



Agenda Report

December 10, 2018

TO: Honorable Mayor and City Council

FROM: City Clerk

SUBJECT: ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE "CERTIFICATE OF THE CANVASS OF THE ELECTION RETURNS" AS PREPARED AND CERTIFIED BY THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY REGISTRAR-RECORDER/COUNTY CLERK FOR THE PASADENA GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION CONSOLIDATED WITH THE NOVEMBER 6, 2018 STATEWIDE GENERAL ELECTION

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the City Council:

- (1) Find that the proposed action is not a project subject to California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) as defined in Section 21065 and Section 15378 of the State CEQA Guidelines and, as such, no environmental document pursuant to CEQA is required for the project; and
- (2) Adopt a resolution accepting the "Certificate of the Canvass of the Election Returns" (Exhibit A to the resolution) as prepared and certified by the Los Angeles County Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk for the Pasadena General Municipal Election, consolidated with the Statewide General Election held on November 6, 2018.

BACKGROUND:

On July 16, 2018, the City Council called a regular General Municipal Election for City of Pasadena for the purpose of placing two local ballot measures on the November 6, 2018 General Election ballot: Measures I and J. Measure I was submitted for voter consideration as a local $\frac{3}{4}\%$ sales tax increase, and Measure J was a separate non-binding advisory vote asking voters to consider whether the City should prioritize a portion of funds generated by the proposed local sales tax increase to support Pasadena public schools.

Following the November 6, 2018 election, the Los Angeles County Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk canvassed the votes cast in the City of Pasadena, and certified the election results for the two ballot measures, as follows:

Measure I

Pasadena Infrastructure/Community Essential Services Protection Measure

Shall an ordinance be adopted to maintain essential City of Pasadena services such as fire, police, paramedics, emergency service/response times; keep fire stations open; improve neighborhood and school safety; repair streets/sidewalks; address homelessness; maintain after-school programs/senior services, and other general fund services, by establishing a $\frac{3}{4}\phi$ sales tax providing approximately \$21,000,000 annually until ended by voters; requiring audits and all funds locally controlled?

The election resulted in the passage of Measure I by the following vote:

Yes: 35,015 votes (68.74%)

No: 15,924 votes (31.26%)

Attachment A to the agenda report is Ordinance No. 7330, **AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF PASADENA AMENDING TITLE 4 OF THE PASADENA MUNICIPAL CODE TO ADD A NEW CHAPTER 4.42 ENTITLED "TRANSACTIONS AND USE TAX" TO BE ADMINISTERED BY THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF TAX AND FEE ADMINISTRATION, SUBJECT TO ADOPTION BY THE ELECTORATE.** This ordinance is now deemed adopted, having been approved by a majority of the eligible voters of the City of Pasadena, and will take effect ten (10) days following the City Council's acceptance of the Los Angeles County Registrar's certification of election results. Once effective, it will be codified and incorporated in the Pasadena Municipal Code.

Measure J

ADVISORY VOTE ONLY: If Pasadena voters approve a local sales tax measure, should the City use 2/3rds of the measure's annual revenue to maintain essential City of Pasadena services such as fire, police, paramedics, emergency service/response times; keep fire stations open; improve neighborhood and school safety; repair streets/sidewalks; address homelessness; maintain after-school programs/senior services; with the remaining 1/3rd of the measure's revenue going to support Pasadena public schools?

The election resulted in the following advisory vote tabulation for Measure J:

Yes: 36,179 votes (72.05%)

No: 14,036 votes (27.95%)

FISCAL IMPACT:

The November 6, 2018 Pasadena General Municipal Election was conducted by the Los Angeles County Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk (RRCC) as a consolidated election on behalf of the City. Pursuant to Resolution No. 9670, the City agreed to reimburse the County for all expenses incurred for related County election services to conduct the General Election. The total cost for the consolidated election is estimated as follows:

<i>Voter Count</i>		CITY OF PASADENA
Registered Voters (RV)		82,517
Permanent Vote By Mail (PVBM)		39,598
Processing Fees	Fee Breakdown	
Election Operations (<i>fees * (RV - PVBM)</i>)	\$1.9804 * 42,919	\$84,996.79
Vote By Mail Processing (<i>fees * PVBM</i>)	\$0.9889 * 39,598	\$39,158.46
Processing Fees Subtotals		\$124,155.25
Sample Ballot Processing and Printing Fees		
Measures(s) (<i>fees * No. of Measures * (RV - PVBM)</i>)	\$0.0088 * 2 * 42,919	\$755.37
Measure Text (<i>fees * No. of Text Pages for all measures *(RV - PVBM)</i>)	\$0.0352 * 10 * 42,919	\$15,107.49
TOTAL (without Election Preparation Cost)		\$15,862.86
Election Preparation Cost (One time per jurisdiction)		\$4,703.93
TOTAL PER JURISDICTION		\$144,722.04
TOTAL ESTIMATED ELECTION COST		\$144,722.04

The above table is provided as an estimate, with Los Angeles County to determine the actual costs to conduct the consolidated election and provide a final bill to the City for election services rendered to support the November 6, 2018 Pasadena General Municipal Election. The City Clerk will authorize payment of actual election costs as determined by the County. It is anticipated that sufficient funds exist in the City Clerk's Fiscal Year 2019 Elections Budget, Account No. 10113002-811400, to cover these election expenses.

Respectfully submitted,



Mark Jomsky, CMC
 City Clerk

Attachments:

Attachment A - Ordinance No. 7330