AN ORDINANCE OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORMAN. OKLAHOMA, AUTHORIZING THE CALLING AND HOLDING OF A SPECIAL ELECTION IN THE CITY OF NORMAN, COUNTY OF CLEVELAND, STATE OF OKLAHOMA, ON THE 14<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2017, FOR THE PURPOSE OF SUBMITTING TO THE REGISTERED VOTERS OF THE CITY OF NORMAN THE OUESTION OF APPROVING OR REJECTING ORDINANCE NO. O-1718-3, WHICH ORDINANCE AMENDS ARTICLE II, SECTIONS 2, 5, 6, AND 10 OF THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF NORMAN WHICH RELATE TO RENAMING THE GENERAL OR PRIMARY ELECTION AS THE MUNICIPAL ELECTION FOR CONSISTENCY WITH ALLOWING MUNICIPAL OTHER CHARTER PROVISIONS, ELECTIONS CONDUCTED BY THE CLEVELAND COUNTY ELECTION BOARD TO BE SET ON DATES ALLOWED UNDER APPLICABLE STATE LAW WHILE SPECIFYING A PREFERENCE FOR MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS TO BE CONDUCTED IN FEBRUARY AND MUNICIPAL RUNOFF ELECTIONS TO BE CONDUCTED IN APRIL, AND PROVIDING ADDITIONAL FLEXIBILITY IN THE SELECTION OF FILING DATES EACH YEAR SO THAT THEY ARE COMPATIBLE WITH STATE LAW NOTICE REQUIREMENTS FOR MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS CONDUCTED BY THE CLEVELAND COUNTY ELECTION BOARD; AND PROVIDING FOR THE SEVERABILITY THEREOF.

- § 1. WHEREAS, it is deemed advisable and necessary by the Council of the City of Norman, Oklahoma, to submit for election various amendments to the Charter of said City as are hereinafter set forth; and
- § 2. WHEREAS, pursuant to the provisions of Section 12, Article XVII of the Charter of the City of Norman, said amendments must be submitted to the registered voters of said City for their approval before the same become effective.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORMAN, OKLAHOMA:

§ 3. That the Mayor of the City of Norman, Oklahoma, or in her absence or incapacity, the duly qualified Mayor Pro Tem, be and hereby is authorized and directed to call a special election to be held in the City of Norman, Oklahoma, on the 14th day of November, 2017, for the purpose of submitting to the registered, qualified voters of said City of Norman, Oklahoma, for their approval or rejection the following proposition:

## Proposition I

Shall Section 2, 5, 6, and 10 of Article II of the Charter of the City of Norman, pertaining to the conducting and scheduling of

municipal elections in the City of Norman, be amended to allow candidate filing dates and election dates to be set as allowed by State Law in order that municipal elections can be conducted by the Cleveland County Election Board, and replace references to general and primary election with the term municipal election, as more particularly described in Ordinance No. O-1718-3?

- § 4. That the remaining portions of the Article and Sections referred to herein shall remain unchanged.
- § 5. That the amendments of the City Charter proposed herein shall be effective as provided by law.
- § 6. **Severability.** If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase or portion of this ordinance, is, for any reason, held invalid or unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, such portion shall be deemed a separate, distinct, and independent provision, and such holding shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this ordinance.

ADOPTED this day		NOT ADOPTED this	day
of	, 2017.	of	, 2017.
Lynne Miller, Mayor		Lynne Miller, Mayor	
ATTEST:			
Brenda Hall, City Clerk		_	