



Folsom City Council Staff Report

MEETING DATE:	07/14/2026
AGENDA SECTION:	Election Related Items
SUBJECT:	1. Resolution No. 11667 - A Resolution Authorizing Submission to the Qualified Voters of the City of Folsom at the General Municipal Election to be Held on Tuesday, November 3, 2026, a Ballot Measure Amending Folsom Municipal Code Section 2.48.030 to Increase the Campaign Contribution Limit from \$150 to \$500 per Donor per Election; Directing the City Attorney to Prepare an Impartial Analysis of the Proposed Measure; Authorizing the filing of Primary and Rebuttal Arguments and Setting Rules for the Filing of Written Arguments Regarding the Proposed Measure 2. Ordinance No. 1373 - An Ordinance of the People of the City of Folsom Amending Section 2.48.030, "Campaign Contribution Limitation", of the Folsom Municipal Code to Increase the Campaign Contribution Limit (Second Reading and Approval of Submission to Voters)
FROM:	City Manager's Office

RECOMMENDATION / CITY COUNCIL ACTION

Staff recommends that the City Council adopt Resolution No. 11667 - A Resolution Authorizing Submission to the Qualified Voters of the City of Folsom at the General Municipal Election to be Held on Tuesday, November 3, 2026, a Ballot Measure Amending Folsom Municipal Code Section 2.48.030 to Increase the Campaign Contribution Limit from \$150 to \$500 per Donor per Election; Directing the City Attorney to Prepare an Impartial Analysis of the Proposed Measure; Authorizing the filing of Primary and Rebuttal

Arguments and Setting Rules for the Filing of Written Arguments Regarding the Proposed Measure.

Staff further recommends that the City Council conduct the second reading and approve submission to the voters of Ordinance No. 1373 - An Ordinance of the People of the City of Folsom Amending Section 2.48.030, "Campaign Contribution Limitation", of the Folsom Municipal Code to Increase the Campaign Contribution Limit.

BACKGROUND:

At the June 7, 1994 Special Municipal Election, Folsom voters approved a City initiative measure, which is commonly referred to as "Measure V". Measure V added Chapter 2.48 to the Folsom Municipal Code to establish local campaign contribution limits for candidates running for elective office in the City of Folsom. Folsom Municipal Code Section 2.48.030 sets a \$150 per donor per election limit on the receipt of campaign contributions by a candidate, a candidate's committee, or a candidate's campaign treasurer. That \$150 limit has not been changed since it was originally adopted by the voters in 1994.

On December 9, 2025, the City Council adopted Resolution No. 11525, establishing the 2026 Ad Hoc Charter Review Committee. The Committee was tasked with reviewing the City Charter and recommending appropriate updates and changes to the City Council. Resolution No. 11525 directed the Committee to submit a report to the City Council containing its recommendations.

The Committee performed its work over five meetings, held from March 4, 2026 to May 4, 2026. During these meetings, the Committee conducted a review of the City Charter and ultimately approved recommended language changes to seven sections of the Charter and one section of the Folsom Municipal Code that was an initiative measure passed by a vote of the people in 1994. Although a review of the Municipal Code was not part of the purview of the Committee, because this particular ordinance was adopted by the voters as an initiative and could only be modified through a vote of the people, it was determined that it was appropriate to consider an amendment to Folsom Municipal Code section 2.48.030 as a part of the Charter review process.

Resolution No. 11525 created the 2026 Ad Hoc Charter Review Committee as a Brown Act Committee, so the Committee's meetings were open to the public. Members of the public attended the final three meetings and addressed the Committee on many of the items considered.

On May 12, 2026, the 2026 Ad Hoc Charter Review Committee's Report was submitted to the City Council, and a public hearing was held on the eight amendments recommended by the Committee. Following the public hearing, the City Council deliberated and passed Resolution No. 11613, receiving the 2026 Ad Hoc Charter Review Committee Report to City Council with recommended amendments and dissolving the Committee.

The Council engaged in further deliberation and ultimately voted 4-0, with one absent, not to submit five of the eight amendments proposed by the Charter Review Committee to the voters at the November 3, 2026 election.

The Council also directed staff to return on May 26, 2026, for further consideration of whether to submit to the voters at the November 3, 2026 election any of the three remaining amendments recommended by the Committee.

