POLITICS

The General Council completes the 28 seats with the seven new members

The seven councilors replace those who have been appointed ministers and Secretaries of State

Councilors and political figures assessed the new appointments and the past elections



▶▶ The 28 members of the General Council

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he seven new councilors took the oath of office last Thursday in front of the General Auditor, Carles Ensenyat, at Casa de la Vall. Meritxell Alcobé, Salomó Benchlluch, Pere Marsenyach, Gemma Riba and Sílvia Riva are the five councilors who become part of the Democratic Parliamentary Group. Ciutadans Compromesos has the integration of the new councilor Manuel Linares and the liberal Víctor Pintos enters as a non-affiliated councilor.

The oath of the general councilors also meant changes in the possession of the keys that open the cabinet of the seven keys. In this way, Guillem Casal handed over the key to Canillo to Jordi Jordana; the key to Encamp passed from Jordi Torres to Maria Martisella; that of Andorra la Vella changed from Conxita Marsol to Víctor Pintos; and finally, Trini Marin handed over the

key to Escaldes-Engordany to Marc Magallon.

Assessments and reactions/ General counsel, Víctor Pintos, was questioned about the state of relations with the Democrats and made it clear that they have already put aside their differences, but they do not forget «that they did not comply with the pre-electoral pact that we planned». «We have felt betrayed, but from here on we will turn the page and there will be no backlash,» added Pintos.

The liberal was also asked about the party's situation and the electoral results and assured that «even in the worst-case scenario we could not have imagined this result». For this reason, he alleged that it is being difficult to find a new party executive.

The president of Acció, Judith Pallarés, took the opportunity to assess the entry of number two on the national list, Noëlia Souque, as Secretary of State for International Finance, a position for which

she believes she is prepared. «Together with general counsel Marc Magallón, they contribute to the fact that the party continues to have a political activity in public life despite the electoral result», added Pallarés.

The democratic councilor general, Sílvia Riva, indicated that the return to the parliamentary body will strengthen its support to complete the electoral challenges and commitments made during the campaign. Riva added that she is «looking forward to contributing and completing the councilors who have joined the democratic group».

ordinary session// After the oath of the seven councilors and the completion of the 28 members who form part of the General Council, the items on the agenda that had been established for last Thursday's ordinary session were given way. First, the Permanent Commission was elected, the body of the

General Council that guarantees the operation of the institution in the period between sessions and legislatures. The Commission was appointed by consent, since only one candidacy was presented. The National constituency is made up of Carolina Puig, Susanna Vela and Noemí Amador. In the case of the territorial team, it includes Berna Coma, Maria Àngels Aché and Meritxell Alcobé.

Secondly, the General Council delegation to the Parliamentary Assembly of the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe (OSCE-PA) was appointed. It was also approved by consent and the titular members are Meritxell López and Pol Bartolomé. Carles Naudi d'Areny-Plandolit and Noemí Amador are the substitutes.

Finally, the delegation to the Council of Europe headed by Berna Coma and Cerni Escalé was appointed. The alternate members are Salomó Benchlluch and Susanna Vela. ≡



Judith Pallarés

ACCIÓ PRESIDENT



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Sílvia Riva GENERAL COUNSELLOR



«Eager to contribute and complete the councilors who have joined the democratic group»

Víctor Pintos NON-AFFILIATED DIRECTOR



«We felt betrayed, but from here we turned the page and have very good relations with most of the councilors» **BARCELONA ELECTIONS**

The polls foresee surprises in the municipal elections

Ada Colau would lose the mayorship of the county town

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he days before an election are usually when polls arouse the most interest, especially for the parties themselves. In this case, the elections are not in the country, but there are municipal ones in the neighboring state, Spain. And, within the Spanish territory, the mayor's office that generates a strong dispute on the part of the parties during the electoral campaign is that of Barcelona. Polls keep changing and every time one is published there is a different perception of who will be the next mayor of the county town. One of the latest polls has been prepared by Celeste-Tel, a sociological research company specialized in municipal and autonomous surveys based in Valencia and Ma-



▶▶ Mayors Ernest Maragall, Ada Colau, Jaume Collboni and Xavier Trias.

drid and with the AENOR certificate of Market and Opinion Research Service, and members of Insights Analytics Spain. The bell of the elections will be the defeat of the current mayor Ada Colau against the candidate of the Socialist Party of Catalonia (PSC), Jaume Collboni. On the other hand, always according to the survey published by Celeste-Tel, the surprise will be given by the entrance to the Barcelona Ets Tu council, a formation led by the businessman Daniel Vosseler. The predicted results give victory with 10 counci-

lors for the PSC, nine for Barcelona en Comú of Colau, eight for Xavier Trias, mayor of Junts, eight also for Ernest Maragall of Esquerra Republicana, three for Partit Popular and three also for Barcelona Ets Tu.

For the sample, 1,500 interviews were conducted, 52.7% to women and 47.3% to men. Regarding the age groups, 17.9% belong to the group between 18 and 30 years; 25.5% are between 31 and 44 years old; 31.5% are between 45 and 64 years old and 25% represent the population over 65 years old. ≡

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PHISHING ATTEMPTS CONTINUE

Escaldes-Engordany o In recent days, phishing cases continue to be detected, mainly affecting MoraBanc. The Police Force has received several complaints for multiple cases.

HAPPENINGS

Emergency action in Prat del Roure

The Municipality of Escaldes-Engordany has cut off part of the promenade

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The Municipality of Escaldes-Engordany detected problems in part of the facade of the Prat del Roure building. A report commissioned by the municipality concludes that there

is a specific problem in an area. For this reason, the part of the affected facade has been protected and the Paseo del Riu has been cut off from the children's park located in the area closest to the river to the footbridge at the confluence of Dos Valires. Considering that the rest of the affected facade is built with the same system, the area was protected by placing fences at all points until a special protection is installed. ≡

POLITICS

Liberals finance the electoral campaign with their own funds

The party has not requested any loan or policy to face the electoral period

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Liberals d'Andorra assures that the electoral campaign has been financed with the party's own funds without the need for any bank loan, policy or any type of financial instrument. The party wants to make it clear that the information appearing in some media is completely false and for this reason, it demands a public rectification of the news so as not to contradict the information.

The campaign of the last general elections had a cost that did not re-

ach 60,000 euros and could have been financed with the party's own funds. In fact, a large part of the invoices have already been paid and as is prescriptive and obligatory by law, the party will deliver the relevant report to the Court of Auditors, which will be made public.

The Liberals d'Andorra party is outraged by this completely un-



▶► Josep Maria Cabanes at the Congress of Liberals last Monday.

founded smear campaign by some media and demands that the infor-

mation be checked before publishing absolutely false statements. ≡

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