

ORDINANCE NO. _____

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ARTICLE 2, SECTION 2-11 OF THE PUEBLO CITY CHARTER TO REQUIRE CITY OFFICIALS TO RESIGN THEIR CURRENT POSITION BEFORE SEEKING NOMINATION FOR ANOTHER PUBLIC OFFICE

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE CITY OF PUEBLO, that (brackets indicate matter being deleted; underscoring indicates new matter being added):

SECTION 2.

Section 2-11 of Article 2, of the Pueblo City Charter is hereby amended to read as follows:

Section 2-11. - Participation of All Officers and Employees Interested in Contracts; **Resign To Run Obligation**

No elected official, appointed officer, or employee of the City shall be financially interested, directly or indirectly, in the sale of any land, materials, supplies, or services to the City, except it be by competitive bidding, or not exceeding the sum of \$100.00 in any calendar year, in cases of emergency necessary to protect public health, and safety, and welfare, competitive bidding may be waived. Members of appointed administrative Boards and Commissions created by this Charter or by ordinance shall be permitted to provide technical or professional services to the City where such services are exempt from the requirement of competitive bidding.

City Officials, except for those seeking re-election to their current office, shall resign their position with the City before seeking another federal, state, district, county, or municipal public office.

SECTION 3.

The people of Pueblo do hereby find, determine and declare that to prevent City officials from unduly influencing or intimidating employees under their supervision and/or neglecting their official duties in the interest of candidacy for any public office, it is in the best interest of the City for City Officials to resign their office with the City before seeking another federal, state, district, county, or municipal office.

SECTION 4.

All ordinances relating to resign-to-run charter amendment heretofore adopted, amended or implemented shall remain in full force and effect except as the same have been previously amended or repealed or as the same may be amended by this Ordinance.

SECTION 5.

All ordinances, or parts thereof, inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency. This repealer shall not be construed to revive any ordinance, or part thereof, heretofore repealed.

SECTION 6.

If any section, subsection, paragraph, clause or other provision of this Ordinance for any reason is invalid or unenforceable, the invalidity or unenforceability of such section, subsection, paragraph, clause or other provision shall not affect any of the remaining provisions of this Ordinance.

SECTION 7.

This Ordinance shall become effective upon the majority vote in favor thereof by the registered electors of the City voting thereon at the General Municipal Election to be held Tuesday, November 7, 2023. The resign-to-run requirements of this Ordinance shall take effect beginning January 1, 2024.

SECTION 8.

The officers and staff of the City are authorized and directed to take all action necessary, appropriate or required to implement the provisions of this Ordinance.

Municipal General Election, November 7, 2023

For the Ordinance: _____

Against the Ordinance: _____