



MINUTES

PRESENT:

Norie Gonzalez Garza, Mayor
Ruben D. Plata, Mayor Pro-Tem
Jessica Ortega, Councilwoman
Alberto Vela, Councilman
Bob Galligan, Interim City Attorney
Mike R. Perez, City Manager
Anna Carrillo, City Secretary

ABSENT:

Marissa Ortega-Gerlach, Councilwoman

ALSO PRESENT:

J.D. Villarreal

STAFF PRESENT:

David Flores, Asst. City Manager
Juan Pablo Terrazas, Asst. City Manager
Andy Garcia, Asst. City Manager
Alex Fajardo, Media Relations
Charlie Longoria, Media Relations

SPECIAL MEETING

CALL TO ORDER AND ESTABLISH QUORUM

With a quorum being present, Mayor Norie Garza Gonzalez called the meeting to order at 4:37 p.m.

CITIZEN'S PARTICIPATION

AGENDA ITEMS

1. Approval of Ordinance # 5486 of the City Council of the City of Mission, Texas Canvassing and declaring the results of the Charter Amendment Special Election of May 4, 2024 on the questions of Adopting Twenty-Four (24) Amendments to its Home Rule Charter – Carrillo

Official Canvass and declaration of the early voting and election day results of the City of Mission Charter Amendment Special Election of May 4, 2024 on the questions of adopting Twenty-Four (24) Amendments to its Home Rule Charter.

MISSION PROPOSITION A: Shall Section 1.01 of the City Charter be amended to provide that the provisions of the charter shall be construed liberally to favor the City of Mission?

FOR 2878

AGAINST 1407

MISSION PROPOSITION B: Shall Article 1 of the City Charter be amended to simplify the provisions relating to expansion and contraction of the city's boundaries by deleting Sections 1.03 through 1.06, providing that the procedures for annexation are to be conducted according to the provisions of state law, and renumbering the remaining sections?

FOR 2742

AGAINST 1327

MISSION PROPOSITION C: Shall Section 2.01 of the City Charter be amended to simplify the enumeration of the city's powers and to provide that it will have the power of local government to the fullest extent permitted by law?

FOR 2628

AGAINST 1401

MISSION PROPOSITION D: Shall Section 3.01.C of the City Charter be amended to provide, to the extent permitted by law, that the regular municipal elections for the City of Mission to elect a Mayor and/or member of City Council shall be held during the November uniform election date?

FOR 3194

AGAINST 913

MISSION PROPOSITION E: Shall Section 3.01.H of the City Charter be amended to establish a term limit for the office of mayor of three (3) four-year terms?

FOR 3182

AGAINST 973

MISSION PROPOSITION F: Shall Section 3.06 of the City Charter be amended to revise the process for filling vacancies on the city council to be consistent with the requirements of the Texas Constitution?

FOR 3333

AGAINST 754

MISSION PROPOSITION G: Shall Section 3.09 of the City Charter be amended to provide meetings of the city council must be conducted in accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act?

FOR 3477

AGAINST 597

MISSION PROPOSITION H: Shall Section 3.11 of the City Charter be amended to revise the process for publishing city ordinances to also include other means as allowed by state law?

FOR 3154

AGAINST 833

MISSION PROPOSITION I: Shall Section 3.14 of the City Charter be amended to provide that audits of the city's books and accounts are to be filed with the City Secretary?

FOR 3161

AGAINST 837

MISSION PROPOSITION J: Shall Section 3.14 of the City Charter be amended to remove the requirement that the city's semiannual simplified financial report be published in a local newspaper?

FOR 2132

AGAINST 1866

MISSION PROPOSITION K: Shall Section 3.15 of the City Charter be added to establish the position of internal auditor?

FOR 2941

AGAINST 1016

MISSION PROPOSITION L: Shall Sections 4.02 and 4.08 of the City Charter be amended to clarify that the chief of police and the fire chief are appointed by and responsible to the city manager and revising the existing language so that the sections relating to the fire and police departments are consistent?

FOR 3042AGAINST 947

MISSION PROPOSITION M: Shall Section 4.05 B of the City Charter be amended to remove the requirement that Mission Municipal court judges be qualified voters of the City of Mission?

FOR 2212AGAINST 1805

MISSION PROPOSITION N: Shall Section 4.05 B of the City Charter be amended to remove the requirement that the City Secretary or an assistant City Secretary be ex officio clerk of the municipal court?

