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**Charter Amendment on Salary Setting and Competing Ballot Measures.**

- (a) Council discussion of community survey results regarding a potential ballot measure amending the process in which Mayor and Council salaries are set under the City Charter and authorizing the Council to place competing ordinances on a citywide ballot at the same time the Council places a voter-sponsored initiative on the ballot;
- (b) Adopt a resolution of the City Council calling and giving notice, on its own motion, for a Special Municipal Election to be held on November 6, 2018, to submit to the electors of the City of San José a measure to amend the City Charter with the following statement of the measure to be printed in the ballot:

**2018 Charter Amendments**

Shall the City of San José Charter be amended to:

- Remove the Mayor and Council’s ability to approve their salaries;
- Require the Salary Setting Commission to adjust the base salaries for the Mayor and City Council once every ten years;
- Limit base salary increases after each 10-year adjustment to annual adjustments for inflation; and
- Align the City Charter with State law to allow the City Council to place competing ordinances on the same ballot in Municipal Elections? (YES/NO)

- (c) Council discussion and consideration of whether the full text of the proposed City Charter amendment should be printed in the November 6, 2018 Voter’s Sample Ballot, pursuant to Elections Code 12111, to be incorporated into the resolution calling for the election;
- (d) Council discussion and consideration of whether to print rebuttal arguments in the November 6, 2018 Voter’s Sample Ballot, pursuant to Elections Code 9285, to be incorporated into the resolution calling for the election;
- (e) Council discussion and consideration of whether to authorize the City Council or any member or members of the City Council to submit an argument in favor of the City measure on the November 6, 2018 Voter’s Sample Ballot, pursuant to Elections Code Section 9282, to be incorporated in the resolution calling the election;
- (f) Council discussion and consideration of whether to direct the City Clerk to transmit a copy of the measure to the City Attorney to prepare an Impartial Analysis, pursuant to Elections Code Section

9280; and

(g) Direct the City Clerk to take all actions necessary to place this measure on the ballot for a November 6, 2018 Special Municipal Election.

CEQA: Not a Project, PP17-010, City Organizational & Administrative Activities resulting in no changes to the physical environment. (City Manager)