

ORDINANCE NO. O-4-16

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 6C OF THE CITY CODE, ENTITLED "ELECTIONS," ARTICLE I, ENTITLED "IN GENERAL," SECTION 6C-3.05 THEREOF, ENTITLED "WRITE-IN CANDIDATES" SO AS TO AMEND THE NUMBER OF DAYS PRIOR TO EARLY VOTING A WRITE-IN CANDIDATE MUST FILE A CERTIFICATE OF CANDIDACY

BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and City Council of Gaithersburg, in public meeting assembled, that Chapter 6C-3.05 of the City Code entitled "Write-In Candidates," is hereby enacted with amendments to read as follows:

Sec. 6C-3.05. - Write-in candidates.

(a) A certificate of candidacy for a write-in candidate pursuant to section 29A of the city Charter shall be in such form as the city manager shall prescribe. The certificate of candidacy shall be filed no later than the earliest to occur of:

(1) Three (3) days after the write-in candidate collects or expends a cumulative amount of two hundred fifty dollars (\$250.00) in support of such candidacy, or

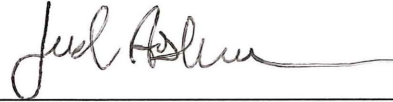
(2) By 5:00 p.m. on the Wednesday six (6) business days prior to the general election first scheduled early voting session for the general election.

(b) Promptly after the receipt of a certificate of candidacy, the board of supervisors of elections shall review the certificate to determine whether the candidate is eligible for election to the office which he or she seeks. The write-in candidate shall be promptly notified in writing at the address shown on the certificate and by telephone or email, if possible, of the findings of the board. Write-in candidates' names shall be accepted on the ballot after approval of the certificate of candidacy.

(c) Write-in candidates must comply with all campaign rules and regulations.

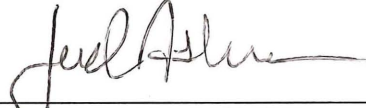
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* * *	<i>Existing law unaffected by bill.</i>

ADOPTED by the City Council this 5th day of July, 2016.



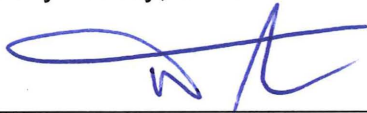
JUD ASHMAN, MAYOR and
President of the Council

DELIVERED to the Mayor of the City of Gaithersburg this 5th day of July, 2016.
APPROVED by the Mayor of the City of Gaithersburg this 5th day of July, 2016.



JUD ASHMAN, MAYOR

THIS IS TO CERTIFY, that the foregoing Ordinance was adopted by the City Council of the City of Gaithersburg, in public meeting assembled on the 5th day of July, 2016; and that the same was APPROVED by the Mayor of the City of Gaithersburg on the 5th day of July, 2016. This Ordinance will become effective on the 25th day of July, 2016.



Tony Tomasello, City Manager