## ORDINANCE NO. 186253

An ordinance amending Article 9.7, Chapter IV of the Los Angeles Municipal Code to revise the City's public matching funds program for City candidates.

## THE PEOPLE OF THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES DO ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Sections 49.7.9.E and F of the Los Angeles Municipal Code are amended to read as follows:

E. Following an election, a candidate who is elected to City office and made a personal loan to the candidate's controlled committees for elected City office shall not repay the loan from those committees in excess of the limitations on personal funds in Section 49.7.23.C.5.

F. An elected City officer who was a participating candidate and made a personal loan to the candidate's controlled committees for elected City office shall not repay the loan from those committees if the candidate exceeded an applicable spending limit before the limit was lifted.

Sec. 2. Section 49.7.15.A of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

A. In addition to the information required by state law, every person identified in Subsection C shall file with the Ethics Commission, concurrently with the filing of the Declaration of Intent to Solicit and Receive Contributions, every non-governmental email address, website, and social media account the person maintains to communicate regarding City elections.

Sec. 3. Section 49.7.23.C.1.a of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

1. The candidate and the candidate's controlled committee received qualified contributions that meet the following criteria:

a. The contributions meet or exceed the following aggregate amounts:

i. For City Council candidates, an amount equal to 100 times the maximum per-contributor amount in Section 49.7.27;

ii. For City Attorney and Controller candidates, an amount equal to 150 times the maximum per-contributor amount in Section 49.7.27;

iii. For Mayoral candidates, an amount equal to 300 times the maximum, per-contributor amount in Section 49.7.27.

Loans, pledges, and non-monetary contributions do not count toward the thresholds.

Sec. 4. Section 49.7.23.C.6 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

6. The candidate has either participated in a debate with one or more opponents or, if no opponent agrees to debate, conducted a town hall meeting with the public.

Sec. 5. This ordinance shall not apply to any election for which the time specified for candidates to file a Declaration of Intent to Become a Candidate with the City Clerk has already commenced or opened

Sec. 6. The City Clerk shall certify to the passage of this ordinance and have it published in accordance with Council policy, either in a daily newspaper circulated in the City of Los Angeles or by posting for ten days in three public places in the City of Los Angeles: one copy on the bulletin board located at the Main Street entrance to the Los Angeles City Hall; one copy on the bulletin board located at the Main Street entrance to the entrance to the Los Angeles City Hall East; and one copy on the bulletin board located at the Temple Street entrance to the Los Angeles County Hall of Records.

Approved as to Form and Legality

MICHA	EL N. FEUER, City Attorney
Ву	Renet Mach
	Assistant City Attorney
Date _	May 8, 2019

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The Clerk of the City of Los Angeles hereby certifies that the foregoing ordinance was passed by the Council of the City of Los Angeles.

CITY CLERK

MAYOR

Ordinance Passed07/30/2019

Approved <u>08/12/2019</u>

Ordinance Effective Date: 09/24/2019 Council File No.: 12-1269-S5

## **DECLARATION OF POSTING ORDINANCE**

I, <u>Ottavia Smith</u> state as follows: I am, and was at all times hereinafter mentioned, a resident of the State of California, over the age of eighteen years, and a Deputy City Clerk of the City of Los Angeles, California.

**Ordinance No.** <u>186253</u> - a copy of which is hereto attached, was finally adopted by the Los Angeles City Council on <u>07/30/2019</u>, and under the direction of said City Council and the City Clerk, pursuant to Section 251 of the Charter of the City of Los Angeles and Ordinance No. 172959, I conspicuously posted a true copy of said ordinance at each of the three public places located in the City of Los Angeles, California, as follows: 1) one copy on the bulletin board located at the Main Street entrance to the Los Angeles City Hall; 2) one copy on the bulletin board located at the Main Street entrance to the Los Angeles City Hall; 3) one copy on the bulletin board located at the Temple Street entrance to the Los Angeles County Hall of Records beginning on

**<u>08/14/2019</u>** and will be continuously posted for ten or more days.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Deputy Clerk

Date: 08/14/2019

Ordinance Effective Date: 09/24/2019

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