

**CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO
SUPPLEMENTAL DOCKET NUMBER 1
MONDAY, JANUARY 27, 2014
CITY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING
COUNCIL CHAMBERS – 12TH FLOOR
202 “C” STREET
SAN DIEGO, CA 92101**

ADOPTION AGENDA, DISCUSSION, OTHER LEGISLATIVE ITEMS
ORDINANCES TO BE INTRODUCED, READY FOR DISPENSING WITH THE READING
AND ADOPTION WITH RESOLUTIONS TO BE ADOPTED:

The following item will be considered in the evening session which is scheduled to begin at 6:00 p.m.

ITEM-S400: Consideration of Proposed Ballot Measure to Amend City Charter Related to the City's Inauguration Date and Special Elections to Fill Vacancies. (Citywide.)

ITEM DESCRIPTION:

Request that the City Council adopt the ordinance in Sub-item A, to place on the June 3, 2014, Municipal Special Election ballot a measure to amend the City Charter related to elections, and adopt the resolution in Subitem B, directing the preparation of related ballot materials.

TODAY'S ACTIONS ARE:

Introduce and adopt the following ordinance in Subitem A; and adopt the resolution in Subitem B:

Subitem-A: (O-2014-81 Cor. Copy)

Introduction and adoption of an Ordinance submitting to the qualified voters of the City of San Diego, at the Municipal Special Election consolidated with the California State Primary Election to be held on June 3, 2014, one proposition amending the City Charter by amending Article II, Section 10; Article III, Section 12; Article IV, Section 24; Article V, Section 40; Article XIV, Section 212; and Article XV, Section 265; relating to the date elected officials begin their term of office and the timing of Special Elections to fill vacancies in the Offices of Mayor and City Council.

NOTE: Subitem A is not subject to the Mayor's veto.

Subitem-B: (R-2014-421)

Directing the City Attorney to prepare a ballot title and summary of the proposed ballot measure for inclusion in the voter pamphlet and to deliver the ballot title and summary to the Office of the City Clerk, Elections Section, no later than March 17, 2014;

Directing the City Attorney to prepare an impartial analysis of the proposed ballot measure for inclusion in the voter pamphlet, and to deliver the impartial analysis to the Office of the City Clerk, Elections Section, no later than March 17, 2014;

Directing the Independent Budget Analyst, working with the Mayor (or the Mayor's designee) and the City Auditor, to prepare a fiscal impact analysis of the proposed ballot measure for inclusion in the voter pamphlet and to deliver the analysis to the Office of the City Clerk, Elections Section, no later than March 17, 2014;

Authorizing _____ to sign and file a written ballot argument in _____ the ballot measure for inclusion in the voter pamphlet, and to deliver the argument to the Office of the City Clerk, Elections Section, no later than March 20, 2014.

NOTE: Subitem B is not subject to the Mayor's veto.

SUPPORTING INFORMATION:

FISCAL CONSIDERATIONS:

The most recent estimates from the Registrar of Voters regarding ballot measures on the June 3, 2014, ballot are as follows:

- 5 pages: \$157,000-\$200,000
- 10 pages: \$180,000-\$230,000
- 15 pages: \$200,000-\$250,000

PREVIOUS COUNCIL AND/OR COMMITTEE ACTION:

The former Rules and Economic Development (R&ED) Committee vetted the City Clerk's proposed revisions on April 24, 2013, and on July 10, 2013. Following these Committee discussions, on September 25, 2013, the Committee requested that the City Attorney prepare specific ballot language incorporating the two recommendations outlined in the City Clerk's report regarding the City's inauguration date and timing of special elections for consideration at the R&ED Committee as part of the Council Policy 000-21 process in January 2014. The Committee requested that the City Attorney reconcile whether the specific ballot language could be on the ballot as one or two issues.

As requested by the Committee, the draft language returned to the ED&IR Committee on January 15, 2014, as part of the Council Policy 000-21 "Submission of Ballot Proposal" process for the June 3, 2014 election. The ED&IR Committee voted to move forward to the City Council a ballot measure to amend the City Charter related to elections, by setting later dates for elected officials to be sworn into office, and extending deadlines to call special elections to fill vacancies.

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