

July 19, 2022

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HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL
City of Long Beach
California

RECOMMENDATION:

Recommendation to request the City Council to receive and file the Letter of Completion from the Los Angeles Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk for the Long Beach Minimum Wage for Healthcare Workers.

DISCUSSION

On June 6, 2022, proponents of the Long Beach Minimum Wage for Healthcare Workers petition submitted 5,379 sections and 41,923 signatures. Pursuant to Elections Code Section 9215, a total of 28,173 registered voters to declare the petition sufficient.

On June 6, 2022, the City Clerk requested the signature verification services of the Los Angeles Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk (LARRCC). LARRCC was asked to conduct a full check of signatures on the Long Beach Minimum Wage for Healthcare Workers petition. On Tuesday, July 5, 2022, LARRCC notified the City Clerk that sufficiency was met and provided a Certificate of Completion.

Pursuant to California Elections Code Section 9115, if the petition is found to be sufficient, the City Clerk is required to present the results of the examination to the City Council at its next regular meeting.

While the initiative was pending, at the City Council meeting of June 14, 2022 the City Council by a vote of 8-0 requested the City Manager to conduct a study of this petition as authorized by California Elections Code Section 9111 and directed the City manager to return with the study to the City Council within 60 days. When this study is presented to the City Council, the City Council will have two options:

- 1) Adopt the Initiative Ordinance, without alteration, at the regular meeting at which the certification of the petition is presented, or within 10 days after it is presented.
- 2) Submit the ordinance, without alteration, to the voters pursuant to Section 1405.

This letter was reviewed on July 11, 2022 by City Attorney Charles Parkin and by Budget Operations and Development Officer Rhutu Amin Gharib on July 14, 2022.

TIMING CONSIDERATIONS

On July 19, 2022, as required by California Elections Code Section 9215, the legislative body shall execute one of the following as mentioned above.

FISCAL IMPACT

A ballot measure placed on the November 8, 2022 General Election ballot, is expected to cost approximately \$100,000 to \$150,000. At this time the total number of ballot measures on the November ballot are unknown. Funding for this ballot measure will be reviewed and factored in as part of the Proposed FY 23 budget process.

The cost of a study pursuant to Elections Code Section 9212 is estimated to be \$100,000 at this time and is currently not budgeted. Currently, no offset has been identified for this cost in FY 22 and will likely add to the projected FY 22 General Fund shortfall planned to be covered with funds made available from Long Beach Recovery Act (Securing our City's Future)

This recommendation has no staffing impact beyond the normal budgeted scope of duties and is consistent with existing City Council priorities

SUGGESTED ACTION:

Approve recommendation.

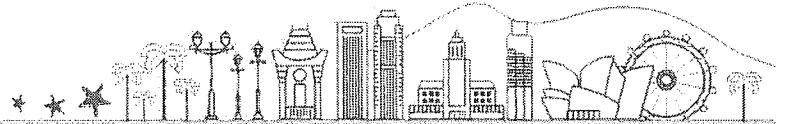
Respectfully submitted,



MONIQUE DE LA GARZA
CITY CLERK

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Attachments



**LOS ANGELES COUNTY
REGISTRAR-RECORDER/COUNTY CLERK**

DEAN C. LOGAN
Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk

July 5, 2022

Ms. Monique De LaGarza, City Clerk
City of Long Beach
411 West Ocean Boulevard, 11th Floor
Long Beach, California 90802

Dear Ms. De LaGarza:

We have completed the signature verification submitted on June 6, 2022, for a petition entitled Long Beach Minimum Wage for Healthcare Workers.

The results of the signature verification are as follows:

Number of signatures filed	41,992
Number of signatures verified	41,992
Number of signatures found sufficient	29,169
Number of signatures found not sufficient	12,823
Not sufficient because duplicate	899

Please call Tiffany Olsen, Head, Data Entry and Signature Verification at (562) 462-2376 if you have any questions regarding the signature verification of this petition.

Sincerely,

DEAN C. LOGAN
Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk