Introduced May 10, 2016, by Councilman Borchert, seconded by Councilman Newcomb (by request of Administration)

## **RESOLUTION R16-13**

A resolution ordering a special election to be held in the City of Slidell, St. Tammany Parish, Louisiana, for the purpose of electing a new Chief of Police to fill the unexpired term created by the resignation of Chief Randall "Randy" Smith.

WHEREAS, Randall "Randy Smith" ("Randy Smith"), Chief of Police of the Slidell Police Department, has been elected as Sheriff of St. Tammany Parish, Louisiana; and

WHEREAS, Randy Smith has submitted his resignation as Chief of Police to the Louisiana Secretary of State with an effective date of June 30, 2016; and

WHEREAS, Chief Randy Smith has assigned the designated Assistant Chief of Police to fill the vacancy as Chief of Police for the period beginning July 1, 2016; and

WHEREAS, the City of Slidell by resolution passed this day recognizes that a vacancy exists in the Slidell Police Department, City of Slidell, St. Tammany Parish, Louisiana; and

WHEREAS, the governing authority for the City of Slidell is given the authority and responsibility under the provisions of Louisiana Revised Statutes 18:602 and Slidell Home Rule Charter Section 4-05., Paragraph H, to fill the position of Chief of Police by special election when an unexpired term exceeds one (1) year; and

WHEREAS, the said vacancy results in an unexpired term in excess of one (1) year.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Slidell City Council that it does hereby authorize and call a special election for the unexpired term within fifteen days of the

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notice from the Louisiana Secretary of State (on or before May 10, 2016) to be held in the City of Slidell, St. Tammany Parish, Louisiana, for the purpose of electing a Chief of Police.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the qualifying period for said election shall be from July 20 through July 22, 2016, inclusive, and that the primary election shall be held on November 8, 2016, with a general election, if necessary, held on December 10, 2016, and that said election shall be conducted in accordance with the election laws of the State of Louisiana.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the Council of the City of Slidell, St. Tammany Parish, Louisiana, shall send a copy of this resolution to the Louisiana Secretary of State, State of Louisiana, and shall further cause this resolution to be published in the Official Journal as required by law.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that the results of the election shall be promulgated as required by law.

ADOPTED this 10th day of May, 2016.

Bill Borchert

President of the Council Councilman District G

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Thomas P. Reeves Council Administrator



TOM SCHEDLER
SECRETARY OF STATE

## Secretary of State State of Louisiana

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April 26, 2016

Mr. Thomas P. Reeves Council Administrator City of Slidell Parish of St. Tammany P. O. Box 828 Slidell, LA 70459



Dear Mr. Reeves:

In accordance with R.S. 18:653, I am enclosing a copy of a resignation from Randall "Randy" Smith, Chief of Police, City of Slidell, Parish of St. Tammany, effective June 30, 2016.

The assistant Chief of Police Butch Howard shall assume the duties of the office of Chief of Police, City of Slidell, Parish of St. Tammany, effective July 1, 2016.

According to the City of Slidell Home Rule Charter, the governing authority shall call a special election for the unexpired term within fifteen (15) days (on or before May 10, 2016). The next scheduled election is November 8, 2016, primary and December 10, 2016, general with qualifying dates July 20, 21, and 22, 2016. The proclamation issued by the governing authority is to be forwarded to our office.

If you have any questions concerning the above, please feel free to call me at (225) 922-0900.

With best wishes,

Erin Delan

Erin Delany, Director of Elections Balloting, Commissions, Publications

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Enclosure

cc: Hon. Malise Prieto, St. Tammany Parish Clerk of Court Hon. M. Dwayne Wall, St. Tammany Parish Reg. of Voters



## Slidell Police Department

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RANDY SMITH CHIEF OF POLICE

April 20, 2016

Mr. Tom Schedler Secretary of State 8585 Archives Avenue Baton Rouge, La

Mr. Schedler:

I am permanently vacating my elected position of Chief of Police at the Slidell Police Department. My resignation will be effective June 30, 2016, as I was elected as Sheriff of St. Tammany Parish in 2015. I will take office at the Saint Tammany Parish Sheriff's Office on July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2016.

Sincerely,

Randy Smith Chief of Police Received Commissions Dept.

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Secretary of State

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 21st day of April , 2016,

Tiffany M. Carrasco Notary Public, # 77183

Cc: Mayor Freddie Drennan Slidell City Council

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