



Wylie City Council

AGENDA REPORT

Department: City Secretary
Prepared By: City Secretary

Account Code: _____

Subject

Consider, and act upon, Ordinance No. 2024-41 authorizing the City Secretary, pursuant to state campaign finance law, to terminate the campaign treasurer appointments of inactive candidates or inactive political committees.

Recommendation

Motion to approve the Item as presented.

Discussion

This item takes advantage of Section 252.0131 of the Texas Election Code, which allows filing authorities to purge inactive campaign treasurer appointments. It is routinely done by the Texas Ethics Commission for state-level filers.

People who become candidates or form political committees may not be aware that state campaign finance law imposes ongoing filing requirements as long as a campaign treasurer appointment is on file. Deleting inactive appointments will protect the candidates and political committees from additional liability for potential fines that can build up over time. Inactive filings are also confusing to the public.

Letters will be sent to each affected candidate and/or political committee advising them of the proposed termination of the appointed campaign treasurer and offering them an opportunity to object to or offer comments regarding the termination. It will also include the date, time, and place of the meeting at which the City Council will consider the proposed termination as the City Council must consider and approve the proposed termination in a regularly scheduled open meeting. The termination of a campaign treasurer appointment takes effect on the 30th day after the date of the meeting at which the City Council votes to terminate the appointment.