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**CITY OF MOUNT RAINIER, MARYLAND**

**ORDINANCE NO. 08-2018**

Drafted by: Councilmember Knedler

**Amending Chapter 1, Administration, Section 1-116, Election Procedures,  
of the *Mount Rainier Code*.**

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF  
MOUNT RAINIER, MARYLAND, that Chapter 1, Administration, Section 1-116, Election  
Procedures, of the *Mount Rainier Code* is amended as follows:<sup>1</sup>**

**Section 1-116, Election Procedures.**

A. **QUALIFIED VOTERS.** ~~4.~~ The list of qualified voters for the City of Mount Rainier shall consist of:

1. All individuals living within the city limits who meet the registration requirements set forth in the City Charter and who shall have registered to vote with the board of elections of Prince George's County OR WITH THE BOARD OF ELECTIONS OF MOUNT RAINIER at least thirty (30) days prior to the date of any regular or special election or referendum conducted by the city, ~~and whose name shall have been duly provided to the election supervisor of the City of Mount Rainier by the board of elections of Prince George's County; and~~

2. **B.** The supervisor of elections shall be responsible for obtaining a list of individuals duly registered with Prince George's County and submitting said list on or before January 31 of each year and twenty (20) days prior to any general or special election or referendum. **IN THE SAME MANNER, THE SUPERVISOR OF ELECTIONS SHALL MAKE AVAILABLE THE LIST OF VOTERS REGISTERED WITH THE CITY OF MOUNT RAINIER. THESE** ~~This~~ list~~s~~ will be made available for public examination upon reasonable request ~~at the city offices during normal business hours.~~

B. **CANDIDATES.**

<sup>1</sup> **EXPLANATORY NOTE:**

- (1) ~~Strikeout~~ indicates deletions from the existing language of the *Mount Rainier Code*.
- (2) **UNDERLINED AND ALL CAPITAL LETTERS** indicates additions to the existing language of the *Mount Rainier Code*.
- (3) **\*\*\*\*** indicates language of the *Mount Rainier Code* not shown in this Ordinance.

1. THE PROCEDURE FOR PETITIONERS TO BECOME OFFICIAL CANDIDATES IS PROVIDED IN SECTION 505 OF THE CITY OF MOUNT RAINIER CHARTER.

2. IN ADDITION TO NOMINATION PETITIONS, CANDIDATES MUST PRESENT THE FOLLOWING SIGNED DOCUMENTS TO THE BOARD OF ELECTIONS NO LATER THAN THE DEADLINE FOR NOMINATION PETITIONS:

- CERTIFICATION OF ELIGIBILITY FOR CANDIDACY
- FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE STATEMENT (AS REQUIRED BY THE CITY'S ETHICS CODE, CHAPTER 1D OF THE MOUNT RAINIER CODE)
- CAMPAIGN FINANCE STATEMENT

3. RESIDENTS MAY WRITE IN A NAME FOR A PARTICULAR OFFICE. WRITE IN PERSONS MUST MEET THE SAME QUALIFICATIONS AS THE OFFICIAL CANDIDATES FOR THE SPECIFIC POSITION (I.E., THEY MUST LIVE IN THE WARD FOR WHICH THERE IS A VACANCY, AND THEY MUST MEET ALL OTHER QUALIFICATIONS AS SPECIFIED IN THE CHARTER FOR ELIGIBILITY TO HOLD OFFICE IN THE CITY OF MOUNT RAINIER).

4. WRITE IN PERSONS SHALL NOT PARTICIPATE IN CITY-SPONSORED ELECTION EVENTS, AND THE CITY SHALL NOT PROVIDE PUBLICITY FOR WRITE-IN PERSONS.

