

**FULL TEXT OF MEASURE M  
CITY OF ANAHEIM**

Section 1: TEXT OF AMENDMENTS TO ANAHEIM CITY CHARTER.

The City Charter of the City of Anaheim is hereby amended as follows (underlining showing additions and ~~strike-through~~ showing deletions):

Section 500. CITY COUNCIL. TERMS.

~~The~~ Commencing with the general municipal election of November 2016, the elective officers of the City shall consist of a Mayor and ~~four~~six City Council members elected from the City at large and at the times and in the manner provided in this Charter who shall serve for a term of four years and until their respective successors qualify. The term "City Council," "legislative body," or other similar terms as used in this Charter or any other provision of law shall be deemed to refer to the collective body composed of the Mayor and ~~four~~ City Council members unless such other provision of this charter or other provision of law expressly provides to the contrary or unless such interpretation would be clearly contrary to the intent and context of such other provision.

~~The Mayor and members of the City Council in office at the time this Charter provision takes effect shall continue in office until the expiration of their respective terms and until their successors are elected and qualified. The Mayor and two members of the City Council shall be elected at the general municipal election held in November, 1994, and each fourth year thereafter. Two members of the City Council shall be elected at the general municipal election held in November, 1996, and~~ The Mayor shall be elected at the general municipal election held in November 2014, and each fourth year thereafter. Four members of the City Council (comprised of two seats up for election and two newly created seats) shall be elected at the general municipal election held in November 2016. Notwithstanding the term of office specified in the first paragraph of this Section 500, at the City Council meeting where these four members are sworn in, the City Council shall select by casting of lots one member elected at the November 2016 general election to hold office for a term of two years and until his or her successor qualifies; the remaining three members shall serve for a term of four years and until their successors qualify. Thereafter, the three City Council members elected at the November 2016 election to four-year terms shall be elected at the general municipal election each fourth year thereafter. The other three members of the City Council shall be elected at the general municipal election held in November 2018 and each fourth year thereafter.

Ties in voting among candidates for office, including the office of the Mayor, shall be settled by the casting of lots.

Section 507 SPECIAL MEETINGS.

A special meeting may be called at any time by the Mayor, or by ~~three~~four members of the City Council, by written notice to each member of the City Council and to each local newspaper of general circulation, radio or television station requesting notice in writing. Such notice must be delivered at least twenty-four hours before the time of such meeting as specified in the notice. The call and notice shall specify the time and place of the special meeting and the business to be transacted. No other business shall be considered at such meeting. Such written notice may be dispensed with as to any person entitled thereto who, at or prior to the time the meeting convenes, files with the City Clerk a written waiver of notice. Such waiver may be given by telegram. Such written notice may also be dispensed with as to any person who is actually present at the meeting at the time it convenes.

Section 508 PLACE OF MEETINGS.

Except to the extent otherwise required or permitted by law, all meetings shall be held in the Council Chambers of the City Hall, or in such place within the City to which any such meeting may be adjourned, and shall be open to the public. If, by reason of fire, flood or other emergency, it shall be unsafe to meet in the place designated, the meetings may be held for the duration of the emergency at such place within the City as is designated by the Mayor, or, if he or she should fail to act, by ~~three~~four members of the City Council.

Section 511 ADOPTION OF ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS.

With the sole exception of emergency ordinances which take effect upon adoption, referred to in this Article, no ordinance shall be adopted by the City Council on the day of its introduction, nor within five days thereafter nor at any time other than at a regular or adjourned regular meeting. At the time of its introduction an ordinance shall become a part of the proceedings of such meeting in the custody of the City Clerk. At the time of adoption of an ordinance or resolution it shall be read in full, unless the City Council has adopted a motion at such meeting waiving the reading in full of all ordinances or resolutions adopted at such meeting, or the reading in full of the specific ordinance or resolution is waived by a motion duly adopted by the City Council, except that emergency ordinances shall either be read in full or the full text of such emergency ordinance shall be made available to the public for review prior to its adoption in compliance with the preceding sentence by either (i) a statement on the printed agenda of the City Council meeting at which the emergency ordinance is to be adopted indicating that a copy of the full text of the proposed ordinance is available for public review in the City Clerk's Office, or (ii) whether or not such ordinance appears on the printed agenda of the meeting at which it will be adopted, by publicly announcing at the City Council meeting at which the emergency ordinance is to be adopted that the full text of the emergency ordinance is available for public review and by posting a copy of the full text of the emergency ordinance at or near the entrance of the City Council chambers or otherwise making the full text of the emergency ordinance available to the public prior to its adoption. In the event that any ordinance is altered after its introduction, the same shall not be finally adopted except at a regular or adjourned regular meeting held not less than five days after the date upon which such ordinance was so altered. The correction of typographical or clerical errors shall not constitute the making of an alteration within the meaning of the foregoing sentence.

