

## **Resolution No. 2026-043**

A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA BARBARA CALLING FOR THE HOLDING OF A GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION TO BE HELD IN THE CITY ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2026, FOR THE ELECTION OF CERTAIN OFFICERS AS REQUIRED BY THE PROVISIONS OF THE CHARTER AND APPLICABLE PROVISIONS OF THE CALIFORNIA ELECTIONS CODE

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA BARBARA THAT:

1. Pursuant to the requirements of the Charter of the City of Santa Barbara there is called and ordered to be held in the City of Santa Barbara on Tuesday, November 3, 2026 ("Election Day"), a General Municipal Election for the purpose of electing the Mayor and three Councilmembers for the full term of four years.
2. The Mayoral term and Districts 4, 5, and 6, as depicted on the electoral district map adopted by Ordinance No. 6065, shall be up for election.
3. The City Clerk is authorized, instructed, and directed to coordinate with the County of Santa Barbara Clerk/Recorder Elections Division to procure and furnish any and all official ballots, notices, printed matter, and all supplies, equipment, and paraphernalia that may be necessary in order to properly and lawfully conduct the election.
4. The election shall be conducted by the County of Santa Barbara Clerk/Recorder Elections Division pursuant to applicable laws.
5. Notice of the time and place of holding the election is hereby given and the City Clerk is authorized, instructed, and directed to give further or additional notice of the election in time, form, and manner as required by law.
6. Pursuant to Elections Code sections 10401 and 10403, the Board of Supervisors of the County of Santa Barbara is hereby requested to consent and agree to the consolidation of the election with the general municipal election and statewide general election to be held on Tuesday, November 3, 2026, for the submission of the measure.
7. The County Elections Division is hereby authorized to canvass the returns of the election. The election shall be held in all respects as if there were only one election, and only one form of ballot shall be used.

8. The Board of Supervisors of the County of Santa Barbara is hereby requested to issue instructions to the County Elections Division to take any and all steps necessary for the holding of the consolidated election.
9. The City Council of the City of Santa Barbara recognizes that additional costs will be incurred by the County of Santa Barbara by reason of this consolidation and hereby agrees to reimburse the County for these costs, in accordance with the provisions of Section 1205 of the City Charter.
10. If any two or more persons receive an equal and the highest number of votes (tie vote) as certified by the elections official, the City Council will set a time, date, and place and summon the candidates who received the tie votes to appear and will determine the tie by lot in accordance with Election Code § 15651(a).
11. The City Clerk is hereby directed to file a certified copy of this resolution with the Board of Supervisors and the County Elections Division of the County of Santa Barbara.

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STATE OF CALIFORNIA                     )  
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COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA         ) ss.  
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CITY OF SANTA BARBARA                )

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the Council of the City of Santa Barbara at a meeting held on June 9, 2026, by the following roll call vote:

AYES:                     Councilmembers Eric Friedman, Oscar Gutierrez, Meagan Harmon, Mike Jordan, Wendy Santamaria, Kristen W. Sneddon; Mayor Randy Rowse.

NOES:                    None.

ABSENT:                 None.

ABSTENTIONS:       None.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereto set my hand and affixed the official seal of the City of Santa Barbara on June 9, 2026.



Sarah P. Gorman, MMC  
City Clerk Services Manager

I HEREBY APPROVE the foregoing resolution on June 9, 2026.

Randy Rowse  
Mayor