

**ORDINANCE NO. \_\_\_\_\_**

An ordinance calling, ordering, providing for, and giving notice of a Special Election to be held on Tuesday, April 4, 2023, and a Special Runoff Election to be held, if necessary, on Tuesday, June 27, 2023, for the purpose of filling the vacancy in the Sixth District of the Los Angeles City Council.

**THE PEOPLE OF THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES  
DO ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:**

Section 1. A Special Election is hereby called to be held in the City of Los Angeles on Tuesday, April 4, 2023, for the purpose of filling the vacancy in the Office of Member of the Los Angeles City Council, Sixth District, for the portion of the unexpired term remaining through December 8, 2024.

Sec. 2. In the event that a candidate receives a majority of the votes cast for the office in the Special Election, that candidate shall be elected to the office.

Sec. 3. In the event no candidate receives a majority of the votes cast for the office at the Special Election, a Special Runoff Election is hereby called to be held in the City of Los Angeles on Tuesday, June 27, 2023, for the purpose of filling the vacancy in the Office of Member of the Los Angeles City Council, Sixth District, for the portion of the unexpired term remaining through December 8, 2024. The two candidates receiving the highest number of votes for the office at the Special Election shall be the candidates whose names shall appear on the ballots to be used in the Special Runoff Election.

Sec. 4. Pursuant to Charter Section 409(b), the procedures to be utilized in connection with the nominating of candidates for the office shall be as provided in the City Election Code and as follows:

1. The first day to file a Declaration of Intention to Become a Candidate for the office shall be December 5, 2022.
2. The last day to file a Declaration of Intention to Become a Candidate for the office shall be December 12, 2022.
3. The last day to file the required Statement of Economic Interests with the City Ethics Commission shall be December 12, 2022.
4. The first day to obtain Nominating Petitions shall be December 5, 2022.
5. The last day to obtain Nominating Petitions shall be January 4, 2023.
6. The first day to file Nominating Petitions shall be December 12, 2022.

7. The last day to file Nominating and Supplemental Petitions shall be January 4, 2023; provided, however, that any supplemental petition filed shall be in accordance with Charter Section 422(c) and Los Angeles Election Code Section 310(j).

8. The last day to withdraw a candidacy shall be January 9, 2023.

9. A filing fee of \$300 shall be paid by each candidate at the time of filing the Nominating Petition bearing the signatures of no less than 500 registered voters from the Sixth Council District and no more than 1,000 petitioners; or in lieu thereof, a candidate may file a Nominating Petition bearing the signatures of no less than 1,000 registered voters from the Sixth Council District and no more than 2,000 petitioners.

10. The process for qualifying as a write-in candidate for the office shall be as set forth in City Election Code Section 312.

Sec. 5. The election precincts, vote centers, and officers of election set forth in the list or order that will be prepared and approved by the City Clerk or Los Angeles County Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk are hereby approved and established as the election precincts, vote centers, and officers of election for the Special Election and Special Runoff Election. The list or order prepared by the City Clerk or Los Angeles County Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk designating election precincts, vote centers, and election officers is hereby approved, incorporated into, and made part of this ordinance.

Sec. 6. The vote centers for the Special Election and Special Runoff Election shall be open as required and during the identified voting period established in the California Elections Code and as administered by the Los Angeles County Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk. The vote centers and polling places for the Special Election and Special Runoff Election shall be open at 7:00 a.m. on the election days and shall be kept open until 8:00 p.m. on those same days, when the polls shall close, except as provided in the California Elections Code.

Sec. 7. In order to staff critical election-related assignments on the days of the Special Election and Special Runoff Election, the City Clerk is authorized to employ persons who are regularly employed in City Departments. The City Clerk shall compensate the employees, in the positions listed by the Clerk as critical to election operations, at rates equal to those specified for their regular Civil Service classifications including overtime, if applicable. These positions shall not include City employees functioning as polling place officers under the City Employee Poll Worker Program.

Sec. 8. In order to staff critical election-related assignments on the days of the Special Election and Special Runoff Election, the City Clerk is authorized further to

employ persons as Emergency Inspector Reservists at a rate of \$300 for the day and to employ Emergency Translators at the rate of \$105 for the day.

Sec. 9. In order to facilitate communications with field staff on the days of the Special Election and Special Runoff Election, the City Clerk is authorized to pay a stipend of \$5 per day to any staff person required to use their personal cellular telephone in the performance of their election duties.

Sec. 10. The Special Election and Special Runoff Election hereby called shall be, and hereby are authorized to be, conducted by the Los Angeles County Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk as provided in this section. The qualification and nomination of candidates for the Special Election and Special Runoff Election described in Section 4 above shall be administered by the Los Angeles City Clerk pursuant to the Los Angeles City Charter and Los Angeles City Election Code. The Los Angeles County Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk shall administer all other aspects of the Special Election and Special Runoff Election as provided by law for the conduct of elections administered by the County Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk, and may consolidate the Special Election and Special Runoff Election with other elections held in the City of Los Angeles on the same date. The Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles shall have authority to canvass the returns of the Special Election and Special Runoff Election and transmit the certified election results to the City Council.

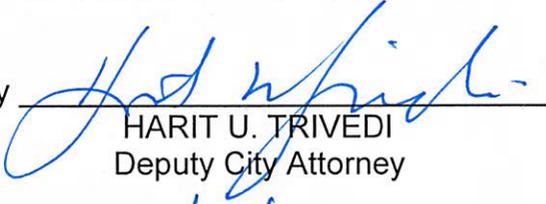
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Sec. 11. The City Clerk shall certify to the passage of this ordinance and have it published in accordance with Council policy, either in a daily newspaper circulated in the City of Los Angeles or by posting for ten days in three public places in the City of Los Angeles: one copy on the bulletin board located at the Main Street entrance to the Los Angeles City Hall; one copy on the bulletin board located at the Main Street entrance to the Los Angeles City Hall East; and one copy on the bulletin board located at the Temple Street entrance to the Los Angeles County Hall of Records.

Approved as to Form and Legality

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The Clerk of the City of Los Angeles hereby certifies that the foregoing ordinance was passed by the Council of the City of Los Angeles.

CITY CLERK

MAYOR

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Ordinance Passed \_\_\_\_\_

Approved \_\_\_\_\_