

STAFF REPORT

MEETING DATE:

December 11, 2024

PRESENTER: Josie Camacho, City Clerk

SUBJECT: Declaring the Results of the 2024 General Election (JC)

RECOMMENDATION: Council review the Fresno County Elections Office canvass for Mayor and City Council positions and take the following action:

- 1. By motion adopt resolution declaring the results of the 2024 General Election as certified by the Fresno County Elections Office; and
- 2. Council to recognize outgoing Council Members for their years of service; and
- 3. Authorize the swearing in and administration of the Oaths of Office and present the Mayor and Council Members with Certificates of Election.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The 2024 General Election was held on Tuesday, November 5, 2024. Pursuant to California Elections Code Section 10263 the Council shall declare the results and install the newly elected officers no later than the fourth Friday after the election or no later than the next regularly scheduled city council meeting following presentation of the 28-day canvass of the returns or at a special meeting called for this purpose to declare the results and to install the newly elected officers.

The final vote tallies of the 2024 General Election are included for the City Council's review in the form of the Elections Official Certificate of Canvass which is attached to the resolution declaring the results of the election. By adopting the resolution, the Council declares the results as specified in the Official Certificate of Canvas electing Maria Pacheco as Mayor for a two-year term, electing Council Members Berdie Hall, District 2 and Raj Dhaliwal, District 4 each for a four-year term.

FISCAL IMPACT

There is no fiscal impact for declaring the results of the 2024 General election other than staff time. The cost of holding the election, which has already occurred, is estimated to be approximately \$3,500.00

ATTACHMENTS:

- A. Resolution w/Exhibit
- B. Election Results

Attachment 'A'

RESOLUTION NO. 24-___

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF KERMAN DECLARING THE RESULTS OF THE NOVEMBER 5, 2024 ELECTION AS CERTIFIED BY THE FRESNO COUNTY ELECTIONS OFFICE AND AS REQUIRED BY LAW

WHEREAS, a consolidated General Municipal Election was duly called and held in the City on November 5, 2024; and

WHEREAS, under Section 10263 of the Elections Code, upon the completion of the canvass, and prior to the installation of officers, the City Council is required to adopt a resolution reciting the fact that the election was held and declaring the results of the election; and

WHEREAS, as required by Section 10263 of the Elections Code, the City desires to declare the results of the November 5, 2024, Municipal Election.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Kerman as follows:

- SECTION 1. A General Municipal Election was duly called and regularly held on November 5, 2024, and was conducted in accordance with all applicable laws. Notice of the election was given in time, form, and manner provided by law, that voting precincts were properly established; election officers were appointed and that in all respects the election was held and conducted and the votes were cast, received and canvassed and the returns mad and said declared in time, form, and matter as required by the provisions of the Elections Code of the State of California, for the holding of elections in general law cities.
- SECTION 2. The Fresno County Clerk/Registrar of Voters canvassed the returns of the November 5, 2024, election and the Elections Official has certified the results to the City Council. A copy of the certified results is attached as Exhibit 'A' and incorporated herein by reference as if fully set forth.
- SECTION 3. The whole number of votes (ballots) cast in the precincts except by mail voter ballots and provisional ballots was 1,022; the whole number of Vote by Mail voter ballots cast in the City was 3547; and making a total of 4569 ballots cast in the City.
- SECTION 4. The following persons appeared on the ballot for the full-term Mayor and received the respective votes noted:

Maria Pacheco	2,170 Votes
Katie Hernandez	1,269 Votes
Kevin Nehring	869 Votes

SECTION 5. The following person appeared on the ballot for full term member of the City Council District 2 and received the respective votes noted:

Berdie Hall

SECTION 6 The following person appeared on the ballot for full term member of the City Council District 4 and received the respective votes noted:

Raj Dhaliwal 967 Votes

SECTION 10. The City Council does declare and determine that:

- A. Maria Pacheco was elected as Mayor of the City for the full term of two (2) years.
- B. Berdie Hall was elected as a member of the City Council District 2 for the full term of four (4) years.
- C. Raj Dhaliwal was elected as a member of the City Council District 4 for the full term of four (4) years.
- SECTION 11. The City Clerk shall enter on the records of the City Council of the City, a copy of this resolution and **Exhibit 'A'** showing: (1) the whole number of votes cast in the City; (2) the names of the persons voted for; (3) for what office each person was voted for; (4) the number of votes given at each precinct to each person and for and against each measure; and (5) the total number of votes given to each person, in accordance with the provisions of Elections Code Section 10264.
- SECTION 12. The City Clerk shall immediately make and deliver to each of the persons so elected a Certificate of Election signed by the City Clerk and authenticated; shall cause to be administered to each person elected the Oath of Office prescribed in the Constitution of the State of California, and shall have them subscribe to it and file it in the office of the City Clerk. Each and all of the persons so elected shall then be inducted to the respective office to which he or she has been elected.
- SECTION 13. The City Clerk shall certify to the passage and adoption of this resolution and enter it into the book of original resolutions.

The foregoing resolution was introduced by the City Council to the City of Kerman at a regular meeting of said Council held on the 11th day of December 2024, and adopted by the following vote:

AYES: NOES: ABSENT: ABSTAIN: The foregoing resolution is hereby approved.

Mayor Maria Pacheco

ATTEST:

Josie Camacho City Clerk