

RESOLUTION NO. 26-845

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE GOLETA WEST SANITARY DISTRICT ORDERING AN ELECTION AND REQUESTING THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO CONSOLIDATE THE ELECTION WITH THE 2026 STATEWIDE ELECTION

WHEREAS, in October 2023, the Board of Directors (“Board”) of the Goleta West Sanitary District (“District”) adopted Ordinance No. 23-96, establishing a district-based electoral system, adopting a map describing the boundaries of each election district, and setting a sequence for elections;

WHEREAS, the transition to district elections shall occur during the 2024 and 2026 elections;

WHEREAS, the District is scheduled to conduct a regularly schedule election to be held on November 3, 2026, at which time the issue to be presented to the voters shall be the election of Board members representing new Districts 1, 3, and 5;

WHEREAS, due to vacancies created in the first half of the terms of office for Districts 2 and 4, the seats for Districts 2 and 4 shall also be up for election;

WHEREAS, pursuant to Elections Code Section 10418, District desires to consolidate its election with the Statewide General Election that will be held on the same day;

WHEREAS, Elections Code Section 10520 requires each district involved in a general election to reimburse the county for the actual costs incurred by the county elections official in conducting the election for that district;

WHEREAS, Elections Code Section 13307 requires that before the nominating period opens, the District Board must determine whether a charge shall be levied against each candidate submitting a candidate statement to be sent to the voters, determine the number of words, may estimate the cost and determine whether the estimate must be paid in advance; and

WHEREAS, Elections Code Section 12112 requires the elections official of the principal county to publish a notice of the election once in a newspaper of general circulation in the District.

NOW THEREFORE IT IS RESOLVED AND ORDERED that on the 3rd day of November 2026, an election be held within the territory included in this District for the purpose of electing members to the District’s Board in accordance with the following specifications:

1. The purpose of the election is to elect members of the District’s Board of Directors as follows:

<u>Office</u>	<u>Term</u>
Director – District 1	4 years
Director – District 3	4 years
Director – District 5	4 years
Director – District 2	2 years
Director – District 4	2 years

2. Pursuant to Elections Code Sections 13307 and 13308, the District has determined that the Candidate will pay for the Candidate’s Statement, which will be limited to 400 words. As a condition of having the Candidate’s Statement published in the county voter information guide or electronically distributed, the candidate shall pay the estimated cost for a Candidate’s Statement at the time of filing.
3. The Board hereby requests that this election be consolidated with the Statewide General Election to be held the same day.
4. The Board hereby requests that the County of Santa Barbara’s Elections Official provide election services to the District, and has determined to reimburse the County for the actual cost incurred in conducting said election upon receipt of a bill stating the amount due.
5. The Board hereby acknowledges that the consolidated election will be held and conducted in the manner prescribed by Elections Code Section 10418.
6. The District hereby requests the County Elections Division to publish the Notice of Election in a newspaper of general circulation that is regularly circulated in the territory.
7. The Clerk of this Board is directed to deliver copies of this Resolution to the Registrar of Voters or Elections Official for Santa Barbara County, and to the County of Santa Barbara Board of Supervisors.

PASSED, ADOPTED AND APPROVED this 19th day of May, 2026.

AYES: Thomas, Turenchalk, Zhu, Rosen

NOES: Geyer

ABSTAINED:

ABSENT:

APPROVED:


Robert Thomas, President

ATTEST:


Kristyn Lopez, Clerk-Secretary