On May 26, 2026, staff presented to the Council conceptual language for the following Charter and Folsom Municipal Code amendments which, if approved by the Council on July 14, 2026, will be submitted to the voters at the November 3, 2026 election:

1. **Section 4.03** - City Attorney: to change how the City Attorney is appointed, from the current system in which the City Manager appoints the City Attorney, to a system in which the City Council appoints the City Attorney, and related operational changes.
2. **Section 4.07** – Boards and Commissions: strike language that all City Boards and Commissions are only advisory to the Council, confirming that the Council may set the powers and duties of Boards and Commissions by ordinance.
3. **Folsom Municipal Code § 2.48.030** – Campaign contribution limitation: increase the campaign contribution limit from \$150 to \$500 per donor per election on campaigns for Folsom City Council.

Staff also presented information on the cost of putting these measures on the ballot.

The Council deliberated and then voted 4-1 to move forward with the next steps necessary to submit all three measures to the voters in November.

POLICY/RULE:

Amending an Ordinance Passed by the Voters

Because Measure V was passed by the voters, pursuant to California Elections Code Section 9217, any amendment must also be approved by a majority of Folsom voters voting on the amendment at a municipal election.

Pursuant to Elections Code Section 9222, if the ballot measure proposing to amend Folsom Municipal Code Section 2.48.030 receives a majority of the votes cast on it at the election, the ordinance shall be amended.

Elections

Elections Code Section 9255 and Government Code Section 34458 provide that a proposal to amend a city charter proposed by the governing body of a city shall be submitted to the voters at an established Statewide General Election.

Pursuant to Folsom Municipal Code Section 2.40.010, the date of the General Municipal Election shall be the same date as the Statewide General Election in even numbered years. Elections Code Section 10400 establishes that, whenever two elections are to be held on the same day, they may be consolidated. In addition, Elections Code Section 10403 sets forth the requirement that jurisdictions file a resolution requesting consolidation with the local county board of supervisors.

The rules governing arguments in favor of and against City ballot measures are contained in Elections Code Sections 9281 through 9287. For measures placed on the ballot by the City Council, the City Council or a member or members of the Council authorized by the Council may file a written argument for or against any city measure, as may any individual voter eligible to vote on the measure or a bona fide association of citizens, or a combination of voters and associations. If more than one argument for or against a City measure is submitted, the City Clerk must give preference and priority to the argument submitted by the City Council or a member or members of the Council authorized by that body. Consistent with state law, the County establishes deadlines by which arguments concerning ballot measures, and rebuttals to those arguments, must be submitted.

Elections Code Section 9280 provides that the City Attorney shall prepare an impartial analysis of any City ballot measure, except for a measure affecting the organization or salaries of the Office of the City Attorney. The City Council may direct the City Clerk to prepare the impartial analysis for any such ballot measure. Additional regulations affecting preparation of the impartial analysis are contained in Elections Code section 9280.

Elections Code Section 9285 governs rebuttal arguments. The City Clerk must send a copy of the argument in favor of a City ballot measure to the authors of the argument against the measure and a copy of the argument against a City ballot measure to the authors of the argument in favor of the measure. The author(s) of the original argument relating to a City measure may prepare and submit a rebuttal argument or may authorize someone else to do so.

The full text of a City ballot measure may be but is not required to be printed in the voter information guide. Voters may publicly examine and/or obtain from the City Clerk a complete copy of the Ordinance and the Resolution authorizing submission of the ballot measure to the voters.

Campaign Contribution Limits

Campaign contribution limits have been held to infringe on the contributor's ability to engage in free communication and association, thereby impinging on First Amendment freedoms. (*Citizens United v. Federal Election Commission* (2010) 558 US 310.) Limits on campaign contributions made directly to candidates or their committees may be upheld if the regulations are "closely drawn" to achieve important governmental interests, including preventing corruption, the appearance of corruption, and the circumvention of otherwise valid campaign finance regulations. (*Buckley v. Valeo* (1976) 424 US 1, 26.) However, the

goals of equalizing political opportunities between candidates and reducing the influence of money in politics were rejected by the Supreme Court in *Citizens United* as sufficiently important governmental interests to support impinging on First Amendment freedoms. As a result, those concepts cannot be used as the basis for campaign contribution limits. (*Citizens United*, 558 US at p. 350.)

