## **RESOLUTION NO. 2025-4789**

Resolution Calling for 2026 Election of Directors for Office of #1 for Oklahoma County Free Fair Association, along with giving Notice of Election, Filing Period, Date, Place and Time of Election, and Publication Requirements

**COMES NOW** the Board of County Commissioners of Oklahoma County, pursuant to its authority and under the dictates of Title 2 O.S. § 15-68, hereby declares by Resolution, the following:

WHEREFORE, under Title 2, O.S. Section 15-68, there is statutory authority to create a board of directors for the Oklahoma County Free Fair Association. Such board shall be comprised of nine (9) members, three (3) from BOCC District One, three (3) from BOCC District Two, and BOCC three (3) from District Three. Three Directors, one from each BOCC District, are elected during the same election cycle to serve a (3) year term. When elected, the Directors are grouped and referred to as Office #1, Office #2 or Office #3 Directors based on their election cycle year.

WHEREFORE, the Directors positions in Office #1 are up for election and those elected from the three (3) commissioners' districts must be a registered voter of Oklahoma County and reside in the commissioner's district in which he or she will be elected. To be a qualified voter to vote for any director, the person voting must be a registered voter in the county and may only vote for the candidate board members from the commissioner's district in which the voter/elector resides. While it is permissible for Oklahoma County Commissioners to request voter ID registration and proof of residency for those seeking to vote in the election, the following must be done to hold a valid election:

- ❖ To be a Candidate: In order to be a candidate for Director, each candidate must complete a Declaration of Candidacy, on a form provided and styled herein, to be filed with the Oklahoma County Clerk. Persons declaring candidacy for the position of Director must legally reside in the District in which they seek office and must be a registered voter of Oklahoma County.
- ❖ When a Candidate must file for candidacy: The filing period for candidates for director shall run for five (5) consecutive business days, starting January 05 through January 09, 2026. Declaration of candidacy forms must be filed during business hours January 05 through January 09, 2025, by delivering a fully executed Declaration of Candidacy Form to the Oklahoma County Clerk.
- ❖ Announcement of Election Date: The election of Directors for Office #1 of the Board of Directors for the Oklahoma County Free Fair Association shall be held on January 27, 2026, Tuesday, at the location of the Oklahoma County OSU Extension Center, 2500 NE 63<sup>rd</sup> Street, OKC, OK 73111. The time of the election will open at 2:30 p.m. and close at 6:30 p.m.

**FURTHERMORE**, notice of the election shall by given by the Board of County Commissioners of Oklahoma County on December 17, 2025, by publication in a newspaper published in Oklahoma County following approval at the Board of County Commissioners meeting on December 17, 2025. Said Notice of the Election shall contain the following:

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## **Election for Board of Directors for Oklahoma County Free Fair Association**

The election of Directors for Office #1 for the Board of Directors for the Oklahoma County Free Fair Association shall be held on January 27, 2026, at the location of the Oklahoma County OSU Extension Center, 2500 NE 63<sup>rd</sup> Street, OKC, OK 73111. The time of such election will open at 2:30 p.m. and close at 6:30 p.m. The filing period for candidates for director and declaration of candidacy forms must be filed January 05 through January 09, 2026, with the Oklahoma County Clerk. Persons declaring candidacy for the position of Director must legally reside in the District in which they seek office and must be a registered voter of Oklahoma County.

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**FURTHERMORE**, in order to fully comply with the statutory requirements of Title 2 O.S. § 15-68, those filing for candidacy shall execute a Declaration of Candidacy in the manner indicated below:

DECLARATION OF CANDIDACY FOR DIRECTOR OF FREE FAIR ASSOCIATION OF OKLAHOMA COUNTY I, \_\_\_\_\_\_, hereby declare my intention, as proof by this filing, to be a candidate for the position of director of the Free Fair Association of Oklahoma County. I certify that I legally reside in District (One), (Two) or (Three) (Circle the district in which you reside) of Oklahoma County and that I am a registered voter of the County of Oklahoma County. I understand that this Declaration of Candidacy shall be filed with the County Clerk of Oklahoma County and that by so executing this Declaration of Candidacy, that I am declaring that I qualify in all respects to be a candidate for director of the Free Fair Association of Oklahoma County. Print Full Name Signature Address of Residence Attested before me, a Notary Public, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of January 2026. 

FURTHERMORE, it is declared by the Board of County Commissioners of Oklahoma County that the date of the election for the Free Fair Association Board of Directors shall be no later than three (3) weeks from the date of the final day of the filing period. At such election, there shall be elected three directors, one director from each County Commissioner's district, who shall serve for a term of three (3) years, and until their successors are elected or appointed and qualified. In the event there is only one candidate for any of the commissioner's district, or in the event there is no candidate, the county commissioners shall follow the provisions of Title 2 O.S. § 15-68(D)(1) and (2) as applicable.

FURTHERMORE, at said election, the commissioner or the commissioner's designee presiding at the election shall have the authority to appoint a secretary. The commissioner or his or her designee and the secretary shall certify to the county clerk the names of the directors elected and the county clerk shall keep a record thereof and shall issue to each person elected a certificate of election. If there is a tie vote in the election of a Free Fair Association Board of Directors, the commissioner or commissioner's designee shall select the candidate by lot pursuant to the procedures set forth in Section 8-105 of title 26 of the Oklahoma Statutes.

**THEREFORE**, be it resolved that the provisions of this Resolution be approved, and the procedures as outlined in Title 2 O.S. § 15-68 concerning Notice, Publication, Declaration of Candidacy, time, date and place of filing for candidacy, and time, date and place of holding said election take place.

**SO ORDERED** by the Board of County Commissioners of Oklahoma County in open meeting of the Board of County Commissioners on December 17, 2025.

Chairman	-
Member	-
Member	-
Attested to:	
Oklahoma County Clerk	