

SUMMARY OF LEGAL DEADLINES FOR PLACING **CITIZEN SPONSORED MEASURES**
 (INITIATIVE ORDINANCE PETITIONS AND CITY CHARTER AMENDMENT PETITIONS)
 ON THE **MAY 17, 2011 GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION**

<u>DATE</u>	<u>ACTION</u>	<u>DAYS PRIOR TO 11/02/10</u>
12/03/10 ¹ Friday	<p>Last day for sponsors to file Initiative Ordinance Petitions and Charter Amendment Petitions in order to assure submittal at the State General Election [Election Code Sections 703 & 708].</p> <p>The City Clerk has 30 working days to certify the sufficiency or insufficiency of <u>Charter Amendment Petitions</u> [California Elections Code Sections 9114, 9115 & 9266].</p> <p>The City Clerk has 15 calendar days to certify the sufficiency or insufficiency of all other <u>Initiative Ordinance Petitions</u> assuming random sampling technique clearly qualifies or disqualifies the petition. The City Clerk has an additional 30 calendar days to certify the petitions assuming all signatures had to be verified because random sampling did not result in petition qualification or disqualification [Charter Section 451 and Election Code Section 711].</p>	165
(dependent on verification process)	<p>The City Council has 20 days after City Clerk certification to adopt the proposed ordinance without alteration; call a special election to be held not earlier than 110 days nor more than 140 days after Council action on the petition to submit the proposed ordinance, without alteration, to a vote of the registered voters of the City; or determine to submit the proposed ordinance, without alteration, to a vote of the registered voters of the City at the earlier of the following two elections that occurs more than 110 days from the date of Council action on the petition: (1) the next regular City election; or (2) a special election consolidated with the next election conducted by the County of Los Angeles occurring wholly or partially within the same area, provided that the voters eligible to vote in the County-conducted election comprise 100% of all the voters eligible to vote on the measure [Charter Section 452].</p>	
02/22/11 ² Tuesday	<p>Last day to file ballot arguments with the City Clerk [Election Code Section 605(e)].</p>	84
03/03/11 Thursday	<p>Last day to file rebuttal arguments with the City Clerk [Election Code Section 605(e)].</p>	75

¹ Failure to meet this date does not necessarily mean that the measure cannot be placed on the ballot, but rather, that if this date is not met, other processes may preclude the measure from placement on the ballot. It is also possible that such a measure may be placed on an intervening special election if called by Council action.

² The legal deadline of E-85 falls on a legal holiday; the deadline is moved to the next business day.

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03/08/11 Tuesday	Last day for Chief Legislative Analyst to file impartial summaries of the ballot measures with the City Clerk [Election Code Section 604(a)]. Last day for the City Administrative Officer to file ballot measure financial impact statements with the City Clerk [Election Code Section 604(b)].	70
03/14/11 Monday	Last day for Ballot Simplification Committee to file a Ballot Summary of each measure with the City Clerk [Election Code Section 405].	64
03/18/11 Friday	Last day for Council action to approve or disapprove Ballot Simplification Committee Summaries (if no action by this date, Summaries are automatically approved) [Election Code Section 405].	60

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COUNCIL SPONSORED MEASURES
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<u>DATE</u>	<u>ACTION</u>	<u>DAYS PRIOR TO 05/17/11</u>
01/12/11 Wednesday	Last day for the Council to adopt a motion requesting the City Attorney to prepare resolutions placing proposed measures on the ballot [Election Code Section 601(a)].	125
01/25/11 ¹ Tuesday	Last day for Council to initiate bond issuance proceedings by passing a Resolution of Public Interest or Necessity by a two-thirds vote of all members [Government Code Section 43607].	112
01/26/11 ² Wednesday	Last day for Council adoption of all resolutions placing proposed measures on the ballot [Election Code Section 601(b)].	111
02/11/11 Friday	Last day for Council to approve ballot order and designation [Election Code Section 603].	95
02/18/11 Friday	Last day for City Administrative Officer to file the Tax Rate Statement [California Elections Code Section 9401].	88
02/22/11 ³ Tuesday	Last day to file ballot arguments with the City Clerk [Election Code Section 605(e)].	84
03/03/11 Thursday	Last day to file rebuttal arguments with the City Clerk [Election Code Section 605(e)].	75
03/08/11 Tuesday	Last day for Chief Legislative Analyst to file impartial summaries of the ballot measures with the City Clerk [Election Code Section 604(a)].	70
	Last day for the City Administrative Officer to file ballot measure financial impact statements with the City Clerk [Election Code Section 604(b)].	
03/14/11 Monday	Last day for Ballot Simplification Committee to file a Ballot Summary of each measure with the City Clerk [Election Code Section 405].	64
03/18/11 Friday	Last day for Council action to approve or disapprove Ballot Simplification Committee Summaries (if no action by this date, Summaries are automatically approved) [Election Code Section 405].	60

¹ Action must take place at least one day prior to adoption of resolution placing measure on ballot.

² The legal deadline of E-110 falls on a Thursday, which is not a regularly scheduled Council meeting day. Therefore, the practical deadline becomes the preceding Wednesday.

³ The legal deadline of E-85 falls on a legal holiday, therefore, it is moved to the next business day.