When analyzing specific campaign contribution limits adopted by the voters, courts look to whether the contribution limits are closely drawn to achieve the government's interest, because a contribution limit may still be "too low and too strict to survive First Amendment scrutiny." (*Moving Oxnard Forward, Inc. v. Lopez* (9th Cir. 2026, en banc) 173 F.4th 1070, 1077, citing *Randall v. Sorrell* (2006, plurality opinion) 548 U.S. 230, 248.) Courts ordinarily "defer[] to the legislature's determination" of the contribution limit amount. (*Ibid.*) There is, however, a "lower bound" where "the constitutional risks to the democratic electoral process become too great" because the limits "harm the electoral process by preventing challengers from mounting effective campaigns against incumbent officeholders." (*Moving Oxnard Forward, supra*, at p. 1077, citing *Randall, supra* at pp. 248-249.) In this narrow context, equalizing political opportunities may be considered as a sufficiently important governmental interest. (*Moving Oxnard Forward, Inc., supra*, at pp. 1080-1082.)

ANALYSIS

Approval of Resolution No. 11667, conducting the second reading of Ordinance No. 1373, and approving submission of the associated ballot measure to the voters are the final procedural steps necessary for the Council to submit the proposed amendment of Folsom Municipal Code Section 2.48.030 to increase the campaign contribution limit from \$150 per donor per election to \$500 per donor per election to the voters at the Statewide General Election on November 3, 2026.

The City of Folsom has a strong interest in preserving the integrity, fairness, and public confidence in its municipal elections. While that interest is as strong today as it was in 1994, given the passage of time since Measure V was adopted by the voters, the existing campaign contribution limit is considered low by today's standards.

During meetings of the Committee and the City Council over the past several months, concerns were raised that the current \$150 contribution limit may make it more difficult for qualified challengers to mount effective campaigns against incumbent officeholders. The City Council considered these concerns alongside the City's longstanding commitment to maintaining the integrity and fairness of its elections and concluded that increasing the contribution limit to \$500 per donor per election would continue to provide meaningful safeguards against undue influence while better supporting competitive municipal elections. The proposed limit remains substantially below the campaign contribution limits permitted under state law and reflects the City's judgment as to an appropriate balance for Folsom in 2026.

According to the FPPC’s website, the 2025-2026 campaign contribution limit for city and county candidates in cities and counties that have *not* enacted local campaign contribution limits is \$5,900 per donor per election. A survey of campaign contribution limits in surrounding jurisdictions is as follows:

Jurisdiction Name	Local Campaign Contribution Limit	Other Information
Dixon	\$25,000 per donor per election	
Elk Grove	No local limit – default state limit of \$5,900 applies	
Galt	\$100 per donor per election	
Rancho Cordova	No limit	Resolution adopting “no limit”
Rocklin	No local limit – default state limit of \$5,900 applies	
Roseville	\$500 per donor per election	
Sacramento	\$2,200 per person per election for city council candidates	Higher limits for candidates for mayor and for donations from large political committees
Sacramento County	\$1,600 per person per election in election years	Lower limits apply in non-election years; higher limits apply to donations from organizations
El Dorado County	No local limit – default state limit of \$5,900 applies	
Placer County	No local limit – default state limit of \$5,900 applies	

Campaign contribution limits of \$500 per donor per election have been upheld against First Amendment challenges in other California cities. (*Sotoodeh v. City of West Covina*; *Moving Oxnard Forward v. Lopez*.)

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

The Sacramento County Registrar of Voters has estimated the election cost for three Councilmembers at approximately \$65,000. If ballot measures are also added to the election, the cost will be approximately \$83,000 for the first measure, and \$12,200 for each additional measure. Funds have been included in the FY 2026/27 budget to cover these costs.

ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW

The proposed Charter amendment is not a project for purposes of CEQA because CEQA only applies to activities that may cause either a direct physical change in the environment or a reasonably foreseeable indirect physical change in the environment. Because the proposed Charter amendment relates to organizational or administrative activities of governments that will not result in direct or indirect physical changes in the environment, the proposed Charter

amendment does not have the potential to cause a physical change in the environment directly or indirectly, and is not a project subject to CEQA. (Public Resources Code §§ 21065; 21080(a); CEQA Guidelines §§ 15060(c), (2), (3); 15378(b)(2).) If for any reason the proposed Charter amendment is considered a project, it is exempt from CEQA review pursuant to CEQA Guidelines § 15061(b)(3) because it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility the activity in question may have a significant effect on the environment.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Resolution No. 11667 - A Resolution Authorizing Submission to the Qualified Voters of the City of Folsom at the General Municipal Election to be Held on Tuesday, November 3, 2026, a Ballot Measure Amending Folsom Municipal Code Section 2.48.030 to Increase the Campaign Contribution Limit from \$150 to \$500 per Donor per Election; Directing the City Attorney to Prepare an Impartial Analysis of the Proposed Measure; Authorizing the filing of Primary and Rebuttal Arguments and Setting Rules for the Filing of Written Arguments Regarding the Proposed Measure
2. Ordinance No. 1373 - An Ordinance of the People of the City of Folsom Amending Section 2.48.030, "Campaign Contribution Limitation", of the Folsom Municipal Code to Increase the Campaign Contribution Limit.

Submitted,

Bryan Whitemyer
City Manager

Attachment 1

RESOLUTION NO. 11667

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SUBMISSION TO THE QUALIFIED VOTERS OF THE CITY OF FOLSOM AT THE GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION TO BE HELD ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2026, A BALLOT MEASURE AMENDING FOLSOM MUNICIPAL CODE SECTION 2.48.030 TO INCREASE THE CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION LIMIT FROM \$150 TO \$500 PER DONOR PER ELECTION; DIRECTING THE CITY ATTORNEY TO PREPARE AN IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS OF THE PROPOSED MEASURE; AUTHORIZING THE FILING OF PRIMARY AND REBUTTAL ARGUMENTS AND SETTING RULES FOR THE FILING OF WRITTEN ARGUMENTS REGARDING THE PROPOSED MEASURE

WHEREAS, at the June 7, 1994 Special Municipal Election, Folsom voters approved a City initiative measure, which is commonly referred to as “Measure V”; and

WHEREAS, Measure V added Chapter 2.48 to the Folsom Municipal Code to establish local campaign contribution limits for candidates running for elective office in the City of Folsom; and

WHEREAS, Folsom Municipal Code Section 2.48.030 currently sets a \$150 per donor per election limit on the receipt of campaign contributions by a candidate, a candidate’s committee, or a candidate’s campaign treasurer; and

WHEREAS, because Measure V is a voter-approved measure, pursuant to California Elections Code Section 9217, any amendment to Measure V must also be approved by majority of Folsom voters voting on such amendment at a municipal election; and

WHEREAS, on December 9, 2025, the City Council adopted Resolution No. 11525, establishing the 2026 Ad Hoc Charter Review Committee; and

WHEREAS, the Committee was tasked with reviewing the City Charter and recommending appropriate updates and changes to the City Council, and was directed to submit a report to the City Council containing its recommendations; and

WHEREAS, the Committee performed its work over five public meetings, held from March 4, 2026 to May 4, 2026. During these meetings, the Committee conducted a review of the City Charter, heard from the public, and ultimately approved recommended amendments to several sections of the Charter and one section of the Folsom Municipal Code pertaining to campaign contribution limits that was an initiative measure passed in 1994; and

WHEREAS, on May 12, 2026, the Committee submitted its Report to the City Council, and a public hearing was held on all of the amendments recommended by the Committee; and

WHEREAS, a proposed amendment to Folsom Municipal Code Section 2.48.030 to

increase the campaign contribution limit per donor per election was one of the Committee's recommendations made in its Report; and

WHEREAS, on May 26, 2026, staff presented to the Council conceptual language for this Ordinance amendment and the Council gave direction for staff to draft finalized Ordinance amendment language and the required resolution(s) and ordinance(s) to submit this Ordinance amendment to City of Folsom voters at the November 3, 2026 General Municipal Election; and

WHEREAS, the City Council desires to submit to the voters a ballot measure amending Folsom Municipal Code Section 2.48.030 to increase the campaign contribution limit from \$150 per donor per election to \$500 per donor per election on campaigns for Folsom City Council ("the Measure"); and