5. WRITE IN VOTES SHALL BE NOTED IN THE TOTAL NUMBER OF VOTES CAST IN THE CITY.

6. IF A WRITE-IN PERSON RECEIVES THE MOST VOTES FOR THAT OFFICE, THEN THE WRITE IN PERSON MUST VERIFY, WITHIN 24 HOURS AFTER THE CLOSE OF THE POLLS, HIS OR HER ELIGIBILITY TO HOLD OFFICE UNDER THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE CITY OF MOUNT RAINIER CHARTER. THE BOARD OF ELECTIONS SHALL MEET WITH THE WRITE IN PERSON WITHIN THAT 24 HOUR PERIOD TO CERTIFY ELIGIBILITY TO HOLD OFFICE AND TO COLLECT THE REQUIRED CERTIFICATIONS AND DISCLOSURE STATEMENTS, INCLUDING:

- CERTIFICATION OF ELIGIBILITY FOR CANDIDACY
- FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE STATEMENT (AS REQUIRED BY THE CITY'S ETHICS CODE, CHAPTER 1D OF THE MOUNT RAINIER CODE)
- CAMPAIGN FINANCE STATEMENT

C. BALLOTS.

1. The names of the candidates for each office shall be arranged randomly on the ballots under the designation of the office for which they are running. The random arrangement shall be determined by the Supervisor of Elections ~~and each petitioner immediately after the petitioner has presented his or her nominating petition to the Supervisor,~~ on the evening of the 6<sup>TH</sup> MONDAY PRIOR TO THE ELECTION ~~first Monday in April~~ of every odd-numbered year in the case of regular elections and at whatever time is designated AS THE DEADLINE for presentation of nominating petitions for special elections.

2. NO LATER THAN FOUR (4) HOURS BEFORE THE DEADLINE ~~Prior to the time~~ designated IN THE CITY OF MOUNT RAINIER CHARTER for presentation of nominating petitions, the Supervisor of Elections shall have prepared a container for each office for which nominations are being received, with numbers on separate pieces of paper. The Supervisor shall have placed numbers on separate pieces of paper, folded each piece of paper so that the number cannot be read, and placed the sets of pieces of paper in the containers. After the Supervisor HAS VERIFIED ~~receives~~ a petitioner's nominating petition, the petitioner, A DESIGNATED REPRESENTATIVE, OR THE SUPERVISOR, IN THE ABSENCE OF THE PETITIONER OR PETITIONER'S DESIGNATED REPRESENTATIVE, shall select a piece of paper from the container for the office for which THE PETITIONER is running. The number that IS SELECTED ~~the petitioner selects~~ shall be THE PETITIONER'S ~~his or her~~ relative place on the ballot once certified.

To illustrate:

If the seat for Council, Ward 1 is up for election, the Supervisor shall prepare a container for the seat for Council, Ward 1, with at least five (5) pieces of paper marked with the numbers 1 to 5, fold each piece so that it cannot be read, and place it in a container for Council, Ward 1.

After the Supervisor HAS CERTIFIED ~~certifies~~ the petition of each candidate for Council, Ward 1, the petitioner OR THE PETITIONER'S DESIGNATED REPRESENTATIVE shall select a piece of paper from the container, write THE PETITIONER'S ~~his or her~~ name on it, and leave it with the Supervisor.

If the Supervisor certifies three (3) petitions and the three (3) candidates have chosen number 1, 2, and 5, the candidate who chose 1 shall be listed first on the ballot under the designation for Council, Ward 1, the candidate who chose 2 shall be listed second, and the candidate who chose 5 shall be listed third.

The Supervisor shall notify the candidates NO LATER THAN the next BUSINESS day regarding the order of names on the ballot.

3. **ABSENTEE BALLOTS. APPLICATION FOR ABSENTEE BALLOTS SHALL BE MADE AVAILABLE AT CITY HALL AND ON THE CITY'S WEBSITE. ABSENTEE BALLOT APPLICATIONS SHALL BE AVAILABLE AT LEAST SIX (6) WEEKS PRIOR TO THE ELECTION, AND THE ABSENTEE BALLOTS SHALL BE AVAILABLE WITHIN TWO (2) BUSINESS DAYS AFTER THE OFFICIAL BALLOT ORDER OF CANDIDATES IS DETERMINED.**

