

CITY OF VERNON
MEASURE Z – ELECTION CANVASSING CHARTER AMENDMENT

BALLOT TEXT

Shall the measure amending Chapter 3.4 of the Vernon City Charter to require that election returns be canvassed beginning on the first Tuesday following a City Council election and continued in the time, form, and manner required by the City Charter, Vernon Municipal Code, and the general laws of the State governing municipal elections, and that Council Member terms shall begin at the hour election results are certified by the City Council, be adopted?

CITY ATTORNEY IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS OF MEASURE Z

Measure Z was submitted to the voters by the City Council of the City of Vernon. This measure, if approved, will amend Chapter 3.4 of the Vernon City Charter to align City election canvassing procedures and timeframes with applicable State election law.

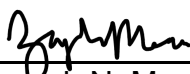
State law sets forth specific canvass procedures and timeframes. The last paragraph of Chapter 3.4 of the Vernon City Charter establishes City election canvassing procedures. The proposed ballot measure would amend Chapter 3.4 of the Vernon City Charter to ensure compliance with applicable state election law relating to election canvassing procedures. The proposed changes would remove language directing the canvass of the returns of an election within fifteen (15) days of the election as that conflicts with current State law. Additionally, the proposed ballot measure would amend the Charter to indicate that Council Member terms shall begin at the hour election results are certified by the City Council and not upon the completion of the canvass as stated currently.

The text of the proposed revised Charter language is available here:

<https://www.CityofVernon.org/Measure>

It is intended and estimated that there will be no financial impact to the City.

The above statement is an impartial analysis of Measure Z. If you desire a copy of the Measure, please contact the City Clerk at (323) 583-8811, ext. 546, or via email at cityclerk@cityofvernonca.gov, and a copy will be provided at no cost to you. The Resolution placing the Measure on the ballot is also available from the City Clerk's office at the same address and email address, at no cost.



Zaynah N. Moussa,
City Attorney
City of Vernon