WHEREAS, the specific terms of the Measure are provided for in the Ordinance to be considered by the qualified voters, attached hereto as Exhibit "A" and by this reference made an operative part of this Resolution, and in accordance with all applicable laws; and

WHEREAS, California Elections Code Section 9222 authorizes the City Council to submit local measures to the voters and states that such a measure shall be approved if it receives a majority of the votes cast on it at the election; and

WHEREAS, the City Council desires to place the Measure on the ballot to be considered by City of Folsom voters at the General Municipal Election which will coincide with the Statewide General Election to be held on Tuesday, November 3, 2026; and

WHEREAS, the City Council desires to consolidate the General Municipal Election for the Measure described herein with the Statewide General Election to be held on November 3, 2026; and

WHEREAS, the City Council further desires to set deadlines and rules for primary and rebuttal arguments for and against the Measure.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Folsom as follows:

SECTION 1. Recitals. The City Council of the City of Folsom hereby finds and determines that the foregoing recitals are true and correct, incorporates the foregoing recitals herein, and by this reference makes them an operative part hereof.

SECTION 2. Submission of Ballot Measure. The City Council of the City of Folsom, pursuant to its right and authority as contained in California Elections Code Section 9222, and all other laws governing charter cities, **by a majority vote**, hereby calls and orders to be held a General Municipal Election in the City of Folsom to be consolidated with the Statewide General Election on Tuesday, November 3, 2026, for the purpose of submitting to a vote of the qualified electors of the City of Folsom the Measure, in the form attached to this Resolution as Exhibit "A" and incorporated by this reference as if fully set forth herein.

SECTION 3. Ballot Question. The City Council of the City of Folsom, pursuant to its right and authority, does hereby order that the ballot question for the Measure shall be presented and printed upon the ballot submitted to the qualified voters of the City in the manner and form set forth in this Section 3. On the ballot to be submitted to the qualified voters of the City at the General Municipal Election to be held on Tuesday, November 3, 2026, in addition to any other matters required by law, there shall be printed substantially the following ballot question:

Shall the measure increasing the campaign contribution limit from \$150 to \$500 per donor per election on campaigns for Folsom City Council be adopted?	YES	
	NO	

SECTION 4. Election Procedures.

A. Request for Consolidation. Pursuant to the requirements of Section 10403 of the California Elections Code, the Board of Supervisors of the County of Sacramento is hereby requested to consent and agree to the consolidation of a General Municipal Election with the Statewide General Election on Tuesday, November 3, 2026, for the purpose of submitting to the voters the Measure.

B. Necessary Steps. The Board of Supervisors is requested to issue instructions to the Sacramento County Registrar of Voters/Elections Official to take any and all steps necessary for the holding of the consolidated election.

C. Canvass of Returns. The Sacramento County Registrar of Voters/Elections Official is authorized to canvass the returns and perform all other proceedings incidental to and connected with the General Municipal Election for the Measure. The Election shall be held in all respects as if there were only one election, and only one form of ballot shall be used. Pursuant to California Elections Code Sections 10403 and 10418, the election will be held and conducted in accordance with the provisions of law regulating the Statewide General Election.

D. Costs. The City Council determines and declares that the City will pay to the County the reasonable and actual expenses incurred by the County by the consolidation of the General Municipal Election with the Statewide General Election. The City shall reimburse the County for services performed when the work is completed and upon presentation to the City of a properly approved bill.

E. Form of Ballot. The ballots to be used at the election shall be in the form and content as required by law.

F. City Clerk Authorized to Coordinate with County. The City Clerk is authorized and instructed, in coordination with the Sacramento County Registrar of Voters/Elections Official, to procure and furnish any and all official ballots, notices, printed matter and all supplies, equipment and paraphernalia that may be necessary in order to properly and lawfully conduct the

election.

G. Opening and Operation of Polls, Vote Centers, Etc. The polls, vote centers and/or vote-by-mail drop-off boxes shall be open and the procedures for submitting votes-by-mail or votes at polls and vote centers shall be in accordance with those times and procedures established by the County of Sacramento, except as otherwise provided in the Elections Code of the State of California.

H. Election to Follow Applicable Law. In all particulars not recited in this Resolution, the election shall be held and conducted as provided by law for holding municipal elections in the City.

