## **ORDINANCE 2023-003**

## AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF SHAKOPEE, MINNESOTA ADDING SECTION 31.07 TO THE CITY CODE REGARDING SPECIAL ELECTIONS TO FILL COUNCIL VACANCIES

## THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SHAKOPEE, MINNESOTA ORDAINS:

Section 1. Chapter 31 of the Shakopee City Code is amended to add the following section:

## 31.07 Special Election To Fill Mayoral or Council Vacancy.

A. For the purposes of this Section, the following terms shall have the following meanings:

**Regular City Election.** An election held at regular intervals by the City on a day determined by law at which the voters of the City choose by ballot any public official for the City.

Special Election. An election held to fill a Vacancy

**Vacancy.** A vacancy in the office of Mayor or City Council Member occurring for one of the reasons stated in Minnesota Statutes Section 351.02 or other applicable law.

- B. Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes Section 412.02, subd. 2a, a person shall be appointed to fill a Vacancy.
- C. If a Vacancy occurs and a Special Election to fill the unexpired term is required pursuant to Minnesota Statutes Section 412.02, subd. 2a, the Special Election shall be held before the next Regular City Election only if the next Regular City Election is 365 days or more after the date of the Vacancy. The special election must be held on one of the uniform election dates pursuant to Minnesota Statutes Section 205.10, subd. 3a.
- D. If the next Regular City Election is less than 365 days after the date of the Vacancy, the Special Election shall be held on the same day as the next Regular City Election.

Section 2. This ordinance becomes effective from and after its passage and publication.

Adopted in regular session of the City Council of the City of Shakopee, Minnesota, held the 17<sup>th</sup> day of January 2023.

	Mayor of the City of Shakopee
	ATTEST:
	City Clerk
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