

**CITY OF LONG BEACH  
CITY ATTORNEY'S IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS OF MEASURE LBU**

**CHARTER AMENDMENT TO ALIGN THE LONG BEACH BOARD OF EDUCATION'S  
PRIMARY AND GENERAL ELECTION DATES WITH THE STATE'S PRIMARY AND  
GENERAL ELECTION DATES HELD IN EVEN-NUMBERED YEARS**

On August 9, 2022, the Long Beach City Council placed Measure LBU on the ballot. This measure proposes to amend the Long Beach City Charter to align the Long Beach Board of Education's ("School Board") primary and general election dates with the State's primary and general election dates held in even-numbered years. The School Board governs the Long Beach Unified School District ("LBUSD").

Section 2206 of the City Charter currently requires the School Board to hold its primary election on the second Tuesday in April in even-numbered years, and its general election on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in June in even-numbered years.

Charter Section 2204 currently requires that an eligible candidate must be a legally registered voter and resident of the School Board district from which nominated for at least thirty (30) days immediately preceding the first day upon which candidates are permitted to file nominating petitions.

This measure would amend Charter Section 2206 to schedule the School Board's primary and general elections to coincide with the State's primary and general elections. Currently, the State's primaries occur in March for presidential primary years and in June for gubernatorial primary years. The State's general elections occur in November for both presidential and gubernatorial elections.

This measure would amend Charter Section 2204 to allow a person who is legally registered to vote and a resident of the School Board district from which they are nominated for at least thirty (30) days preceding the last day upon which candidates are permitted to file nominating petitions.

A "yes" vote will result in Los Angeles County running the School Board's elections which will have a reoccurring fiscal impact estimated at \$1.15 million total for the primary and general elections.

A "no" vote for this measure will likely result in the City running the School Board's elections. The fiscal impact for a "no" vote on this measure is contingent on whether the City's election measure is approved by the voters and whether LBUSD shares the cost of elections with the City. The fiscal impact could result in an estimated reoccurring cost of \$2.75 million to \$2.9 million total for the primary and general elections and one-time costs of \$2.5 million to acquire the equipment, facility, and staffing needed for the City to run School Board elections.

A "yes" vote favors aligning School Board elections with the State election schedule.

A "no" vote opposes aligning School Board elections with the State election schedule and keeps the existing School Board election schedule in place.

A majority of "yes" votes is required for this measure to pass.

**The above statement is an impartial analysis of Measure LBU. If you desire a copy of the Measure, please call the Elections Official's office at (562) 570-6101 and a copy will be mailed at no cost to you.**

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