I. Notice of Election. Notice of the time and place of holding the election is given and the City Clerk is authorized and instructed to give further or additional notice of the election, in the time, form, and manner as required by law.

J. Tallying of Ballots. All ballots shall be tallied at a central counting place and not at the precincts. Said central counting place shall be at a County center as designated by the Registrar of Voters.

K. Receipt of Election Results. The City Clerk of the City of Folsom shall receive the canvass as it pertains to the election on the Measure, and shall certify the results to the City Council, as required by law.

SECTION 5. Vote Requirement. Pursuant to Elections Code Section 9222, the Measure shall be approved by a simple majority vote (50% + 1) of the votes cast on the Measure.

SECTION 6. Direct Arguments and City Attorney's Impartial Analysis.

A. The City Council authorizes (i) the City Council or any member(s) of the City Council, (ii) any individual voter eligible to vote on the Measure, (iii) a bona fide association of such citizens or (iv) any combination of voters and associations, to file a written argument in favor of or against the Measure, in accordance with Article 4, Chapter 3, Division 9 of the Elections Code of the State of California until and including **Tuesday, July 28, 2026**, after which no arguments for or against the Measure may be submitted to the City Clerk. Arguments may be changed or withdrawn by their proponents until and including Tuesday, July 28, 2026. An argument in favor of or against the Measure shall not exceed 300 words in length. Each argument shall be filed with the City Clerk, signed, and include the printed name(s) and signature(s) of the author(s) submitting it, or if submitted on behalf of an organization, the name of the organization, and the printed name and signature of at least one of its principal officers who is the author of the argument.

B. The City Clerk shall comply with all provisions of law establishing priority of arguments for printing and distribution to the voters, including specifically Elections Code Section 9287, and shall take all actions necessary to cause the selected arguments to be printed and distributed to the voters.

C. Pursuant to Section 9280 of the Elections Code, the City Council directs the City Clerk to transmit a copy of the Measure to the City Attorney. The City Attorney shall prepare an impartial analysis of the Measure, not to exceed 500 words in length, showing the effect of the Measure on the existing law and the operation of the Measure. The City Attorney shall transmit such impartial analysis to the City Clerk, who shall cause the analysis to be published in the voter information guide along with the Measure as provided by law. The Impartial Analysis shall include a statement indicating whether the Measure was placed on the ballot by a petition signed by the requisite number of voters or by the City Council. The Impartial Analysis shall be filed by **Wednesday, August 12, 2026**. In the event the entire text of the Measure is not printed on the ballot, nor in the voter information portion of the sample ballot, there shall be printed immediately below the Impartial Analysis, in no less than 10-point bold type, the following: **“The above statement is an Impartial Analysis of Measure _____. If you desire a copy of the Measure, please call the election official’s office at (916) 461-6035 or email CityClerkDept@folsom.ca.us and a copy will be sent at no cost to you.”**

D. The provisions of this Section 6 shall apply only to the election to be held on November 3, 2026, and shall then be repealed.

SECTION 7. Rebuttals.

A. Pursuant to Section 9285 of the Elections Code of the State of California, when the Clerk has selected the arguments for and against the Measure which will be printed and distributed to the voters, the Clerk shall send a copy of the argument in favor of the Measure to the authors of the argument against the Measure, and a copy of the argument against the Measure to the authors of the argument in favor of the Measure. The author(s) of an argument in favor of or against the Measure may prepare and submit a rebuttal argument not exceeding 250 words or may authorize in writing another person(s) to prepare, submit, or sign the rebuttal argument. The rebuttal arguments shall be filed with the City Clerk not later than **Friday, August 7, 2026**. Rebuttal arguments shall be printed in the same manner as the direct arguments. Each rebuttal argument shall immediately follow the direct argument which it seeks to rebut.

B. The provisions of this Section 7 shall apply only to the election to be held on November 3, 2026, and then shall be repealed.

SECTION 8. Notice of Election. Notice of the election is hereby given and the City Clerk is authorized and instructed to give further or additional notice of the election in the time, form, and manner as required by law.

SECTION 9. Full Text. The full text of the Measure shall be printed in the voter information guide and a statement shall be printed in the ballot pursuant to Elections Code Section 9223, advising voters that they may obtain a copy of this Resolution and the Measure, at no cost, upon request made to the City Clerk. The complete text of the Measure is attached to this Resolution as Exhibit “A”.

