

**RESOLUTION NO. 2022-06-6684**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SIGNAL HILL, CALIFORNIA, RESCINDING RESOLUTION NO. 97-01-4725, REGARDING THE CONDUCT OF A SPECIAL RUNOFF ELECTION FOR ELECTIVE OFFICES IN THE EVENT OF A TIE VOTE AT ANY MUNICIPAL ELECTION AND RESOLVING ANY TIE VOTE SHALL BE BROKEN BY LOT**

**WHEREAS**, on January 7, 1997, the City Council adopted Resolution No. 97-01-4725 adopting provisions to require the conduct of a Special Runoff Election to resolve a tie vote involving those candidates who received an equal number of votes and the highest number of votes for an election office; and

**WHEREAS**, Section 15651 of the Elections Code of the State of California states that in the event of a tie vote (if any two or more persons receive an equal and the highest number of votes for an office) as certified by the Los Angeles County Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk, the City Council, in accordance with California Elections Code Section 15651(a) shall set a date, time, and place, and summon the candidates who have received the tie votes to appear and will determine the tie by lot or, in lieu of resolving a tie vote by lot and in accordance with California Elections Code Section 15651(b) shall conduct a special runoff election to resolve the tie vote and such special runoff election is to be held on a Tuesday not less than 40 days nor more than 125 days after the administrative or judicial certification of the election which resulted in a tie vote; and

**WHEREAS**, since the City Council's adoption of Resolution No. 97-01-4725, the cost of conducting elections has significantly increased. The current cost to conduct elections is estimated at \$25,000 for a consolidated municipal election and over \$50,000 for a stand-alone election.

**NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SIGNAL HILL, CALIFORNIA, DOES RESOLVE, DECLARE, DETERMINE, AND ORDER AS FOLLOWS:**

Section 1. City Council Resolution No. 97-01-4725 is hereby rescinded.

Section 2. That in the event of a tie-vote for any office which is being voted on at such General Municipal Election, the provisions of Section 15651 of the California Elections Code, relating to determining the tie by lot, shall apply. The City Clerk shall summon the candidates receiving the tie vote to appear before him/her, at the time designated by the City Clerk, in the Council Chambers. The City Clerk shall place the name of each candidate in a sealed unmarked envelope and the tie vote shall be broken by lot.

**PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED,** at a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Signal Hill, California, this 14<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2022.



KEIR JONES  
MAYOR

ATTEST:



CARMEN R. BROOKS  
CITY CLERK

*Deputy*

