

Agenda Report

April 8, 2024

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 PRIMARY MUNICIPAL ELECTION CONSOLIDATED WITH THE MARCH 5, 2024 PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARY 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 this action; 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 Primary Municipal Election, consolidated with the Presidential Primary Election held on March 5, 2024 declaring:

(a) The following persons, receiving a majority of the votes cast, are elected to the following offices:

Victor M. Gordo	Office of Mayor of Pasadena	4 Year Term
Tyron Hampton	Member of the City Council, District 1	4 Year Term
Rick Cole	Member of the City Council, District 2	4 Year Term
Gene Masuda	Member of the City Council, District 4	4 Year Term
Steve Madison	Member of the City Council, District 6	4 Year Term
Justin Jones	Member of the City Council, District 3 (Unexpired term ending December 7, 2026)	2 Year Term

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(b) That City Charter Amendment Measures R, S, and T, receiving a majority of the votes cast, are determined to have passed and are hereby adopted by a vote of the people.

BACKGROUND:

A Primary Municipal Election was held in the City of Pasadena on Tuesday, March 5, 2024, for the Office of Mayor and for members of the City Council, Districts 1, 2, 4, and 6. A special Primary Municipal Election was also held to elect a representative for member of the City Council, District 3, to serve the remaining two years of an unexpired term. Pasadena City Charter, Section 1204, provides that, "Any person who, at the primary election, shall receive a majority of the total votes cast for candidates for said office shall be elected to such office."

In addition, the City Council submitted three City Charter Amendment Measures, R, S, & T, each measure requiring a majority of the votes cast for that measure to pass.

Members of the City Council

At the Primary Municipal Election, Mayoral candidate Victor M. Gordo, District 1 candidate Tyron Hampton, District 2 candidate Rick Cole, District 4 candidate Gene Masuda, District 6 candidate Steve Madison, and District 3 candidate Justin Jones, each received the majority of votes cast by voters for office each candidate sought, and have been determined to be elected to the Office of Mayor, members of the City Council, Districts 1, 2, 4, and 6, and member of the City Council, District 3, respectively.

Charter Amendment Measures R, S, & T

Measure R

Shall amendments to the Pasadena City Charter to: 1) make clerical corrections relating to outdated language and citations contained in various sections of the City Charter; and 2) update the accounting method used to calculate the existing voter-approved transfer from the Power Fund to the General Fund, in accordance with Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP), for general government use such as 911 response, fire, paramedic, public health, street repairs, senior, and homeless services, be adopted?

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

Yes:	28,568 votes	(88.61%)
No:	3,673 votes	(11.39%)

Measure S

Shall amendments to Article X of the Pasadena City Charter to require the City Council to set limits by ordinance for contract, settlement, and claim approvals, be adopted?

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

Yes:	27,254 votes	(86.44%)
No:	4,276 votes	(13.56%)

Measure T

Shall an amendment to Article X of the Pasadena City Charter include additional contract selection methods, requiring City Council approval, to deliver significant public capital improvement and infrastructure projects efficiently, timely, and within budget for essential municipal services such as police, fire, public works and parks, resulting in less cost to taxpayers, be adopted?

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

Yes:	28,368 votes	(89.35%)
No:	3,382 votes	(10.65%)

Upon adoption of the resolution, the City Clerk's Office will file with the California Secretary of State's Office the certified election results, along with the amendments to the Pasadena City Charter as approved by voters of the City of Pasadena, and will coordinate a reprint of the full City Charter, 2024 Edition.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The final cost of the 2024 Pasadena Primary Municipal Election will be tabulated upon receipt of all invoices, including the election administration invoice to be prepared by the Los Angeles County Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk (anticipated in May/June 2024).

Based on initial estimates provided by the County, it is anticipated that the City Clerk's Election budget will require additional funds in order to cover all costs associated with the March 5, 2024 Primary Municipal Election. Once the known costs are provided by the County of Los Angeles, and City staff is able to complete a full accounting of all election-related expenses, an appropriate funding request will be submitted for City Council consideration. This additional request for funding will be submitted as part of an upcoming FY 2023-24 Operating Budget clean up report, currently scheduled for City Council consideration in June 2024.

Respectfully submitted,

Mark Jomsky, CMC City Clerk

ATTACHMENT A - RRCC ELECTION TALLY SUMMARY REPORT

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