SECTION 10. Filing with County. The City Clerk shall, not later than the 88th day before the General Municipal Election to be held on Tuesday, November 3, 2026, file with the

Board of Supervisors and the County Registrar of Voters of the County of Sacramento, State of California, a certified copy of this Resolution.

SECTION 11. Public Examination. Pursuant to Elections Code section 9295, this Resolution and the Measure will be available for public examination for at least ten (10) calendar days immediately following the filing deadline for submission of those materials, as referenced in Section 10. The City Clerk shall post notice in the Clerk's office of the specific dates that the examination period will run.

SECTION 12. CEQA. The City Council hereby finds and determines that the Measure relates to organizational or administrative activities of governments that will not result in direct or indirect physical changes in the environment, and therefore is not a project within the meaning of the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA") and the State CEQA Guidelines. (Public Resources Code §§ 21065; 21080(a); CEQA Guidelines §§ 15060(c), (2), (3); 15378(b)(2), (b)(5).) If for any reason the proposed ballot measure is considered a project, it is exempt from CEQA review pursuant to CEQA Guidelines § 15061(b)(3) because it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility the activity in question may have a significant effect on the environment.

SECTION 13. Severability. The provisions of this Resolution are severable and if any provision of this Resolution is held invalid, that provision shall be severed from the Resolution and the remainder of this Resolution shall continue in full force and effect, and not be affected by such invalidity.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 14th day of July, 2026, by the following roll-call vote:

AYES: Councilmember(s):
NOES: Councilmember(s):
ABSENT: Councilmember(s):
ABSTAIN: Councilmember(s):

Justin Raithel, MAYOR

ATTEST:

Christa Freemantle, CITY CLERK

STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO) ss.
CITY OF FOLSOM)

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing Resolution No. 11667 was duly adopted by the City Council of the City of Folsom at a regular meeting thereof, held on the 14th day of July, 2026, by the following vote of the Council:

AYES: COUNCILMEMBERS:
NOES: COUNCILMEMBERS:
ABSENT: COUNCILMEMBERS:
ABSTAIN: COUNCILMEMBERS:

Christa Freemantle, City Clerk

EXHIBIT “A”

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE PEOPLE OF THE CITY OF FOLSOM
AMENDING SECTION 2.48.030, “CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION LIMITATION”, OF
THE FOLSOM MUNICIPAL CODE TO INCREASE THE CAMPAIGN
CONTRIBUTION LIMIT**

[attached behind this page]

ORDINANCE NO. 1373

AN ORDINANCE OF THE PEOPLE OF THE CITY OF FOLSOM AMENDING SECTION 2.48.030, "CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION LIMITATION", OF THE FOLSOM MUNICIPAL CODE TO INCREASE THE CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION LIMIT

The People of the City of Folsom hereby do ordain as follows:

SECTION 1 ORDINANCE AMENDMENT

Section 2.48.03, "Campaign Contribution Limitation", of the Folsom Municipal Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

2.48.030 Campaign contribution limitation.

- A. No person other than a candidate shall make, and no campaign treasurer shall solicit or accept, any contribution which will cause the total amount contributed by such person with respect to a single election in support or opposition to such candidate, including contributions to all committees supporting or opposing such candidate, to exceed ~~\$150~~ **\$500**.
- B. Extension of credit for a period of more than 90 days is prohibited. Extension of credit for more than \$1,000 is prohibited; provided, however, a candidate may personally borrow any amount and such funds shall be considered as a contribution by the candidate personally; provided, further, that such transaction is fully disclosed and documented in accordance with applicable law.
- C. The terms of this section are applicable to any contributions made to a candidate or committee hereunder, whether used by such candidate or committee to finance a current campaign, to pay deficits incurred in a prior campaign, or otherwise.
- D. If any person is found guilty of violating the terms of this section, the amount of funds received constituting such violation shall be paid by the candidate or committee treasurer who received such funds to the city finance director for deposit in the general fund of the city.
- E. As used in this section, "extension of credit" means any loan, gift, forbearance or forgiveness of debt without adequate compensation.

