Agenda Item: 20250028

Ordinance No. 8432

AN ORDINANCE

TO PROVIDE for the establishment of qualifying fees for the office of Mayor and the office of Council for the city of Marietta, Georgia; and

TO PROVIDE for the opening and closing dates for the filing of notice of candidacy by candidates.

WHEREAS, the city of Marietta General Election for the offices of Mayor and Council will be held on Tuesday, November 4, 2025, pursuant to O.C.G.A. 21-2-9(b); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to O.C.G.A. 21-2-131 (a), the City Council must set the qualifying fees by February 1, 2025 for the November 4, 2025 election.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MARIETTA, GEORGIA THAT:

Section 1. The Qualifying Fees to be paid by each candidate for Mayor and for each candidate for Council are hereby established pursuant to O.C.G.A. 21-2-131(a).

The qualifying fee for the office of Mayor shall be \$756.00. The qualifying fee for the office of Council shall be \$567.00.

Section 2. Each candidate or his or her designee shall file notice of candidacy in the office of the Clerk of the City of Marietta between Monday August 18, 2025, to Wednesday, August 20, 2025. The hours of qualifying shall be between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., all pursuant to O.C.G.A. 21-2-132 (d)(4).

Section 3. Each Candidate must meet the qualifications of the Charter of the City of Marietta and the Code of the City of Marietta, as well as applicable State Laws.

Section 4. It is hereby declared to be the intention of this Ordinance that its sections, paragraphs, sentences, clauses and phrases are severable, and if any section, paragraph, sentence, clause or phrase of this Ordinance is declared to be unconstitutional or invalid, it shall not affect any of the remaining sections, paragraphs, sentences, clauses or phrases of this Ordinance.

Section 5. All Ordinances or parts of Ordinances in conflict with this Ordinance are hereby repealed.

Section 6. This Ordinance shall become effective upon the signature or without the signature of the Mayor, subject to Georgia laws 1983, page 4119.

DATE: January 8, 2025

APPROVED: <u>Altse Turl</u> R. Steve Tumlin, Mayor

ATTEST: Stephanie Guy, City Clerk

Approved as to form:

Douglas R. Haynie, City Attorney