4. THE BOARD OF ELECTIONS SHALL MAINTAIN A POST OFFICE BOX TO RECEIVE THE ABSENTEE BALLOT APPLICATIONS AND FOR THE RETURN OF ABSENTEE BALLOTS. TWO LOCKED BOXES SHALL BE KEPT IN THE CITY HALL LOBBY, OR OTHER CENTRAL LOCATION; ONE BOX FOR THE RETURN OF ABSENTEE BALLOT APPLICATIONS AND ONE BOX FOR ABSENTEE BALLOTS. THE LOCKED BOXES MUST CLEARLY INDICATE THE PURPOSE ON THE OUTSIDE OF THE BOX. THE VOTER MAY HAVE A DESIGNATED REPRESENTATIVE RETURN THE APPLICATION AND/OR BALLOT. NEITHER CITY STAFF NOR ANY CITY OFFICIAL OR CANDIDATE SHALL HANDLE COMPLETED ABSENTEE BALLOT APPLICATIONS OR ABSENTEE BALLOTS. APPLICATIONS AND ABSENTEE BALLOTS THAT ARE MAILED TO ANY CITY BUILDING OR CITY STAFF OR OFFICIAL, RATHER THAN TO THE BOARD OF ELECTIONS POST OFFICE BOX, SHALL BE RETURNED TO SENDER IF THE SENDER'S ADDRESS IS LISTED ON THE ENVELOPE OF THE APPLICATION OR BALLOT.

5. **PROVISIONAL BALLOTS.** IN THE EVENT THAT A PERSON WISHES TO VOTE, BUT HIS/HER NAME IS NOT ON THE REGISTERED VOTER LIST OR THERE IS A QUESTION ABOUT THE VALIDITY OF THE REGISTRATION, THEN THE ELECTION SUPERVISOR SHALL ALLOW THE BALLOT TO BE CAST AS A PROVISIONAL BALLOT TO BE HELD SEPARATELY AND NOT INCLUDED IN THE VOTE TOTALS UNTIL THE PERSONS'S REGISTRATION CAN BE VALIDATED. CONFIRMATION OF THE PROVISIONAL VOTER'S REGISTRATION STATUS WITH THE PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS OR THE MOUNT RAINIER BOARD OF ELECTIONS SHALL TAKE PLACE WITHIN THREE (3) BUSINESS DAYS AND PRIOR TO CERTIFICATION OF THE FINAL ELECTION RESULTS.

**D. ELECTION PLAN.**

1. Voting will be by secret ballot, utilizing voting machines, SCAN VOTING SYSTEM, or paper ballots, OR OTHER VOTING SYSTEM WITH SAFEGUARDS TO ENSURE SECRET VOTING AND A VERIFIABLE PAPER TRAIL. The supervisor of elections shall present to the Mayor and Council for approval a WRITTEN plan for the conduct of any election at least forty-five (45) days prior to any scheduled election or ten (10) days prior to any special election, with the Mayor and Council required to APPROVE ~~act upon~~ such plan within fifteen (15) days of its submission for any scheduled election and within three (3) days for any special election.

2. THE PLAN SHALL INCLUDE PROVISIONS FOR:

- DISTRIBUTION OF NOMINATION PETITIONS, VOTER REGISTRATION FORMS, AND ABSENTEE BALLOTS;
- METHOD AND LOCATION OF VOTING;
- A CALENDAR OF EVENTS;
- NOTICE OF WHO IS ELIGIBLE TO REGISTER TO VOTE UNDER THE CITY OF MOUNT RAINIER CHARTER PROVISIONS ON VOTER QUALIFICATIONS;

- NOTICE THAT ALL CITY RESIDENTS WHO MEET THE VOTER QUALIFICATIONS OF THE CITY OF MOUNT RAINIER CHARTER, REGARDLESS OF CITIZENSHIP STATUS, MAY REGISTER AND VOTE IN CITY ELECTIONS.
- SIMULTANEOUS RELEASE OF ENGLISH AND SPANISH VERSIONS OF ALL ELECTION-RELATED FORMS AND WRITTEN MATERIALS; AND
- ELECTION PUBLICITY.

