

1 Introduced November 18, 2008, by
2 Councilman Canada, seconded by
3 Councilman Hursey

4 **RESOLUTION R08-64**

5 A resolution seeking an Attorney General's opinion on whether the City of
6 Slidell Charter amendment approved by voters on November 4, 2008, allows the Slidell
7 City Council to immediately fill any vacancy on the City Council by appointment.

8 WHEREAS, the Slidell City Council formed a Charter Review Committee in
9 April 2008; and

10 WHEREAS, the Charter Review Committee concluded its review on June 23,
11 2008 and proposed changes to the Home Rule Charter; and

12 WHEREAS, Proposition No. 1 provided for the filling of a vacancy in the office
13 of Slidell City Council Member; and

14 WHEREAS, a vacancy occurred on the Slidell City Council on July 3, 2008
15 with the death of the late Kevin Kingston Sr.; and

16 WHEREAS, the Slidell City Council called for a special election to fill the
17 vacancy of a City Council Member on the first available election date of November 4,
18 2008; and

19 WHEREAS, it has been the Council's intent to appoint someone to serve on
20 the Council until the next available election designated by the Secretary of State's office,
21 which is April 4, 2009; and

22 WHEREAS, Proposition No. 1 did not include language to make the change
23 retroactive, but the citizens approved the amendment to the Charter to allow the vacancy
24 to be filled by the appointment of the Council until the next available election; and


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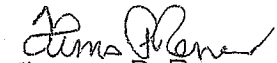
4 WHEREAS, Proposition No. 1 was approved by the voters on November 4,
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6 2008; and

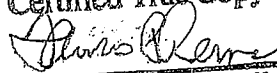
7 WHEREAS, the Slidell City Council will officially canvass the returns on
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9 November 18, 2008.

10 NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Slidell City Council that it does
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12 hereby request an Attorney General's opinion as to whether Proposition No. 1 approved by
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14 voters allows the Council Members to immediately fill any vacancy by Council
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16 appointment.

17 ADOPTED this 18th day of November, 2008.

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20 Raymond H. Canada
21 President of the Council
22 Councilman, District E
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25 Thomas P. Reeves
26 Council Administrator
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RAYMOND H. CANADA
Councilman, District E

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November 21, 2008

Honorable James D. "Buddy" Caldwell
Attorney General, State of Louisiana
P.O. Box 94005
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70804
Attn: Opinions

Dear Attorney General Caldwell:

The Slidell City Council, by the attached Resolution R08-64 passed on November 18, 2008, respectfully requests an Attorney General's opinion on the following issue, given the following facts.

On July 3, 2008, the Slidell City Councilman at-Large, Kevin Kingston, passed away, thus leaving a vacancy on the Slidell City Council. Given no provision in the Slidell City Home Rule Charter for filling such vacancy prior to a special election, the Council passed the attached Resolution R08-46, calling for a special election to amend the Home Rule Charter to provide for a procedure to fill this vacancy. On November 4, 2008, proposition 1 was passed by a majority of the people voting. This proposition allows the City Council, by a majority vote of the remaining members, to appoint someone to fill the vacancy.

Given that this Proposition was passed by the people, can the remaining members of the Slidell City Council immediately appoint someone to fill the at-Large vacancy currently existing. This person would serve until the special election to fill the term, which is currently scheduled for April 4, 2009.

Given the time sensitive nature of this issue, we request that this opinion be expedited.

Thank you for your time and consideration of this matter. If any additional information is needed, please contact me at 985-640-0266, or Richard Hursey, Council Vice-President, at 985-285-1200, or the Council Office at 985-646-4307.

Sincerely,

Handwritten signature of Raymond H. Canada in cursive.

Raymond H. Canada
President of the Council
Councilman, District E

Enclosures

Section 2-03. Vacancies.

A. The office of a council member shall become vacant upon death, resignation, removal from office in any manner authorized by law, forfeiture of office or failure to take office for any reason.

