



## REQUEST FOR ACTION CITY COUNCIL

Agenda Date: 7/5/2022  
Agenda Section: Consent Agenda

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**Department Origination:** Administration

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**Agenda Item:** Appoint Election Judges for the August 9, 2022, Primary Election and November 8, 2022, General Election

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**Approval Required:** Simple Majority Vote

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### **BACKGROUND**

The council must appoint election judges for the August 9, 2022, Primary Election and November 8, 2022, General Election. Election judges for both elections can be appointed at the same time. The city has the authority to appoint qualified individuals, including those not affiliated with a major political party, to be an election judge. Minnesota Statute 204B.21 requires municipalities to appoint election judges from the party lists submitted to the Secretary of State's office by May 1<sup>st</sup>. These party lists are provided to the municipalities. Baxter received a list of 22 individuals wishing to serve as an election judge. The individuals listed on the party list must be selected over past serving election judges.

Baxter election judges will assist voters at the following precinct locations: P1E – Lord of Life Church, P1W – Baxter City Hall, P2E – Heritage Church, and P2W – Lakewood Evangelical Free Church. Each precinct will be staffed with approximately ten judges and two head judges.

### **FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

Regular election judges will be compensated \$12 per hour and head judges will be compensated \$15 per hour. Election judge compensation has been included in the budget.

### **STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS**

Staff recommends the appointment of election judges for the Primary Election and General Election as on file in the city clerk's office and allow the city clerk the ability to make substitutions and additions as necessary to the election judge list in order to fulfil the needs of the elections.

### **COUNCIL ACTION REQUESTED**

Motion to approve the appointment of election judges for the August 9, 2022, Primary Election and November 8, 2022, General Election as on file in the city clerk's office and to allow the city clerk to make substitutions and additions to the list as necessary.