STATE OF GEORGIA
COUNTY OF FULTON

AN ORDINANCE CALLING FOR A SPECIAL ELECTION TO BE HELD ON TUESDAY, MAY 24, 2016 AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

TO PROVIDE for the call and date of the 2016 Special Election for the City of Sandy Springs, Georgia, to fill the seat left vacant by District 3 Council member Graham McDonald; and

TO PROVIDE for the date for any runoff required where no candidate receives a majority of the votes cast; and

TO PROVIDE for the location for advance voting for the 2016 Special Election; and

TO PROVIDE for the location for regular voting for the 2016 Special Election; and

TO PROVIDE direction for absentee balloting; and

TO PROVIDE for qualifying fees and dates and times to qualify for the City of Sandy Springs Council seat for District 3, for the 2016 Special Election; and

TO PROVIDE for the appointment of Michael D. Casey, City Clerk, as the Elections Superintendent for the 2016 Special Election and runoff election, if needed.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANDY SPRINGS THAT:

Section 1: Notice is hereby given that the date and call of the 2016 Special Election to fill the District 3 Council seat for the City of Sandy Springs is hereby established for Tuesday, May 24, 2016, pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 21-2-540.

Section 2: Notice is hereby given that in the event that no candidate for the City Council District 3 Council seat receives a majority of the votes cast, a run-off election shall be held the twenty-eighth day following the 2016 Special Election, which is Tuesday, June 21, 2016, between the two (2) candidates receiving the highest number of votes, pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 21-2-501.

Section 3: Notice is hereby given that advance voting for the 2016 Special Election will take place Monday, May 2, 2016, through Friday, May 20, 2016, between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. at the Fulton County North Fulton Annex, 7741 Roswell Road, Sandy Springs, Georgia.

Section 4: Notice is hereby given that regular voting for the 2016 Special Election will take place Tuesday, May 24, 2016, between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. at Hammond Park, Round Program Building, 6005 Glenridge Drive, Sandy Springs, Georgia.

Section 5: Notice is hereby given that absentee balloting for the 2016 Special Election may be requested from the office of the Sandy Springs City Clerk, City of Sandy Springs, 7840 Roswell Road, Building 500, Sandy Springs, Georgia.
**Section 6:** Notice is hereby given that the qualifying fees to be paid by each candidate for the City Council District 3 Council seat shall be 3% of the annual salary of a Sandy Springs Council member and is set at $540.00, pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 21-2-131(a)(1). Each candidate, or his or her designee, shall file notice of candidacy in the office of the Sandy Springs City Clerk at any of the following dates and times: Wednesday, April 13, 2016, between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.; Thursday, April 14, 2016, between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.; and Friday, April 15, 2016, between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m., pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 21-2-132. Each candidate must meet the qualifications of the Charter and Code of Ordinances of the City of Sandy Springs, as well as all applicable State laws.

**Section 7:** The City of Sandy Springs hereby appoints Michael D. Casey, City Clerk, as the Elections Superintendent for the May 24, 2016 Special Election and the June 21, 2016 run-off, if needed.

**Section 8:** 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 9:** All Ordinances in conflict with this Ordinance are hereby repealed.

**Section 10:** This Ordinance shall become effective upon passage by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Sandy Springs and signature of the Mayor subject to Georgia Laws 1985, page 4119.

**APPROVED AND ADOPTED** this the 29th day of March, 2016.

Approved:

Russell K. Paul, Mayor

Attest:

Michael D. Casey, City Clerk

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