B. Any council member shall forfeit the office if such member (1) lacks at any time during the term of office any qualification for the office prescribed by this charter, (2) violates any express prohibition of this charter or (3) is disqualified by law from holding public office.

C. A vacancy on the council occurring one (1) year or more prior to the expiration of the term of office shall be filled by the vote of the qualified electors voting in a special election called by the council for that purpose, which election shall be held not later than sixty (60) days after the vacancy occurred. This vacancy shall not be filled by appointment. A vacancy on the council occurring less than one (1) year prior to the expiration of the term of office shall be filled by appointment of a person meeting the qualifications for office, as set forth in this charter, by a majority of the remaining members of the council and the appointee shall serve out the remainder of the term. (Ord. No. 1271, 7-8-1980)

Time Line for Charter Review

April 7, 2008 – First Charter Review ^{Committee} Meeting held. Mr. Mathison presented a time line for the Charter Review Process in order for it to be on the November ballot. Mr. Canada discussed some areas that may be of interest to be changed, such as: a. Unclassified Positions; b. Filling of Council Vacancies; c. Information Technology/Data Processing – Distribution of Duties

June 9, 2008 - Councilman Borchert, seconded by Councilman Cusimano made a motion to recommend the language for a Charter change in **Section 2-03. Vacancies** Sections C & D.

June 23, 2008 - Councilman Canada, seconded by Councilman Hicks made a motion to present all Charter changes to the City Council

July 3, 2008 – Councilman Kingston passed away.

August 12, 2008 – Resolution R08-46, a resolution ordering and calling a special election to be held in the City of Slidell, State of Louisiana, amending the Home Rule Charter as proposed; and providing for other matters in connection therewith and each proposition was passed by the Slidell City Council.

1 Introduced July 22, 2008 by Councilman
2 Canada, seconded by Councilman Hursey

3 **RESOLUTION R08-46**
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5 A resolution ordering and calling a special election to be held in the City of
6 Slidell, State of Louisiana, amending the Home Rule Charter as proposed; making
7 application to the State Bond Commission; and providing for other matters in connection
8 therewith.

9 BE IT RESOLVED by the Slidell City Council (the "Governing Authority"),
10 acting as the governing authority of the City of Slidell, State of Louisiana (the "City"), that:

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12 SECTION 1. Election Call. Subject to the approval of the State Bond
13 Commission, and under the authority conferred by Article VI, Section 5(C) of the
14 Constitution of the State of Louisiana of 1974, a special election is hereby called and
15 ordered to be held in the City of Slidell on **November 4, 2008** between the hours of six
16 o'clock (6:00) a.m., and eight o'clock (8:00) p.m., in accordance with the provisions of La.
17 R.S. 18:541, and at the said election there shall be submitted to all registered voters
18 qualified and entitled to vote at the said election under the Constitution and laws of this
19 State and the Constitution of the United States, the following propositions, to-wit:
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25 **Proposition No. 1**
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27 **Summary: Provides for the filling of a vacancy in the office of**
28 **Slidell City Council Member.**

29 Shall Section 2-03(C) of the Slidell Home Rule Charter be deleted
30 and reenacted to read as follows:

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32 "1. A vacancy on the Council shall be filled by appointment within
33 fifteen (15) days after the vacancy occurs by a person meeting
34 the qualifications for that office by the favorable vote of a
35 majority of the remaining members of the Council. The
36 appointee shall not have the right to seek the office at the next
37 regular election held for the purpose of filling the office.
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- 4 2. If the vacancy occurs more than eighteen (18) months before
- 5 the expiration of the term, the appointee shall serve until the
- 6 office is filled by the vote of the qualified electors voting in an
- 7 election called by the Council for that purpose and the person
- 8 elected assumes the office. In such a case, at the next
- 9 regularly scheduled meeting after the vacancy occurs, the
- 10 Council shall call an election to fill the vacancy. The election
- 11 shall be held according to the timetable and procedures
- 12 established by state law for the filling of vacancies in elected
- 13 local offices.
- 14 3. The appointee shall be compensated at a rate equal to that of
- 15 other Council Members for the period served."?

