

ORDINANCE NO. _____

An ordinance establishing the fees and bond requirements related to recounts of ballots cast at City elections pursuant to Subsection (d) of Section 406 of the Los Angeles City Charter and Subsection (e) of Section 1400 of the Los Angeles City Election Code.

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

Section 1. Ordinance No. 182476 is hereby repealed.

Sec. 2. **Fees for Election Recounts – Manual Recounts.** The fee to recount ballots manually in connection with any municipal election of the City of Los Angeles or any election of any other jurisdiction that is conducted by the City of Los Angeles shall be \$9,246.00 per day plus \$0.17 for each ballot recounted manually.

Sec. 3. **Fees for Election Recounts – Electronic Recounts.** The fee to recount ballots electronically in connection with any municipal election of the City of Los Angeles or any election of any other jurisdiction that is conducted by the City of Los Angeles shall be a one-time fee of \$1,999.00 for the cost of setup. In addition, a fee of \$0.14 shall be charged for each ballot recounted electronically.

Sec. 4. **Bond Requirements.** The person requesting the recount shall deposit or otherwise transmit a bond or cash deposit to the City before the recount commences. For manual recounts, the bond amount shall cover the initial costs of the recount process and at the beginning of each day the recount continues to cover the costs of the recount for that day. For electronic recounts, the bond shall cover the one time fee for the costs of set up and at the beginning of each day the recount continues to cover the costs of the recount ballots for that day. The bond or cash deposit shall be in an amount calculated based on the fee required by Section 2 or Section 3 of this ordinance, depending on whether a manual or electronic recount is requested, and the number of ballots the City Clerk expects to be recounted on that day.

Sec. 5. 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 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.

I hereby certify that the foregoing ordinance was passed by the Council of the City of Los Angeles, at its meeting of _____.

HOLLY L. WOLCOTT, City Clerk

By _____ Deputy

Approved _____

Mayor

Approved as to Form and Legality

MICHAEL N. FEUER, City Attorney

By  _____
HARIT U. TRIVEDI
Deputy City Attorney

Date 12/4/14

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