

City of Culver City, California
City Council Agenda Item Report

Meeting Date: 11/28/05		Item Number: <u>C-5</u>	
AGENDA ITEM: Consideration of a Resolution of the City Council of the City of Culver City, California, Authorizing Certain Councilmembers to Submit Arguments Regarding the City Charter Revision Measure on the Ballot for the April 11, 2006 Municipal Election; and Directing Impartial Analysis of the Question.			
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Fiscal Impact: Yes ☒ No ☐		General Fund: Yes ☒ No ☐	
Public Hearing: ☐		Action Item: ☒ Attachments: ☒	
Public Notification: Master Notification List			
Department Approval: Christopher Armenta		CAO Approval: Martin Cole for Jerry Fulwood 11/21/05	
City Controller Approval: Marlee Chang 11/22/05			
<u>RECOMMENDATION:</u> Staff recommends that the City Council adopt the resolution authorizing certain Councilmembers to submit arguments regarding the City Charter Revision Measure; and also direct the City Attorney to prepare an impartial analysis of the question. <u>BACKGROUND:</u> The City Council, authorized members of the City Council, citizen associations and private citizens may submit arguments for or against the City Charter Revision Measure the City Council placed on the April 11, 2006 ballot. Only one ballot argument for and one ballot argument against each measure and rebuttals to each may be printed in the sample ballot. The law gives preference to the arguments submitted by the Council, as a body, or by Councilmembers authorized to submit arguments. If the City Council decides to submit an argument as a body, it is automatically placed on the ballot. If the City Council decides to have some of its members submit an argument, those members need to be designated in order for their argument(s) to receive priority.			

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The City Council should decide whether it will submit initial and rebuttal arguments for or against the measure as a body or designate individual Councilmembers to submit those arguments. If individual members are to be designated, then the City Council should make those designations at this meeting. Please note that if more than two City Councilmembers will be working together to write, or intend to give comments on the same argument, then, pursuant to the Brown Act, those discussions and comments among those members can only occur during a duly noticed public meeting.

Direct arguments are due fourteen days after the City Council calls the election and shall not exceed 300 words in length. The deadline for direct arguments would be December 12, 2005 if the City Council calls the election at this meeting. Rebuttal arguments are due 10 days after the direct arguments are due and shall not exceed 250 words. The deadline for rebuttal arguments would be December 22, 2005.

The resolution also formally directs that an impartial analysis of the City Charter Revision Measure be prepared by the City Attorney and filed with the City Clerk. The impartial analysis shall not exceed 500 words in length. The impartial analysis shall be filed by the date set by the City Clerk for the filing of the direct arguments.

FISCAL ANALYSIS:

The estimated cost of the election is included in the FY 05-06 budget. The Election budget is \$60,000.00.

ATTACHMENTS:

Resolution

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MOTION:

That the City Council:

1a. Submit ballot arguments and rebuttals regarding the City Charter Revision Measure as a body;

or

1b. Designate the following Councilmembers to submit ballot arguments and rebuttals regarding the City Charter Revision Measure:

and

2. Direct the City Attorney to prepare an impartial analysis of the City Charter Revision Measure to be filed with the City Clerk.