3. THE BOARD OF ELECTIONS SHALL MAINTAIN AN ELECTION GUIDE TO EXPLAIN THE NOMINATION PROCESS, VOTER REGISTRATION, STANDARDS OF CONDUCT DURING ELECTION CAMPAIGNS, AND OTHER INFORMATION AS DEEMED NECESSARY. THE ELECTION GUIDE SHALL BE AVAILABLE AT CITY HALL AND ON THE CITY'S WEBSITE AT LEAST THREE (3) MONTHS PRIOR TO AN ELECTION.

4. THE CITY MANAGER SHALL APPOINT A CITY REPRESENTATIVE TO ATTEND BOARD OF ELECTION MEETINGS AND TO ASSIST THE BOARD OF ELECTIONS WITH OPEN MEETING ACT REQUIREMENTS AND PUBLICITY VIA THE CITY'S SOCIAL MEDIA OUTLETS AND WEBSITE. THE CITY ALSO MAY ESTABLISH AN OFFICIAL CITY E-MAIL ACCOUNT FOR THE BOARD OF ELECTIONS.

**E. POLL PROCEDURES.**

1. ARTICLE V OF THE CITY OF MOUNT RAINIER CHARTER, AS AMENDED, ESTABLISHES GENERAL PROCEDURES FOR CITY ELECTIONS.

2. AT LEAST ONE (1) ELECTION OFFICIAL AT EACH POLLING SITE ON ELECTION DAY MUST HAVE ATTENDED ELECTION TRAINING PROVIDED BY THE COUNTY OR STATE BOARD OF ELECTION FOR STATE AND/OR FEDERAL ELECTIONS DURING THE THREE (3) MONTHS PRIOR TO THE SCHEDULED GENERAL ELECTION.

3. THE COUNT OF VOTES SHALL TAKE PLACE AT THE CLOSE OF THE POLLS TO DETERMINE THE PRELIMINARY ELECTION RESULTS. WITNESSES ARE PERMITTED TO OBSERVE THE COUNT OF VOTES, BUT SUCH WITNESSES MUST BE IN THE ROOM WHERE THE COUNT OCCURS PRIOR TO THE CLOSE OF THE POLLS AND NO ONE MAY ENTER THE ROOM UNTIL COMPLETION OF THE VOTE COUNT. WITNESSES MUST REMAIN SILENT OR MAY BE ORDERED TO LEAVE. THE BOARD OF ELECTIONS SHALL REPORT THE PRELIMINARY ELECTION RESULTS AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

4. THE BOARD SHALL HOLD AN OPEN MEETING ON THE NEXT BUSINESS DAY FOLLOWING THE ELECTION, AFTER 6:00 P.M., TO COUNT THE

REMAINING ABSENTEE BALLOTS. THE TIME AND PLACE OF SUCH MEETING SHALL BE ANNOUNCED AFTER THE ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE PRELIMINARY RESULTS ON ELECTION DAY. THE BOARD, WITHIN THREE (3) DAYS OF THE ELECTION, SHALL CONFER WITH THE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS AND THE MOUNT RAINIER BOARD OF ELECTIONS TO EVALUATE PROVISIONAL BALLOTS AND TO DETERMINE IF A PROVISIONAL BALLOT IS VALID. THE FINAL TALLY OF VALID PROVISIONAL BALLOTS SHALL BE PROVIDED IN WRITING TO THE CITY COUNCIL AND POSTED WITH THE FINAL RESULTS. AFTER THE COUNT OF PROVISIONAL AND ABSENTEE BALLOTS, THE FINAL CERTIFIED COUNT SHALL BE PUBLICLY ANNOUNCED.

5. UPON REQUEST OF A CANDIDATE, THE BOARD SHALL CONDUCT A RECOUNT. THE REQUEST FOR A RECOUNT MUST OCCUR BEFORE THE CONCLUSION OF THE OPEN MEETING TO COUNT ABSENTEE BALLOTS ON THE DAY FOLLOWING THE ELECTION.

6. THE FINAL CERTIFIED ELECTION RESULTS SHALL BE PRESENTED TO THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL AT THE FIRST COUNCIL MEETING FOLLOWING THE ELECTION. THE RESULTS ALSO SHALL BE POSTED ON THE CITY WEBSITE AND PUBLISHED IN THE CITY NEWSLETTER.

