



Department of Libraries and Information Services

**ADOPT RESOLUTIONS RELATED TO THE CALLING OF A
GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION OF THE CITY OF
PASADENA CONSOLIDATED WITH THE STATEWIDE
GENERAL ELECTION HELD ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 5,
2024, FOR THE PURPOSE OF SUBMITTING TO THE VOTERS
OF THE CITY OF PASADENA THE PASADENA CENTRAL
LIBRARY EARTHQUAKE RETROFIT, REPAIR, UPGRADE
MEASURE**

Presented to City Council
Item 2 and Item 3
July 29, 2024





RESOLUTIONS

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1. **Resolution Calling and Giving Notice of the November General Municipal Election to Submit the Central Library Earthquake Retrofit, Repair, Upgrade Bond Measure**
 - > Calls and gives notice of the November 5, 2024 General Municipal Election
 - > Submits a Central Library Earthquake Retrofit, Repair, Upgrade Bond Measure to the Voters as part of the City's General Municipal Election;
 - > Consolidates Pasadena Municipal Elections with Statewide Elections, to be administered by Los Angeles County Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk, and requests Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors to consent and agree to election consolidations for the General Election; and
 - > Requests Board of Supervisors direct Los Angeles Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk to conduct said elections on behalf of City.



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2. Resolution Setting Priorities for Primary Arguments and Directing the City Attorney to Prepare Impartial Analysis

- > City Council's opportunity to designate the full City Council or select members of the City Council to prepare and submit arguments related to the Ballot Measure
 - If full City Council designated, no more than five signatures will appear in the Voter Information Booklet
 - If no members designated, reverts to Elections Code Section 9282
 - » Individual voter, bona fide association of citizens, or combination voters and bona fide associations
 - Motion and Second to designate _____ to prepare and sign the argument on behalf of the City Council
- > Direct City Attorney to prepare Impartial Analysis

3. Resolution Allowing for Rebuttal Arguments for Ballot Measure (optional)

- > At City Council's discretion, allows and provides details for the filing of rebuttal arguments



BALLOT MEASURE QUESTION

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Approved Ballot Measure Question:

<p>Pasadena Central Library Earthquake Retrofit, Repair, Upgrade Measure</p> <p>Shall the measure to earthquake retrofit the 97-year-old library building; meet current fire safety regulations; replace the leaky roof; remove asbestos/mold/lead paint; update outdated technology; restore Pasadena Central Library services by the City of Pasadena issuing \$195,000,000 in bonds at legal rates, levying \$28.90 per \$100,000 of assessed valuation, generating \$12,000,000 annually while bonds are outstanding, requiring independent audits, public spending disclosure, all funds staying local, be adopted?</p>	<p>YES</p>	
	<p>NO</p>	



FISCAL IMPACT

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- Adopted Fiscal Year 2025 Election Budget is \$550,000
- Estimated County election related expenses for ballot measures: \$80,000 per measure
- Actual election costs will vary based on several factors:
 - Number of City Ballot Measures (likely 6 total City measures)
 - Fluctuations in voter registration
 - Vote by Mail voter counts
- City Clerk's Office will return as part of a future budget clean-up report, if necessary, to request additional appropriation of funds



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Following discussion and final determination on Ballot Measure Question, it is recommended that the City Council take the following action:

1. Find that the proposed action and the proposed ballot measure are not subject to the California Environmental Quality Act (California Public Resources Code Section 21000 et seq.) (“CEQA”) pursuant to Section 15060(c)(2) (the activities will not result in a direct or reasonably foreseeable indirect physical change in the environment) and 15060(c)(3) (the activities are not a project as defined in Section 15378) of the CEQA Guidelines, California Code Regulations, Title 14, Chapter 3. State CEQA Guideline Section 15378(b)(4) excludes “government funding mechanisms or other government fiscal activities” from its definition of “project” when they “do not involve any commitment to any specific project which may result in a potentially significant physical impact on the environment.” On its own, voter approval of the proposed bonds will not “commit” the City to issue bonds or construct the Project;
2. Adopt a Resolution of the City Council of the City of Pasadena, California, calling of a General Municipal Election to be held in the City of Pasadena, consolidated with the Statewide General Election held on Tuesday, November 5, 2024, for the purpose of submitting to the voters of the City of Pasadena the Pasadena Central Library Earthquake Retrofit, Repair, Upgrade Measure;



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Following discussion and final determination on Ballot Measure Question, it is recommended that the City Council take the following action:

3. Adopt a resolution of the City Council of the City of Pasadena, California, setting priorities for the filing of written arguments related to a bond measure submitting to the voters of the City of Pasadena the Pasadena Central Library Earthquake Retrofit, Repair, Upgrade Bond Measure, and directing the City Attorney to prepare an impartial analysis of the measure; and
4. Adopt a resolution of the City Council of the City of Pasadena, California, providing for the filing of rebuttal arguments for the Pasadena Central Library Earthquake Retrofit, Repair, Upgrade Measure submitted at a General Municipal Election to be consolidated with the Statewide General Election held on Tuesday, November 5, 2024.



QUESTIONS/COMMENTS

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