RESOLUTION NO. 3979

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COALINGA CALLING FOR A MUNICIPAL ELECTION TO SUBMIT TO THE VOTERS A LOCAL BALLOT MEASURE TRANSITIONING THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK FROM AN ELECTED POSITION TO AN APPOINTED POSITION

WHEREAS, the City Council deems it advisable to submit to the voters a ballot measure to transition the position of the City Clerk from an elected position to an appointed position pursuant to California Government Code section 36508; and

WHEREAS, the City Council is authorized to request an order that the ballot measure election be consolidated with other elections to be held on the same day and in the same territory (California Elections Code 10400 et seq.); and

WHEREAS, it is desirable that said ballot measure election be consolidated with the statewide general election to be held November 3, 2020; that within the City, the precincts, polling places, and election officers for the two elections be the same; that the Board of Supervisors canvass the returns of the City ballot measure election; and said City ballot measure election be held in all respects as if there were only one election;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COALINGA:

- 1. <u>Call for Election</u>. The City Council hereby calls a municipal election on November 3, 2020 for the purpose of submitting to the voters a ballot measure to approve transition the position of the City Clerk from an elected position to an appointed position.
- 2. <u>Form of Measure</u>. The exact form of the measure to be voted upon shall appear on the ballot as follows:

Shall the office of city clerk be appointive?	Yes
	No

The measure shall be designated on the ballot by a letter printed assigned by the County on the left margin of the square containing the description of the measure, as provided in California Election Code Section 13116.

- 3. <u>Transmission to the City Attorney</u>. The City Clerk is directed, pursuant to Elections Code Section 9280, to transmit a copy of the measure to the City Attorney for the purpose of preparing an impartial analysis of the measure.
- 4. <u>Full Text of the Measure</u>. The full text of the "Ordinance of the City of Coalinga Transitioning the City Clerk Position to an Appointed Position," will be available at no cost, from the City Clerk's Office or on the City's website: www.coalinga.com. A statement about how to obtain the full text of the Ordinance will be included in the Voter Information Pamphlet below the Impartial Analysis.
- 5. <u>Consolidation of Election</u>. The City Council requests that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Fresno, State of California order the consolidation of the election in the City of Coalinga to be held on November 3, 2020, with any other election(s) to be held on the same date, under California Election Code Sections 10400 et seq.

- 6. <u>Deadline for Submittal of Arguments</u>. Pursuant to the Elections Code of the State of California the county elections official "... shall fix and determine a reasonable date prior to the election after which no arguments for or against any county measure may be submitted for printing and distribution to the voters ..." (Elections Code 9163). Once the final deadline is determined by the County, arguments for and against shall not to exceed 300 words and sent to the City Clerk for transmittal to the County Registrar of Voters is hereby set for August 17, 2020 at 4:00 p.m. The provisions of this Section shall apply only to the election to be held on November 3, 2020 and shall then be repealed.
- 7. <u>Conduct of the Election</u>. The consolidated election shall be held and conducted, election officers appointed, voting precincts designated, ballots printed, polls opened and closed, ballots counted and returned, returns canvassed, results declared, certificates of election issued, and all other proceedings incidental to and connected with the election shall be regulated and done by the County Clerk in accordance with the provisions of law regulating a regularly scheduled election. The Board of Supervisors is hereby requested to issue all officers of the County charged with duties pertaining to the November 3, 2020 election instructions to take any and all steps necessary for the holding of such consolidated election. (California Elections Code 10418.)
- 8. <u>Costs</u>. The City will reimburse the County for the actual cost incurred in conducting the election upon receipt of a bill stating the amount due as determined by the Election Official.
- **9**. **Filing with County**. The City Clerk is directed to file with the Board of Supervisors and the County Clerk of Fresno County certified copies of this resolution.

The foregoing resolution was adopted by the City Council of the City of Coalinga at a regular meeting held on this **18th day of June**, **2020**, by the following vote:

AYES:	
NOES:	
ABSTAIN:	
ABSENT:	APPROVED:
ATTEST:	Ron Lander, Mayor
Shannon Jensen, City Clerk	