RESOLUTION NO. 2015-1577

A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING A REGULAR MUNICIPAL ELECTION FOR THE CITY OF FARMINGTON TO BE HELD TUESDAY, MARCH 1, 2016

WHEREAS, under the statutes of the State of New Mexico, an election is required to be held for the purpose of electing municipal officials whose term of office expires in the year 2016.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF FARMINGTON THAT:

A. A regular municipal election for the election of municipal officers shall be held on March 1, 2016. Polls will open at 7:00 a.m. and close at 7:00 p.m.

B. At the regular municipal election, persons shall be elected to fill the following elective offices:

1. One Councilor for a four-year term (District 1); and
2. One Councilor for a four-year term (District 2).

C. The following precincts are consolidated for the regular municipal election: 20, 27, 28, 29, 30, 33, 34, 35, 37, 44, 50, 51, 52, 53, 55, 56 and 59 that are located within the municipal boundary and within Districts 1 and 2.

D. The following locations are designated as Voting Convenience Centers (polling places) for the conduct of the regular municipal election:

1. Farmington Museum, 3041 E. Main Street;
2. Sycamore Park Community Center, 1051 Sycamore Street; and
3. Farmington City Hall, 800 Municipal Drive.

Voters who are registered in any of the above-mentioned precincts within the municipal boundary and within Districts 1 or 2 shall be allowed to vote at one of the three designated Voting Convenience Centers on Election Day. Voters will not be assigned a specific polling place for Election Day. Early and Absentee voting is also available.

E. All Declarations of Candidacy shall be filed with the City Clerk on Tuesday, January 5, 2016 between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. The candidate shall file with the City Clerk a certified copy of the candidate's current affidavit of voter registration on file with the San Juan County Clerk, certified by the County Clerk's office and dated not earlier than the adoption of this resolution.

F. All Declarations of Write-In Candidacy shall be filed with the City Clerk on Tuesday, January 12, 2016 between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. The candidate shall file with the City Clerk a certified copy of the candidate's current affidavit of voter registration on file with the San Juan County Clerk, certified by the County Clerk's office and dated not earlier than the adoption of this resolution.

G. Persons desiring to register to vote in the regular municipal election must register with the San Juan County Clerk not later than 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, February 2, 2016, the date on which the County Clerk will close registration books.

H. Absentee Voting. Applications for absentee ballots may be obtained only from the City Clerk. All applications for an absentee ballot must be completed and accepted by the City Clerk prior to 5:00 p.m. on February 26, 2016. After 5:00 p.m. on that day, all unused absentee ballots will be publicly destroyed by the City Clerk. The City Clerk will accept completed absentee ballots delivered by mail, or in person by the voter casting the absentee ballot, by a member of the voter's immediate family or by the caregiver to the voter until 7:00 p.m. on March 1, 2016.

Early voting. Early voting on paper ballots counted by an ImageCast Evolution vote tabulator will be conducted in the office of the City Clerk during the regular hours and days of business (Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.) beginning on Wednesday, February 10, 2016 and closing at 5:00 p.m. on Friday, February 26, 2016. Early voting will not be available on Monday, February 15, 2016 as all City offices will be closed in observance of President's Day.

I. The casting of votes by qualified municipal electors shall be recorded on paper ballots and counted by an ImageCast Evolution vote tabulator.

J. The boundaries of the official districting map adopted pursuant to Sec. 2-2-31 of the Farmington City Code have been revised and amended to reflect annexations and changes to district boundaries as shown upon the official districting map on file in the office of the City Clerk and is effective as of the date of adoption of this resolution.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED this 17th day of November, 2015.

Tommy Roberts

Tommy Roberts, Mayor

SEAL

ATTEST:

Dianne Smylie

Dianne Smylie, City Clerk