

RESOLUTION NO. 24-01

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE BELL CANYON COMMUNITY SERVICE DISTRICT, CALIFORNIA CALLING FOR A DISTRICT ELECTION FOR THE PURPOSE OF ELECTING THREE (3) MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS, AND REQUESTING THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF VENTURA TO CONSOLIDATE THE DISTRICT ELECTION TO BE HELD ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 2024, WITH THE STATEWIDE GENERAL ELECTION HELD ON THE SAME DATE, PURSUANT TO ELECTIONS CODE SECTION 10403

WHEREAS, the Bell Canyon Community Service District (“District”) was formed with a five-member Board of Directors elected at large, with terms of office set pursuant to Government Code section 61021; and

WHEREAS, Government Code section 61021(c) states that “elections and terms of office shall be determined pursuant to Uniform District Law, Part 4 (commencing with Section 10500) of the Elections Code”; and

WHEREAS, the District is a special district as defined in Elections Code section 10404; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to official elections records maintained by the Elections Division of the County Clerk-Recorder, Registrar of Voters of the County of Ventura, three (3) offices of Director of the Board (“Board”) expire in December of 2024; and

WHEREAS, the Board of the District wishes to call a District Election to fill those seats as identified herein, and to seek consolidation of the District Election with the state-wide election, to avoid the costs of a separate elections process, all in the interests of fiscal responsibility and efficiency; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Elections Code sections 10504 and 10509, the Board of Directors of the District hereby calls a General District Election to be held in the Bell Canyon Community Service District, California, on November 5, 2024, for the purpose of electing three (3) members of the Board of Directors who will serve for a full term of four (4) years; and

WHEREAS, Elections Code section 13307 requires that prior to the nominating period, the Board must determine whether a charge shall be levied against each candidate submitting a candidate’s statement to be sent to the voters; determine the number of words, may estimate the cost and state whether the estimate must be paid in advance; and

WHEREAS, it is desirable that the District Election be consolidated with the Statewide General Election to be held on the same date and that within the District the precincts, polling places, and election officers of the two (2) elections be the same, and that the Elections Division of the County Clerk-Recorder, Registrar of Voters canvass the returns of the District Election and that the election be held in all respects as if there were only one (1) election.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of the Bell Canyon Community Service District as follows:

SECTION 1. Pursuant to the requirements of Elections Code section 10509(a), the elective offices of the District to be filled at the next General District Election for shall be as follows:

- Director, serving a full four- (4-) year term: 12/2024 – 12/2028
- Director, serving a full four- (4-) year term: 12/2024 – 12/2028
- Director, serving a full four- (4-) year term: 12/2024 – 12/2028

SECTION 2. The District has determined that the District will not pay for the optional Candidate’s Statement.

SECTION 3. Pursuant to the requirements of Elections Code section 10403, the Board of Supervisors of the County of Ventura is hereby requested to consent and agree to the consolidation of a General District Election with the Statewide General Election on Tuesday, November 5, 2024, for the purpose of electing three (3) members of the Board of Directors to serve the terms listed in Section 1 above.

SECTION 4. The Elections Division of the County Clerk-Recorder, Registrar of Voters is authorized to canvass the returns of the General District Election. The election shall be held in all respects as if there were only one (1) election, and only one (1) form of ballot shall be used. The election shall be held and conducted in accordance with Section 10418 of the Elections Code and in accordance with the applicable provisions of law regulating the election.

SECTION 5. The Board of Supervisors of Ventura County is requested to issue instructions to the Elections Division of the County Clerk-Recorder, Registrar of Voters to take any and all steps necessary for the holding of the consolidated election. In the event of a tie vote (if any two or more persons receive an equal and the highest number of votes for an office), the Board of Directors, shall set a date, time and place and summon the candidates who have received the tie votes to appear and will determine the tie by lot (Elec. Code § 15651(a)).

SECTION 6. The Bell Canyon Community Services District recognizes that additional costs will be incurred by the County of Ventura by reason of this consolidation and agrees to reimburse the County of Ventura for the costs of such consolidation.

SECTION 7. The General Manager of the District is hereby directed to file a certified copy of this resolution with the Board of Supervisors and the Elections Division of the County Clerk, Recorder, and Assessor and Registrar of Voters, of the County of Ventura, per Elections Code section 10504 and 10509.

SECTION 8. This Resolution is effective on the day of its adoption, subject to any applicable requirements under the law.

PASSED AND ADOPTED on the ____ day of July 2024, by the following vote:

AYES:
NOES:
ABSENT:

Michael Robkin, President

ATTEST:

Gregory McHugh, Interim General Manager/Secretary