

Legislation Text

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Recommendation to adopt resolution requesting the Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk to call, provide and give notice of a General Municipal Election to be consolidated with the Statewide General Election to be held in the City of Long Beach on Tuesday, November 8, 2022 and include the proposed Charter amendment to a vote of the qualified electors of the City to align the City's primary election date with the State's primary and general election dates held in even-numbered years; directing City Attorney to prepare an impartial analysis of the Charter amendment; and providing for the filing of primary and rebuttal arguments and setting rules for the filing of written arguments regarding a proposed Charter amendment to be submitted at said election. (Citywide)

The City Council and the Charter Amendment Committee concluded two joint public hearings to discuss a proposed Charter Amendment that would align the City's primary election date with the State's primary and general election dates held in even-numbered years. The meetings were held on June 14, 2022 and July 19, 2022, respectively; and a third and final public meeting was noticed for August 9, 2022.

This third meeting fulfills the requirements in City Charter §1903 and California Government Code §34458 for placing a City Charter amendment on the November 8, 2022 ballot for voter for consideration.

Upon meeting the requirements of City Charter §1903 and California Government Code §34458, it recommended the proposed Charter Amendment to align the City's primary election date with the State's primary and general election dates held in even-numbered years be placed on the November 8, 2022 ballot. This action requires the City Council to adopt a resolution that:

• Requests the Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk to call, provide and give notice of a General Municipal Election to be consolidated with the Statewide General Election to be held in the City of Long Beach on Tuesday, November 8, 2022 and include the proposed Charter amendment to a vote of the qualified electors of the City relating to align the City's primary election date with the State's primary and general election dates held in even-numbered years; and

• Directs the City Attorney to prepare an impartial analysis of the Charter amendment;

· Provides for the filing of primary and rebuttal arguments; and

• Sets rules for the filing of written arguments regarding a proposed Charter amendment to be submitted at said election.

A copy of resolution described above, inclusive of the text of the proposed Charter Amendment, is attached (Attachment A).

Approve recommendation.

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