FOR 2244AGAINST 1588

MISSION PROPOSITION O: Shall various sections of the City Charter, including Section 4.05 (terms of municipal law judges), Section 5.01 (conduct of elections), Section 9.18 (appraisal and rendition of property), Section 11.02 (financial interest in transactions with the city) and Section 11.03 (drilling operations in the city), to define the city's responsibilities and limitations in terms of the controlling state statute?

FOR 2722AGAINST 1008

MISSION PROPOSITION P: Shall Section 4.06 of the City Charter be amended to define the duties of the city attorney and provide guidelines to limit the use of outside counsel?

FOR 2837AGAINST 1038

MISSION PROPOSITION Q: Shall Section 4.09 of the City Charter be amended to remove Council's authority to combine the city's Police and Fire Departments into one (1) department?

FOR 2174AGAINST 1752

MISSION PROPOSITION R: Shall the City Charter be amended by revising Section 5.03 to set out the qualifications and procedures for candidates filing to run for the office of mayor or councilmember, deleting Section 5.04 (official ballot), Section 5.05 (laws governing city elections), and Section 5.06 (canvassing elections) as matters governed by state statute, and renumbering the remaining section in article 5 accordingly?

FOR 2515AGAINST 1151

MISSION PROPOSITION S: Shall the City Charter be amended by revising various sections of Article 7 to clarify the procedure for calling an initiative or referendum election where an ordinance is sought to be adopted or repealed pursuant to a citizen petition including making clear that the power of referendum does not extend ordinances appropriating money, to clarify the rule for interpreting inconsistent ordinances adopted at the same election, to change the period during which an initiated ordinance may not be amended or repealed by the city council to two rather than four years, and to conform publication standards to those set out in state law?

FOR 2574AGAINST 1036

MISSION PROPOSITION T: Shall Section 8.01 of the City Charter be amended to define the authority of the Planning and Zoning Commission to advise the City Council on zoning

matters and to provide that the City of Mission and its Planning and Zoning Commission shall have authority of planning and zoning and of subdivision and platting of land to the full extent permitted by the Constitution and laws of the State of Texas.

FOR 2740

AGAINST 1002

MISSION PROPOSITION U: Shall Article 9 of the City Charter be amended to clarify the time by which the city manager is to present a proposed budget, to clarify the time and place of a public hearing on the budget, to delete the requirement that the annual budget include a contingency appropriation of up to three percent of the total budget, to clarify that the estimated expenditures in the budget shall not exceed estimated revenues, to provide for public availability of copies of the budget, to conform the subject of and procedures for taxation to the requirements of the State of Texas Property Tax Code, and to make non-substantive typographic changes. (§§ 9.02, 9.07, 9.11, 9.13, 9.14, 9.18, and 9.22)

FOR 2699

AGAINST 968

MISSION PROPOSITION V: Shall the City Charter be amended to delete Section 9.16 relating to a City Department of Taxation and Section 9.19 authorizing the establishment of a joint tax office by joining with other taxing entities?

FOR 2138

AGAINST 1523

MISSION PROPOSITION W: Shall the City Charter be amended to delete the requirement that a city treasurer be appointed?

FOR 1902

AGAINST 1826

MISSION PROPOSITION X: Shall the City Charter be amended to delete the requirement that a City Health Officer be appointed?

FOR 1888

AGAINST 1879

Mayor Pro Tem Ruben Plata moved to approve Ordinance 5486 Canvassing and declaring the results of the Charter Amendment Special Election of May 4, 2024 on the questions of Adopting Twenty-Four (24) Amendments to its Home Rule Charter. Motion was seconded by Councilwoman Jessica Ortega and approved unanimously 4-0.

ORDINANCE NO. 5486

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MISSION, TEXAS, APPROVING THE RETURNS CANVASSED AND DECLARING THE RESULT OF THE CHARTER AMENDMENT ELECTION HELD ON THE 4TH DAY OF MAY, 2024, ON THE QUESTIONS OF ADOPTING TWENTY-FOUR (24) AMENDMENTS TO ITS HOME RULE CHARTER; AND RELATED MATTERS, AND AMENDING ARTICLES OF THE MISSION CITY CHARTER APPROVED BASED ON THE OFFICIAL RETURNS.

ADJOURNMENT

At 4:42 p.m., Councilman Alberto Vela moved for adjournment. Motion was seconded by Councilwoman Ortega and approved unanimously 5-0.

Norie Gonzalez Garza, Mayor

ATTEST:

Anna Carrillo, City Secretary