## TOWN OF LOXAHATCHEE GROVES

155 F Road Loxahatchee Groves, FL 33470



TO: Town Council of Town of Loxahatchee Groves

FROM: Office of the Town Attorney

VIA: Francine Ramaglia, Town Manager

DATE: September 3, 2024

SUBJECT: Approval of *Ordinance No. 2024-12* on First Reading – Regarding Qualifying Dates

## **Background:**

Subsection 166.021(4), Florida Statutes, and subsection 100.3605(2), Florida Statutes, allow a municipality to change the dates for qualifying and the dates for the election of members of a governing body by ordinance. Election qualifying periods are based on the dates of the election and direction from the Palm Beach County Supervisor of Elections. To meet these timeframes, the election qualifying periods are during hurricane season. From time to time the qualifying periods need to be extended due to storm occurrences that require Town Hall be closed. The proposed Ordinance establishes the election qualifying period for the Town's municipal elections and authorizes the extension thereof in the event of a declared emergency.

## **Recommendation:**

Move that Town Council approve *Ordinance No. 2024-12* regarding election qualifying dates on first reading.