

**RESOLUTION 2007 - 29**

**A RESOLUTION SETTING PROCEDURES FOR THE JUNE 26, 2007 SPECIAL ELECTION FOR THE CITIZENS' CITY REFERENDUM NUMBER 1**

**WHEREAS**, there have been referendum petitions filed by citizens in Bluffdale, Utah challenging Ordinances 2006-06, 2006-07, 2006-08 and 2006-09, and both petitions have been certified by the County Clerk as having obtained enough signatures to be placed on the ballot for a vote;

**WHEREAS**, the city council of Bluffdale City has previously expressed its will and consent that the citizens be provided an opportunity to vote on the referendum on June 26, 2007, which is the fourth Tuesday in June, rather than waiting until the next municipal general election;

**WHEREAS**, Utah Code Ann. § 20A-7-402(1) provides that a “municipality that is the subject of an initiative or referenda shall prepare a local voter information pamphlet”;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the city council of Bluffdale City, Utah that the City Recorder of Bluffdale City shall prepare a local voter information pamphlet pursuant to the guidelines set forth in Utah Code Ann. § 20A-7-402(2) and as follows:

1. The arguments for and against referenda shall conform to the following requirements:

(a) Persons wishing to prepare arguments for and against the referendum shall file a request with the City Council at least 45 days before the election at which the proposed measure is to be voted upon (*i.e.*, May 14, 2007);

(b) If more than one person or group requests the opportunity to prepare arguments for or against any measure, the governing body shall make the final designation according to the following criteria:

(i) sponsors have priority in making the argument in favor of overturning the ordinances challenged by the referendum; and

(ii) members of the local legislative body have priority over others

2 The arguments in favor of overturning the challenged ordinances shall be prepared by the sponsors, but not more than five names shall appear as sponsors.

3 The arguments against overturning the challenged ordinances shall be prepared by opponents from among the City Council, if any, or from among voters requesting permission of the City Council to prepare these arguments.

4. The arguments may not exceed 500 words in length.
5. The arguments supporting and opposing the challenged ordinances shall be filed with the City Recorder not less than 30 days before the election at which they are to be voted upon (*i.e.*, May 28, 2007).
6. The local voter information pamphlet shall include a copy of the initial fiscal impact estimate if such an estimate is prepared.
7. In preparing the local voter information pamphlet, the City Recorder shall:
  - a. Ensure that the arguments are printed on the same sheet of paper upon which the proposed measure is also printed;
  - b. Ensure that the following statement is printed on the front cover or the heading of the first page of the printed arguments: "The arguments for or against the ordinances challenged by the referendum are the opinions of the authors."
8. The City shall pay for the printing and binding of the local voter information pamphlet.
9. The City Recorder shall distribute the pamphlets either by mail not less than eight (8) days before the election at which the measures are to be voted upon.
10. If the submitted argument exceeds 500 words in length, the City Recorder shall summarize the argument in 500 words or less. The summary shall state where a complete copy of the argument is available for public review.
11. This resolution shall become effective immediately upon passage.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 10th day of April, 2007.



BLUFFDALE CITY:

  
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Mayor Claudia Anderson

Attest:

  
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Teddie Bell, City Recorder

**Voting:**

	<u>AYE</u>	<u>NAY</u>
Council Member Speed	<u>  x  </u>	<u>      </u>
Council Member Maxwell	<u>  x  </u>	<u>      </u>
Council Member Kelley	<u>      </u>	<u>      </u>
Council Member Lord	<u>      </u>	<u>      </u>
Council Member Briggs	<u>  x  </u>	<u>      </u>