RESOLUTION NO. 138

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF SHORELINE, WASHINGTON, CALLING FOR A SPECIAL ELECTION IN THE CITY OF SHORELINE ON THE QUESTION OF WHETHER THE CITY SHOULD CHANGE ITS FORM OF GOVERNMENT, BECOMING A CHARTER CODE CITY, AND ELECTING FIFTEEN FREEHOLDERS TO SERVE ON A CHARTER COMMISSION WHICH SHALL FRAME A CITY CHARTER.

WHEREAS, the City of Shoreline presently does not have a charter and is a non-charter Code city operating under the Optional Municipal Code set out in Title 35A of the Revised Code of Washington; and

WHEREAS, on September 24, 1997 the City of Shoreline received a petition "To Change the Form of Government in the City of Shoreline"; and

WHEREAS, on September 30, 1997 the Elections Superintendent of the King County Office of Records and Elections issued a Certificate of Sufficiency that the petition to change the form of government in the City of Shoreline was signed by qualified electors in number equal to not less than ten percent of the votes cast at the last general municipal election; and

WHEREAS, RCW 35A.08.030 provides that at the election to consider the question of whether the City shall become a Charter Code City, provision shall also be made for the election of fifteen freeholders who shall constitute the Charter Commission charged with the duty of framing a charter for submission to the voters; and

WHEREAS, it is the City of Shoreline's objective to encourage the highest possible voter turnout and that mail-in ballots have historically resulted in larger turnouts;

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

Section 1. Request for Special Election. The Shoreline City Council hereby indicates its intent to call a special election to be held in the City of Shoreline, Washington on March 10, 1998, for the purpose of submitting to the qualified voters of the City the proposition of whether the City should change its form of government, becoming a Charter Code City, and electing fifteen freeholders who shall constitute the Charter Commission charged with the duty of framing a Charter for submission to the voters.

Section 2. Ballot Proposition. The proposition to be submitted at the special election shall be in the form of a ballot title as follows:

PROPOSITION

SHALL THE CITY OF SHORELINE CHANGE ITS FORM OF GOVERNMENT, BECOMING A CHARTER CODE CITY, AND ELECTING A 15-MEMBER CHARTER COMMISSION WHICH SHALL FRAME A CITY CHARTER?

YES
NO
ELECTION OF CHARTER COMMISSION
Vote for one freeholder for each of the fifteen positions.
FREEHOLDER POSITION NO. 1 Vote for One
FREEHOLDER POSITION NO. 2 Vote for One

Section 3. <u>Method of Election</u>. Pursuant to RCW 29.36.120, the City Clerk is authorized to express the City of Shoreline's preference for a mail-in ballot instead of a poll ballot.

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Section 4. Request for Local Voters' Pamphlet. Pursuant to RCW 29.81A.010, it is requested that the King County Council authorize the publication and distribution of a local voters' pamphlet for this jurisdiction to cover the ballot measures identified in this

resolution. It is understood that the cost of producing and distributing the pamphlet will be borne as a cost of the election as provided in RCW 29.81A.070.

Section 5. <u>Transmittal to County Council and Request for Special Election.</u> The City Clerk is authorized and directed to notify and to send a certified copy of this resolution to the King County Council.

Section 6. Effective Date. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption.

ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL ON NOVEMBER 24, 1997.

Mayor Connie King

ATTEST:

Sharon Mattivu:
Sharon Mattioli, CMC
City Clerk