No order for the payment of money shall be adopted or made at ~~any~~ other than a regular or adjourned regular meeting.

Unless a higher vote is required by other provisions of this Charter, the affirmative votes of at least ~~three~~four members of the City Council shall be required for the enactment of any ordinance or resolution, or for the making or approving of any order for the payment of money. All ordinances and resolutions shall be signed by the Mayor and attested by the City Clerk.

Any ordinance declared by the City Council to be necessary as an emergency measure for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, or safety, and containing a statement of the reasons for its urgency, may be introduced and adopted at one and the same meeting if passed by the affirmative votes of at least four-fifths of the total members of the City Council ~~affirmative votes~~.

Section 2: BALLOT DESCRIPTION.

As provided in Government Code section 34458.5, the following ballot description is included in this proposed Charter Amendment measure:

CHARTER AMENDMENTS (Sections 500, 507, 508, 511):

INCREASE COUNCIL MEMBERS TO SIX: This Charter Amendment measure would amend the City Charter to increase the number of City Council members from four (plus the Mayor) to six (plus the Mayor); provide for election to fill newly created Council seats and thereafter stagger Council terms so that every two years, three of the Council members stand for election; and amend the City Charter to reflect the increase in Council membership in various provisions where there is a Council decision or action requiring a specified number of Council member votes. This amendment does not give the City Council power to raise its compensation or that of other City officials without voter approval.

Section 3: COMPETING MEASURES, COMPLEMENTARY MEASURES.

If any other measure or measures related to the issue of the method of election of City Council members (including, without limitation, methods consisting of at-large election of Council members, election of Council members from residency districts by the entire City at large, or election of Council members from residency districts only by voters of that district) and/or the size of the City Council appear on the same ballot as this Charter Amendment measure, then it is the intent of the voters that the following shall apply:

(a) This Charter Amendment measure shall not be deemed to conflict with any measure or measures changing the method by which members of the City Council of the City of Anaheim are elected (for example, a measure amending the Charter to change the method of electing City Council members from at-large to election of Council members from residency districts by the entire City at large, or election of Council members from residency districts only by voters of that district) that may be approved by a majority of the voters voting on such measure or measures at the same election. If this Charter Amendment measure and a measure changing the method by which members of the City Council are elected are approved by a majority of the voters voting at the same election, then this Charter Amendment measure shall be deemed to be complementary to the other measure and both this Charter Amendment and such other measure shall take effect. In such case, and if a measure to change the method of electing City Council members from election at-large to election from residency districts only by voters of that district was proposed by the City Council pursuant to Elections Code section 9255(b)(1) and adopted by the voters, then the voters hereby direct that the City Attorney and City Clerk take ministerial action to implement conforming language to the City Charter provisions affected by the approval of this Charter Amendment and such measure to change the method of electing City Council members from election at-large to election from residency districts only by voters of that district, so that said Charter provisions are consistent with language in a document entitled "Conforming Language Prepared by City Attorney" attached as "Attachment No. 2" to the February 4, 2014 City Attorney staff report presented to the City Council for the resolution ordering the placement of this Charter Amendment on the ballot, which attachment provides conforming language for the two Charter amendment measures as those measures affect Charter Section 500.

