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ORDINANCE NO. 017949
AN ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE 2 (ADMINISTRATION AND PERSONNEL), CHAPTER 2.92 (ETHICS), SECTION 2.92.100 (CAMPAIGN FINANCES), PARAGRAPH 2.92.100 (D) (REQUIRED FILINGS) TO REQUIRE ELECTRONIC FILING OF CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION AND EXPENDITURE REPORTS FILED WITH THE CITY CLERK'S OFFICE

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EL PASO:

1. That Title 2 (Administration and Personnel), Chapter 2.92 (Ethics), Section 2.92.100 (Campaign Finances)(D) is amended to allow electronic filing of campaign contribution and expenditure reports and will be amended in its entirety to read as follows:

Paragraph 2.92.100

D. Required Filings.

1. Each candidate shall file with his application, consent and affidavit of candidate, a written statement acknowledging that he or she has received a copy of this chapter.
2. A political committee which makes contributions or expenditures in connection with advocating or opposing a position or issue in a city election must file with the city clerk a copy of each contribution and expenditure report filed with the Texas Ethics Commission. The filing date for filing with the city clerk shall be the date established under the Texas Election Code for filing with the Texas Ethics Commission.
3. The starting and ending dates of reporting periods and the due dates of contribution and expenditure reports by candidates for city elections, officeholders and by political committees shall be governed by the Texas Election Code.
4. Contribution and expenditure reports required to be filed with the City Clerk's Office under the Texas Election Code must be filed and updated electronically except as provided in Section 2.92.100 (D)(4)(b).
 - a. The City will provide access to computer equipment for candidates to file the electronic reports.
 - b. A candidate, officeholder, or political committee that is required to file electronic reports under this chapter may apply for an exemption with the City Clerk if
 - i. the candidate, officeholder, or campaign treasurer of the committee files with the City Clerk's Office an affidavit stating that the candidate, officeholder, or committee, or a person with whom the candidate, officeholder, or committee contracts does not use computer equipment to keep the current records of political contributions, political

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- ii. the candidate, officeholder, or committee does not, in a calendar year, accept political contributions that in the aggregate exceed the greater of TWENTY THOUSAND AND NO/100 DOLLARS (\$20,000) or the amount stated in Section 254.036(C)(2) of the Texas Election Code, as amended, or make political expenditures that in the aggregate exceed the greater of TWENTY THOUSAND AND NO/100 DOLLARS (\$20,000) or the amount stated in Section 254.036(C)(2) of the Texas Election Code, as amended.
- c. The City will post the contribution and expenditure reports through the City's website. A paper copy of any report will be made available, upon request.
- d. Knowingly failing to timely file a report required by this section is a violation hereof, as is the knowingly filing of a report with incorrect, misleading, or incomplete information. If an individual inadvertently files an incorrect or incomplete report, it is his or her responsibility to file an amended report as soon as possible, though no later than fourteen (14) days after discovery of the error or after the error should have reasonably been discovered.

2. Except as herein amended, That Title 2 (Administration and Personnel), Chapter 2.92 (Ethics), Paragraph 2.92.100 (Campaign Finances) of the El Paso City Code shall remain in full force and effect.

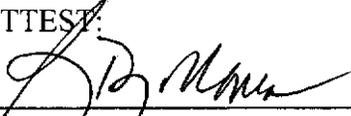
PASSED AND APPROVED this 19th day of February, 2013.

CITY OF EL PASO



John F. Cook
Mayor

ATTEST:



Richarda Duffy Momsen
City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



Matthew K. Behrens
Assistant City Attorney

APPROVED AS TO CONTENT:



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