ORDINANCE 2007-20

AN ORDINANCE ADDING SECTION 2.19.030 TO THE FRUITA MUNICIPAL CODE CONCERNING DEADLINES FOR FILING OF NOMINATION PETITIONS FOR CANDIDATES FOR MUNICIPAL OFFICES

WHEREAS, pursuant to 6.03.02 (A) of the Fruita City Charter, the Colorado Municipal Election Law is adopted by the City of Fruita, except as otherwise may be prescribed by ordinance, and

WHEREAS, the Colorado Municipal Election Law allows for the conduct of municipal elections by mail ballot pursuant to Article 1-7.5 of the Colorado Revised Statutes, and

WHEREAS, in order to provide for the orderly conduct of a mail ballot election which includes the election of municipal officers, it is necessary to modify the dates for circulation and filing of nomination petitions for municipal mail ballot elections.

BE IT HEREBY ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FRUITA, COLORADO:

<u>Section 1:</u> Chapter 2.19 of the Fruita Municipal Code is hereby amended by the addition of section 2.19.030 to read as follows:

2.19.030 CANDIDATE NOMINATION PROCEDURES FOR MAIL BALLOT ELECTIONS. The time periods for circulation and submission of nomination petitions for the offices of City Council and Mayor for any regular mail ballot election, other than one conducted as part of a coordinated election, shall be as follows:

A. Nomination petitions may be circulated and signed beginning on the seventy-seventh (77th) day and ending on the fifty-seventh (57th) day prior to the day of election.

- B. Each nomination petition shall be filed with the City Clerk no later than the fifty-seventh (57th) day prior to the day of election
- C. Any petition may be amended to correct or replace those signatures which the City Clerk finds are not in apparent conformity with the requirements of the Municipal Election Code at any time prior to fifty (50) days prior to the day of election.

PASSED AND ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FRUITA, COLORADO THIS _____ DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2007

	City of Fruita
ATTEST:	E. James Adams, Mayor
City Clerk	