## **RESOLUTION 2020-02**

## BLACK FOREST FIRE/RESCUE PROTECTION DISTRICT A RESOLUTION CALLING FOR THE 2020 REGULAR DISTRICT ELECTION AND APPOINTING A DESIGNATED ELECTION OFFICIAL

WHEREAS, the Black Forest Fire Protection District (the "District") is a quasimunicipal corporation and political subdivision of the State of Colorado and a duly organized and existing special district pursuant to Title 32, Article 1, C.R.S.; and

WHEREAS, the terms of office of Directors James Abendschan, Nate Dowden, and Jack Hinton shall expire after their successors are elected at the regular special district election to be held on May 5, 2020 ("Election") and have taken office; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the provisions of the Special District Act ("Act") and the Colorado Local Government Election Code ("Code") (the Act and the Code being referred to jointly as the "Election Laws"), the Election must be conducted to elect two (2) Directors to serve for a term of three (3) years and one (1) Director to serve for a term of two (2) years pursuant to Section 1-13.5-111, C.R.S., which moves the regular special district elections to May of each odd-numbered years commencing in May, 2023 and, in connection therewith, adjusts the length of terms served by Directors elected in 2020 and 2022 in order to implement the new election schedule.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, be it resolved by the Board of Directors of the Black Forest Fire/Rescue Protection District in the County of El Paso, State of Colorado that:

- 1. The regular election of the eligible electors of the District shall be held on May 5, 2020, between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. pursuant to and in accordance with the Election Laws, and other applicable laws. At that time, two (2) Directors will be elected to serve a three-year term and one (1) Director to serve a two-year term.
- 2. The Election shall be conducted as a polling place election in accordance with all relevant provisions of the Election Laws. There shall be one polling place at the following location:

11445 Teachout Road Colorado Springs, CO 80908

Situated in the County of El Paso, State of Colorado. The polling place located at 11445 Teachout Road shall also be the polling place for disabled electors and for eligible electors not residing within the District. If the Designated Election Official deems it to be more expedient for the convenience of the eligible electors of the District (who are also eligible electors in other special districts with overlapping boundaries which are

conducting elections on the Election day), the Election may be held jointly with such special districts in accordance with coordinated election procedures as set forth in an agreement between all participating special districts. In such event, the election precincts and polling places shall be as set forth in such agreement. The Designated Election Official is authorized to execute such agreement on behalf of the District, which agreement shall include provisions for the allocation of responsibilities for the conduct and reasonable sharing of costs of the coordinated Election.

- 3. Applications for absentee ballots may be filed with the Designated Election Official at the address indicated on the Call for Nominations, no later than the close of business on Tuesday immediately preceding the election day (April 28, 2020).
- 4. The Designated Election Officials of local governments with overlapping boundaries that hold elections the same day by polling place must meet, confer, and thereafter, if practical, hold such elections in a manner that permits an elector in the overlapping area to vote in all of such elections at one polling place. If applicable, the Designated Election Official is authorized to enter into an intergovernmental agreement with such local governments on behalf of the District concerning the election procedures and any cost sharing associated with coordinating the use of one polling place.
- 5. The Board of Directors hereby designates Melissa Bottorff as the Designated Election Official for the conduct of the Election on behalf of the District and she is hereby authorized and directed to proceed with any action necessary or appropriate to effectuate the provisions of this Resolution and of the Election Laws or other applicable laws. Among other matters, the Designated Election Official shall publish the call for nominations, appoint election judges as necessary, appoint the Canvass Board, arrange for the required notices of election, printing of ballots, and direct that all other appropriate actions be accomplished.
- 6. Self-Nomination and Acceptance forms are available at the Designated Election Official's office located at the above address. All candidates must file a Self-Nomination and Acceptance form with the Designated Election Official no earlier than January 1, 2020, nor later than the close of business on Friday, February 28, 2020.
- 7. If the only matter before the electors is the election of Directors of the District and if, at the close of business on March 3, 2020, there are not more candidates than offices to be filled at the Election, including candidates timely filing affidavits of intent no later than March 2, 2020, the Designated Election Official shall cancel the Election and declare the candidates elected. Notice of such cancellation shall be published and posted in accordance with the Code. The Notice and this resolution, signed by the Board Chair, shall be filed with the Division of Local Government.
- 8. If any part or provision of this Resolution is adjudged to be unenforceable or invalid, such judgment shall not affect, impair or invalidate the remaining provisions

of this Resolution, it being the Board's intention that the various provisions hereof are severable.

- 9. Any and all actions previously taken by the Designated Election Official, the Secretary of the Board of Directors, or any other persons acting on their behalf pursuant to the Election Laws or other applicable laws, are hereby ratified and confirmed.
- 10. All acts, orders, and resolutions, or parts thereof, of the Board which are inconsistent or in conflict with this Resolution are hereby repealed to the extent only of such inconsistency or conflict.
  - 11. The provisions of this Resolution shall take effect immediately.

ADOPTED this 15 that of January, 2020.

BLACK FOREST FIRE/RESCUE PROTECTION DISTRICT

By Chairman

ATTEST:

Secretary