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ORDER SETTING A PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO PORTLAND CITY CHARTER, ARTICLE IV ELECTIONS RE: 42-DAY FINANCE REPORTS REQUIRED FOR MUNICIPAL CANDIDATES

ORDERED, that the Portland City Council will hold a public hearing on the attached proposed amendments to Article IV (Elections) of the Portland City Charter on August 13, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers at Portland City Hall, said amendment to be placed upon the November 6, 2018, Regular Municipal Election ballot if submission to the voters is approved by the Council.

[Language to be added is underlined.]

Question # 1. Shall the Municipality approve the Charter Amendment reprinted below:

Section 11. State election laws applicable.

The laws of the state in Title 21-A of the Revised Statutes relating to the qualifications of electors, registration, the manner of voting, the duties of election officials, and all other particulars in respect to preparation for conducting and managing elections, so far as they may be applicable, shall govern all municipal elections in the City of Portland, except as provided below regarding 42-day pre-election reports and as otherwise provided herein.

In addition to the reports required for municipal candidates by Title 21-A of the Maine Revised Statutes, 42-day pre-election reports must be filed by municipal candidates no later than 11:59 p.m. on the 42nd day before the date on which a general election is held and must be complete as of the 49th day before that date.

Nothing in this charter shall prohibit the use of electronic or revised voting methods and procedures to the extent authorized by state and/or federal law.