

IMPACT STATEMENT

Legislation title: Certify August 11, 2020 Municipal Special Election results, proclaim candidate elected (report)

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Purpose of proposed legislation and background information:

City Code 2.08.120 requires the City Elections Officer to proclaim to the City Council the candidates elected at each City election. This report provides the official results of the non-partisan municipal Special Election held August 11, 2020 in the City of Portland. Report data is generated from Multnomah, Clackamas, and Washington County certified abstracts of votes.

Note: Related to this item, there is one separate mayoral proclamation on the consent agenda proclaiming passage of measures 26-209, as required by City Code Section 2.04.160.

Financial and budgetary impacts:

There will be an item in the Fall BMP to cover costs related to this special election. In alignment with administrative rule (ADM 2.01) regarding special elections payment, General Funds will be sought to cover these costs for the City. Multnomah County Elections Office has communicated costs to be approximately \$700,000. A final invoice will be sent to the City by the end of September 2020.

Additional background: Portland City Council authorized this special election with Resolution No. 37472 following the death of Commissioner Nick Fish.

As opposed to regular elections held biennially throughout the City and state in May and November, special elections held outside these dates incur costs for the specific jurisdiction responsible for calling the election. These costs are shared across the ballot among jurisdictions depending on registered voter count and number of items appearing for voters. For this required special election, held according to the timeframes in Charter Section 2-206 following a vacancy in office, the City was the only jurisdiction on the ballot and must incur the total costs.

The City Auditor's Office works in conjunction with Multnomah County and acts as a pass-through for Citywide special elections expenses. The City of Portland was the only jurisdiction on the ballot, which increased costs. In addition, several factors related to holding an election during the City's response to the COVID-19 pandemic lead to additional expenses.

Community impacts and community involvement:

Except for the election itself, election results typically have no public involvement component. The results, along with the abstract of votes, will be posted on the elections website of the City Auditor.

100% Renewable Goal:
N/A

Budgetary Impact Worksheet

Does this action change appropriations?

- YES:** Please complete the information below.
 NO: Skip this section

Fund	Fund Center	Commitment Item	Functional Area	Funded Program	Grant	Sponsored Program	Amount