16 **Proposition No. 2**

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18 **Summary: Provides for ordinances of the City Council to**

19 **become law without the Mayor's signature after ten (10) days**

20 **of submission.**

21 Shall Section 2-12(B) of the Slidell Home Rule Charter be deleted

22 and reenacted to read as follows:

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- 24 "1. Within seven (7) calendar days after the mayor's receipt of an
- 25 ordinance, excluding Saturdays, Sundays and city holidays, it
- 26 shall be returned to the clerk of the council with the mayor's
- 27 approval, or with the mayor's veto. If the proposed ordinance is
- 28 not signed or vetoed by the mayor within ten (10) days after
- 29 receipt, excluding Saturdays, Sundays and city holidays, it shall
- 30 be considered approved. The clerk of the council shall record
- 31 upon the ordinance the date and hour of its receipt from the
- 32 mayor. If the ordinance has been approved, it shall be
- 33 considered finally enacted and become effective as provided in
- 34 Section 2-11. (Ordinances in General). If the ordinance is
- 35 vetoed, the mayor shall submit to the council through the clerk a
- 36 written statement of the reasons for veto. The veto statement
- 37 shall be published in full in the official journal by the clerk as
- 38 soon as practical thereafter. All ordinances that the mayor
- 39 vetoes shall be vetoed in full, except that the mayor shall have
- authority to veto individual appropriation items in the ordinances
- adopting the operating budget and capital improvement
- program."?

4 Proposition No. 3

5 **Summary: Provides for the filling of a vacancy in the office of**
6 **mayor.**
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8 Shall Section 3-04(C) of the Slidell Home Rule Charter be deleted
9 and reenacted to read as follows:

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- 11 "1. If a vacancy in the office of mayor occurs less than one (1) year
12 prior to the expiration of the term of office, the Council member
13 at large receiving the greatest number of votes shall serve as
14 mayor for the remainder of the term. The appointee shall have
15 the right to seek the office at the next regular election held for
16 the purpose of filling the office. In the event both Council
17 Members at-large received equal numbers of votes at the most
18 recent election for the Council at-large seats, then the appointee
19 shall be determined by a majority vote of the authorized
20 membership of the Council.
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- 22 2. If a vacancy in the office of mayor occurs more than one (1)
23 year prior to the expiration of the term of office, the Council
24 member at large receiving the greatest number of votes shall
25 serve as mayor until the office is filled by a vote of the qualified
26 electors voting in a special election called by the Council within
27 fifteen (15) days after the vacancy occurs. The election shall be
28 held according to the timetable and procedures established by
29 state law for the filling of vacancies in elected local offices. The
30 appointee shall have the right to seek the office at the next
31 regular election held for the purpose of filling the office. In the
32 event both Council Members at-large received equal numbers
33 of votes at the most recent election for the Council at-large
34 seats, then the appointee shall be determined by a majority vote
35 of the authorized membership of the Council.
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- 37 3. The Council member serving as mayor shall not have a vote on
38 the Council or otherwise participate in Council activities as a
39 member thereof while serving as mayor.
4. The Council member serving as mayor shall be compensated at
a rate equal to that of the mayor for the period served."?

4 Proposition No. 4

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6 **Summary: Provides for the filling of a vacancy in the office of**
7 **Chief of Police.**

8 Shall Section 4-05(H) of the Slidell Home Rule Charter be deleted
9 and reenacted to read as follows:

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11 "1. If a vacancy in the office of chief of police occurs less than one
12 (1) year prior to the expiration of the term of office, the assistant
13 chief of police shall serve as chief of police for the remainder of
14 the term.
- 15 2. If a vacancy in the office of chief of police occurs more than one
16 (1) year prior to the expiration of the term of office, the
17 designated assistant chief of police shall serve as chief of police
18 until the office is filled by a vote of the qualified electors voting in
19 a special election called by the Council within fifteen (15) days
20 after the vacancy occurs. The election shall be held according
21 to the timetable and procedures established by state law for the
22 filling of vacancies in elected local offices.
- 23 3. Should the Assistant Chief of Police move into the Chief
24 position in the event that the Office of Chief of Police is vacant,
25 the Assistant Chief of Police shall be compensated at a rate
26 equal to that of the Chief of Police for the period served."?