SECTION 2 SCOPE

Except as set forth in this Ordinance, all other provisions of the Folsom Municipal Code shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 3 SEVERABILITY

If any section, subsection, clause, phrase, or portion of this Ordinance is for any reason held to be invalid or unconstitutional by the decision of any court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this Ordinance. The People of

the City of Folsom hereby declare that they would have adopted this Ordinance and each section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase or portion thereof, irrespective of the fact that any one or more sections, subsections, clauses, phrases or portions be declared invalid or unconstitutional.

SECTION 4 EFFECTIVE DATE

If a majority of the registered voters of the City voting upon this proposed Ordinance amendment vote in favor of it, the Ordinance amendment shall become effective thirty (30) days after the City Council certifies the election returns.

SECTION 5 PUBLICATION

The City Clerk is directed to cause a copy of this Ordinance to be published in full or in summary in a newspaper of general circulation in the City within twenty (20) days after the City Council certifies the election returns indicating that a majority of the registered voters of the City voting upon the proposed Ordinance amendment voted in favor of it.

SECTION 6 ELECTION RESULTS

The foregoing Ordinance amendment was approved by the voters of the City of Folsom at a General Municipal Election held on November 3, 2026, by the following vote tally:

YES:

NOES:

OTHER:

APPROVED:

Justin Raithel, MAYOR

ATTEST:

Christa Freemantle, CITY CLERK

Attachment 2

ORDINANCE NO. 1373

AN ORDINANCE OF THE PEOPLE OF THE CITY OF FOLSOM AMENDING SECTION 2.48.030, "CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION LIMITATION", OF THE FOLSOM MUNICIPAL CODE TO INCREASE THE CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION LIMIT

The People of the City of Folsom hereby do ordain as follows:

SECTION 1 ORDINANCE AMENDMENT

Section 2.48.03, "Campaign Contribution Limitation", of the Folsom Municipal Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

2.48.030 Campaign contribution limitation.

- A. No person other than a candidate shall make, and no campaign treasurer shall solicit or accept, any contribution which will cause the total amount contributed by such person with respect to a single election in support or opposition to such candidate, including contributions to all committees supporting or opposing such candidate, to exceed ~~\$150~~ \$500.
- B. Extension of credit for a period of more than 90 days is prohibited. Extension of credit for more than \$1,000 is prohibited; provided, however, a candidate may personally borrow any amount and such funds shall be considered as a contribution by the candidate personally; provided, further, that such transaction is fully disclosed and documented in accordance with applicable law.
- C. The terms of this section are applicable to any contributions made to a candidate or committee hereunder, whether used by such candidate or committee to finance a current campaign, to pay deficits incurred in a prior campaign, or otherwise.
- D. If any person is found guilty of violating the terms of this section, the amount of funds received constituting such violation shall be paid by the candidate or committee treasurer who received such funds to the city finance director for deposit in the general fund of the city.
- E. As used in this section, "extension of credit" means any loan, gift, forbearance or forgiveness of debt without adequate compensation.

SECTION 2 SCOPE

Except as set forth in this Ordinance, all other provisions of the Folsom Municipal Code shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 3 SEVERABILITY

If any section, subsection, clause, phrase, or portion of this Ordinance is for any reason held to be invalid or unconstitutional by the decision of any court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this Ordinance. The People of the City of Folsom hereby declare that they would have adopted this Ordinance and each section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase or portion thereof, irrespective of the fact that any one or more sections, subsections, clauses, phrases or portions be declared invalid or unconstitutional.

SECTION 4 EFFECTIVE DATE

If a majority of the registered voters of the City voting upon this proposed Ordinance amendment vote in favor of it, the Ordinance amendment shall become effective thirty (30) days after the City Council certifies the election returns.

SECTION 5 PUBLICATION

The City Clerk is directed to cause a copy of this Ordinance to be published in full or in summary in a newspaper of general circulation in the City within twenty (20) days after the City Council certifies the election returns indicating that a majority of the registered voters of the City voting upon the proposed Ordinance amendment voted in favor of it.

SECTION 6 ELECTION RESULTS

The foregoing Ordinance amendment was approved by the voters of the City of Folsom at a General Municipal Election held on November 3, 2026, by the following vote tally:

YES:

NOES:

OTHER:

APPROVED:

Justin Raithel, MAYOR

ATTEST:

Christa Freemantle, CITY CLERK