7. COMPLAINTS ABOUT CONDUCT OF THE ELECTION, VOTERS, OR CANDIDATES SHALL BE MADE IN WRITING TO THE CITY'S SUPERVISOR OF ELECTIONS. THE BOARD MAY ASK FOR THE ADVICE OF THE CITY ATTORNEY IN DECIDING A COMPLAINT OR QUESTION. THE BOARD SHALL CONSIDER THE COMPLAINT OR QUESTION IN OPEN SESSION AND MAKE A DECISION BY MAJORITY VOTE OF THE ENTIRE BOARD. THE BOARD'S DECISION IS FINAL.

8. ON ELECTION DAY, THE CITY BOARD OF ELECTIONS SHOULD HAVE A REPRESENTATIVE FROM THE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS PRESENT AT THE POLLS OR AVAILABLE BY TELEPHONE OR ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATION TO ANSWER QUESTIONS.

F. **BOARD OF ELECTIONS.**

1. THE MOUNT RAINIER BOARD OF ELECTIONS CONSISTS OF THE SUPERVISOR OF ELECTIONS, SIX ELECTION JUDGES, AND TWO ALTERNATE ELECTION JUDGES.

2. E. Compensation for election officials shall be as follows:

↳ Supervisor of electionS, five hundred fifty dollars (\$550.00) per election;

2. • Election judges, two hundred fifty dollars (\$250.00) per election; and ~~3. Election clerks, one hundred fifty dollars (\$150.00) per election.~~

• ALTERNATE ELECTION JUDGES, ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$100.00) PER ELECTION IF NOT UTILIZED AS A REPLACEMENT FOR AN ELECTION JUDGE.

3. ALTERNATE ELECTION JUDGES SERVE WHEN THERE IS A VACANCY, MEDICAL OR WORK-RELATED EMERGENCY, OR OTHER REASON THAT A REGULARLY-APPOINTED ELECTION JUDGE IS UNABLE TO SERVE OR TO COMPLETE HIS OR HER SERVICE AS ELECTION JUDGE.

4. IF AN ELECTION OFFICIAL IS UNABLE TO SERVE ON ELECTION DAY, THE ELECTION OFFICIAL'S COMPENSATION SHALL BE REDUCED BY ONE-HALF.

5. IF THE SUPERVISOR OF ELECTIONS RESIGNS, IS UNABLE TO SERVE ON ELECTION DAY OR IS UNABLE TO COMPLETE THE VOTE TALLY ON THE FOLLOWING DAYS, THE ELECTION JUDGES SHALL SELECT ONE JUDGE TO SERVE AS THE ACTING SUPERVISOR OF ELECTIONS UNTIL THE CITY COUNCIL APPOINTS A NEW SUPERVISOR OF ELECTIONS, OR THE SUPERVISOR OF ELECTIONS IS AGAIN ABLE TO SERVE.

6. BOARD OF ELECTIONS MEMBERS SHALL RECEIVE COMPENSATION FOR ELECTION DUTIES WITHIN THREE (3) BUSINESS DAYS AFTER THE CLOSE OF THE ELECTION POLLS AND THE ELECTION RESULTS BEING CERTIFIED AND DELIVERED TO THE CITY COUNCIL.

7. COMPENSATION MAY BE MAILED TO THE BOARD OF ELECTION MEMBERS OR IT MAY BE PICKED UP AND DISTRIBUTED BY THE SUPERVISOR OF ELECTIONS, PROVIDING THE ELECTION OFFICIAL RECEIVING COMPENSATION HAS SUBMITTED ALL NECESSARY DOCUMENTATION (EG., LEGAL NAME, ADDRESS, SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER, ETC.).

8. BOARD OF ELECTIONS MEMBERS ARE DEEMED TO BE CITY OFFICIALS AND TO HAVE THE SAME PRIVILIGES AND IMMUNITIES FROM SUIT AS CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS PURSUANT TO THE LAWS OF THE CITY AND THE STATE OF MARYLAND.

