

# **Staff Report**

TO: City Council

**FROM:** Todd Parton, City Manager

**DATE** March 1, 2022

SUBJECT: Consider a Resolution to Oppose Initiative 21-0042A1

### **Background and Analysis:**

The Office of the Attorney General for the State of California has received Initiative No. 21-0042A1 titled "The Taxpayer Protection and Government Accountability Act." A copy of the initiative is included in Attachment B.

The League of California Cities (League) is requesting that municipalities pass resolutions of opposition to this initiative due to the fact that their analysis shows it will limit voter input, implement stricter rules for raising taxes and fees, and make it more difficult to hold State and local violators accountable. A legal summary has been provided by the League (Attachment C) which summarizes the limits to voter authority and accountability, restrictions on local fee authority and the provision of services, restrictions on governmental authority to issue fines and penalties, and restrictions on local taxing authorities' abilities to provide services.

In addition to its legal analysis, the League has sent two more documents that discuss the fiscal impacts of the Initiative (Attachment D) and tax loopholes that would be created (Attachment E).

#### **Fiscal Impact:**

City staff estimates it cost approximately \$146 to prepare this report.

#### **Recommended Action:**

It is recommended that the City Council consider this resolution and take action as it deems appropriate.

## **Attachments:**

- A. Resolution Opposition to Initiative 21-0042A1
- B. Initiative 21-0042A1
- C. League of California Legal Analysis Initiative 21-0042A1
- D. League of California Cities Fiscal Analysis Initiative 21-0042A1
- E. League of California Cities Tax Loophole Analysis Initiative 21-0042A1