

**SPECIAL ELECTION
PROCLAMATION AND NOTICE OF ELECTION**

Under and by virtue of the Statutes of the State of Oklahoma and acts complimentary, supplementary and enacted pursuant thereto, and Ordinance No. O-2122-46 dated May 24, 2022, authorizing the calling of an election on the Propositions hereinafter set forth, I, the undersigned Mayor of the City of Norman, Oklahoma, hereby call a special election and give notice thereof to be held in the City of Norman, Oklahoma, on the 23rd day of August, 2022, for the purpose of submitting to the registered qualified voters in said City the following Propositions:

PROPOSITION 1

Shall Section 1 of Article II of the Charter of the City of Norman be amended to increase the annual stipend for the Mayor from a maximum of \$1,200 to \$8,100 beginning in 2025 and for Councilmembers from a maximum of \$1,200 to \$5,400 beginning in 2025 and providing for a Compensation Commission to be appointed to determine any future increases every three years based on the consumer price index, the City's budget, and other relevant factors, as more particularly described in Ordinance O-2122-45?

The ballot used at said election shall set out the Proposition as above set forth and shall also contain the words:

- ☐ YES - FOR THE PROPOSITION
- ☐ NO - AGAINST THE PROPOSITION

PROPOSITION 2

Shall Sections 2, 5, 6, and 14 of Article II of the Charter of the City of Norman be amended to increase Councilmember terms from two to three years beginning with terms in 2026; to change the beginning of Councilmember and Mayoral terms from the first Tuesday of July to the first Tuesday following scheduled run-off elections beginning in 2025 for the Councilmember positions and 2028 for the Mayor position; and to require those seeking election to a Councilmember position be residents of the ward for which they seek office for six months; and providing exceptions when ward boundaries are changed, as more particularly described in Ordinance O-2122-45?

The ballot used at said election shall set out the Proposition as above set forth and shall also contain the words:

- ☐ YES - FOR THE PROPOSITION
- ☐ NO - AGAINST THE PROPOSITION

PROPOSITION 3

Shall Section 22 of Article II of the Charter of the City of Norman be amended to clarify that vacancies on City Council that are filled by majority vote of the City Council are filled for the balance of the unexpired term of the vacant position, as more particularly described in Ordinance O-2122-45?

The ballot used at said election shall set out the Proposition as above set forth and shall also contain the words:

- ☐ YES - FOR THE PROPOSITION
- ☐ NO - AGAINST THE PROPOSITION

PROPOSITION 4

Shall Article V be added, and subsequent Articles be renumbered accordingly, to the Charter of the City of Norman to create the position of Municipal Auditor to be appointed by the City Council by at least an affirmative vote of five (5) members; to establish the City Auditor's employment status as an at-will employee; to provide a process for an interim City Auditor to be appointed in case of the absence or disability of the City Auditor; to provide a process for Councilmembers to request discussion and/or consideration of the removal or suspension of the City Auditor to be placed on the agenda of a regularly or specially scheduled meeting; and to describe the duties of the City Auditor, as more particularly described in Ordinance No. O-2122-45?

The ballot used at said election shall set out the Proposition as above set forth and shall also contain the words:

- ☐ YES - FOR THE PROPOSITION
- ☐ NO - AGAINST THE PROPOSITION

PROPOSITION 5

Shall Section 2 of Article VII of the Charter of the City of Norman be amended to change the City Attorney to an at-will employee hired by majority vote of the City Council instead of hired by the City Manager and confirmed by City Council; to provide a process for an interim City Attorney to be appointed in case of the absence or disability of the City Attorney; to provide a process for Councilmembers to request discussion and/or consideration of the removal or suspension of the City Attorney to be placed on the agenda of a regularly or specially scheduled meeting, as more particularly described in Ordinance O-2122-45?

The ballot used at said election shall set out the Proposition as above set forth and shall also contain the words:

- ☐ YES - FOR THE PROPOSITION
- ☐ NO - AGAINST THE PROPOSITION

PROPOSITION 6

Shall Section 1 of Article IX of the Charter of the City of Norman be amended to increase the number of board members for the Norman Regional Hospital Authority Board from nine to eleven and allowing for a maximum of two board members to be appointed from other communities in which Norman Regional Hospital Authority operates at least one facility, as more particularly described in Ordinance O-2122-45?

The ballot used at said election shall set out the Proposition as above set forth and shall also contain the words:

- ☐ YES - FOR THE PROPOSITION
- ☐ NO - AGAINST THE PROPOSITION

PROPOSITION 7

Shall Sections 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5 of Article XIII of the Charter of the City of Norman be amended to set forth a timeframe in which an elected municipal official can be recalled, to amend procedures to be consistent with State law, to provide additional time for review of recall petitions when a recall petition for Mayor or multiple petitions are undergoing inspection concurrently, to provide for a majority vote of remaining Councilmembers to take any action if there are more than four vacancies on Council as a result of a recall election, and to require City Council to call an election to fill any vacancy created by a successful recall for the next available election date, as more particularly described in Ordinance O-2122-45?

The ballot used at said election shall set out the Proposition as above set forth and shall also contain the words:

- ☐ YES - FOR THE PROPOSITION
- ☐ NO - AGAINST THE PROPOSITION

PROPOSITION 8

Shall Section 2 of Article XVI of the Charter of the City of Norman be amended to allow utility rate increases of no more than three percent to be adopted by City Council rather than by submittal to the registered voters of Norman, but only after a rate study and review by an appointed Utility Rate Commission having a representative appointed from each ward and one at-large, as more particularly described in Ordinance O-2122-45?

The ballot used at said election shall set out the Proposition as above set forth and shall also contain the words:

- ☐ YES - FOR THE PROPOSITION
- ☐ NO - AGAINST THE PROPOSITION

PROPOSITION 9

Shall Sections 2, 3, 4, and 5 of Article XX of the Charter of the City of Norman be amended to modify the deadlines and process for the Reapportionment Ad Hoc Committee to review census data and reapportion wards to be more similar to the State's timeline for modifying precinct boundaries, and to limit Council action on the recommendations of the Reapportionment Ad Hoc Committee to either 1) adopt proposed ward boundaries without modification, 2) reject proposed boundaries, or 3) refer the proposed boundaries back to the Committee for further consideration, as more particularly described in Ordinance O-2122-45?

The ballot used at said election shall set out the Proposition as above set forth and shall also contain the words:

- ☐ YES - FOR THE PROPOSITION
- ☐ NO - AGAINST THE PROPOSITION

That only the registered qualified voters of the City of Norman, Oklahoma, may vote upon the Propositions as above set forth.

The polls shall be opened at 7:00 o'clock a.m. and shall remain open continuously until and be closed at 7:00 p.m.

The special election shall be held at the same places and in the same manner prescribed by law for conducting county and state elections and the numbers and locations of the polling places and the persons who shall conduct said election shall be the same as for county and state elections, all as respectively designated and prescribed by the County Election Board of Cleveland County, Oklahoma.

WITNESS my hand as Mayor of the City of Norman, Oklahoma, and the Seal of said City affixed hereto on the 24th day of May, 2022.

Mayor

(SEAL)

ATTEST:

City Clerk