

## **HUGHSON FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT**

## **RESOLUTION NO. 2017-4**

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE HUGHSON FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT REQUESTING THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF STANISLAUS AUTHORIZE THE CONSOLIDATION OF DISTRICT ELECTIONS WITH THE STATEWIDE GENERAL ELECTIONS

WHEREAS, in September 2015, the Governor signed Senate Bill No. 415, which in most instances requires political subdivisions, including cities, school districts, community college districts, and other districts organized pursuant to state law, to move their elections for governing board members from odd-numbered years to even numbered years if their elections currently occur on odd-numbered years and have not historically met certain voter turnout requirements; and

WHEREAS, California Health & Safety Code § 13886 and California Elections Code § 10404 permit the Board of Directors of the Hughson Fire Protection District ("District") to change its election day with the approval of the Stanislaus County Board of Supervisors; and

WHEREAS, the District currently conducts its elections for members of the Board of Directors in November of odd-numbered years pursuant to Cal. Elections Code § 10505(c); and

WHEREAS, the District has not historically met the voter turnout requirements of Senate Bill No. 415, and it is the intent and desire of the Board of Directors of the District to provide its constituents with cost benefits, while promoting the increasingly efficient and effective use of government resources; and

WHEREAS, the District has been informed that there would be a cost savings for the District resulting from consolidating the District's elections with the statewide general elections; and

WHEREAS, as a result of the above facts, the District desires to change the date of future board member elections to be consolidated with the California statewide general election in order to save District monies and to provide greater voter input into District elections; and

WHEREAS, the rescheduled election cycle shall be achieved by scheduling Board member elections in 2017 and 2019 for a term of five (5) years. The subsequent Board member elections (2022 and 2024) shall be for a term of four (4) years; and

WHEREAS, if the change in election date is approved, it is requested that the new election date be moved from the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November of 2021 to the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November 2022.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

- 1. That the Board of Directors declares its intent to adopt this Resolution to consolidate the date of the District election with the date of the statewide general election in November in even-numbered years beginning in the year 2022 (Elections Code § 1001) as authorized under California Health & Safety Code § 13886.
- 2. That pursuant to the requirements of Elections Code § 10404(i), the terms of officeholders whose terms begin in 2017 and 2019 shall be extended until the next even year election following their current term expiration date.
- 3. That the District shall forward this Resolution to the Stanislaus County Board of Supervisors explaining the rationale for the Resolution and requesting formal approval of the change by the Board of Supervisors at a public meeting held within sixty (60) days after submission and after the Resolution has been posted in accordance with the law. (Elections Code § 10404(e).)
- 4. That pursuant to the requirements of Elections Code § 10404(f), the Registrar of Voters shall cause, at District expense, a notice to be mailed to all registered voters of the District informing them of the change of election date specified herein and of the resultant changes in terms of the elected officeholders.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** by the Board of Directors of the Hughson Fire Protection District on May 10, 2017 by the following vote:

Ayes, ABSHER, D., CAMAGNA, R., VILLARREAL, L.	
Noes, <u>\(\text{\tinit}}\\ \text{\tinit}\\ \text{\texitile}\text{\texi}\text{\text{\text{\text{\texi}\text{\texi{\text{\texi}\text{\texi{\text{\texi{\texi{\texi{\texi{\texi{\texi{\texi\texi{\texi{\texi{\tex{\texi}\texi{\texi{\texi{\texi{\texi{\texi{\texi{\texi{\tex</u>	
Absent, SERPA, J.	
President of the Board,	
Attest Secretary of the Board	