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State Law reference— The Florida Election Code, F.S. Ch. 97 et seq.

### Section 701. - County Registration Books Adopted; Qualified Electors.

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City of Coconut Creek, in every municipal election, including referendum, special, primary and general elections does hereby adopt and shall use the registration books and records authorized by law to be used in the general elections of Broward County and State of Florida, as the official registration books and records of the City of Coconut Creek. An elector to vote in any City election shall register in the registration books and records of Broward County, Florida, in the manner and at such times and places as provided by law for registering of electors to vote in State and County elections.

State law reference— Qualification and registration of electors generally, F.S. Ch. 97; registration of electors by the county, F.S. § 98.041 et seq.; municipal electors, F.S. § 166.032.

### Section 702. - Election Precincts and Polling Places; City to Designate.

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Election precincts and polling places shall be as established pursuant to the laws of the State of Florida.

State law reference— Arranging boundaries of precincts, F.S. § 98.091(1).

### Section 703. - No Additional Power Granted County.

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Nothing contained in this article shall be construed to confer any jurisdiction, power or authority to the Board of County Commissioners of Broward County, Florida over the holding and conducting of any municipal election of the City of Coconut Creek.

*(Ref. of 3-12-96; Ref. of 3-13-01)*

### Section 704. - Absentee Voting.

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Absentee voting shall be permitted in all municipal elections in the same manner as now or hereafter provided for in connection with Federal, State and Broward County elections.

*(Ref. of 3-12-96)*

State law reference— Absentee balloting, F.S. § 101.62 et seq.

## Section 705. - General Laws to Apply.

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All general laws of the State of Florida relating to elections and registration of persons qualified to vote therein which are not inconsistent or in conflict with the provisions hereof or the ordinances of the City, shall be applicable to the City of Coconut Creek.

*(Ref. of 3-12-96)*

State law reference— The Florida Election Code, F.S. Ch. 97 et seq.

## Section 706. - City Elections.

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*Regular Elections.* The regular City Election shall be held on the second Tuesday of March of each year in which an election is scheduled or as set by Florida Statute.

*(Ref. of 3-12-96; Ref. of 11-2-10)*

## Section 707. - Calling an Election by Resolution.

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All elections shall be called by resolution of the City Commission, adopted not less than thirty (30) days before such election, and shall be conducted under the provisions of the General Election Laws of the State and this Charter.

*(Ref. 3-9-93; Ref. of 3-12-96)*

## Section 708. - Elections; How Arranged For; Inspectors and Clerks.

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The City Clerk shall make all necessary arrangements for the holding of all City elections. The City Clerk shall employ a sufficient number of clerks and inspectors to adequately staff each polling place, and shall employ at least four (4) pollworkers at each polling place. The City Commission shall state in the resolution calling each election, the different offices to be filled or questions to be decided, and shall state the address of every polling place. The City Clerk shall cause the notice of election to be published in a newspaper of general circulation in accordance with the laws of the State of Florida once in the second week and once in the fourth week prior to the week in which the election is to be held. The official ballot shall be published in a newspaper of general circulation on the Sunday immediately preceding the election, in not less than one-quarter page size. The ballot advertisement shall state:

"NOTICE OF CITY ELECTION, CITY OF COCONUT CREEK, FLORIDA: The following is the official ballot of the City of Coconut Creek, Florida. Persons wishing further information may contact the City Clerk's office at City Hall during normal business hours."

The month, day and year of the election and the City Clerk's name, City Hall address and telephone number shall be included in the advertisement.

*(Ref. of 3-12-91; Ref. 3-9-93; Ref. of 3-12-96)*

## Section 709. - Receipt of Return—Certificates of Election.

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The results of voting at each polling place, when ascertained, shall be certified by the County Supervisor of Elections to the City Clerk, who shall transmit such return to the City Commission at the first regular meeting following the election. At such meeting the City Commission shall receive the return, and the result as shown by such return shall be entered into the minutes of the meeting. City Commissioners shall continue to hold their offices and discharge the duties thereof until their successors are elected, as certified by the County Supervisor of Elections to the City Clerk.

*(Ref. of 11-6-90; Ref. 3-9-93; Ref. of 3-12-96; Ref. of 11-2-10)*

## Section 710. - Filing Fees For Candidates.

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There shall be a one hundred and twenty-five dollar (\$125.00) filing fee for each candidate for the office of Commissioner. In addition each candidate for Commissioner shall pay, at the time of qualifying for office, an election assessment as provided by F.S. 99.093 as may be amended from time to time.

*(Ref of 11-6-90; Ref. 3-9-93; Ref. of 3-12-96; Ref. of 3-13-01)*

## Section 711. - Commission Ballots.

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All elections shall be nonpartisan.

*(Ref. 3-9-93; Ref. of 3-12-96)*

## Section 712. - Titling of Proposed Ordinances.

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An ordinance proposed to the electorate shall be presented by a title on the ballot which may, if so determined by the City Commission, differ from its legal title. It shall be a clear, concise statement describing the essence of the proposed measure, without argument or prejudice. Ballots shall be in the form prescribed by Florida Statutes.

*(Ref. 3-9-93; Ref. of 3-12-96)*

## Section 713. - Vacancy in Candidacy for Office.



The City Commission, in accordance with Section 166.031(6) Florida Statutes, shall by ordinance provide procedures for filling a vacancy in candidacy caused by death, withdrawal, or removal from the ballot of a qualified candidate following the end of the qualifying period which leaves fewer than two candidates for an office.

*(Ref. of 11-2-10)*