9. THE CITY'S ATTORNEY OR AN ATTORNEY APPOINTED BY THE CITY (INCLUDING THE CITY'S INSURANCE CARRIER) SHALL REPRESENT THE MOUNT RAINIER BOARD OF ELECTIONS, OR ANY OF ITS MEMBERS IN ANY CIVIL LAWSUIT BROUGHT AGAINST THE CITY OR THE BOARD OF ELECTIONS, IF SUED IN

REGARD TO ANY ACTS OR OMISSIONS MADE DURING THE COURSE OF CARRYING OUT THEIR OFFICIAL DUTIES AS MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF ELECTIONS.

10. MOUNT RAINIER BOARD OF ELECTION OFFICIALS ARE REQUIRED TO ATTEND AT LEAST ONE ANNUAL PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY TRAINING SESSION ON THE DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF AN ELECTION JUDGE. CERTIFICATION OF ATTENDANCE AT SUCH TRAINING MUST BE FILED WITH THE SUPERVISOR OF ELECTION AND KEPT ON FILE FOR THE TERM OF THE APPOINTMENT OF THE BOARD OF ELECTION OFFICIAL.

11. MEMBERS OF THE MOUNT RAINIER BOARD OF ELECTIONS ARE PROHIBITED FROM ENDORSING OR CAMPAIGNING FOR CANDIDATES WHO ARE RUNNING FOR A CITY ELECTED OFFICE. MOUNT RAINIER BOARD OF ELECTION MEMBERS SHALL NOT POST CANDIDATES' ELECTION SIGNAGE ON PROPERTY OWNED BY THE ELECTION BOARD MEMBER. THIS DOES NOT PREVENT ANOTHER REGISTERED VOTER WHO RESIDES IN THE SAME RESIDENCE AS AN ELECTION BOARD MEMBER OR WHO LIVES IN PROPERTY OWNED BY AN ELECTION BOARD MEMBER FROM POSTING A CANDIDATE'S SIGN.

12. ALL MEMBERS OF THE MOUNT RAINIER BOARD OF ELECTION MUST SUBSCRIBE TO THE FOLLOWING OATH OF OFFICE ADMINISTERED BY THE MAYOR OR BY A CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT:

"I, (FULL NAME) DO SWEAR (OR AFFIRM, AS THE CASE MAY BE) THAT I WILL SUPPORT THE CONSTITUTION OF THE UNITED STATES; AND THAT I WILL BE FAITHFUL AND BEAR TRUE ALLEGIANCE TO THE STATE OF MARYLAND, AND SUPPORT THE CONSTITUTION AND LAWS THEREOF; AND THAT I WILL, TO THE BEST OF MY SKILL AND JUDGMENT, DILIGENTLY AND FAITHFULLY, WITHOUT PARTIALITY OR PREJUDICE, EXECUTE THE OFFICE OF BOARD OF ELECTIONS, ACCORDING TO THE CONSTITUTION AND LAWS OF THIS STATE AND THE CHARTER AND LAWS OF THIS CITY."

13. THE OATH SHALL BE ENDORSED UPON THE ELECTION BOARD MEMBER'S CERTIFICATE OF APPOINTMENT AND ON THE CERTIFICATE FILED WITH THE CITY. A DUPLICATE OF SUCH CERTIFICATE MAY BE FORWARDED TO THE PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS.

14. THE MOUNT RAINIER BOARD OF ELECTIONS MAY CONSULT WITH THE PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY'S BOARD OF ELECTION OR WITH LEGAL COUNSEL ON MATTERS RELATING TO VOTING AND THE CONDUCT OF CITY OF MOUNT RAINIER ELECTIONS.

