

## ARGUMENTS IN FAVOR OF MEASURE N

Measure N is needed for the City's Charter to comply with state law. The Charter must be changed so that only voters within each Council District elect their Councilmembers. District voting is critical. Approval of Measure N means only voters within the District are allowed to vote for the Councilmember who will represent them – in BOTH the primary AND general elections.

Currently, the City's Charter allows voters within each District to nominate two candidates in the primary election; however, in the general election, voters across the entire City vote for and elect the Councilmembers for all Districts from the final two candidates nominated within each District.

California law requires that only voters within each District nominate AND elect their representative Councilmember. The current Charter does not comply with state law, and the City is at risk of legal challenges, which could result in significant costs to the City and taxpayers.

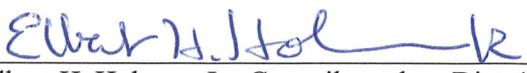
Measure N will also fix term limits language in the Charter by clarifying that a person elected as Mayor is limited to two terms as Mayor, and a person elected to serve as a Councilmember is limited to two terms as a Councilmember.

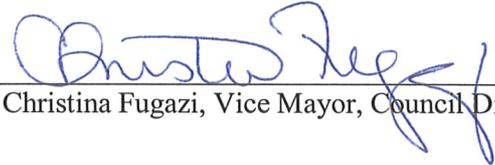
Measure N allows the Council, rather than the City Clerk, to adjust District boundaries immediately following the U.S. Census every 10 years, after an Advisory Committee studies census data and makes recommendations based on standards spelled out in the Charter.

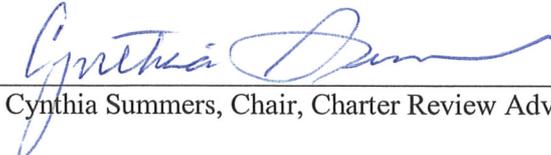
A YES vote means you want the City Charter to comply with state law, to protect the City from costly legal challenges, Councilmembers elected from within each District, term limit language fixed, and Council to adjust District boundaries after each U.S. Census.

A NO vote means you do not want changes and the Charter will not comply with state law.

Please vote YES ON N.

  
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Cynthia Summers, Chair, Charter Review Advisory Commission