

RESOLUTION NO. 11671

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ORANGE ADOPTING REGULATIONS FOR CANDIDATES FOR ELECTIVE OFFICE PERTAINING TO CANDIDATES' STATEMENTS SUBMITTED TO THE VOTERS AT AN ELECTION TO BE HELD ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2026

WHEREAS, Section 13307 of the Elections Code of the State of California provides that the governing body of any local agency adopt regulations pertaining to materials prepared by any candidate for a municipal election, including costs of the candidate statement.

NOW, THEREFORE, the City Council of the City of Orange does hereby resolve, declare, determine and order as follows:

SECTION 1. GENERAL PROVISIONS. Pursuant to Section 13307 of the Elections Code of the State of California, each candidate for elective office to be voted for at an election to be held in the City of Orange on November 3, 2026, may prepare a candidate's statement on an appropriate form provided by the City Clerk. The statement may include the name, age, and occupation of the candidate and a brief description of no more than 200 words of the candidate's education and qualifications expressed by the candidate. The statement shall not include party affiliation of the candidate, nor membership or activity in partisan political organizations. The statement shall be filed in typewritten form and electronic format (as specified by the City Clerk) in the office of the City Clerk at the time the candidate's nomination papers are filed. The statement may be withdrawn, but not changed, during the period for filing nomination papers and until 5:00 p.m. of the next working day after the close of the nomination period.

SECTION 2. FOREIGN LANGUAGE POLICY. Pursuant to the Federal Voting Rights Act, candidates' statements will be translated into all languages required by the County of Orange. The County will mail separate voter information guides and candidates' statements in the required languages to only those voters who are on the County voter file as having requested a voter information guide in a particular language. The County will make the voter information guides and candidates' statements in the required languages available at all vote centers, on the County's website, and in the Election Official's office.

SECTION 3. PAYMENT. The candidate shall pay the total cost of printing, handling, translating, and mailing the candidate's statement filed pursuant to this section, including costs incurred as a result of complying with the Federal Voting Rights Act (as amended). The City Clerk shall require each candidate filing a statement to pay in advance to the local agency their pro rata share, as determined by the County of Orange Registrar of Voters, as a condition of having their statement included in the voter information guide.

SECTION 4. MISCELLANEOUS. The City Clerk shall comply with all recommendations and standards set forth by the California Secretary of State regarding occupational designations and other matters relating to elections.

SECTION 5. ADDITIONAL MATERIALS. No candidate will be permitted to include additional materials in the voter information guide.

SECTION 6. The City Clerk shall provide each candidate or the candidate's representative a copy of this Resolution at the time nominating petitions are issued.

SECTION 7. All previous Resolutions establishing Council policy on payment for candidates statements are repealed.

SECTION 8. This Resolution shall apply only to the election to be held on November 3, 2026, and shall thereafter be repealed by its own terms.

SECTION 9. The City Clerk shall certify to the passage and adoption of this Resolution and enter it into the book of original Resolutions.

ADOPTED this ____ day of _____ 2026.

Daniel R. Slater, Mayor, City of Orange

ATTEST:

Pamela Coleman, City Clerk, City of Orange

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Nathalie Adourian, City Attorney,
City of Orange

STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
COUNTY OF ORANGE) ss.
CITY OF ORANGE)

I, PAMELA COLEMAN, City Clerk of the City of Orange, California, do hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was duly and regularly adopted by the City Council of the City of Orange at a regular meeting thereof held on the ____ day of _____ 2026, by the following vote:

AYES: COUNCILMEMBERS:
NOES: COUNCILMEMBERS:
ABSENT: COUNCILMEMBERS:

Pamela Coleman, City Clerk, City of Orange