RESOLUTION NO. 2026-039

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RANCHO CUCAMONGA, CALIFORNIA, ADOPTING REGULATIONS FOR CANDIDATES FOR ELECTIVE OFFICE PERTAINING TO CANDIDATE STATEMENTS SUBMITTED TO THE VOTERS FOR THE NOVEMBER 3, 2026 ELECTION

WHEREAS, Section 13307 of the Elections Code of the State of California provides that the governing body of any city may adopt a charge against candidates pertaining to materials prepared by any candidate for the municipal election, including costs of the candidates' statement.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RANCHO CUCAMONGA, CAIFORNIA, DOES HEREBY RESOLVE, DECLARE, DETERMINE, AND ORDER AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. General Provisions. That pursuant to Section 13307 of the Elections Code of the State of California, each candidate for elective office to be voted for at the General Municipal Election to be held in the City of Rancho Cucamonga on November 3, 2026, may prepare a candidate statement on an appropriate form provided by the City Clerk Services Director. Such statement may include the candidate's name, age, and occupation and a brief description of no more than 200 words of the candidate's education and qualifications expressed by the candidate. Such statement shall not include any party affiliation of the candidate nor membership or activity in partisan political organizations. Such statement shall be filed in the Office of the City Clerk at the time the candidate's nomination papers are filed. Such statement may be withdrawn, but not changed, during the period for filing nomination papers and until 5:00 p.m. of the next working day after the close of the nomination period.

Section 2. Additional Materials. No candidate will be permitted to include additional materials in the voter information guide.

Section 3. Foreign Language Policy. Pursuant to the Federal Voting Rights Act, candidate statement will be translated into all languages required by the County of San Bernardino.

The County will mail separate sample ballots and candidate statements in the required languages to only those voters who are on the county voter file as having requested a sample ballot in a particular language. The County will make the sample ballots and candidates' statements in the required language available at all polling places, on the County's website, and in the Election Official's office.

Section 4. Payment. The City Clerk Services Director shall estimate the total cost of printing, handling, translating and mailing the candidate's statements filed pursuant to the Elections Code, including costs incurred as a result of complying with the Voting Rights Act of 1965 (as amended), and require each candidate filing a statement to pay in advance their pro-rata share as a condition of having their statement included in the voter's pamphlet. The estimate is just an approximation of the actual cost that varies from one election to another election and may be significantly more or less than the estimate, depending upon the actual number of candidates filing statements. Accordingly, the City Clerk Services Director is not bound by the estimate and may, on a pro-rata basis, bill the candidate for additional actual expense or refund any excess paid depending on the final cost. In the event of underpayment, the City Clerk Services Director may require the candidate to pay the balance of the cost incurred. In the event of overpayment, the City Clerk Services Director shall prorate the excess amount among the candidates and refund the excess amount paid.

Section 5. That the City Clerk Services Director shall provide each candidate or the candidates' representative a copy of this Resolution at the time nominating papers are issued.

Section 6. All previous Resolutions establishing Council policy on payment for candidate statements are repealed.

Section 7. This Resolution shall apply only to the election to be held on November 3, 2026, and shall then be repealed.

PASSED, APPROVED, and ADOPTED this 3rd day of June, 2026.

L. Dennis Michael, Mayor

ATTEST:

for Kim Sevy, City Clerk

STATE OF CALIFORNIA)

COUNTY OF SAN BERNARDINO) ss

CITY OF RANCHO CUCAMONGA)

I, Kim Sevy, City Clerk of the City of Rancho Cucamonga, do hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was duly passed, approved, and adopted by the City Council of the City of Rancho Cucamonga, at a Regular Meeting of said Council held on the 3rd day of June, 2026.

AYES:	Hutchison, Kennedy, Michael, Scott, Stickler
NOES:	None
ABSENT:	None
ABSTAINED:	None

Executed this 4th day of June, 2026, at Rancho Cucamonga, California.

for Kim Sevy, City Clerk