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AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CITY CODE CHAPTER 2-2 RELATING TO CAMPAIGN FINANCE AND ELECTION FUNDRAISING TIME PERIODS; AND CREATING AN OFFENSE.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN:

- **PART 1.** Subsection (4) of City Code Section 2-2-2 (*Definitions*) is amended to read:
 - (4) CAMPAIGN PERIOD means the time period allowed in City Charter Article III, Section 8 (*Limits on Campaign Contributions and Expenditures*) and Section 2-2-7 of this chapter.
- **PART 2.** City Code Section 2-2-7 (*Commencement of Campaign Period*) is amended to read:

§ 2-2-7 COMMENCEMENT OF CAMPAIGN PERIOD.

- (A) A general election, special election, and [a] runoff election each have a separate campaign period[s] for purposes of City Charter Article III, Section 8 (*Limits on Campaign Contributions and Expenditures*) and this chapter. The contribution limits set forth in City Charter Article III, Section 8 (*Limits on Campaign Contributions and Expenditures*) apply separately to each general election, runoff election, and special election.
- (B) The campaign period for a general election begins the 365th day before the date of the general election.
- (C) [(B)] The campaign period for a runoff election begins the day after the date of an <u>election</u> [Election] at which no candidate receives the majority of the votes.
- (D) [(C)] The campaign period for a special election, including a recall election, begins the day after the date the council calls the special election.
- (E) An unsuccessful candidate may only solicit or accept political contributions after an election to the extent authorized by City Charter, Article III, Section

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1	8 (<i>Limits on Campaign Contributions and Expenditures</i>), Subsection (F)(4).
2	(F) An officeholder may only solicit or accept political contributions after an
2	election to the extent authorized by City Charter, Article III, Section 8
4	(Limits on Campaign Contributions and Expenditures), Subsection (F)(5).
5 6	(G) [(D)] A candidate may only raise funds for an election during an authorized campaign period.
7	PART 3. This ordinance takes effect on
8 9 0 11 22 33 44 55 66 7	PASSED AND APPROVED \$
6 7 8	APPROVED: Anne L. Morgan Jannette S. Goodall City Attorney City Clerk