

RESOLUTION NO. 5800

RESOLUTION OF THE SEBASTOPOL CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SEBASTOPOL
ADOPTING REGULATIONS FOR CANDIDATES FOR ELECTIVE OFFICE
PERTAINING TO CANDIDATES STATEMENT OF QUALIFICATIONS AND REQUIRING EACH
CANDIDATE FILING A CANDIDATE STATEMENT OF QUALIFICATIONS PAY IN ADVANCE TO
THE LOCAL AGENCY AN ESTIMATED PRO RATA SHARE AS A CONDITION OF HAVING HIS/HER
STATEMENT INCLUDED IN THE VOTER'S PAMPHLET FOR MUNICIPAL ELECTION TO BE HELD
NOVEMBER 2, 2010

WHEREAS, pursuant to provisions of State law, the City Council has the authority to adopt local policies as to the conduct of municipal elections.

WHEREAS, the City of Sebastopol is charged by the Sonoma County Registrar of Voters for printing costs of Statement of Qualifications; and

WHEREAS, the Sonoma County Registrar of Voters has determined that Statement of Qualifications be limited to 200 words; and

WHEREAS, the estimated costs to the Sonoma County Register of Voters for printing a 200 word individual statement of qualification is \$92.00 per statement; and

WHEREAS, the estimated run charges are approximately \$71.00; and

WHEREAS, the taxpayers of the City of Sebastopol should not be responsible for costs of individual candidate statements; and

WHEREAS, if a candidate alleges to be indigent, the candidate shall pay the actual pro rata share of the cost after the election, plus interest and administration fees if applicable; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Sebastopol has determined that the candidate shall bear the costs of the statement as allowed in California Elections Code Section 13307.

WHEREAS, pursuant to Elections Code Section 13307, a policy in the matter of Candidate's Statements of Qualifications in connection with General Municipal Elections in the City of Sebastopol be as follows:

- ' Each candidate for elective office 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 himself or herself.
- ' The Statement shall not include the party affiliation of the candidate, nor membership or activity in partisan political organizations.

' The Statement shall be filed with the City Clerk at the time nominations papers are filed. Statements must be submitted typewritten and in block style. Statements will be printed exactly as submitted by the candidate.

' The Statement may be withdrawn, but not changed, during the period of filing nomination papers, and until 5:00 p.m. of the next working day after the close of the nomination period. Statements shall remain confidential until the expiration of the filing deadline.

' Pursuant to State law, the Candidate's Statement must be translated and printed in Spanish at the candidate's request.

' At the time of filing the Candidate's Statement, the candidate shall submit a fee in the amount of \$163.00 to cover his/her pro rata share of the cost of having his/her Statement included in the voter's pamphlet and will pay the cost of translating the Statement into Spanish, if requested. The receipt for the payment shall include a written notice that the estimate is just an approximation of the actual cost and may be significantly more or less than the estimate. In the event the amount is more, the City Clerk may require the candidates to pay the balance of the cost incurred. In the event the amount is less, the City Clerk shall prorate the excess amount among the candidates and refund the excess amount within 30 days of the election.

' The City Clerk shall provide each candidate a copy of this Resolution at the time nomination papers are issued.

' This Resolution shall apply at the Consolidated General Municipal Election to be held within the City of Sebastopol on Tuesday, November 2, 2010.

Now Therefore Be It Resolved, by the City Council of the City of Sebastopol that candidates for the offices of Councilmember in the City of Sebastopol, the estimated costs for printing, handling, translating, and mailing candidates' statements for the Consolidated General Election to be held on November 2, 2010 and any additional charges from the Council will be billed to each candidate following determination of real costs by the County of Sonoma.

It is hereby certified that the foregoing Resolution Number 5800 was introduced and duly adopted by the City Council of the City of Sebastopol at their regular meeting held this 15th day of June, 2010, following a roll call vote:

City of Sebastopol City Council:

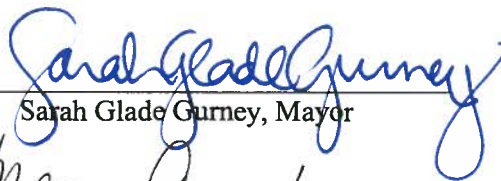
Ayes: Councilmembers Robinson, Shaffer, Kelley, Vice Mayor Wilson and Mayor Gurney

Noes: None

Abstain: None

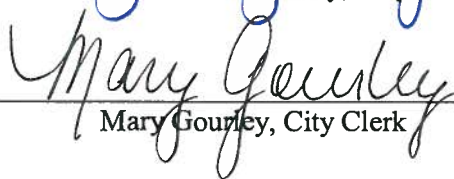
Absent: None

APPROVED: _____



Sarah Glade Gurney, Mayor

ATTEST: _____



Mary Gurney, City Clerk