

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-34

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF VISALIA
REQUESTING AND CONSENTING TO CONSOLIDATION OF ELECTIONS FOR THE
NOVEMBER 3, 2026 REGULAR MUNICIPAL ELECTION,
SETTING SPECIFICATIONS OF THE ELECTION ORDER, AND
REQUESTING THE TULARE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
PERMIT THE COUNTY REGISTRAR OF VOTERS TO RENDER
SPECIFIC SERVICES TO THE CITY OF VISALIA**

WHEREAS, California Elections Code requires a general election be held in each city to choose a successor for each elective officer whose term will expire on the first Friday in December following the election to be held on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November in each even-numbered year; and

WHEREAS, other elections may be held in whole or in part of the territory of the City and it is to the advantage of the City to consolidate pursuant to Elections Code Section 10400; and

WHEREAS, Elections Code Section 10520 requires each city involved in a general election to reimburse the county for the actual costs incurred by the county elections official in conducting the election for that district; and

WHEREAS, Elections Code Section 13307(3c) requires that before the nominating period opens the governing body must determine whether a charge shall be levied against each candidate submitting a candidate's statement to be sent to the voters; and

WHEREAS, Elections Code Section 12112 requires the elections official of the principal county to publish a notice of the election once in a newspaper of general circulation in the city; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Elections Code, the governing body of any City may, by Resolution, request the Board of Supervisors of the County to permit the County Elections Official to render specified services to the City relating to the conduct of an election; and

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that an election be held within the territory included in the City on November 3, 2026, for the purpose of electing members to the City Council in accordance with the following specifications:

1. The Election shall be held on Tuesday, the 3rd day of November, 2026. The purpose of the election is to choose successors for the following offices:

Three seats for the Visalia City Council:

Brian Poochigian,	District 3 - Term of Office - 12/2022 to 11/2026
Emmanuel Hernandez Soto,	District 4 - Term of Office - 12/2022 to 11/2026
Steve Nelsen,	District 5 - Term of Office - 12/2022 to 11/2026

2. This City Council hereby requests and consents to the consolidation of this Election with other elections which may be held in whole or in part of the territory of the City, as provided in Elections Code 10400.
3. The City will reimburse the County for the actual cost incurred in conducting the Election upon receipt of a bill stating the amount due as determined by the Elections Official.
4. The City Council has determined that the candidate will pay for the Candidate's Statement. The Candidate's Statement will be limited to 200 words.
5. The City requests that the Registrar of Voters publish the Notice of Election in the Visalia Times-Delta which is a newspaper of general circulation that is regularly circulated in the City of Visalia.
6. The Board of Supervisors of Tulare County is hereby requested to permit the County Registrar of Voters to render services to the City of Visalia relating to the conduct of the November 3, 2026 Municipal Election as follows:
 - a. Distribute and file nomination papers and candidate statements for City offices.
 - b. Make all required publications.
 - c. Prepare, print, and mail to the qualified electors of the City of Visalia sample ballots and voter pamphlets.
 - d. Provide vote by mail ballots for said Municipal Election for use by the qualified electors who may be entitled to vote by mail ballots in the manner provided by law.
 - e. Order consolidation of precincts, appoint precinct boards, designate polling places, and instruct election officers concerning their duties.
 - f. Conduct and canvass the returns of the election and certify the votes cast to the City.
 - g. Prepare, print, and deliver to the polling places supplies, including the official ballots and a receipt for said supplies.
 - i. Recount votes, if requested, in accordance with State law.

j. Conduct the above election duties in accordance with the Voting Right Act of 1975.

k. Perform all other pertinent services required to perform for said election other than the requirements of the Fair Political Practices Commission; said Fair Political Practices Commission requirements to be performed by the City Clerk.

PASSED AND ADOPTED: June 1, 2026 Leslie B. Caviglia, City Clerk

STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
COUNTY OF TULARE) ss.
CITY OF VISALIA)

I, Leslie B. Caviglia, City Clerk of the City of Visalia, certify the foregoing is the full and true Resolution 2026-34 passed and adopted by the Council of the City of Visalia at a regular meeting held on June 1, 2026.

Dated: June 1, 2026

Leslie B. Caviglia, City Clerk

By Reyna Rivera, Chief Deputy City Clerk