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**MEASURE LBC**

**CITY OF LONG BEACH MEASURE TO REALIGN CITY AND STATE ELECTION DATES**

1. **What is being proposed?**
   Measure LBC would amend the Long Beach City Charter to align the City's primary and general election dates with the State's primary and general election dates held in even-numbered years. A “yes” vote on Measure LBC is a vote in favor of aligning the City's elections with the State election schedule. A “no” vote on the measure keeps the current cycle.

2. **Why change the election dates?**
   The Legislature passed the California Voter Participation Rights Act (“SB 415”), which requires non-charter cities to move their municipal election dates to statewide election dates if average voter turnout at the last municipal elections was at least 25 percent less than the average voter turnout within the city for the previous four statewide general elections. Scheduling the City elections to occur during the State's primary and general elections is intended to facilitate higher voter participation and ultimately save taxpayer dollars expended on elections.

3. **What will happen after the election?**
   If Measure LBC passes, Los Angeles County will run the City’s elections, which will have a recurring fiscal impact of $1.3 million total for the primary and general elections, which is generally reflective of the City’s current election administrative costs. If Measure LBC does not pass and the Charter is not amended to align City elections with the State, the City will run its own elections, which will have a fiscal impact that includes an estimated recurring cost of $4.4 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 its own elections.

4. **What are the current election dates required by the City Charter?**
   The second Tuesday in April for the primary in even-numbered years and the first Tuesday after the first Monday for the general election in June in even-numbered years.

**MEASURE E**

**CITY OF LONG BEACH MEASURE TO ESTABLISH A POLICE OVERSIGHT COMMISSION AND ADD A POLICE OVERSIGHT DIRECTOR**

1. **What is being proposed?**
   Measure E would amend and restate the City Charter, Article XIA, to replace the existing Citizen Police Complaint Commission (CPCC) with a Police Oversight Director (“Director”) and a Police Oversight Commission (“Commission”). A “yes” vote favors the establishment of this Commission and Director to replace the existing CPCC.

2. **Who hires/fires the Director of Police Oversight and who will they report to?**
   The City Council will appoint and will have the authority to fire the Director of Police Oversight. The Director will report to the City Council.

3. **What will be the role of the Police Oversight Director be?**
   The Police Oversight Director would have the authority to audit all investigations completed by the Police Department’s Internal Affairs Division (“IAD”); review IAD’s intake of complaints; prepare annual reports and provide reports to the City Council; and review Police Department operations, policy, procedures, and training and make recommendations to the Commission and City Council. They will also have authority to be on-scene at critical incidents and be authorized to independently investigate complaints against the Police Department’s command staff.

4. **How many Commissioners will the Commission consist of?**
   The Police Oversight Commission will consist of seven Commissioners, appointed by the Mayor.

5. **What happens if Measure E is not approved?**
   If Measure E is not approved, the current CPCC structure would remain, and the City would implement the changes identified in the CPCC Evaluation Report to improve its staffing, training, and transparency.

**MEASURE LBU**

**CITY OF LONG BEACH MEASURE TO REALIGN LONG BEACH UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT AND STATE ELECTION DATES**

1. **What is being proposed?**
   Measure LBU would amend the Long Beach City Charter to align the Long Beach Unified School District’s (“School Board”) primary and general election dates with the State’s primary and general election dates held in even-numbered years. A “yes” vote on Measure LBU is a vote in favor of aligning the School Board’s elections with the State’s election schedule. A “no” vote on the measure keeps the current cycle.

2. **If the City Charter is amended to align election dates with the State, what will the new election dates be?**
   If the Charter is amended, the School Board’s election dates will be in even-numbered years as follows:
   - In even-numbered years with a presidential election, the first Tuesday after the first Monday in March for the primary and the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November for the general election; and
   - In even-numbered years without a presidential election, the first Tuesday after the first Monday in June for the primary election and the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November for the general election.

3. **Why change the election dates?**
   The Legislature passed the California Voter Participation Rights Act (“SB 415”), which required non-charter cities to move their municipal election dates to statewide election dates if average voter turnout at the last municipal elections was at least 25 percent less than the average voter turnout within the city for the previous four statewide general elections.

4. **What will happen after the election?**
   If Measure LBU passes, Los Angeles County will run the School Board’s elections, which will have a recurring fiscal impact of $1.15 million total for the primary and general elections. The fiscal impact of 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 recurring 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.

**MEASURE BB**

**CITY OF LONG BEACH MEASURE TO CONSOLIDATE CITY GAS, WATER, & SEWER UTILITIES**

1. **What is being proposed?**
   A consolidation of the City’s utility operations into a single City department, including the gas, water, and sewer utilities.

2. **Why this consolidation being proposed?**
   The consolidation is being proposed to align Long Beach with the public utility industry and is expected to yield operational efficiencies and cost savings over time.

3. **Will the water, sewer, and gas revenues be commingled?**
   There will be no change as to how the revenues will be treated. The revenues will continue to be individually accounted for in separate Water, Sewer, and Gas funds, as they are today, and as legally required.

4. **How will a consolidated utility department be managed?**
   The City’s utilities would be managed by a General Manager of Utilities who would be selected by the Board of Utilities Commissioners and the City Manager, and then the General Manager will report to the Board of Utilities Commissioners.

5. **Will current employees lose their jobs due to the consolidation?**
   As legally required, all union and non-union discussions with impacted labor groups have been successfully completed. No current employee would lose their job directly due to the consolidation. Anticipated personnel cost savings for both management and non-management positions would be achieved over time through natural attrition.

6. **What is the timeline for implementation?**
   If approved by the voters, the implementation process would begin immediately, with changes strategically developed over the following months.