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The City Commission adopt the resolution.

At a Special Meeting of the City Commission held on August 23, 2021, Commissioner Gail Johnson announced her intention to resign from the office of City Commissioner (At-Large B) and on September 2, 2021 filed a written irrevocable resignation with the City Clerk establishing a vacancy date of October 2, 2021.

Since more than 6 months remain in the unexpired term and a general election is not scheduled within 6 months, 2.04(4)(b) of the City Charter requires the City Commission to fill this vacancy by a special election to

be held not more than 60 days after the occurrence of the vacancy (in this case December 1, 2021.)

Section 9-4 of the City Code of Ordinances requires that a special election be ordered by the City Commission by resolution instructing the Mayor to issue a proclamation calling the special election in the same manner and form as provided for in the case of regular elections. The City Commission, at its Regular Meeting on September 2, 2021, selected the dates for qualifying, early voting, the special election and a run-off election, if necessary, as follows:

Qualifying dates - Monday, September 20, 2021 beginning at noon and ending on Friday, September 24, 2021 at noon.

Early voting dates for special election - Friday, November 12, 2021 to and including Sunday, November 14, 2021

Regular election - Tuesday, November 16, 2021

Early voting dates for run-off election (if necessary) - Friday, January 21, 2022 to and including Sunday, January 23, 2022

Run-off election (if necessary) - Tuesday, January 25, 2022