

ORDINANCE NO. 942

AN ORDINANCE SUBMITTING TO THE REGISTERED QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF THE CITY OF GOLDEN, COLORADO, AT THE GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION TO BE HELD ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 1983, THE QUESTION OF WHETHER THE CHARTER FOR THE CITY OF GOLDEN, COLORADO, SHOULD BE AMENDED REGARDING THE DEFINITION OF "ELECTOR" THEREIN.

WHEREAS, The City Council desires to refer a Charter amendment to the registered qualified electors of the City of Golden pursuant to the requirements of the Colorado Constitution and Section 31-2-210, Colorado Revised Statutes 1973.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GOLDEN, COLORADO:

Section 1. That at the general municipal election to be held in the City of Golden, on Tuesday, the 8th day of November, 1983, between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. of said day, there shall be submitted to a vote of the registered qualified electors the question of whether an amendment to the Charter for the City of Golden should be adopted to redefine "elector" to be a resident of the City registered to vote under the Constitution and Statutes of the State of Colorado.

Section 2. The election of said question on the adoption of the Charter amendment shall be held at the same polling places in the several election wards within the City of Golden as are established and used for the general municipal election, said polling places and wards being as follows:

- Ward One - Golden High School, 701 24th Street
- Ward Two - St. Joseph's Parish Center, 969 Ulysses Street
- Ward Three - North Golden Baptist Church, 103 North Ford Street
- Ward Four - Golden Recreation Center, 1015 10th Street

Section 3. Any person who is at least eighteen (18) years of age, a citizen of the United States, and who has resided in the State of Colorado and in the municipal election ward for thirty-two days immediately preceding the election, and who has complied with the registration laws shall be allowed to vote on the question of the said initiated ordinance. The registration list for the municipal election ward shall contain the names and addresses of the electors residing within the municipal election ward whose names appeared on the County registration records at the close of business on the thirty-second (32nd) day preceding said municipal election (i.e. October 7, 1983).

Section 4. Votes of said election, except those cast by absentee voters, shall be registered on voting devices at the polling place.

On each voting device at the polling place the ballot label shall contain the following question:

Question No. One

"Shall Section 15.14(k) of the Charter for the City of Golden, Colorado, be amended to redefine the definition of "elector" to read as follows:

- k. ELECTOR. A resident of the City registered to vote under the Constitution and the Statutes of the State of Colorado."

Section 5. On each such voting device there shall be areas which will permit the registered elector to indicate his vote "for the charter amendment" or "against the charter amendment" on the question submitted. There shall be provided at the polling place two sample ballots which shall be arranged in the form of the ballot pages as they will appear in each voting device after the official ballot pages are inserted for this election. The judges of election shall comply strictly with the provisions of the Colorado Municipal Election Code, as amended, as the same relate to electronic voting systems.

Section 6. The election on the question of said initiated ordinance shall be held and conducted, the votes cast on the question declared in the same manner and as nearly as may be provided by law for the return, canvass and the declaration of the result of votes cast at any general municipal election in the City of Golden. Notice of said election shall be as prescribed by Section 31-2-210, Colorado Revised Statutes 1973, as amended. The City Clerk is hereby charged with the duty of giving said notice of said election as provided by law and to be in form approved by the City Attorney.

Section 7. When any registered elector on the day of the election, shall be absent from the City, or by reason of his work or the nature of his employment is likely to be absent or fears that he will be absent from the City on said day, or because of serious illness or physical disability or for reasons based upon the doctrines of established religions shall be unable to attend the polls, or for any other reason authorized by law said elector is authorized to vote by absentee ballot, he or she may vote by absentee ballot, in accordance with the provisions of the Colorado Municipal Election Code of 1965, as amended.

The City Clerk is directed to provide a form of absentee ballot which shall contain the question as provided in Section 4 herein. Application for an absentee ballot shall be filed with

the City Clerk not later than the close of business on the Friday immediately preceding the election. The application may be in the form of a letter, stating the applicant's residence address and the reasons for which such absentee ballot is required.

Section 8. The appropriate city officers and officials are directed to comply with all provisions of the Colorado Municipal Election Code of 1965, as amended, except as provided by charter or ordinance, in conducting said municipal election.

Introduced, read and ordered published this 11th day of August, 1983.

Adopted, approved and ordered published this 25th day of August, 1983.

Dr. Ruth A. Maurer
Mayor

Attest:

Sharon L. Bennetts
City Clerk

Approved as to Form:

Russell J. Sindt
City Attorney

I, Sharon L. Bennetts, City Clerk of the City of Golden, Colorado, do hereby certify that the foregoing ordinance was introduced on first reading and read at a regular meeting of the City Council of said city, held on the 11th day of August, and was published as a proposed ordinance in the Colorado Transcript, legal newspaper, as the law directs seven days or more prior to its passage. A public hearing was held and on the 25th day of August, 1983, the said proposed ordinance was read on second reading and passed by the City Council and ordered published in the aforesaid newspaper as the law directs.

Witness my hand and official seal of the City of Golden, Colorado, this 26th day of August, 1983 .

Attest:

Sharon L. Bennetts
City Clerk of the City of
Golden, Colorado

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