

CITY OF PALMDALE
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA
ORDINANCE NO. 1483

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PALMDALE ADDING A NEW SECTION 2.08.025 "NOMINATION REQUIREMENTS" TO CHAPTER 2.08 "CITY COUNCIL" OF THE PALMDALE MUNICIPAL CODE REGARDING NOMINATIONS AND NOMINATION PAPERS FOR THE OFFICES OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS

WHEREAS, the Charter of the City of Palmdale, Section 600 "Elections" authorizes the City to adopt "...ordinances establishing procedures, rule or regulations concerning City of Palmdale elections and public officials, including but not limited to, the qualifications and compensation of elected officials the method, times and requirements to hold elections and to fill vacancies"; and

WHEREAS, the California Elections Code is silent as to some of the requirements set forth in this ordinance; and

WHEREAS, questions and concerns have arisen regarding the eligibility of candidates for City Council as to their respective residency time requirements and as to which residents can sign nomination papers; and

WHEREAS, the City Council desires to establish clear eligibility and residency requirements.

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PALMDALE DOES ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. Section 2.08.025 "Nomination Requirements" is hereby added to Chapter 2.08 of the Palmdale Municipal Code to read as follows:

2.08.025 Nomination Requirements

A. City Council Candidate Residency. No person shall be eligible to hold office as a member of the City Council unless:

i. he or she is a registered elector of the Council District from which he or she is nominated or appointed;

ii. he or she is a current resident of the Council District from which he or she is nominated or appointed; and

iii. he or she has been a resident of the Council District from which he or she is nominated or appointed for at least thirty (30) days immediately preceding the commencement of the nomination filing period or their appointment to the City Council.

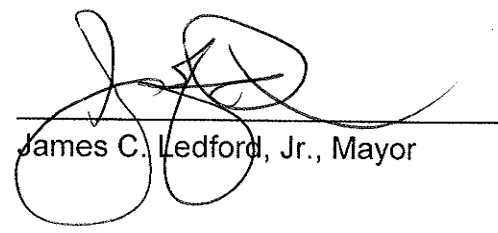
SECTION 4. The City Clerk shall certify to the adoption of this ordinance and shall cause this ordinance to be published or posted as required by law.

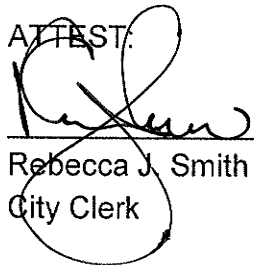
PASSED, APPROVED and ADOPTED this 1st day of June, 2016 and, as an ordinance pertaining to municipal elections, shall be effective immediately by the following vote:


AYES: Ledford, Hofbauer, Dispenza, Thompson, Martinez

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None ABSENT: None


James C. Ledford, Jr., Mayor

ATTEST:

Rebecca J. Smith
City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Wm. Matthew Ditzhazy
City Attorney