

JUL 29 2014 KH/BS

RESOLUTION

of the
ORANGE COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
regarding

CALLING A REFERENDUM ON A PROPOSAL TO MOVE
ELECTIONS FOR ALL CHARTER OFFICES ELECTED
COUNTYWIDE TO 2016 AND EVERY FOUR YEARS
THEREAFTER, TO ABBREVIATE ANY TERM OF OFFICE
CONSISTENT WITH THIS CHANGE, AND TO CHANGE ALL
CHARTER OFFICE ELECTIONS FROM NONPARTISAN TO
PARTISAN

Resolution No. 2014-M-41

WHEREAS, Citizens for Informed Elections filed a "Petition to Place Orange County Charter Amendment Regarding Charter Office Elections on Ballot" ("Petition") with the Supervisor of Elections; and

WHEREAS, by memorandum dated January 2, 2014, the Orange County Supervisor of Elections concluded that the Petition form contains the required items from the voter in order for his office to verify the Petition; and

WHEREAS, Article VI, Sections 601 and 602 of the Orange County Charter set forth the requirements and process for Initiative and Referendum; and

WHEREAS, Article VI, Section 602(A) of the Orange County Charter requires that within thirty (30) days after the requisite number of names have been verified by the Supervisor of Elections and reported to the Board of County Commissioners ("Board"), the Board shall, by resolution, call a referendum on the question of the adoption of the proposed petition to be held at the next primary, general or special election occurring at least 45 days after the adoption of such resolution; and

WHEREAS, the Orange County Supervisor of Elections has verified the requisite number of names and reported to the Board in an amended memorandum dated July 2, 2014; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Article VI, Section 602(A) of the Orange County Charter, the Board desires to call a referendum on the question of the adoption of the proposed Petition to be held at the next primary, general or special election occurring at least 45 days after the adoption of this resolution.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA:

Section 1. Referendum Called. That a referendum is hereby called pursuant to Article VI, Section 602(A) of the Orange County Charter, and the Orange County Supervisor of Elections is hereby directed to present the proposed Petition to the Orange County electorate and place the below-described ballot question on the next primary, general or special election occurring at least 45 days after the adoption of this resolution. The Board further authorizes the cost of such referendum and the cost of communicating factual information regarding the proposed Petition to the public, to the extent permitted by section 106.113, Florida Statutes, to be paid from the general funds of the county and directs the county mayor to prepare and effect such budget transfers as may be necessary for that purpose.

Section 2. Ballot Title and Question. The substance of the title and measure on the ballot shall read as follows:

Title:

MOVING COUNTYWIDE CHARTER OFFICE ELECTIONS AND MAKING ALL
CHARTER OFFICE ELECTIONS PARTISAN

Question:

Shall the Orange County Charter be amended to move elections for all Charter offices elected countywide to 2016 and every four years thereafter, abbreviate the term of any office as necessary to comply with this provision, change all Charter office elections from nonpartisan to partisan elections and eliminate procedures required for nonpartisan elections?

_____ Yes

_____ No

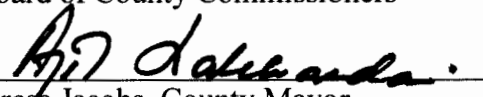
The ballot title and question shall also appear on the ballot in Spanish, which Spanish version has been prepared by the Petition sponsor, and the Orange County Supervisor of Elections is requested, authorized and directed to include the Spanish version on the ballots distributed to county voters.

Section 3. Severability. If any clause, section or provision of this resolution shall be declared unconstitutional or invalid for any reason or cause, the remaining portion of said resolution shall be in full force and effect and be valid as if such invalid portion thereof had not been incorporated herein.

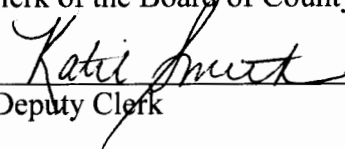
Section 4. Effective Date. This Resolution shall take effect upon the date of its adoption.

ADOPTED THIS 29th DAY OF JULY, 2014.

ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA
By: Board of County Commissioners

BY: 
Teresa Jacobs, County Mayor

ATTEST: Martha O. Haynie, County Comptroller
As Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners

BY: 
Deputy Clerk

