and the Department of Elections with the County of Monterey.

SECTION X11. The City Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to certify to the passage and approval of this Resolution and enter it into the record.

**PASSED AND APPROVED** this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of June 2026 by the following vote:

**AYES:**

**NOES:**

**ABSTAIN:**

**ABSENT:**

**APPROVED:**

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Dennis Donohue, Mayor

**ATTEST:**

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Patricia M. Soratos, City Clerk  
Alexis Mejia, Assistant City Clerk