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CITY OF SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

BILL NO. 2017-38

INTRODUCED BY:

Mayor Javier M. Gonzales

AN ORDINANCE

CREATING A NEW SECTION 9-1.18 SFCC TO ESTABLISH A METHOD FOR IDENTIFYING THE WINNING CANDIDATE IN THE EVENT NO CANDIDATE RECEIVES A MAJORITY OF VOTES CAST IN A RANKED CHOICE VOTING ELECTION IN ACCORDANCE WITH ARTICLE 4, SECTION 6 OF THE SANTA FE MUNICIPAL CHARTER AND UNDER THE RULES ESTABLISHED IN SECTION 9-1.15.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF SANTA FE:

Section 1. A New Subsection 9-1.18 SFCC 1987 is ordained to read:


9-1.18 [NEW MATERIAL] Runoff Election Where No Candidate Receives a Majority of Votes Cast.

A. If in any ranked choice voting election held pursuant to Article 4, Section 6 of the Santa Fe Municipal Charter no candidate for an office receives a majority of votes cast after all ballots have been tallied in accordance with Section 9-1.15 SFCC 1987, then six (6) weeks after such election, a runoff election shall be held between the two candidates with the greatest number

1 of votes at the end of the final round and the winner of such runoff election shall be elected to that
2 office for the term designated.

3 B. In the event a runoff election is conducted for any office pursuant to Subsection 1
4 above, the sitting official in that office shall continue to serve until his or her successor is elected
5 and sworn. If the office is vacant, the Mayor shall appoint a person to fill such vacancy until a
6 candidate is elected and sworn.

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8 APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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