

ORDINANCE NO. 2025-08

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FLAGSTAFF, ESTABLISHING THE NUMBER OF SIGNATURES REQUIRED FOR CITY OF FLAGSTAFF CANDIDATE NOMINATION PETITIONS, PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY, AUTHORITY FOR CLERICAL CORRECTIONS, AND ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE DATE

RECITALS:

WHEREAS, Arizona Revised Statutes § 39-322 (A)(8) establishes the minimum number of signatures required on an at large city candidate's nomination petitions to be at least five (5) percent and not more than ten (10) percent of the vote in the city; and

WHEREAS, Arizona Revised Statutes § 39-322 (A)(8) also provides that a city holding nonpartisan elections may by ordinance establish the minimum number of signatures to be one thousand signatures or five percent of the vote in the city, whichever is less, but not more than ten percent of the vote in the city;" and

WHEREAS, it has been determined that it is appropriate to establish the number of signatures required for Flagstaff mayoral and council candidate nomination petitions.

ENACTMENTS:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FLAGSTAFF AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. In General

The minimum number of nomination petition signatures required for a candidate for the office of mayor or council to have their name included on the Flagstaff municipal election ballot shall be one thousand signatures or five percent of the vote for Mayor in the last preceding Mayoral election, whichever is less, but not more than ten percent of the vote for Mayor in the last preceding election.

SECTION 2. Repeal of Conflicting Ordinances

All ordinances and parts of ordinances in conflict with the provisions of the code adopted herein are hereby repealed.

SECTION 3. Severability

If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase or portion of this ordinance is for any reason held to be invalid or unconstitutional by the decision of any court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions thereof.

SECTION 4. Clerical Corrections

The City Clerk is hereby authorized to correct clerical and grammatical errors, if any, related to this ordinance, and to make formatting changes appropriate for purposes of clarity, form, or consistency with the Flagstaff City Code.

SECTION 5. Effective Date

This Ordinance shall be effective thirty (30) days following adoption by the City Council.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Flagstaff this 20th day of May, 2025.

MAYOR

ATTEST:

CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

CITY ATTORNEY