15. MARYLAND OPEN MEETINGS ACT.

a. THE MOUNT RAINIER BOARD OF ELECTIONS IS A "PUBLIC BODY" AND IS SUBJECT TO THE MARYLAND OPEN MEETINGS ACT, MD. CODE, GENERAL PROVISIONS ARTICLE, §3-101 ET. SEQ.

b. A QUORUM OF THE MOUNT RAINIER BOARD OF ELECTIONS EXISTS WHEN A MAJORITY OF THE BOARD MEMBERS MEET TO CONSIDER PUBLIC BUSINESS AND THE MEETING SHALL BE PUBLIC AND HELD PURSUANT TO THE OPEN MEETINGS ACT.

c. "PUBLIC MEETINGS" OF THE MOUNT RAINIER BOARD OF ELECTIONS INCLUDE, BUT ARE NOT LIMITED TO, MEETINGS TO:

- DETERMINE BALLOT POSITIONS OF CANDIDATES,
- CERTIFY BALLOTS,
- SELECT OR ALTER THE LOCATION OR BOUNDARIES OF PRECINCTS OR POLL SITES,
- DESIGNATE ELECTION OFFICIALS,
- CORRECT ERRORS OR OMISSIONS IN BALLOTS,
- CANVASS AND CERTIFY ELECTION RESULTS,
- CANVASS AND CERTIFY ELECTION RESULTS DUE TO A RECOUNT PETITION, AND
- ELECTION DAY ACTIVITIES.

d. THE MOUNT RAINIER BOARD OF ELECTIONS SHALL DESIGNATE AT LEAST ONE BOARD MEMBER TO COMPLETE TRAINING IN THE MARYLAND OPEN MEETINGS ACT, WHICH MAY INCLUDE SUCCESSFUL COMPLETION OF AN ONLINE OPEN MEETINGS ACT TRAINING COURSE.

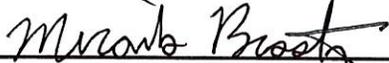
e. ALL MOUNT RAINIER BOARD OF ELECTION MEMBERS AND THE CITY LIAISON TO THE BOARD SHALL SIGN CONFIDENTIALITY AGREEMENTS OR RULES OF SECURITY BEHAVIOR FOR ELECTIONS OFFICIALS.

~~F. Provisional Ballots In the event that a person wishes to vote, but his/her name is not on the registered voter list or there is a question about the validity of the registration: The Election Supervisor will allow the ballot to be cast as a provisional ballot that will be held separately and not included in the totals until the person's registration can be validated. Confirmation with the Board of Elections shall take place the next business day and prior to certification of the election results.~~

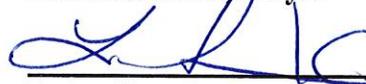
**G. ADVISORY REFERENDUMS. THE CITY COUNCIL BY SUPERMAJORITY VOTE (I.E., A TWO-THIRDS VOTE OF THE ENTIRE COUNCIL) MAY PLACE QUESTIONS ON THE OFFICIAL BALLOT SO THAT THE VOTERS MAY PROVIDE AN ADVISORY OPINION ON TOPICS OF DEBATE. A REFERENDUM QUESTION MUST BE THE TOPIC OF A PUBLIC HEARING PRIOR TO IT BEING VOTED ON BY THE CITY COUNCIL. A VOTE ON A FINAL WRITTEN REFERENDUM QUESTION SHALL BE HELD AT LEAST 30 DAYS PRIOR TO THE REFERENDUM QUESTION ELECTION. AFTER THE TALLY OF THE VOTES ON THE REFERENDUM QUESTION, THE BOARD OF ELECTIONS SHALL ANNOUNCE THE RESULTS OF THE ADVISORY REFERENDUM QUESTION IN THE SAME MANNER AND TIME AS THAT FOR THE ELECTION OF CANDIDATES.**

THIS ORDINANCE IS ADOPTED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MOUNT RAINIER THIS 19 DAY OF JUNE, 2018.

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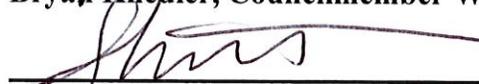
  
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Miranda Braatz, City Manager

  
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Malinda Miles, Mayor

  
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Luke Chesek, Councilmember Ward 1

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Celina Benitez, Councilmember Ward 1

  
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Bryan Knedler, Councilmember Ward 2

  
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Shivali Shah, Councilmember Ward 2