27 Proposition No. 5

28 **Summary: Provides for the incursion of debt according to**
29 **Louisiana Constitution and Laws.**

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31 Shall Section 5-09 of the Slidell Home Rule Charter be deleted and
32 reenacted to read as follows:

33 "The city is empowered to incur debt and issue evidences thereof in
34 accordance with the Constitution and laws of this State."?
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4 Proposition No. 6

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6 **Summary: Provides for elections relative to initiative
7 ordinances.**

8 Shall Section 6-01(6) of the Slidell Home Rule Charter be deleted
9 and reenacted to read as follows:

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11 "If an initiative ordinance is submitted to a vote of the electors as
12 provided in Section 6-01(4) above, the election shall be held
13 according to the timetable and procedures established by state law
14 for such purposes, preferably in an election already scheduled.
15 Otherwise, a special election shall be called by the Council within
16 fifteen (15) days after the determination to submit the proposal to
17 the electors as provided in Section 6-01(4)(b). The results shall be
18 determined by a majority vote of the electors voting on the
19 proposal."?

20 Proposition No. 7

21 **Summary: Provides for the Louisiana Code of Ethics to be the
22 Ethics Code for the City of Slidell.**

23 Shall Section 7-03 of the Slidell Home Rule Charter be deleted and
24 reenacted to read as follows:

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26 "The Code of Ethics for the City shall be the Louisiana Code of
27 Ethics as administered by the State of Louisiana."?

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29 SECTION 2. Publication of Notice of Election. A Notice of Special Election
30 shall be published in the *St. Tammany News*, a newspaper which publishes three times a
31 week, of general circulation within the City of Slidell, published in Slidell, Louisiana, and
32 being the official journal of the City of Slidell, once a week for four consecutive weeks, with
33 the first publication to be made not less than forty-five (45) days nor more than ninety (90)
34 days prior to the date of the election, which Notice shall be substantially in the form
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4 attached hereto as "Exhibit A" and incorporated herein by reference the same as if it were
5 set forth herein in full.
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7 SECTION 3. Canvass. This Governing Authority shall meet at its regular
8 meeting place, the Council Chambers, 1330 Bayou Lane, Suite 110, Slidell, Louisiana, on
9 **November 18, 2008 at SIX-THIRTY O'CLOCK (6:30) P.M.**, and shall then and there in
10 open and public session proceed to examine and canvass the returns and declare the
11 results of the said special election.
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15 SECTION 4. Polling Places. The polling places set forth in the aforesaid
16 Notice of Special Election are hereby designated as the polling places at which to hold the
17 said election, and the Commissioners-in-Charge and Commissioners, respectively, will be
18 the same persons as those designated in accordance with law.
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22 SECTION 5. Election Commissioners; Voting Machines. The officers
23 designated to serve as Commissioners-in-Charge and Commissioners pursuant to Section
24 4 hereof, or such substitutes therefor as may be selected and designated in accordance
25 with La. R.S. 18:1287, shall hold the said special election as herein provided, and shall
26 make due returns of said election for the meeting of the Governing Authority to be held on
27 November 18, 2008 as provided in Section 3 hereof. All registered voters in the City will
28 be entitled to vote at the special election, and voting machines shall be used.
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33 SECTION 6. Authorization of Officers. The Council Administrator of the
34 Governing Authority is hereby empowered, authorized and directed to arrange for and to
35 furnish to said election officers in ample time for the holding of said election, the necessary
36 equipment, forms and other paraphernalia essential to the proper holding of said election
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4 and the President of the Council and/or Council Administrator of the Governing Authority
5 are further authorized, empowered and directed to take any and all further action required
6 by State and/or Federal law to arrange for the election, including but not limited to,
7 appropriate submission to the Federal Department of Justice under Section 5 of the
8 Federal Voting Rights Act of 1965, as amended.
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12 SECTION 7. Furnishing Election Call to Election Officials. Certified copies of
13 this resolution shall be forwarded to the Secretary of State, the Commissioner of Elections,
14 the Clerk of Court and *Ex-Officio* Parish Custodian of Voting Machines in and for St.
15 Tammany Parish, State of Louisiana, and the Registrar of Voters in and for St. Tammany
16 Parish, as notification of the special election herein called in order that each may prepare
17 for said election and perform their respective functions as required by law.
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22 SECTION 8. Application to State Bond Commission. Application is made to
23 the State Bond Commission for consent and authority to hold the special election as herein
24 provided; and a certified copy of this resolution shall be forwarded to the State Bond
25 Commission on behalf of this Governing Authority, together with a letter requesting the
26 prompt consideration and approval of this application.
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30 This resolution having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as
31 follows:

