ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF MEASURE Z

Chapter 3.4 of the Vernon City Charter establishes the procedures for the election of City Council Members including terms and canvassing procedures. State law also sets forth specific canvass procedures and timeframes to ensure that all votes cast by eligible voters are processed and counted.

Currently, Chapter 3.4 indicates the canvass of the returns of an election shall occur within fifteen (15) days of the election. Chapter 3.4 also dictates that Council Member terms begin at the hour of the completion of the canvass of the election returns. These current City provisions conflict with State elections laws.

Measure Z proposes to amend Chapter 3.4 of the Vernon City Charter to ensure compliance with applicable state election laws relating to canvassing procedures.

Measure Z would also update language in Charter Chapter 3.4 to indicate Council Member terms begin once election results are certified by the City Council.

Measure Z ensures that City procedures for Council Member terms and canvassing elections results are clear and aligned with applicable State laws.

Vote YES on Measure Z!

Mayor Judith Merlo

Signed

On behalf of the Vernon City Council

Date 11/19/24

ARGUMENTS

FORM OF STATEMENT TO BE FILED BY AUTHORS OF ARGUMENTS

All arguments concerning measures filed pursuant to Division 9, Chapter 3, beginning with Section 9200) of the Elections Code shall be accompanied by the following form statement **to be signed** by each proponent, and by each author, if different, of the argument:

The undersigned proponents or authors of the primary argument in favor of Measure Z at the General Municipal Election for the City of Vernon to be held on April 8, 2025, hereby state that the argument is true and correct to the best of their knowledge and belief.

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