



Legislation Text

File #: 18-340, **Version:** 1

TO: Mayor and Members of City Council

THRU:

FROM: Karen M. McDonald, City Attorney

DATE: August 6, 2018

RE:
Set Filing Fee for Municipal Election

COUNCIL DISTRICT(S):
All Districts

Relationship To Strategic Plan:

Goal V: Sustainable Organizational Capacity

Executive Summary:

The purpose of this agenda item is to consider increasing the municipal election filing fees for the Mayor and City Council.

Background:

At the June 4, 2018, work session, Council discussed this item and the interest of Council was to consider a referendum on whether to increase the filing fee to 1 percent of the position's salary. Currently, the municipal election filing fee for the Mayor is \$48.00 and \$24.00 for City Council. The filing fee for the Mayor would increase to \$312.55 and to \$170.88 for City Council. This item was brought back to Council for consideration at the June 25, 2018, regular meeting. Council pulled the item for discussion and voted unanimously to refer this item to the August work session.

Issues/Analysis:

Whether to move forward with an increase in the municipal election filing fee.

Budget Impact:

Unknown at this time.

Options:

1. Move forward with increasing the filing fee.
2. Do not move forward with increasing the filing fee.
3. Provide additional direction to staff.

Recommended Action:

Staff recommends that Council provide direction to staff as to Council's interest.

Attachments:

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