32 YEAS: 6 - Borchert, Crockett, Cusimano, Fraught, Hicks, Hursey

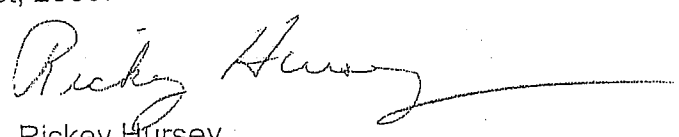
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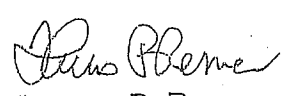
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ADOPTED this 26th day of August, 2008.



Rickey Hursey
Vice President of the Council
Councilman, District B



Thomas P. Reeves
Council Administrator

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6 NOTICE OF SPECIAL ELECTION

7 Pursuant to the provisions of a resolution adopted by the Slidell City Council
8 (the "Governing Authority"), acting as the governing authority of the City of Slidell, State of
9 Louisiana (the "City"), on August 12, 2008 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a special
10 election will be held within the City of Slidell on **November 4, 2008** and that at the said
11 election there will be submitted to all registered voters in the City qualified and entitled to
12 vote at the said election under the Constitution and Laws of the State of Louisiana and the
13 Constitution of the United States, the following propositions, to-wit:

14 **Proposition No. 1**

15 **Summary: Provides for the filling of a vacancy in the office of**
16 **Slidell City Council Member.**

17 Shall Section 2-03(C) of the Slidell Home Rule Charter be deleted
18 and reenacted to read as follows:
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- 20 "1. A vacancy on the Council shall be filled by appointment within
21 fifteen (15) days after the vacancy occurs by a person meeting
22 the qualifications for that office by the favorable vote of a
23 majority of the remaining members of the Council. The
24 appointee shall not have the right to seek the office at the next
25 regular election held for the purpose of filling the office.
- 26 2. If the vacancy occurs more than eighteen (18) months before
27 the expiration of the term, the appointee shall serve until the
28 office is filled by the vote of the qualified electors voting in an
29 election called by the Council for that purpose and the person
30 elected assumes the office. In such a case, at the next
31 regularly scheduled meeting after the vacancy occurs, the
32 Council shall call an election to fill the vacancy. The election
33 shall be held according to the timetable and procedures
34 established by state law for the filling of vacancies in elected
35 local offices.
- 36 3. The appointee shall be compensated at a rate equal to that of
37 other Council Members for the period served."?
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STATE OF LOUISIANA
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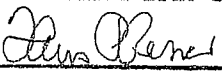
I, the undersigned Council Administrator of the Slidell City Council of St. Tammany Parish, State of Louisiana (the "Governing Authority"), the governing authority of the City of Slidell, State of Louisiana (the "City"), do hereby certify that the foregoing seven (7) pages constitute a true and correct copy of the proceedings taken by the Governing Authority on August 26, 2008, ordering and calling a special election to be held in the City of Slidell, St. Tammany Parish, State of Louisiana, making application to the State Bond Commission in connection therewith, and providing for other matters in connection therewith.