(b) In the event that this Charter Amendment measure and another measure or measures increasing the number of members of the City Council of the City of Anaheim are approved by a majority of the voters voting at the same election, and this Charter Amendment measure receives a greater number of affirmative votes than any other such measure or measures increasing the number of members of the City Council, then such measure or measures shall be deemed to be in conflict with this Charter Amendment measure, this Charter Amendment measure shall control in its entirety, and said other measure or measures increasing the number of members of the City Council shall be rendered void and without any legal effect.

(c) Notwithstanding (a), in the event that this Charter Amendment measure increasing the number of City Council members and another measure or measures both (1) increasing the number of members of the City Council of the City of Anaheim and (2) changing the method by which members of the City Council of the City of Anaheim are elected are approved by a majority of the voters voting at the same election, and this Charter Amendment measure receives a greater number of affirmative votes than any other such measure or measures both (1) increasing the number of members of the City Council of the City of Anaheim and (2) changing the method by which members of the City Council are elected, then such other measure or measures shall be deemed to be in conflict with this Charter Amendment measure, this Charter Amendment measure shall control in its entirety, and said other measure or measures shall be rendered void and without any legal effect.

Section 3: SEVERABILITY.

It is the intent of the people that the provisions of this Charter Amendment measure are severable and that if any provision of this Charter Amendment measure, or the application thereof to any person or circumstance, is held invalid such invalidity shall not affect any other provision or application of this Charter Amendment measure which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application.

Section 4: EFFECTIVE DATE.

This Charter Amendment measure shall become effective in the manner allowed by law.

**IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS BY CITY ATTORNEY  
CITY OF ANAHEIM  
MEASURE M**

**[INCREASE CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS TO SIX]**

This measure was placed on the ballot by a vote of the Anaheim City Council.

**Background/Existing Law:**

The City Charter currently states that the City Council consists of four elected Council members and a separately elected Mayor.

**This Charter Amendment Measure:**

This proposed measure amends Charter Section 500 to increase the number of City Council members from four (plus the Mayor) to six (plus the Mayor). As a result, there would be seven elected City officers. The increase in the size of the Council proposed by this measure would take effect beginning with the November 2016 election.

This measure provides a process to transition the elections for the two newly-created City Council seats into the Charter's existing City Council election cycles. The measure states that at the November 2016 election, four Council seats (comprised of the two new Council seats created by this measure and two existing Council seats) would be up for election. Following the November 2016 election, lots would be drawn and one of the four Council members elected at that election would be randomly selected to serve a two-year term (not a four-year term as otherwise provided by the Charter); the other three Council members elected at the November 2016 election would serve four-year terms. Thereafter, the three Council members elected to four-year terms would be elected each fourth year thereafter (i.e., 2020, 2024, etc.). The other three Council members (including the Council member randomly selected to serve a shorter two-year term) would be elected in November 2018 and each fourth year thereafter (i.e., 2022, 2026, etc.).

To account for the increase in the City Council's size, this proposed measure also amends Charter Sections 507, 508 and 511 to adjust the number of affirmative votes by Council members that are necessary to approve specified Council actions.

**Effect of this Charter Amendment Measure:**

If approved, the size of the City Council would increase from five (including the Mayor) to seven (including the Mayor). However, the increase in Council size would not take effect until the November 2016 election. Although actual costs, if any, are not known at this time, there may be a fiscal impact related to increasing the size of the Council.

This proposed measure states that if a separate Charter Amendment measure requiring City Council members (other than the Mayor) to be residents of and elected by districts is approved by the voters at this election, then that measure requiring Council district elections shall be deemed complimentary with, and not in conflict with, this proposed measure such that both measures take effect.

A "Yes" vote is in favor of adopting this measure. A "No" vote is against adopting this measure. If a majority of voters vote "Yes" then this measure will take effect when it is filed with the Secretary of State.

