

**RESOLUTION OF THE LOS ANGELES CITY COUNCIL
SUBMITTING A CHARTER AMENDMENT TO THE VOTERS OF THE CITY OF
LOS ANGELES AND REQUESTING THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF
SUPERVISORS TO CONSOLIDATE THE ELECTION FOR THE CHARTER
AMENDMENT WITH THE STATE GENERAL ELECTION TO BE HELD ON
NOVEMBER 3, 2026**

WHEREAS, the City Council wishes to submit a Charter amendment to the qualified voters of the City of Los Angeles at a Special Election to be consolidated with the City's General Municipal Election and the State General Election held on November 3, 2026, regarding the following subject: Eligibility to Vote in City Elections; and

WHEREAS, the City Council wishes to request that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles consolidate the City's election for the Charter amendment with the State General Election also to be held on November 3, 2026.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The Charter amendment attached to this Resolution shall be submitted to the qualified voters of the City of Los Angeles at an election consolidated with the City's General Municipal Election and the State General Election held on November 3, 2026.

Sec. 2. The vote requirement for the Charter amendment to pass is a majority of the votes cast.

Sec. 3. The ballot title and question for the Charter amendment shall be as follows and shall include a letter designation as determined by the City Council in accordance with applicable City and State law:

ELIGIBILITY TO VOTE IN CITY ELECTIONS. CHARTER AMENDMENT ____.

Shall the City Charter be amended to give the City Council the discretion to adopt an ordinance allowing residents of the City of Los Angeles who are not citizens of the United States to vote in elections for City offices?

Sec. 4. The City Clerk is hereby authorized to make technical and formatting adjustments to the attached Charter amendment to facilitate presentation in ballot materials.

Sec. 5. The City Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to publish a notice containing the text of proposed City ballot measures and specifying the date of the election for the ballot measures. The notice shall be published once in a newspaper of general circulation in the City of Los Angeles.

Sec. 6. The City Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to publish once in a newspaper of general circulation that copies of voter information pamphlets containing proposed City ballot measures may be obtained upon request in the City Clerk's office. The City Clerk is directed to prepare and keep in the City Clerk's office a sufficient supply of copies of the voter information pamphlets and to distribute them to persons requesting a copy. Further, the City Clerk is authorized and directed to mail copies of the voter information pamphlets to the qualified voters of the City of Los Angeles.

Sec. 7. The City Council respectfully requests the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles to order the consolidation of the City's election for the ballot measure with the State General Election to be held on November 3, 2026, and to canvass the returns of the election and transmit the certified election results to the City.

Sec. 8. The City Clerk shall administer the filing, printing, and distribution of all items contained in the City's Voter Information Pamphlet as provided in the City Election Code, including impartial summaries, ballot arguments, and rebuttal arguments regarding City ballot measures. In other particulars, the above-described election shall be held and conducted as provided in State Elections Code 10418 and other applicable law for the holding of elections consolidated with the State General Election.

Sec. 9. The City Council requests the Board of Supervisors to fix the costs to be paid by the City of Los Angeles for consolidation of the City's election with the State General Election. The City will reimburse the County for the City's share of the costs incurred in conducting the City's election consistent with the cost estimate provided by the Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk and agreed to between the County and the City.

Sec. 10. The City Clerk shall file a duly certified copy of this Resolution with the Board of Supervisors and County Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk.

I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was adopted by the City Council of the City of Los Angeles at its meeting held on _____.

PATRICE Y. LATTIMORE, City Clerk

By _____
Deputy

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TEXT OF THE PROPOSED BALLOT MEASURE

CHARTER AMENDMENT ____ (ELIGIBILITY TO VOTE IN CITY ELECTIONS)

Section 1. The first paragraph of Section 408 of the Charter of the City of Los Angeles shall be designated as Subsection (a) as follows:

Sec. 408. Eligibility to Vote.

(a) To be eligible to vote at any of the elections held under the Charter, a person must be registered in the manner and have the qualifications required by the general laws of this state respecting the registration and qualification of voters for state and county elections.

Sec. 2. A new Subsection (b) is added to Section 408 of the Charter of the City of Los Angeles to read as follows:

(b) Notwithstanding subsection (a) or any other provision of the Charter, the City Council may, by ordinance, expand eligibility to vote in elections for City offices to residents of the City of Los Angeles who are not citizens of the United States and who otherwise are eligible to vote under the California Constitution. Any ordinance adopted pursuant to this subsection may, thereafter, only be amended within the two years following the decennial adoption of the final redistricting plan for the City.

Sec. 3. Severability. If any section, subsection, clause, sentence, phrase, or application of this Charter amendment or any portion thereof is held unconstitutional or invalid by any court or tribunal of competent jurisdiction, the remaining sections, subsections, clauses, sentences, phrases, portions, or applications of this Charter amendment shall remain in full force and effect, and to this end the provisions of this Charter amendment are severable. In addition, the voters declare that they would have passed all sections, subsections, clauses, sentences, phrases, portions, and applications of this Charter amendment without the section, subsection, clause, sentence, phrase, portion, or application held unconstitutional or invalid.

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