

City of Hallandale Beach City Commission Agenda Cover Memo

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Meeting Date:		Item Type:			1	st Reading	2 nd Reading	
8/10/2020		□Resolution	Ordinance Reading 8		/5/2020	8/19/2020		
8/19/2020		\square Nesolution \square Ordinance \square Other	Public He	Public Hearing				
File No.:			Advertis	tising Required				
20-252			Quasi-Ju	dicial:				
Fiscal Impact (\$):		Account Balance (\$):	Funding Source:			Project Number:		
\$		N/A	N/A			N/A		
Contract/P.O. Required		RFP/RFQ/Bid Number:				Department:		
□ Yes	🖾 No	N/A	N/A Jenorgen Gu City Clerk		City Clerk Office			
Strategic Plan Focus Areas:								
⊠Financial		⊠ Organization Capacity	⊠ Organizational Capacity		□ Infrastructure		☐ Development, Redevelopment and Economic Development	
Implementation Timeline								
Estimated Start Date: Upon Appointment Estimated End Date: N/A								

SHORT TITLE:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF HALLANDALE BEACH, FLORIDA, AMENDING CHAPTER 12, "ELECTIONS." OF CITY OF HALLANDALE BEACH CODE OF ORDINANCES, BY CREATING SECTION 12-07, ENTITLED "CAMPAIGN FINANCE REPORTS"; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR CODIFICATION; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

STAFF SUMMARY:

Background:

In accordance with requirements of the Florida Division of Elections, currently, candidates for Mayor or City Commission must file original campaign reports containing an original signature to the City Clerk's Office monthly following campaign report scheduling. Florida Statute 106.07 provides that a governing body, by ordinance or resolution, may impose the use of electronic filing requirements upon candidates. Implementation of the software electronic filing would benefit both parties in that they no longer have to be present to file a campaign report, it would increase transparency of the election process as anyone that has filed the Designation of Campaign Treasurer & Statement of Candidacy would have access to the software, as well as eliminate any opportunity of impropriety associated with time received stamps, or hard copy record keeping.

Current Situation:

Although scanned/electronic copies of Campaign Treasurers Reports may be filed in lieu of original signatures for the purpose of meeting the deadline, pursuant to the State of Florida Campaign Treasurer Handbook, an original of the report must still be forwarded to the City Clerk's office by the due date. Alternatively, if via United States Postal Service, the report must be postmarked no later than midnight of the day designated is deemed timely filed.

The City Clerk is requesting approval of the attached Ordinance implementing a mandatory electronic campaign filing system for candidates' submittal of their monthly campaign reports.

Why Action is Necessary:

Pursuant to Article V, Division I, Section 5.01 of The City of Hallandale Beach City Charter, a City Ordinance is to be adopted to amend an existing Ordinance.

Cost Benefit:

The funding for this would be allocated in the general fund budget, specifically within the budget for the City Clerk's Office. The proposed ordinance will provide a proven, streamlined and readily available process for candidate reporting thereby realizing progress, innovation, and opportunity.

PROPOSED ACTION:

The City Commission consider the attached proposed ordinance codifying an Electronic Filing System of Campaign Treasurer's Reports.

ATTACHMENT(S):

Exhibit 1 - Ordinance