Dated: July 1, 2014

s/ Michael R.W. Houston  
Anaheim City Attorney

**The above statement is an impartial analysis of Measure M. If you desire a copy of the measure, please call the election official's office at (714) 765-5166 and a copy will be mailed, emailed or provided at no cost to you. You can also visit [www.anaheim.net/votes](http://www.anaheim.net/votes) (click on "Measures") for a copy.**

## ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF MEASURE M

**Leaders of Anaheim's neighborhood groups, small businesses, and civic organizations agree:**

**Vote Yes on Measure M for better city services and for a more accountable City Council.**

Anaheim's 340,000 residents deserve a City Council that is accountable to the people and can help you and your neighborhood get the best possible city services.

But Anaheim currently elects only four City Council members to serve the entire city. Each of the four are responsible for serving 67,000 people – **more than any other city our size in California**. The sheer number of people each council member represents makes it difficult for them to get you and your community the city services that you need and deserve.

**Voting Yes on Measure M** adds two seats to the Anaheim City Council. Together with Measure M, voting Yes will bring local government closer to the people and our neighborhoods.

With two new seats, your council member will have more time to meet your needs and the needs of your neighborhood, making it easier for them to fight for you at City Hall.

**Voting Yes on Measure M and reducing the number of residents each council member represents:**

- Will reduce the influence of special interests at City Hall by making it easier for neighborhood-based candidates to run.
- Will mean better representation for you and your neighborhood.
- Will ensure more responsive city services, from public safety to parks, from traffic control to street repair.

The independent Anaheim Citizens Advisory Committee on Elections and Community Involvement unanimously recommended expanding the City Council's capacity. **Anaheim's neighborhood groups, small businesses, and civic organizations say VOTE YES ON M.**

**Join us and vote Yes on Measure M for better city services and for a more accountable City Council.**

s/ Tom Tait  
Anaheim Mayor

## REBUTTAL TO ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF MEASURE M

We agree that #M is for better city services and for a more accountable City Council. However, the District Elections Measure #L, if passed and considered valid, could create greater "city services and accountability" than #M ever could by itself.

Because of the questionable "fine print", if #M receives more yes votes than #L, expensive litigation could occur and the courts may rule the District Elections Measure #L, although passing, as invalid.

To have District Elections (#L), which will provide greater "city services and accountability" than Measure #M, please vote NO on #M.

s/ Denis Fitzgerald, Director  
Anaheim H.O.M.E.

## ARGUMENT AGAINST MEASURE M

The "fine print" of Council Resolutions # 2014-17, and #2014-18 establishes a possible "either-or" situation between the two Anaheim Ballot Measures on the November 4, 2014 Ballot.

Section 3 (c), Competing Measures, Complementary Measures, both Council Resolutions state: (If) ***this Charter Amendment measure receives a greater number of affirmative votes than any other such measure...this Charter Amendment measure shall control in its entirety, and said other measure or measures shall be rendered void and without any legal effect.***

There is something rotten in the State of Anaheim, **vote no on #M.**

s/ Denis Fitzgerald  
Member of the Board of Directors  
Anaheim H.O.M.E,  
Home Owners Maintaining our Environment

## REBUTTAL TO ARGUMENT AGAINST MEASURE M

The opposition's argument makes no sense. Measure M is simple and clear: it increases the number of city council members in Anaheim from four to six.

Neighborhood leaders, civic organizations, small and large businesses from around Anaheim all support Measure M. **They say vote YES on Measure M to keep Anaheim moving in the right direction.**

Anaheim, a city with over 340,000 people has only four council seats, less than any other city our size in California. Anaheim has grown so much that having only four council seats is no longer adequate. (Even much smaller cities such as Newport Beach and Huntington Beach have six council seats.)

Voting Yes on Measure M means each council member can know each neighborhood he or she represents, and will have more time to listen.

Voting Yes on Measure M means each council member can respond more effectively and fully to the needs of your neighborhood, and get more accomplished for you.

**Voting Yes on Measure M means quicker response times when you need help with city services such as police protection, cleaning graffiti, reducing traffic, and fixing streets and sidewalks.**

Voting Yes on Measure M means a city government that is closer to you and your neighborhood.

Voting Yes on Measure M will help keep our neighborhoods safe and preserve our quality of life.

For your city, for your neighborhood, and for your family, join me by voting Yes on Measure M.

s/ Tom Tait  
Mayor of Anaheim