CITY OF NOVI CITY COUNCIL FEBRUARY 6, 2023



SUBJECT: Approval of a resolution consolidating Precincts 16 & 17 and 24 & 25 for the May 2, 2023 election.

SUBMITTING DEPARTMENT: City Clerk

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

On December 13, 2022, Northville Public Schools approved the placement of a bond proposal on the May 2, 2023 ballot. Since there are no other offices or proposals on the May 2nd ballot, only Precincts 16, 17, 24, and 25 will have an election. Election Law allows for the temporary consolidation of precincts under MCL 168.659 for instances such as this.

The first consolidated precinct would be "Precincts 16 & 17" hosted at the Novi Civic Center which is the regular precinct for both locations. The second consolidated precinct would be "Precincts 24 & 25" and would be located at St. James Catholic Church. Only voters who reside in Precinct 25 would have to be notified of this one-time change, as their regular polling location is at Thornton Creek Elementary. The Election Commission approved the consolidation at their meeting on January 26, 2023.

Consolidating these precincts for this specific election would eliminate the need to operate, supply, and staff two additional polling locations on Election Day and result in a cost savings of approximately \$3,000. The affected voters would be notified of this temporary change by mail, and signage will be posted at Thornton Creek Elementary to remind voters of the temporary change that day.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Approval of a resolution consolidating Precincts 16 & 17 and 24 & 25 for the May 2, 2023 election.

CITY OF NOVI

COUNTY OF OAKLAND, MICHIGAN

RESOLUTION REGARDING PRECINCT CONSOLIDATION FOR MAY 2, 2023

Minutes of a Meeting of the City Council of the City of Novi, County of Oakland, Michigan, held in the City Hall of said City on February 6, 2023 at 7 o'clock P.M. Prevailing Eastern Time.

PRESENT:

ABSENT:

The following preamble and Resolution were offered by Councilmember ______ and supported by Councilmember ______.

WHEREAS, on December 13, 2022, Northville Public Schools approved the placement of a ballot proposition on the May 2, 2023 ballot; and

WHEREAS, Michigan Election Law (MCL 168.659) provides that if a county, city, ward, township, village or school district is divided into two or more election precincts, the county, city, ward, township, or village election commissioners may, by resolution, consolidate election precincts for a particular election, with the exception of an August Primary, November General or other statewide or federal election; and

WHEREAS, the May 2, 2023 Special Election is a scheduled election in which consolidation of precincts is allowed; and

WHEREAS, the following precincts are to be consolidated:

Precinct	Combined number of registered voters (as of 1/24/23)	Polling location for 5/2/2023 Election	Address
16 and 17	3,438	Civic Center – Gateway	45175 W. Ten Mile
		Quarters	Novi, MI 48375
24 and 25	3,181	St. James Catholic	46325 W. Ten Mile
		Church	Novi, MI 48375

WHEREAS, the consolidated precincts do not exceed 5,000 registered voters in accordance with MCL 168.659; and

WHEREAS, the voters who are being consolidated, and who will vote at a different polling location, will be notified via USPS by the City Clerk's Office; and

WHEREAS, City Council, in making the determination to consolidate election precincts for this election, have taken into consideration the complexity of the ballot, and the anticipated turn-out, concerning the proposal to be voted upon; and

WHEREAS, The Election Commission approved the consolidation at their meeting on January 26, 2023.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Novi City Council approves the consolidation of Precincts 16 & 17 and 24 & 25 for the May 2, 2023 Special Election.

AYES:

NAYS:

RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED.

Cortney Hanson, City Clerk

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of a resolution adopted by the City Council of the City of Novi, County of Oakland, and State of Michigan, at a regular meeting held this 6th day of February 2023, and that public notice of said meeting was given pursuant to and in full compliance with Act No. 267, Public Acts of Michigan, 1976, and that the minutes of said meeting have been kept and made available to the public as required by said Act.

> Cortney Hanson, City Clerk City of Novi

