

**RESOLUTION NO.**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PASADENA, CALIFORNIA, CALLING FOR 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 THREE CHARTER AMENDMENT BALLOT MEASURES RELATED TO CITY COUNCIL GOVERNANCE ISSUES, AS PRESCRIBED IN ARTICLE IV OF THE PASADENA CITY CHARTER**

**WHEREAS**, on June 10, 2024, the Charter Study Task Force presented its Final Report and recommendations on assigned Charter Study topics related to City Council governance issues to the City Council for consideration of placing one or more Charter Amendment measures on the November 5, 2024 General Municipal Election ballot for Pasadena voter consideration;

**WHEREAS**, on July 8, 2024, the City Council conducted an in-depth discussion on the various recommendations of the Charter Study Task Force, and voted to proceed with submitting amendments to the Pasadena City Charter for voters in Pasadena to consider and determine whether or not to approve such changes to the City Charter, with the City Council directing City staff to prepare the necessary resolutions and ballot measure questions to place these issues on the November 5, 2024 General Municipal Election ballot and to allow voters to decide on the City Charter amendments;

**WHEREAS**, on October 23, 2023, in relevant part, the City Council adopted Resolution No. 10016, calling a Primary Municipal Election for Tuesday, March 5, 2024, and a General Municipal Election for Tuesday, November 5, 2024, requesting that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles approve the consolidation of Pasadena Municipal Primary and General Elections with the Statewide Primary and General Elections, and direct the Los Angeles County Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk to administer said elections on behalf of the City; and

**WHEREAS**, in compliance with California Elections Code Section 1415(a)(2), said Measure shall be submitted to the voters at the November 5, 2024 General Municipal Election.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the City Council of the City of Pasadena, California, as follows:

**SECTION 1.** That pursuant to the requirements of California Elections Code Section 10403, the Board of Supervisors is requested to consent and agree to the consolidation of the City's General Municipal Election with the Statewide General Election to be held on Tuesday, November 5, 2024, for the purpose of submitting three City Charter Amendment Measures; and to direct the Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk to perform all necessary functions, services, and tasks related to: the complete and successful conduct of said consolidated elections; the provision of all election materials and equipment; the hiring, training, and supervision of election workers and other election personnel; the printing and distribution of ballot materials; the translation of ballot materials; the administration of vote by mail processing and signature verification; the collection of submitted ballots; the tallying of votes; and the canvassing and certification of election results.

**SECTION 2.** The City Council, pursuant to its right and authority, does hereby order submitted to the voters of the City of Pasadena at the General Municipal Election, to be consolidated with the Statewide General Election on November 5, 2024, three Charter Amendment ballot measures that, if approved, would allow for changes to Pasadena City Charter, Article IV, pertaining to City Council governance issues, with the following questions:

Shall amendments to Pasadena City Charter, Article IV, to require special elections: 1) to fill Council District vacancies if two or more years remain on an unexpired term, or 2) if the City Council fails to appoint a replacement to fill an unexpired term of less than two years within 75 days of the vacancy being declared; to establish a 30-day City residency requirement for appointed office; and to make other administrative changes, including those relating to Campaign Contribution Limits, be adopted?	<b>YES</b>	
	<b>NO</b>	

Shall amendments to Pasadena City Charter, Article IV, requiring the Organizational Meeting of the City Council to occur annually in December, the Vice Mayor's election to occur annually at the Organizational Meeting for a term of one year; and creating an Acting Mayor position to serve in the Mayor's role in the event of a Mayoral vacancy, with the Acting Mayor to be chosen from among the remaining members of the City Council, be adopted?	<b>YES</b>	
	<b>NO</b>	

Shall amendments to Pasadena City Charter, Article IV, to establish term limits of no more than three consecutive terms of office for Mayor and Councilmember, respectively, requiring at least a four-year hiatus from the elected office held following three consecutive terms in the same office before allowing an additional two terms, for a maximum of five total terms in the same office, be adopted?	<b>YES</b>	
	<b>NO</b>	

**SECTION 3.** The changes to the City Charter text for all three City Charter Amendment measures affecting City Charter, Article IV, is attached hereto as Exhibits "A", and incorporated herein by this reference.

**SECTION 4.** The ballots to be used at the election shall be in form and content as required by law.

**SECTION 5.** The Vote Centers for the consolidated elections shall be open as required during the identified voting period, pursuant to Election Code Sections 4007 and 14404.

**SECTION 6.** The Los Angeles County Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk is authorized to canvass the returns of the Measures, and to certify the same to the City Council of the City of Pasadena at the time and in the manner provided by law. The vote requirement for passage of each Charter Amendment Measure shall be a majority of votes cast by voters voting on the measures within the City of Pasadena. The election shall be held in all respects as if there were only one election, and only one form of ballot shall be used.

**SECTION 7.** That the City of Pasadena recognizes that additional costs will be incurred by the County by reason of these consolidated elections and agrees to reimburse the County for the City's share of election related costs resulting from said consolidations. The City Director of Finance is authorized and directed to pay out of the General Fund of the City a sum equal those costs upon the completion of the services as described above and upon presentation to the City of a bill.

**SECTION 8.** In all particulars not recited in this Resolution, the election hereby called shall be held and conducted as provided by law for holding municipal elections in said City.

**SECTION 9.** That the City Clerk is directed to forward without delay to the Board of Supervisors and to the Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk, each a certified copy of this Resolution.

**SECTION 10.** That the Board of Supervisors is requested to issue instructions to the Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk to take any and all steps necessary for the holding of these consolidated elections.

**SECTION 11.** That the City Clerk shall certify to the passage and adoption of this Resolution and enter it into the book of original Resolutions.

**SECTION 12.** Notice of the time and place of holding the election is given and the City Clerk is authorized, instructed, and directed to give further or additional notice of the election, in time, form, and manner as required by law.

Adopted at the regular meeting of the City Council on the \_\_\_\_ day of July, 2024,  
by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Mark Jomsky, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Michele Beal Bagneris

City Attorney/City Prosecutor