

RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PASADENA, CALIFORNIA, SETTING PRIORITIES FOR FILING WRITTEN ARGUMENTS FOR A PROPOSED ORDINANCE TO ALLOW A LIMITED NUMBER OF COMMERCIAL CANNABIS BUSINESSES TO OPERATE IN THE CITY SUBJECT TO BUSINESS, HEALTH, AND LAND USE REGULATIONS, AND A PROPOSED ORDINANCE TO IMPOSE A CANNABIS BUSINESS TAX, AND DIRECTING THE CITY ATTORNEY TO PREPARE AN IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS FOR EACH PROPOSED ORDINANCE

WHEREAS, a Special Municipal Election, to be consolidated with the Statewide Primary Election, is to be held in the City of Pasadena, on Tuesday, June 5, 2018, at which there will be submitted to the voters of said City, two proposed ordinance measures in substantially the following form:

Shall an ordinance be adopted to allow a limited number of commercial cannabis businesses to operate in Pasadena, subject to business, health and land use regulations, and to repeal the City of Pasadena's current ban on commercial cannabis businesses, provided that: (1) the ordinance shall not take effect unless voters approve a Cannabis Business Tax, and (2) the City Council retains authority to amend existing ordinances and adopt future ordinances regarding commercial cannabis business activities?	YES	
	NO	

Shall the City tax cannabis (marijuana) businesses at annual rates not to exceed \$10.00 per canopy square foot for cultivation (adjustable for inflation), 6% of gross receipts for retail cannabis businesses, and 4% for all other cannabis businesses, to fund unrestricted general revenue purposes such as police, fire, roads and recreation; which is expected to generate an estimated \$1.4 to \$2.1 million annually and will be levied until repealed by the voters or City Council?	YES	
	NO	

NOW, THEREFORE, the City Council of the City of Pasadena does resolve, declare, determine, and order as follows, that:

SECTION 1. The City Council hereby authorizes the Mayor to designate individual(s) of the City Council to file a written argument in favor of each measure in accordance with the Elections Code of the State of California, Sections 9280, et seq., and may be changed until and including the date fixed by the City Clerk, March 15, 2018, after which no arguments for or against either measure may be submitted to the City Clerk.

SECTION 2. The City Council hereby directs the City Clerk to transmit a copy of each measure to the City Attorney. The City Attorney shall cause to be prepared an impartial analysis of each measure showing the effect of the measure on the existing law and the operation of the measure. The impartial analysis shall be filed by the date set by the City Clerk for the filing of primary arguments.

Adopted at the regular meeting of the City Council on the _____ day of February, 2018, by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

Mark Jomsky, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



Theresa Fuentes
Assistant City Attorney