Taxation, Revenue and Utilization of Expenditures (TRUE) Commission

Wes Benwick, Chair Robert Jones, Vice Chair Joe Andrews, Secretary

RESOLUTION 2009-4

RECOMMENDATIONS REGARDING MOVING CITY ELECTIONS FROM SPRING TO FALL TO COINCIDE WITH NOVEMBER STATEWIDE GENERAL ELECTION

WHEREAS, the TRUE Commission is composed of a variety of citizens representing community and business interests, all of whom bring a variety of skills to the process of reviewing and commenting upon City financial and management issues; and

WHEREAS, the TRUE Commission recognizes that the City's process of holding elections during periods separate from national and state elections provides unique attention to the City's elections and its particular issues; and

WHEREAS, the TRUE commission finds that holding City elections separate and apart from other City-wide general elections costs the City fiscal resources that could otherwise be devoted to important and necessary uses; and

WHEREAS, the TRUE Commission feels a City election cycle that coincides with Federal and State election cycles would greatly benefit the citizens of Jacksonville by lowering the cost of elections; now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED that the TRUE Commission hereby recommends to the City Council that the legislation adopting a City election cycle that aligns itself with November state or national elections be approved.

| Adopted by vote of the Commiss | sion this 5 th day of November, 2009. |
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