

RESOLUTION #2018-27

**TO PROVIDE FOR REVIEW OF FINANCIAL QUALIFICATIONS OF CANDIDATES
FOR ELECTIVE OFFICE**

Purpose and Finding: Pursuant to the Michigan Home Rule City Act, MCL 117.5(f), the City is prohibited from giving an official position to anyone in default to the city. Additionally, the Albion City Charter provides in section 4.3 that an individual is ineligible for city office if that individual is in default to the City. As part of the City of Albion's screening process when an individual is elected to City office, the City of Albion reviews the candidate's income taxes, property taxes, and utility billing to determine whether they are in default to the city. In the past, this evaluation has occurred after the election. In the interests of providing full information to both the City and the candidates, and to avoid the possibility of ineligible individuals from being elected to office, it is recommended that the financial screening process occur after the City receives valid nominating petitions from the candidates.

Council Member Braun moved, supported by Council Member Lawler, to approve the following resolution

RESOLVED, that the City of Albion shall conduct a financial review of each candidate, who submits valid nominating petitions as required by law, within fourteen (14) days of the receipt of those nominating petitions. The City shall provide written notice of the results of the review to each candidate at their last known address.

I hereby certify that the above resolution was adopted on November 19, 2018 in a special session of the Albion City Council, and this is a true copy of that resolution.

Ayes 6

Nays 0

Absent 1 (Barnes)

Jill Domingo
Jill Domingo, City Clerk