

Staff Report

Ordinance 10-14

Legal Counsel to Board of Supervisors of Elections

The proposed ordinance would authorize the Board of Supervisors of Elections to engage outside legal counsel during specified periods of time in the municipal election cycle.

The City Attorney is classified as a position in the exempt service with the responsibility to serve as legal counsel to the Mayor, City Council, Department Heads, and the City's boards/commissions/committees. The client relationship between the City Attorney and the Mayor and City Council may create the appearance of a conflict of interest when the City Attorney serves as counsel to the Board of Supervisors of Elections from the filing deadline for declaring candidacy in a municipal election until the municipal election results are certified.

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