

BILL NO. 21-181

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 12, ELECTIONS, ARTICLE I. IN GENERAL, SECTION 12-2. FILING DATES OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES FOR THE CITY OF LEE'S SUMMIT, MISSOURI TO COMPLY WITH CHANGES IN STATE LAW.

WHEREAS, HB 271 was signed into law by Governor Parsons and took effect August 28, 2021; and,

WHEREAS, HB 271 amends the candidate filing dates for local elections and the date the public must receive notice of certain candidate filing information; and,

WHEREAS, Section 12-2 Filing Dates of the Code of Ordinances for the City of Lee's Summit needs updated to comply with the changes in state law.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LEE'S SUMMIT, MISSOURI, as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 12-2. Filing Dates of Article I. In General, of Chapter 12, Elections, of the Code of Ordinances for the City of Lee's Summit be amended to insert the underlined, bolded language and delete the crossed-out language:

"Sec. 12-2. - Filing dates.

- A. Candidates for any elective office of the City shall file a declaration of their candidacy with the City Clerk of the City between the times provided below:
 - 1. The opening filing date for an elective office of the City shall be 8:00 a.m. on the **seventeenth (17th)** ~~sixteen (16th)~~ Tuesday prior to the election for such office.
 - 2. The closing filing date for an elective office of the City shall be 5:00 p.m. on the **fourteenth (14th)** ~~eleventh (11th)~~ Tuesday prior to the election.
- B. The City Clerk shall, before the **seventeenth (17th)** ~~sixteen (16th)~~ Tuesday prior to any election at which offices are to be filled, notify the general public of the opening filing date, the office or offices to be filled, the proper place for filing and the closing filing date of the election. Such notification shall be accomplished by legal notice published in one newspaper of general circulation in the City.
- C. Candidates wishing to withdraw their declaration of candidacy must do so by the closing date set up in Subsection A.2. above."

SECTION 2. This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after the date of its passage, adoption, and approval by the Mayor.

SECTION 3. Should any section, sentence, or clause of this Ordinance be declared invalid or unconstitutional, such declaration shall not affect the validity of the remaining sections, sentences or clauses.

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PASSED by the City Council of the City of Lee's Summit, Missouri, this _____ day of _____, 2021.

ATTEST:

Mayor *William A. Baird*

City Clerk *Trisha Fowler Arcuri*

APPROVED by the Mayor of said city this _____ day of _____, 2021.

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APPROVED AS TO FORM:

City Attorney *Brian W. Head*