

THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF
SANTA FE COUNTY
RESOLUTION NO. 2018- **83**

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A LOCAL GOVERNMENT BALLOT QUESTION
CONCERNING AMENDMENTS TO THE CITY OF SANTA FE MUNICIPAL
CHARTER TO APPEAR ON THE 2018 GENERAL ELECTION BALLOT

WHEREAS, the City of Santa Fe (City) desires to place a municipal ballot question on the 2018 General Election Ballot; and

WHEREAS, the municipal ballot question concerns amendments to the Santa Fe Municipal Charter (Charter) that would, if approved, repeal the election date and terms of office specified by the Charter so that the City can align its election date and terms of office with the New Mexico Local Election Act; and

WHEREAS, the form and exact language of the municipal question, hereinafter referred to as the "Local Government Ballot Question," is set forth on the attached City Resolution No. 2018-55, which the City adopted on August 8, 2018; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Santa Fe County (Board) may authorize the Local Government Ballot Question to appear on the 2018 General Election Ballot.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board hereby authorizes the Local Government Ballot Question, as set forth in City Resolution No. 2018-55, to appear on the 2018 General Election Ballot.

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED this 14th day of August, 2018.

THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF SANTA FE COUNTY

By: *Anna Hansen*
Anna Hansen, Chair

ATTEST:

Geraldine Salazar
Geraldine Salazar, County Clerk

Approved as to form:

RBF
R. Bruce Frederick, County Attorney

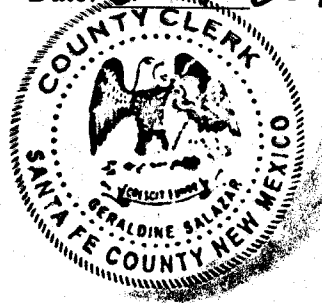
COUNTY OF SANTA FE)
STATE OF NEW MEXICO) ss

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Geraldine Salazar
Deputy *Martinez* County Clerk, Santa Fe, NM

Date: *8-14-2018*



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CITY OF SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

RESOLUTION NO. 2018-55

INTRODUCED BY:

Councilor Carol Romero-Wirth

Councilor Peter N. Ives

Councilor Renee D. Villarreal

A RESOLUTION

CALLING FOR A MUNICIPAL QUESTION TO BE PLACED ON THE NOVEMBER 6, 2018 SANTA FE COUNTY GENERAL ELECTION BALLOT FOR THE PURPOSE OF VOTING FOR OR AGAINST AMENDING PROVISIONS OF THE SANTA FE MUNICIPAL CHARTER REGARDING ELECTION DATES AND THE DATE OFFICIALS TAKE OFFICE.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF SANTA FE:

Section 1. DATE AND PURPOSE OF ELECTION. Pursuant to NMSA 1978, Section 1-12-71 and Section 1-22-10.1 of the Local Election Act, a municipal ballot question shall be placed on the November 6, 2018 Santa Fe County General Election Ballot, for the purpose of voting for or against amending provisions of the Santa Fe Municipal Charter (hereinafter "Charter"). The amendments would remove language specifying election dates and the date on which officials take office. The following amendments would be made to the Charter if the voters approve the ballot question in Section 2, below:

(1) **ARTICLE IV. ELECTIONS**

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Charter Section 4.01(A):

4.01 Elections.

A. **Regular elections.** Regular city elections shall be held ~~[on the first Tuesday in March of each even-numbered year]~~ as provided by law.

(2) ARTICLE V. THE MAYOR

Charter Section 5.03

5.03. Term of office.

The mayor shall be elected for a term of four years~~[- which shall begin on the sixth day after the election and continue until a successor has been duly elected and has taken office].~~

(3) ARTICLE VI. THE GOVERNING BODY

6.05. Term of office.

Councilors shall be elected for a term of four years~~[- which shall begin on the sixth day after the election and continue until a successor has been duly elected and has taken office].~~ The terms of office of the two councilors from each district shall be staggered so that one councilor shall be elected from each district at each regular municipal election.

(4) ARTICLE VII. MUNICIPAL COURT

7.04. Term of office.

The municipal judge shall be elected for a four-year term~~[- which shall begin on the sixth day after the election and continue until a successor has been duly elected and has taken office].~~

(5) ARTICLE XI. GENERAL PROVISIONS

11.01. Transition.

A. **Elected officials.** City officials who are incumbent on the effective date of

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this Charter shall serve out their elected terms unless recalled under the provisions of this Charter.

B. **Appointed officials.** All incumbent appointed officials and commissioners shall serve out their appointed terms unless removed in accordance with city ordinances, resolutions or state law.

C. City officials shall serve their elected terms pursuant to this Charter unless the ending date of their term is changed pursuant to the Local Election Act.

Section 2. MUNICIPAL QUESTION TO BE SUBMITTED. The following municipal question shall be submitted to the qualified electors of the city of Santa Fe:


MUNICIPAL QUESTION	
CITY OF SANTA FE MUNICIPAL CHARTER AMENDMENTS	
<p>Shall the Santa Fe Municipal Charter be amended to allow the City to enact by ordinance its election date and the date on which officials take office as provided in the Local Election Act?</p> <p>This change would amend Section 4.01(A) Election Date; Section 5.03 Mayor Term; Section 6.05 Councilor Term; Section 7.04 Municipal Judge Term; and Section 11.01 Transition.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">FOR AMENDMENTS <input type="radio"/></p> <p style="text-align: center;">AGAINST AMENDMENTS <input type="radio"/></p>	

Section 3. TRANSMISSION OF RESOLUTION. Upon approval of the Governing Body, the City Clerk shall transmit this Resolution to the Santa Fe County Clerk and County Commission.

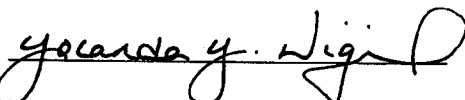
PASSED, APPROVED and ADOPTED this 8th day of August, 2018.

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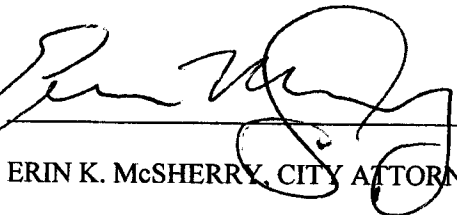
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ALAN M. WEBBER, MAYOR

ATTEST:


YOLANDA Y. VIGIL, CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM:


ERIN K. McSHERRY, CITY ATTORNEY

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