IN FAITH WHEREOF, witness my official signature and the impress of the official seal of the City of Slidell, Louisiana, on this, the 26th day of August, 2008.



Thomas P. Reeves
Council Administrator

(SEAL)

Certified True Copy


Slidell City Council

4 PROCÈS VERBAL AND PROCLAMATION OF THE CANVASS OF THE VOTES CAST
5 AT THE SPECIAL ELECTION HELD IN THE CITY OF SLIDELL, STATE OF LOUISIANA,
6 ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 2008.

7 BE IT KNOWN AND REMEMBERED that on Tuesday, November 18, 2008, at six-
8 thirty o'clock (6:30) p.m., at its regular meeting place, the Council Chambers, 1330 Bayou
9 Lane, Suite 110, Slidell, Louisiana, the Slidell City Council (the "Governing Authority"),
10 acting as the governing authority of the City of Slidell, State of Louisiana (the "City"), and
11 being the authority ordering the special election held therein on Tuesday, November 4,
12 2008, with the following members present:

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15 There being absent: Vacancy-At Large
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17 did, in open and public session, examine the official certified tabulations of votes cast at
18 the said election, and did examine and canvass the returns of the said election, there
19 having been submitted at said election the following propositions, to wit:

20 PROPOSITION NO. 1
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22 Summary: Provides for the filling of a vacancy in the office of Slidell City
23 Council Member.

24 Shall Section 2-03(C) of the Slidell Home Rule Charter be deleted and
25 reenacted to read as follows:
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27 "1. A vacancy on the Council shall be filled by appointment within
28 fifteen (15) days after the vacancy occurs by a person meeting
29 the qualifications for that office by the favorable vote of a
30 majority of the remaining members of the Council. The
31 appointee shall not have the right to seek the office at the next
32 regular election held for the purpose of filling the office.

33 2. If the vacancy occurs more than eighteen (18) months before
34 the expiration of the term, the appointee shall serve until the
35 office is filled by the vote of the qualified electors voting in an
36 election called by the Council for that purpose and the person
37 elected assumes the office. In such a case, at the next
38 regularly scheduled meeting after the vacancy occurs, the
39 Council shall call an election to fill the vacancy. The election
shall be held according to the timetable and procedures

4 established by state law for the filling of vacancies in elected
5 local offices.

- 6 3. The appointee shall be compensated at a rate equal to that of
7 other Council Members for the period served."?
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9 PROPOSITION NO. 2

10 Summary: Provides for ordinances of the City Council to become law without
11 the Mayor's signature after seven (7) days of submission.

12 Shall Section 2-12(B) of the Slidell Home Rule Charter be deleted and
13 reenacted to read as follows:
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- 15 "1. Within seven (7) calendar days after the mayor's receipt of an
16 ordinance, excluding Saturdays, Sundays and city holidays, it
17 shall be returned to the clerk of the council with the mayor's
18 approval, or with the mayor's veto. If the proposed ordinance is
19 not signed or vetoes by the mayor within seven (7) days after
20 receipt, it shall be considered approved. The clerk of the
21 council shall record upon the ordinance the date and hour of its
22 receipt from the mayor. If the ordinance has been approved, it
23 shall be considered finally enacted and become effective as
24 provided in Section 2-11 (Ordinances in General). If the
25 ordinance is vetoed, the mayor shall submit to the council
26 through the clerk a written statement of the reasons for veto.
27 The veto statement shall be published in full in the official
28 journal by the clerk as soon as practical thereafter. All
29 ordinances that the mayor vetoes shall be vetoed in full, except
30 that the mayor shall have authority to veto individual
31 appropriation items in the ordinances adopting the operating
32 budget and capital improvement program."?

