COUNCIL AGENDA: 12/10/2024

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Memorandum

TO: HONORABLE MAYOR FROM: TONI J. TABER, CMC

AND CITY COUNCIL

SUBJECT: DECLARATION AND DATE: November 25, 2024

RECORDING A STATEMENT

OF THE RESULTS OF THE NOVEMBER 5, 2024

PRIMARY MUNICIPAL ELECTION AND APPOINTMENTS OF

DISTRICT 8 AND 10 COUNCILMEMBERS

RECOMMENDATION

a. Adopt a resolution declaring and recording a statement of the results of the November 5, 2024 Primary Municipal Election per Elections Code Sections 10263, 10264, and 15400; and

- b. Appoint Domingo Candelas as the interim representative for the anticipated vacancy in Council District 8 to serve until the remaining term of office expires on December 31, 2024; and
- c. Appoint George Casey as the interim representative for the anticipated vacancy in Council District 10 to serve until the remaining term of office expires on December 31, 2024.

OUTCOME

The resolution will declare the results of the election, as certified by the Santa Clara County Registrar of Voters, and record a statement of:

- The election of the following offices:
 - o Office of Councilmember—District 2: Pamela Campos
 - o Office of Councilmember—District 6: Michael Mulcahy
 - o Office of Councilmember—District 8: Domingo Candelas
 - o Office of Councilmember—District 10: George Casey

The appointments will provide for continued representation of Council District 8 and 10 between the end of the original appointments and the term start date for those elected.

BACKGROUND

The City Council adopted Resolution No. 2023-343 on October 3, 2023 calling for a Primary Municipal Election on March 5, 2024 and a Run-Off Election, if necessary, on November 5, 2024 to elect one person each for the Office of the Mayor and for Office of Councilmember for Council Districts 2, 4, 6, 8, and 10 for full four-year terms. The Resolution also requested that the County of Santa Clara Board of Supervisors consolidate the City's elections with the

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Statewide Primary and Statewide General Elections. The elections for Mayor and District 4 were decided at the March 2024 election.

All Municipal Elections were consolidated with the County of Santa Clara and held in accordance with established procedures governing the conduct of elections. Under the Elections Code, the County Registrar of Voters has thirty days to certify the results of an election. The City Clerk's Office received the official certification of results on December 5, 2024.

ANALYSIS

Of the 543,014 voters registered as of October 25, 2024, a total of 110,242 ballots were cast in the City of San José. The unofficial results as of November 25, 2024, which will be updated upon receipt of the official results on December 5, 2024, are as follows:

District 2:

	Total Votes	Percentage of Votes
Pamela Campos	16,877	54.04
Joe Lopez	14,353	45.96

District 6:

	Total Votes	Percentage of Votes
Michael Mulcahy	19,617	51.3
Olivia Navarro	18,626	48.7

District 8:

	Total Votes	Percentage of Votes
Domingo Candelas	23,352	57.28
Tam Truong	17,417	42.72

District 10:

	Total Votes	Percentage of Votes
George Casey	23,966	57.8
Arjun Batra	17,497	42.2

APPOINTMENTS

On January 24, Domingo Candelas was appointed to Councilmember of District 8 and on January 26, Arjun Batra was appointed to Councilmember of District 10, both to a term to begin January 30, 2023 and end when a candidate has been duly elected in the next regularly scheduled

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election and the results of the election have been officially certified. Therefore, both Councilmember Candelas and Councilmember Batra's terms end upon certification of the election. This leaves a gap from December 10-December 31, 2024 where no Councilmember is in office. As Councilmember Candelas and Councilmember-Elect George Casey are both elected to a term beginning January 1, 2025, we are recommending the City Council appoint both to an interim term to end on December 31, 2024.

EVALUATION AND FOLLOW-UP

Approval of this item will declare and record a statement of the election results from the November 5, 2024 General Municipal Election as required under the California Elections Code.

PUBLIC OUTREACH

This action does not meet the criteria for public outreach; however, the Office of the City Clerk will post the item on the City's website for the December 10, 2024 City Council agenda. Registered voters in the City of San José received all appropriate ballot materials for the election.

COORDINATION

Preparation of this report has been coordinated with the City Attorney's Office and the Santa Clara County Registrar of Voters.

COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION/INPUT

No Commission input was solicited as this is a routine item required under the California Elections Code.

CEQA

Not a Project, File No. PP17-008, General Procedure & Policy Making resulting in no changes to the physical environment.

TONI J. TABER, CMC City Clerk

For questions, please contact Toni J. Taber, City Clerk, at (408) 535-1260.