RESOLUTION NO. 2024-35

OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE GEORGETOWN DIVIDE PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT CALLLING FOR A GENERAL DISTRICT ELECTION TO BE HELD TO BE HELD ON NOVEMBER 5, 2024 FOR THE ELECTION OF TWO DIRECTORS, AND REQUESTING THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF EL DORADO CONSOLIDATE THE GENERAL ELECTION WITH THE STATEWIDE GENERAL ELECTION TO BE CONDUCTED ON THAT SAME DAY

WHEREAS, a General District Election is to be held on November 5, 2024, for the purpose of electing persons to two (2) seats on the Georgetown Divide Public Utility District Board of Directors; and

WHEREAS, it is desirable that the General District Election be consolidated with the Statewide General Election to be held on the same date and that within the District the precincts, polling places and election officers of the two elections be the same, and that the Election Department of the County of El Dorado canvass the returns of the General District Election and that the election be held in all respects as if there were only one election.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE GEORGETOWN DIVIDE PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. <u>Calling of the General District Election</u>. Pursuant to the requirements of the laws of the State of California relating to district elections, there shall be, and there is hereby called and ordered held in the Georgetown Divide Public Utility District within the County of El Dorado, State of California, on November 5, 2024, a general district election of the qualified electors of the Georgetown Divide Public Utility District, for the purpose of electing two (2) members of the Board of Directors for a full term of four (4) years each. The general district election shall be held and conducted as provided for by law.

SECTION 2. <u>Consolidation of the Election</u>. The Board of Directors hereby requests the El Dorado County Board of Supervisors to consolidate the general district election with the Statewide General Election to be conducted on Tuesday, November 5, 2024, as provided in Elections Code section 10500 et seq., including section 10418. The election hereby consolidated shall be held in all respects as if there were only one election, and only one form of ballot shall be used.

SECTION 3. <u>Election Related Services</u>. Pursuant to Elections Code section 10002, the District requests and authorizes the El Dorado County elections official to provide the services necessary to implement the election and to consolidate the election on the November 5, 2024 Election Ballot for the County of El Dorado. Such services include the publication of notices calling the election, provision of voter lists, obtaining and staffing polling places, hiring and training of precinct workers, provision and delivery of precinct supplies, provision of microfiche of voters and poll locations, if desired, counting of ballots and certification of the election, and all other aspects of elections not specified herein that may be agreed upon between the County Clerk and the Board Secretary.

SECTION 4. <u>Instructions</u>. The Board of Supervisors is requested to issue instructions to the County Election Department to take any and all steps necessary for the holding of the consolidated election.

SECTION 5. Candidate's Statement. Pursuant to Elections Code section 13307, each candidate for elective office to be voted for at the General District Election may prepare a candidate's statement on an appropriate form provided by the Elections official. Such statement may include the name, age and occupation of the candidate and a brief description of no more than 200 words of the candidate's education and qualifications expressed by the candidate himself or herself. Such statement shall not include party affiliation of the candidate, nor membership or activity in partisan political organizations. Such statement shall be filed in typewritten form in the office of the Elections official 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. No candidate will be permitted to include additional materials in the voter information guide. Pursuant to the Voting Rights Act of 1965, candidate statements will be translated into all languages required by the County of El Dorado. The candidate shall be required to pay for the cost of translating the candidate statement into any foreign language pursuant to Federal and/or State law. The candidate shall be required to pay for the cost of translating the candidate statement into any foreign language that is not required by Federal or State law, but is requested as an option by the candidate.

SECTION 6. Payment. The Elections official shall estimate the total cost of printing, handling, translating, and mailing the candidates' statements filed pursuant to the Elections Code and pursuant to the Voting Rights Act of 1965, as amended, and require each candidate filing a statement to pay in advance to the District his or her pro rata share as a condition of having his or her statement included in the voter's pamphlets. An approximation of actual cost varies from one election to another and may be significantly more or less than the estimate, depending on the actual number of candidates filing statements. Accordingly, the Elections official is not bound by the estimate and may, on a pro rata basis, bill candidates for additional actual expense or refund any excess paid depending on the final actual cost. In the event of underpayment, the Elections official shall require the candidate to pay the balance of the cost incurred. In the event of overpayment, the Elections official shall prorate the excess amount among the candidates and refund the excess amount paid within 30 days of the election or upon receipt of County billing.

SECTION 7. <u>District's Reimbursement of Costs</u>. The Georgetown Divide Public Utility District shall reimburse the County of El Dorado for all costs and expenses incurred by the County in conducting said election upon presentation of a bill to the District.

SECTION 8. Forwarding of Resolution to the County. The Board Secretary is authorized and directed to file a copy of this Resolution with the Board of Supervisors and the County Clerk upon its adoption by the Board of Directors.

SECTION 9. <u>Implementation Actions</u>. The Board Secretary is authorized and directed to take such further actions and execute such documents as are necessary to cause the election to be conducted on behalf of the Georgetown Divide Public Utility District.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Directors of the Georgetown Divide Public Utility District at a meeting of said Board held on the 2ND day of May 2024, by the following vote:

AYES: Saunders, Stovall, Thornbrough, Seaman and MacDonald

NOES: None

ABSENT/ABSTAIN: None

Mitch MacDonald, President, Board of Directors
GEORGETOWN DIVIDE PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT

Attest:

Nicholas Schneider, Clerk, and Ex officio

Secretary, Board of Directors

GEORGETOWN DIVIDE PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true, and correct copy of Resolution 2024-35 duly and regularly adopted by the Board of Directors of the Georgetown Divide Public Utility District, County of El Dorado, State of California, on this 2nd day of May 2024.

Nichølas Schneider, Clerk, and Ex officio

Secretary, Board of Directors

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