DATE: 06/17/2014 CONSENT ITEM # 11

AGENDA ITEM: Appointing 2014 Election Judges

SUBMITTED BY: Beckie Gumatz, Deputy Clerk

THROUGH: Dean Zuleger, City Administrator

REVIEWED BY: Adam Bell, Assistant City Administrator/City Clerk

SUGGESTED ORDER OF BUSINESS:

POLICY RECOMMENDER: Staff, MN Statutes

FISCAL IMPACT: There will be a cost for paying election judges, \$10.00 per hour for election judges and \$11.00 per hour for head judges.

SUMMARY AND ACTION REQUESTED: City Council is respectfully requested to approve Resolution No. 2014-41, Appointing 2014 Election Judges for the 2014 Primary and General Elections. As part of its consent agenda, no specific motion is required. If removed from the consent agenda, the recommended motion is as follows:

"Move to approve Resolution No. 2014-41, Appointing 2014 Election Judges."

LEGISLATIVE HISTORY: Pursuant to Section 204B.21 of the Minnesota Election Laws, election judges shall be appointed by the municipality. The appointments shall be made at least 25 days before the election at which the judges will serve. The election judges are required to receive compensation equal to at least the prevailing Minnesota minimum wage for each hour spent carrying out duties at the polling place and attending training.

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We recognize the City of Lake Elmo is dependent upon and appreciative of citizen assistance for conducting the local election process. The Lake Elmo 2014 Primary and General Election Judge appointments consist of individuals recommended by the City Clerk and require the approval by majority of the City Council. Staff is requesting the individuals listed on the attached Election Judges List be appointed to serve as election judges for the August 12, 2014 Primary Election and November 4, 2014 General and City Election at the hourly rate of \$10.00 for election judges and \$11.00 for head election judges.

The attached list of Election Judges is not conclusive and may be amended as needed by the City Clerk up to 25 days prior to the Primary and General elections.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION (SWOT):

Strengths Appointing election judges now will allow City to notify those who will be judging sooner. It also helps with notifying folks of election judge training.

Weaknesses NA

Opportunities Appointing election judges is required by MN Election Law

Threats NA

<u>RECOMMENDATION</u>: As part of its consent agenda, no specific motion is required. If removed from the consent agenda, the recommended motion is as follows:

"Move to approve Resolution No. 2014-41, Appointing 2014 Election Judges."

ATTACHMENTS:

- 1. Resolution No. 2014-41
- 2. List of 2014 Election Judges