31 PROPOSITION NO. 3

32 Summary: Provides for the filling of a vacancy in the office of Mayor.

33 Shall Section 3-04(C) of the Slidell Home Rule Charter be deleted and
34 reenacted to read as follows:
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- 36 "1. If a vacancy in the office of mayor occurs less than one (1) year
37 prior to the expiration of the term of office, the Council member
38 at large receiving the greatest number of votes shall serve as
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Precinct	HOME RULE CHARTER AMENDMENT NO. 1		HOME RULE CHARTER AMENDMENT NO. 2		HOME RULE CHARTER AMENDMENT NO. 3		HOME RULE CHARTER AMENDMENT NO. 4		HOME RULE CHARTER AMENDMENT NO. 5		HOME RULE CHARTER AMENDMENT NO. 6		HOME RULE CHARTER AMENDMENT NO. 7	
	YES	NO	YES	NO	YES	NO	YES	NO	YES	NO	YES	NO	YES	NO
S01	418	187	340	257	323	284	340	268	240	353	357	229	390	212
S02	239	90	186	142	211	133	214	126	146	188	207	125	236	102
S03	344	158	261	236	273	245	282	234	185	314	293	201	327	182
S04	258	138	192	208	241	183	248	174	180	238	230	178	272	147
S05	461	189	337	318	384	293	386	291	268	398	407	237	444	221
S06	340	169	267	239	311	225	313	221	228	296	287	228	327	200
S07	135	57	113	79	121	73	110	84	89	104	116	76	132	64
S08	305	115	233	184	248	182	247	187	183	241	263	154	300	136
S09	237	111	189	158	201	155	202	159	147	207	225	122	251	107
S10	381	188	305	255	283	287	287	282	195	362	327	227	383	187
S11	228	115	182	166	181	171	179	168	138	201	196	142	225	124
S12	53	24	36	43	52	29	54	28	37	42	46	29	55	22
S13	157	88	116	132	129	127	140	111	99	148	144	99	152	96
S15	220	157	165	209	194	197	203	176	148	232	194	181	208	182
S16	215	82	164	133	175	133	176	127	124	181	190	110	200	104
S17	452	210	323	334	371	327	398	289	276	390	408	256	443	235
S18	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
S19	14	11	13	12	13	13	13	12	11	14	16	9	14	10

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	YES	NO	YES	NO	YES	NO	YES	NO	YES	NO	YES	NO	YES	NO
S21	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
S22	21	14	13	21	17	17	14	20	14	20	15	17	15	19
S23	134	60	103	88	113	84	119	78	89	101	121	66	130	58
S24	91	48	73	60	87	62	91	56	72	74	89	60	96	56
S25	59	33	50	44	58	40	59	35	42	54	45	49	56	37
802	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
803	41	17	29	28	35	21	36	19	27	27	35	19	39	15
805	16	5	12	9	13	9	15	8	9	13	9	13	16	6
806	302	106	236	170	254	167	265	154	171	232	265	143	298	118
811	27	12	17	18	26	12	26	11	19	17	22	12	27	11
813	1	5	1	5	1	5	1	5	1	5	1	4	2	4
816	1	0	1	0	2	0	2	0	2	0	2	0	2	0
901	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
904	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0
907	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
909	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
915	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
916	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Absentee	1161	409	841	714	1097	452	1152	376	887	610	991	491	1105	419

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	YES	NO	YES	NO	YES	NO	YES	NO	YES	NO	YES	NO	YES	NO
Totals	6,312	2,799	4,799	4,262	5,415	3,926	5,573	3,699	4,028	5,062	5,502	3,477	6,146	3,074
Majority FOR	3,513		537		1,489		1,874		-1,034		2,025		3,072	

