



RESOLUTION NO. 1668-2026

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RIO DELL ORDERING AND CALLING A GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION TO FILL THREE CITY COUNCIL SEATS; REQUESTING AND CONSENTING TO CONSOLIDATION OF THE MUNICIPAL ELECTION WITH THE GENERAL ELECTION TO BE HELD ON NOVEMBER 3, 2026; REQUESTING THE SERVICES OF THE HUMBOLDT COUNTY REGISTRAR OF VOTERS; PROVIDING FOR THE NOTICE OF ELECTION; AND ADOPTING UNIFORM POLICIES ABOUT CANDIDATE STATEMENTS AND FEES

WHEREAS, the term of three (3) members of the City of Rio Dell City Council is due to expire and the positions must be filled; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has ordered a Municipal Election to be held on Tuesday, November 3, 2026, to fill those offices; and

WHEREAS, the California Elections Code Section 10002 and 10400 provides that the local governing body may request the Humboldt County Board of Supervisors to consolidate a general municipal election with the statewide general election; and

WHEREAS, the California Election Code Section 10002 requires the City to reimburse the County in full for the services performed upon presentation of a bill to the City by the County Elections Official; and

WHEREAS, the California Election Code Section 13307 requires that before the nominating period opens the City Council must determine whether a charge shall be levied against each candidate submitting a candidate's statement to be sent to the voters; and may determine whether the estimate must be paid in advance; and

WHEREAS, California Elections Code Section 12101 requires the publication of a notice of election; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Rio Dell is desirous of having the County of Humboldt Elections Department/Registrar of Voters provide certain

services for the conduct of the general election to include the Rio Dell City Council election to be held on November 3, 2026.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RIO DELL, CALIFORNIA that an election be held in accordance with the following specifications:

1. The City Council hereby calls for a general municipal election in and for the City of Rio Dell. The Election shall be held on Tuesday, November 3, 2026. The purpose of the election is to choose successors for the three (3) expired 4-year terms on the Rio Dell City Council.
2. The Rio Dell City Council hereby requests and consents to the consolidation of this election with the statewide general election to be held on November 3, 2026.
3. The City Council hereby requests the Humboldt County Board of Supervisors to authorize the County of Humboldt Elections Department to conduct the general election to include the City Council election for the City of Rio Dell on November 3, 2026, including the publishing of all election materials, the mailing of sample ballots, the hiring of election officers, and the counting of ballots with the tally turned into the City Clerk of the City of Rio Dell for announcement of the results of the election.
4. The City hereby designates the hours of the polls to be kept open from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.
5. The City agrees to reimburse the County for the actual costs incurred in conducting the election upon receipt of a bill stating the amount due as determined by the election official.
6. The City Council has determined that upon submittal of a Candidate's Statement to be printed in the sample ballot, the candidate is responsible for the total cost for that printing as determined by the Humboldt County Election's Department; and that all costs are due and payable upon receipt of an invoice from the Election's Department to the City of Rio Dell. The Candidate's Statement is voluntary and is limited to 200 words.
7. The City Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to publish a Notice of Election at the appropriate time, no earlier than June 29th, 2026, and no later than July 13th, 2026.
8. Upon passage of this resolution, the City Clerk is hereby directed to send a certified copy to the County Board of Supervisors and Humboldt County Elections/Registrar of Voters.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 2nd day of June 2026 by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

Debra Garnes, Mayor

ATTEST:

I, Jessica Hill, City Clerk for the City of Rio Dell, State of California, hereby certify the above and preceding to be a full, true, and correct copy of Resolution No. 1668-2026 adopted by the City Council of the City of Rio Dell on June 2nd, 2026.

Jessica Hill
City Clerk, City of Rio Dell