## SOUTH METRO FIRE RESCUE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

## **RESOLUTION NO. 2024-17**

## A RESOLUTION CALLING FOR THE 2025 REGULAR DISTRICT ELECTION FOR DIRECTOR DISTRICTS 2, 6, AND 7, AND APPOINTING A DESIGNATED ELECTION OFFICIAL

WHEREAS, the South Metro Fire Rescue Fire Protection District (the "District") is a quasi-municipal corporation and political subdivision of the State of Colorado and a duly organized and existing special district pursuant to Title 32, Article 1, C.R.S.; and

WHEREAS, the terms of office of Directors Rich Sokol (Director District 2), Kevin Leung (Director District 6), and Bill Shriver (Director District 7) shall expire after their successors are elected at the regular special district election to be held on May 6, 2025 (the "Election") and have taken office; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the provisions of the Special District Act (the "Act") and the Colorado Local Government Election Code (the "Code") (the Act and the Code being referred to jointly as the "Election Laws"), the Election must be conducted to elect one (1) Director to serve for a term of four (4) years in each of Director Districts 2, 6, and 7.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, be it resolved by the Board of Directors of the South Metro Fire Rescue Fire Protection District in the Counties of Arapahoe, Douglas and Jefferson, State of Colorado that:

- 1. The regular election of the eligible electors of Director Districts 2, 6, and 7 shall be held on May 6, 2025, between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. pursuant to and in accordance with the Election Laws, and other applicable laws. At that time, one director will be elected to serve a four-year term in each of Director Districts 2, 6, and 7.
- 2. The Election shall be conducted as a mail ballot election in accordance with all relevant provisions of the Election Laws. The Designated Election Official shall prepare the Plan for conducting the mail ballot Election. There shall be no election precinct or polling place. All mail ballots shall be returned to the Designated Election Official's office, located at 9195 E. Mineral Avenue, Centennial, Colorado 80112.
- 3. If the Designated Election Official deems it to be more expedient for the convenience of the eligible electors of the District, who are also eligible electors in other special districts with overlapping boundaries which are conducting elections on the Election day, the Election may be held jointly with such special districts, and may be coordinated by one or more of the County Clerks of Arapahoe, Douglas and Jefferson

Counties, in accordance with coordinated election procedures as set forth in an agreement between all participating special districts. In such event, the conduct of the election as either a mail ballot election or a polling place election, the election precincts and polling places shall be as set forth in such agreement. The Designated Election Official is authorized to execute such agreement on behalf of the District, which agreement shall include provisions for the allocation of responsibilities for the conduct and reasonable sharing of costs of the coordinated Election.

- 4. No later than the date of ballot certification, the Designated Election Official may change the voting procedure from mail ballots to polling place at the discretion of the Board of Directors. In the event that the voting procedure changes to polling place, the Designated Election Official must follow all relevant provisions and notice requirements of the Election Laws.
- 5. The Board of Directors hereby designates Barb Andrews as the Designated Election Official for the conduct of the Election on behalf of the District and she is hereby authorized and directed to proceed with any action necessary or appropriate to effectuate the provisions of this Resolution and of the Election Laws or other applicable laws. Among other matters, the Designated Election Official shall provide the call for nominations, appoint election judges as necessary, appoint the Canvass Board, arrange for the required notices of election, printing of ballots, and direct that all other appropriate actions be accomplished.
- 6. Self-Nomination and Acceptance forms are available from the Designated Election Official's office located at the above address. All candidates must file a Self-Nomination and Acceptance form with the Designated Election Official no earlier than January 1, 2025, nor later than the close of business on Friday, February 28, 2025.
- 7. If the only matter before the electors is the election of Directors of the Director Districts and if, at the close of business on March 4, 2025, there are not more candidates than offices to be filled at the Election, including candidates timely filing affidavits of intent no later than March 3, 2025, the Designated Election Official shall cancel the Election and declare the candidates elected. Notice of such cancellation shall be published and posted in accordance with the Code.
- 8. If any part or provision of this Resolution is adjudged to be unenforceable or invalid, such judgment shall not affect, impair or invalidate the remaining provisions of this Resolution, it being the Board's intention that the various provisions hereof are severable.
- 9. Any and all actions previously taken by the Designated Election Official, the Secretary of the Board of Directors, or any other persons acting on their behalf pursuant to the Election Laws or other applicable laws, are hereby ratified and confirmed.

- 10. All acts, orders, and resolutions, or parts thereof, of the Board which are inconsistent or in conflict with this Resolution are hereby repealed to the extent only of such inconsistency or conflict.
- 11. If needed due to a change from a mail ballot election to polling place election, a supplemental election resolution may be adopted at a later date, but no later than March 6, 2025.
  - 12. The provisions of this Resolution shall take effect immediately.

PASSEI	O, APPRO	VED AND ADOPTED this 9th day of Dece	mber, 2024 by the
Board of Direct	tors of the	South Metro Fire Rescue Fire Protection D	istrict by a vote of
for and	_against.		

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lim Albee, Chair

ATTEST:

By Sue Roche, Secretary