

RESOLUTION

NO. R-26-76

(CLARIFYING AND AMENDING RESOLUTION NO. R-25-665)

CITY HALL: February 12, 2026

BY: COUNCILMEMBER HARRIS

SECONDED BY:

WHEREAS, on December 18, 2025, the New Orleans City Council adopted Resolution No. R- 25-665 calling an election in the Garden District’s Security District (“District”) for Saturday, June 27, 2026, for the purpose of authorizing the collection of a millage of up to 19.00 mills on all taxable real property located within the District for a period of eight years beginning January 1, 2027, as fully described in the authorizing resolution; and

WHEREAS, the Law Department, in consultation with the State Bond Commission, advised the Council that the Notice of Election is required to explicitly convey the intent to comply with La. R.S. 18:1285(A)(1)(a)(iii); and

WHEREAS, the Council desires to implement the directive of the State Bond Commission by amending the language of the Notice of Election appearing in Resolution No. R-25-665, and make a technical correction to the official ballot language; **NOW THEREFORE**

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEW ORLEANS, That Resolution No. R-25-665 (attached as Exhibit A) is hereby amended to substitute the official ballot proposition language that appears in Section 1 on pages 2-3 of the Resolution and on pages A-1 and A-2 of the Notice of Election attached as an exhibit thereto with the following:

“GARDEN DISTRICT’S SECURITY DISTRICT PROPOSITION

Shall the City of New Orleans be authorized to impose and collect an annual fee not to exceed nineteen mills (subject to the homestead

exception) on each parcel of land located within the Garden District's Security District ("District"), delineated by La. R.S. 33:9091.2(B) as the area bounded by and including both sides of Carondelet Street, Jackson Avenue, Magazine Street, and Louisiana Avenue, for eight (8) years, beginning January 1, 2027 and ending December 31, 2034, which fee (estimated to be \$852,000 in the first year of collection) shall be set by the resolution of the District board of commissioners and used exclusively, subject to a 1% City collection fee, to promote and encourage security within the District?"

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEW ORLEANS, That Resolution No. R-25-665 (attached as Exhibit A) is hereby amended to provide notice, in accordance with La. R.S. 18:1285(A)(1)(a)(iii), that a portion of the monies collected from the special tax or fee, if implemented, shall be remitted to certain state and statewide retirement systems in the manner required by law.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEW ORLEANS, That the Notice of Election attached to Resolution No. R-25-665 as Exhibit A is hereby superseded with the Notice of Election attached hereto as Exhibit B, which shall be published in accordance with the provisions of Section 3 of Resolution No. R-25-665.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEW ORLEANS, That, subject to the modifications set forth in this instrument, the remaining provisions of Resolution No. R-25-665 are hereby reaffirmed and ratified.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEW ORLEANS, That certified copies of this resolution be delivered to the Law Department, with instructions that copies be provided to the State Bond Commission and the Garden District's Security District.

THE FOREGOING RESOLUTION WAS READ IN FULL, THE ROLL WAS CALLED ON THE ADOPTION THEREOF, AND RESULTED AS FOLLOWS:

YEAS:

NAYS:

ABSENT:

AND THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

EXHIBIT A

CERTIFIED COPY OF RESOLUTION NO. R-25-665

EXHIBIT B

NOTICE OF ELECTION

Pursuant to the provisions of Resolution R-26-_____, adopted by the City Council of New Orleans on _____, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that an election will be held in New Orleans on Saturday, June 27, 2026 and at the election there will be submitted to all registered voters (who are qualified and entitled to vote at the said election under the Constitution and Laws of the State of Louisiana and the Constitution and Laws of the United States) residing in the Garden District’s Security District (“District”), which is comprised of the area of the City of New Orleans located within and including the following boundaries: both sides of Carondelet Street, Jackson Avenue, Magazine Street, and Louisiana Avenue, to wit:

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Pursuant to La. R.S. 18:1285(A)(1)(a)(iii), notice is further given that if implemented, a portion of the monies collected from the special tax or fee shall be remitted to certain state and statewide retirement systems in the manner required by law.

Said election shall be held at the polling places located within the precincts delineated hereinbelow. The polls in such precincts will open at seven o'clock in the morning (7:00 a.m.) and close at eight o'clock in the evening (8:00 p.m.), in accordance with the provisions of La. R.S. 18:541. Registered voters in each of the following precincts who are residents of the District shall be eligible to vote on said proposition:

POLLING PLACES

<u>WARD</u>	<u>PRECINCT</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>
10	8(P), 9(P)	Renew Sci Tech Academy at Laurel Site 820 Jackson Avenue
10	11(P)	Dryades YMCA 2220 Oretha Castle Haley Boulevard
11	5(P), 8, 9(P)	Engine #1, Task Force 5 2920 Magazine Street
11	10(P)	N.O. Speech & Hearing Center 1636 Toledano Street
12	1(P), 5(P)	Benjamin Franklin Elementary School 3649 Laurel Street
12	7(P)	Sophie B. Wright Charter School 1426 Napoleon Avenue
12	9(P)	Lawrence D. Crocker College Prep 2301 Marengo Street

The estimated cost of this election, as determined by the Louisiana Secretary of State, based upon the provisions of Title 18, Chapter 8A of the Louisiana Revised Statutes and the actual costs of similar elections is \$20,500.

The Council, acting under the powers granted to it by the City Charter and state statutes, shall meet at its regular meeting place, the Council Chamber, City Hall, 1300 Perdido Street, New Orleans, Louisiana on Thursday, August 6, 2026 beginning at ten o'clock (10:00) a.m. and shall then and there

in open and public session proceed to examine and canvass the returns and declare the result of said election.