12 The polling places above specified being the only polling places
 13 designated at which to hold the said election, it was therefore shown that
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15 (i) there was a total of **6,312** votes cast **IN FAVOR OF** Proposition No.
 16 1 and a total of **2,799** votes cast **AGAINST** Proposition No. 1, as
 17 hereinabove set forth, and that there was a majority of **3,513** votes cast **IN**
 18 **FAVOR OF** Proposition No. 1 as hereinabove set forth;

19 (ii) there was a total of **4,799** votes cast **IN FAVOR OF** Proposition
 20 No. 2 and a total of **4,262** votes cast **AGAINST** Proposition No. 2, as
 21 hereinabove set forth, and that there was a majority of **537** votes cast **IN**
 22 **FAVOR OF** Proposition No. 2 as hereinabove set forth;

23 (iii) there was a total of **5,415** votes cast **IN FAVOR OF** Proposition
 24 No. 3 and a total of **3,926** votes cast **AGAINST** Proposition No. 3, as
 25 hereinabove set forth, and that there was a majority of **1,489** votes cast **IN**
 26 **FAVOR OF** Proposition No. 3 as hereinabove set forth;

27 (iv) there was a total of **5,573** votes cast **IN FAVOR OF** Proposition
 28 No. 4 and a total of **3,699** votes cast **AGAINST** Proposition No. 4, as
 29 hereinabove set forth, and that there was a majority of **1,874** votes cast **IN**
 30 **FAVOR OF** Proposition No. 4 as hereinabove set forth;

31 (v) there was a total of **4,028** votes cast **IN FAVOR OF** Proposition
 32 No. 5 and a total of **5,062** votes cast **AGAINST** Proposition No. 5, as
 33 hereinabove set forth, and that there was a majority of **1,034** votes cast
 34 **AGAINST** Proposition No. 5 as hereinabove set forth;

35 (vi) there was a total of **5,502** votes cast **IN FAVOR OF** Proposition
 36 No. 6 and a total of **3,477** votes cast **AGAINST** Proposition No. 6, as
 37 hereinabove set forth, and that there was a majority of **2,025** votes cast **IN**
 38 **FAVOR OF** Proposition No. 6 as hereinabove set forth; and
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5 (vii) there was a total of 6,146 votes cast **IN FAVOR OF** Proposition
6 No. 7 and a total of 3,074 votes cast **AGAINST** Proposition No. 7, as
7 hereinabove set forth, and that there was a majority of 3,072 votes cast **IN**
8 **FAVOR OF** Proposition No. 7 as hereinabove set forth.

9 Therefore, the Governing Authority did declare and proclaim and does hereby
10 declare and proclaim in open and public session that Proposition No. 1 as hereinabove set
11 forth was duly **APPROVED**, that Proposition No. 2 as hereinabove set forth was duly
12 **APPROVED**, that Proposition No. 3 as hereinabove set forth was duly **APPROVED**, that
13 Proposition No. 4 as hereinabove set forth was duly **APPROVED**, that Proposition No. 5
14 as hereinabove set forth was duly **DEFEATED**, that Proposition No. 6 as hereinabove set
15 forth was duly **APPROVED** and that Proposition No. 7 as hereinabove set forth was duly
16 **APPROVED** by a majority of the votes cast by the qualified electors voting at the said
17 special election held in the City on Tuesday, November 4, 2008.
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STATE OF LOUISIANA

PARISH OF ST. TAMMANY

I, the undersigned Council Administrator of the Slidell City Council (the "Governing Authority"), the governing authority of the City of Slidell, State of Louisiana (the "City"), do hereby certify that the foregoing eleven (11) pages constitute a true and correct copy of the proceedings and *Procès Verbal* made by said Governing Authority on Tuesday, November 18, 2008, providing for canvassing the returns and declaring the results of the special election held in the City on Tuesday, November 4, 2008, 2008, to adopt amendments to the Slidell Home Rule Charter.

IN FAITH WHEREOF, witness my official signature and the impress of the official seal of the City at Slidell, Louisiana, on this, the 18th day of November, 2008.

Thomas P. Reeves
Council Administrator

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