

Board Policy No. 140

Candidates Statement of Qualification Costs

ADOPTED: 07/1990

RECENT AMENDMENT: 1/10/2024

SEE ALSO: N/A

SUBJECT CATEGORY: SECTION 100, GOVERNANCE &

ADMINISTRATION

SUBSECTION: ELECTIONS

CONTROL DEPARTMENT: DISTRICT SECRETARY

I. ATTACHMENTS

Resolution No. 24-001, Enacted by the Board of Directors on January 10, 2024.

Questions concerning interpretation of this Policy are to be referred to the General Counsel.

ALAMEDA-CONTRA COSTA TRANSIT DISTRICT RESOLUTION NO. 24-001

A RESOLUTION SETTING FORTH AC TRANSIT'S POLICIES AND REGULATIONS FOR THE HANDLING AND COSTS FOR CANDIDATES' STATEMENTS AND REPEALING RESOLUTION NO. 17-045

WHEREAS, Section 13307 of the Elections Code of the State of California provides that the governing body of any local agency adopt regulations pertaining to materials prepared by any candidate for a local district election, including the cost of Candidates' Statements.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Board of Directors of the Alameda-Contra Costa Transit District does resolve as follows:

Section 1. GENERAL PROVISIONS. Pursuant to Section 13307 of the Elections Code of the State of California, each candidate for nonpartisan elective office to be voted for at an election held in the Alameda-Contra Costa Transit District may prepare a Candidate's Statement on an appropriate form provided by the Elections Official in Alameda or Contra Costa County. The statement may include the name, age, and occupation of the candidate and a brief description of no more than 200 words of the candidate's education and qualifications expressed by the candidate himself or herself. The statement shall not include the party affiliation of the candidate, nor membership or activity in partisan political organizations.

The statement shall be filed with the Elections Official in the candidate's county of domicile (Alameda or Contra Costa County) at the time the candidate's nomination papers are filed. Candidates for Ward 1 which spans both Alameda and Contra Costa Counties shall contact the Elections Official in each county for instructions on filing the Candidate's Statement in that county. The statement may be withdrawn, but not changed, during the period for filing nomination papers, and until 5:00 p.m. of the next working day after the close of the nomination period.

<u>Section 2.</u> ADDITIONAL MATERIALS. No candidate will be permitted to include additional materials in the sample ballot package.

<u>Section 3.</u> COSTS. The estimated costs incurred by a candidate for printing, handling, translating, and mailing the Candidate's Statement filed pursuant to the Elections Code shall not exceed \$750.

For the Ward 1 seat with boundaries that span both Alameda and Contra Costa Counties, the fee for filing a Candidate's Statement shall be paid only **once** at the time candidacy papers are filed with the Elections Official in the county of domicile. It is the responsibility of the candidate to contact the Elections Official in the shared county to obtain information on filing a Candidate's Statement in the shared county. A copy of the filing fee receipt in the county of

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domicile shall accompany the Candidate's Statement to be filed in the shared county as verification that all required fees have been paid.

<u>Section 4.</u> PAYMENT. Except as provided in Elections Code Section 13309, as a condition of having his/her Candidate's Statement included in the voter's guide or pamphlet, each candidate filing a statement shall be required to pay, in advance, at the time of filing his/her Candidate's Statement the amount specified in Section 3 above. The amount received by the Alameda County Elections Official shall be immediately forwarded to the AC Transit District Secretary. The amount received by the Contra Costa County Elections Official shall be deducted from the District's invoice for election expenses.

Following receipt from the Elections Officials in Alameda and Contra Costa Counties of final pro rata costs, should actual costs not exceed the amount paid by a candidate, the District Secretary shall refund the unused portion of the payment within 30 days of the election.

<u>Section 5.</u> The District Secretary is authorized and directed to pay the balance, if any, of said actual costs incurred by the District for printing, handling, translating, and mailing each candidate's statement.

<u>Section 6.</u> The Elections Official in Alameda and/or Contra Costa Counties (or the District Secretary on behalf of the Registrar) shall provide each candidate or the candidate's representative a copy of this resolution at the time nominating petitions are issued.

<u>Section 7.</u> Repeal Resolution No. 17-045 in its entirety.

<u>Section 8.</u> The amounts set forth in Section 3 shall be reviewed biennially by the Board of Directors in non-election years.

<u>Section 9.</u> This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon its adoption by four affirmative votes of the Board of Directors.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 10th day of January, 2024.

Joel Young

President

ATTEST:

Board Administrative Officer/District Secretary

I, Linda A. Nemeroff, District Secretary for the Alameda-Contra Costa Transit District, do hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was passed and adopted at a regular meeting of the Board of Directors held on the 10th day of January, 2024, by the following roll call vote:

AYES:

DIRECTORS PEEPLES, BECKLES, WALSH, SYED, MCCALLEY, VICE PRESIDENT

SHAW, AND PRESIDENT YOUNG

NOES:

NONE

ABSENT:

NONE

ABSTAIN:

NONE

Board Administrative Officer/District Secretary

Approved as to form:

General Counsel/Chief Legal Officer