

COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ABERDEEN
Ordinance No. 19-O-01

Date Introduced: February 11, 2019

Sponsored By: Councilwoman Sandra Landbeck and Councilman Timothy Lindecamp

Amendments Adopted: None

Public Hearing: February 25, 2019

Date Adopted: March 11, 2019

Date Effective: April 1, 2019

1 **AN ORDINANCE concerning**

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3 **REVISIONS TO CITY'S ELECTION LAWS**

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5 **FOR** the purpose of altering the time within which certificates of candidacy may be filed;
6 altering the time within which the Board of Elections must review certificates of candidacy and
7 the Ethics Commission must review certain financial disclosure forms; and matters generally
8 related to revisions to the City's election laws.
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10 **BY** repealing and re-enacting, with amendments
11 Chapter 36. ELECTIONS
12 Sections 36-2 and 36-3
13 Code of the City of Aberdeen (2010 Edition as amended)

EXPLANATION:

CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW

((Double Parenthesis)) indicate matter deleted from existing law.

Underlining indicates amendments to bill.

~~Strike-Out~~ indicates matter stricken from bill by amendment or deleted from the law by amendment.

* * * indicates existing unmodified text omitted from Ordinance

14 **SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF**
15 **ABERDEEN**, that Sections 36-2 and 36-3 of the Code of the City of Aberdeen (2010 Edition as
16 amended), Chapter 36, Elections, are repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as
17 follows:
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Chapter 36. ELECTIONS

§ 36-2. Review by Board of Elections.

Within ((72 hours after the filing of a certificate of candidacy, the)) FIVE BUSINESS DAYS AFTER THE LAST DAY FOR FILING CERTIFICATES OF CANDIDACY, THE Board of Elections shall review the ((certificate)) CERTIFICATES of candidacy to determine whether the ((candidate is)) CANDIDATES ARE eligible for election to the office which ((he/she)) EACH CANDIDATE seeks. WITHIN TEN BUSINESS DAYS AFTER LAST DAY FOR FILING A CERTIFICATE OF CANDIDACY, ((The)) THE Ethics Commission ((concurrently)) shall review ((the)) EACH candidate's financial disclosure form required by Chapter 43 of this Code and report its findings to the Board of Elections in that same time period. In the event that the Board shall find that the candidate is not eligible for election or that the candidate has not satisfactorily completed the financial disclosure form, the Board shall reject the certificate of candidacy and so advise the candidate.

§ 36-3. Time for submission of candidacy form.


Certificates of candidacy shall be properly completed and filed at Aberdeen City Hall with the City Clerk only or designee no later than 5:00 p.m. local time no earlier than ((65 calendar days prior to the election)) THE DAY AFTER LABOR DAY and no later than ((35 calendar)) NINE BUSINESS days ((prior to the election)) AFTER LABOR DAY. Should the closing day fall on a weekend, holiday or day that City Hall is closed, the last prior legal business day for the City of Aberdeen will be considered as the closing day. A candidate's financial disclosure form shall be filed within the time required by § 43-4B of this Code.

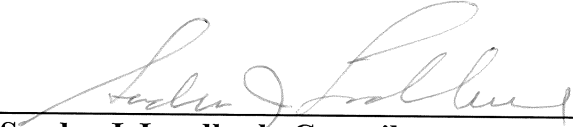
SECTION 3. BE IT FURTHER ENACTED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ABERDEEN that this Ordinance shall become effective at the expiration of twenty (20) calendar days following adoption.

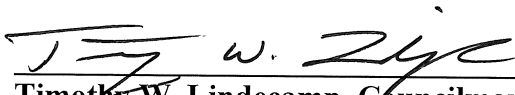
ADOPTED this 11th day of March, 2019.


COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ABERDEEN



Patrick L. McGrady, Mayor

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Timothy W. Lindecamp, Councilman

Melvin T. Taylor, Councilman

ATTEST:

SEAL:



Monica A. Correll, City Clerk

Date March 11, 2019