

1 RESOLUTION NO.

2 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
3 RIVERSIDE, CALIFORNIA, ORDERING, CALLING, PROVIDING
4 FOR AND GIVING NOTICE OF A SPECIAL MUNICIPAL RUNOFF
5 ELECTION TO BE HELD IN THE CITY OF RIVERSIDE ON THE
6 3RD DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2026, FOR THE PURPOSE OF
7 ELECTING MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL TO THE
8 SECOND AND FOURTH WARDS OF SAID CITY OF RIVERSIDE,
9 AND GIVING NOTICE AND ORDERING THAT SAID SPECIAL
10 MUNICIPAL ELECTION IS CONSOLIDATED WITH ALL OTHER
11 ELECTIONS BEING HELD IN THE SAME TERRITORY ON THE
12 SAME DATE.

13 WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution No. 24342, adopted January 6, 2026, an
14 election was held on June 2, 2026, for the purpose of electing members of the City Council for
15 Wards 2, 4, and 6; and

16 WHEREAS, the appropriate County official canvassed the returns of said election and has
17 certified the results to this City Council; and

18 WHEREAS, no candidate received a majority of the total votes for member of the City
19 Council, Wards 2 and 4; and

20 WHEREAS, Riverside City Charter section 400(c) states "If in an election for a member
21 of the City Council for any ward, or for the office of Mayor, no candidate receives a majority of
22 the total votes cast for the office, the City Council shall immediately upon the determination of
23 that fact, call a special election to be held on the same day as the statewide election of that same
24 year, consistent with the general election date set by the State. The two candidates receiving the
25 highest number of votes for the office in the general municipal election shall be declared the
26 candidates for the special election."

27 NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Riverside
28 does hereby resolve as follows:

Section 1: A Special Municipal Run Off Election is hereby called and ordered to be held
on November 3, 2026, for the purpose of electing members of the City Council, Wards 2 and 4 in
the City of Riverside.

1 Section 2: That in accordance with Section 10002 of the Elections Code, the Riverside
2 County Board of Supervisors are hereby requested to consent to the Riverside County Registrar of
3 Voters rendering election services to the City of Riverside as may be requested by the City Clerk
4 of said City, and that the County of Riverside be reimbursed in full for such services as are
5 performed.

6 Section 3: That the City Council consents to the consolidation of the Special Municipal
7 Election with all other elections being held in the same territory on November 3, 2026, and said
8 elections, where possible, shall be held in all respects as if there were only one election within the
9 City of Riverside and only one form of ballot shall be used and the voting centers, polling places
10 and officers of election for said elections shall be the same as provided for the Special Municipal
11 Election.

12 Section 4: That the purpose of holding said Special Municipal Election there shall be and
13 hereby are established consolidated voting precincts consisting of a consolidation of the regular
14 precincts in the City of Riverside established for the holding of state and county elections as said
15 regular election precincts exist on the date of this resolution.

16 Section 5: That the form and contents of the ballots to be used at the said elections shall
17 be as provided by law.

18 Section 6: That the voting centers for the election shall be open at such hours and on such
19 days as determined by the Riverside County Registrar of Voters provided that the opening and
20 closure of voting sites is conducted in accordance with Sections 10242, 14212, and 14401 of the
21 Elections Code of the State of California.

22 Section 7: Voted ballots must be returned to the Registrar of Voters Office or to one of the
23 drop-off locations, at least one of which shall be located in each ward of the City of Riverside.
24 Voted ballots must be returned no later than 8:00 p.m. on Tuesday November 3, 2026, or be
25 postmarked on or before election day and received no later than seven (7) days after the election
26 day to be counted.

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Section 8: That the City Clerk shall have charge of all City elections pursuant to Riverside City Charter Section 703(f).

Section 9: That the City Clerk is hereby designated the “Elections Official” for the purposes of this election pursuant to Elections Code section 320(b).

Section 10: That based upon the foregoing authority, the City Clerk shall have charge of this election and shall make all determinations necessary to conduct this election.

Section 11: That the City Clerk is authorized, instructed and directed to coordinate with the County of Riverside 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 12: That the City Clerk of said City shall receive the canvass of the Special Municipal Election and shall certify the results to this City Council, as required by law.

ADOPTED by the City Council this ____ day of _____, 2026.

PATRICIA LOCK DAWSON
Mayor of the City of Riverside

Attest:

DONESIA GAUSE
City Clerk of the City of Riverside

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I, Donesia Gause, City Clerk of the City of Riverside, California, hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly and regularly adopted at a meeting of the City Council of said City at its meeting held on the ___ day of _____, 2026, by the following vote, to wit:

- Ayes:
- Noes:
- Absent:
- Abstain:

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the official seal of the City of Riverside, California, this ___ day _____, 2026.

DONESIA GAUSE
City Clerk of the City of Riverside