

RESOLUTION NO. R2023.128

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF TEMPE, ARIZONA,
CALLING A SPECIAL ELECTION ON MARCH 12, 2024,
FOR THE PURPOSE OF SUBMITTING THE GENERAL
PLAN 2050 TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF THE
CITY OF TEMPE FOR RATIFICATION.**

WHEREAS, the City Council held public hearings on August 10 and 24, 2023, for the purpose of receiving public input on the General Plan 2050; and,

WHEREAS, the City Council adopted the General Plan 2050 on August 24, 2023 by Resolution No. R2023.114; and

WHEREAS, State law requires that a general plan be submitted to the voters for ratification at a regular or special election at least 120 days after approval by the City Council; and,

WHEREAS, the Tempe City Council desires to submit the General Plan 2050 to the voters for ratification at a Special Election on March 12, 2024.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TEMPE, ARIZONA, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. That a Special Election be held on March 12, 2024, for the purpose of submitting the General Plan 2050 to the voters for ratification.

Section 2. That the following proposition be submitted to the qualified electors of the City of Tempe:

Shall the City of Tempe General Plan 2050, as adopted by the City Council on August 24, 2023 by Resolution No. 2023.114, be ratified as the General Plan of the City of Tempe?

SHALL THE ABOVE-DESCRIBED PROPOSITION BE ADOPTED?

YES NO

Section 3. That the electors favoring the above proposition shall vote “YES” and the electors opposing the proposition shall vote “NO”.

Section 4. That the Special Election shall be held in conformity with the provisions of the Tempe City Charter, Tempe City Code and the general election laws of the State of Arizona.

Section 5. That the City Clerk is hereby authorized to sign the Maricopa County Menu of Services agreement for the conduct of the March 12, 2024 Special Election, as authorized by contract between the City of Tempe and Maricopa County (C93-40).

Section 6. That the City Council shall cause the ballot and publicity pamphlets to be printed and shall provide sufficient number of ballots to conduct the election.

Section 7. Submitting Arguments. Pursuant to Arizona Revised Statutes ("A.R.S.") § 19-124, as amended, the City hereby sets the dates of November 13, 2023 through December 13, 2023 at the hour of 5:00 p.m. as the timeline to submit arguments "for" or "against" the General Plan 2050. Each argument shall not exceed 300 words in length and shall contain the original, signed sworn statement of each person sponsoring it. If the argument is sponsored by an organization, the sworn statement must be from two (2) executive officers of the organization. If the argument is sponsored by a political action committee, the sworn statement must be from the committee's chair or treasurer. With each argument supporting or opposing General Plan 2050, one hundred dollars (\$100.00) shall be deposited with the City Clerk to offset a portion of the proportionate cost of paper and printing the argument. The City Clerk is authorized to publish in a newspaper of general circulation within the City a notice stating the deadline for filing with the City of arguments "for" or "against" the proposition, for inclusion in the Informational Pamphlet pertaining to the General Plan 2050. A form of the notice requesting arguments "for" and "against", including the deadline for submitting arguments, is attached hereto as Exhibit A. The City Clerk is authorized to revise the form of notice hereto as necessary to comply with all applicable laws.

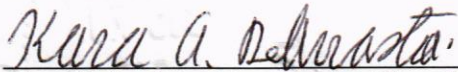
Section 8. That if a majority of the qualified electors of the City voting at the election vote in favor of the proposed proposition, the General Plan 2050 shall become effective as provided by State law. If a majority of the qualified electors voting on the proposition fails to approve the General Plan 2050, the General Plan 2040 remains in effect until a new plan is approved by the voters pursuant to State law.

PASSED AND ADOPTED BY THE CITY OF TEMPE, ARIZONA, this 7th day of September, 2023.




Corey D. Woods, Mayor

ATTEST:



Kara A. DeArrastia, Interim City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



Sonia M. Blain, City Attorney

EXHIBIT A

Public Notice – City of Tempe Call of Special Election

Notice is hereby given that the City of Tempe, Arizona, will hold a Special Election on March 12, 2024. At the Special Election, City voters will vote on Proposition XXX, the City of Tempe General Plan 2050. Ballot language is available in the Tempe City Clerk's Office and on the internet at www.tempe.gov/election.

Individuals may file arguments for or against the General Plan 2050, which will be published in an election publicity pamphlet that is mailed to households of registered voters within the City. **Arguments supporting or opposing the General Plan 2050 may be filed beginning at 8:00 a.m. on Monday, November 13, 2023, and ending at 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, December 13, 2023, using the electronic argument submission form via email to: clerk@tempe.gov. The arguments with original signatures must also be submitted to: Tempe City Clerk's Office, City Hall, 2nd Floor, 31 E. 5th Street, Tempe, Arizona.**

Arguments cannot exceed 300 words in length and must contain a sworn statement from each person sponsoring it. If the argument is sponsored by an organization, the sworn statement must be from two (2) executive officers of the organization. If the argument is sponsored by a political action committee, the sworn statement must be from the committee's chair or treasurer. The names of persons and entities submitting written arguments must be included in the publicity pamphlet. The residence address and phone number for each signer must be included on the argument but will not be printed in the publicity pamphlet except for the signer's city or town and state of residence.

At the time of filing, a deposit of \$100 per argument is required to offset a portion of the proportionate cost of paper and printing the argument. Individuals filing an argument may pay the \$100 by credit card (Visa, MasterCard, Discover, or American Express is accepted) over the phone at (480) 350-8242, or by check or cash in person in the City Clerk's Office, 31 East Fifth Street, Tempe, AZ, 85281. Any argument that is submitted that does not comply with this requirement may not be included in the pamphlet.

The last day to register to vote at the March 12, 2024, Special Election is Monday, February 12, 2024. For more information concerning this election, please call the Tempe City Clerk's Office at (480) 350-8242, email clerk@tempe.gov, or visit www.tempe.gov/election.

Kara A. DeArrastia, Interim City Clerk

Dates Published in Newspaper: Friday, October 6, 2023, and Friday, October 13, 2023