

November 19, 2024

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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the city council has received the report of the canvassing committee appointed to canvass the results of the election held on Tuesday, November 5, 2024, pursuant to Ordinance Nos. 32798, 32799, 32800, 32802 and 32849, for the purpose of adopting amendments to the Charter of the City of Dallas and amending Chapter 40A of the Dallas City Code of the City of Dallas on the purposes set forth; and the city council after examining the report finds it correct in all respects; **Now, Therefore,**

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DALLAS:

SECTION 1. That the city council after having duly examined the report of the canvassing committee finds that it is a true and correct tabulation of the election results; that the election held on Tuesday, November 5, 2024, pursuant to Ordinance Nos. 32798, 32799, 32800, 32802 and 32849, was duly ordered and notice given in accordance with law; that the election was held in the manner required by law; that only duly qualified resident voters of the City of Dallas voted in the election; and that returns of the election have been made by the proper officers.

SECTION 2. That the canvass of the returns of the election and the tabulation of votes cast FOR and AGAINST in answer to Propositions A through J, L, and O through U submitted on the official ballot, as stated by the report of the canvassing committee, are hereby approved and adopted.

SECTION 3. That a majority of the votes cast at the election were in favor of Propositions A, B, D through J, L, O through S, and U, as described in Ordinance Nos. 32798, 32799, 32800, 32802 and 32849, and the propositions, therefore, are declared to be adopted.

SECTION 4. That this resolution will take effect immediately from and after its passage in accordance with the provisions of the Charter of the City of Dallas, and it is accordingly so resolved.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

TAMMY PALOMINO, City Attorney

By 
Assistant City Attorney



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REPORT OF CANVASSING COMMITTEE
RESOLUTION AND ORDER APPROVING REPORT

TO THE HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL:

We, the undersigned, your committee of the city council appointed on September 11, 2024, to canvass the returns of the election held in the City of Dallas on Tuesday, November 5, 2024, for the purpose of adopting amendments to the Charter of the City of Dallas and amending Chapter 40A of the Dallas City Code of the City of Dallas on the purposes set forth, hereby report that we have carefully canvassed the returns of the election, and we submit the tabulated statement of the votes received for and against the proposition, attached hereto as **Exhibit A**.

In accordance with Ordinance Nos. 32798, 32799, 32800, 32802 and 32849, the following propositions were submitted to the qualified voters of the City of Dallas:

CITY OF DALLAS PROPOSITION A

“Shall Chapter 40A of the Dallas City Code, known as the employees’ retirement fund of the City of Dallas, be amended in accordance with Ordinance No. 32801 to: add, revise, and delete various definitions; provide amended terms and term limits of the board; modify the retirement fund board’s powers and duties; specify the date the board shall adopt the actuarially determined contribution rate, the current total adjusted total obligation rate, the current total obligation rate, and the pension obligation bond credit rate for each fiscal year; provide amended contribution amounts for the city and employees; provide a contribution maximum for Tier A and Tier B employees; provide that the city may contribute additional monies to the retirement fund in its sole discretion; amend the modifications of contribution rates; provide guardrails with respect to the calculation of the actuarially determined contribution and incorporating the

guardrails into actuarial assumptions; and amend the procedure to amend Chapter 40A?”

PROPOSITION A

FOR	245,628
AGAINST	111,311

CITY OF DALLAS PROPOSITION B

“Shall the Dallas City Charter be amended by adding a preamble that declares the city to be an equitable democracy, comprised of representatives that act to make the city fair, equitable, just, and safe for all residents?”

PROPOSITION B

FOR	267,095
AGAINST	100,740

CITY OF DALLAS PROPOSITION C

“Shall Chapter III, Section 4(a) of the Dallas City Charter be amended to increase the annual salary for the mayor to \$110,000 and the annual salaries for councilmembers to \$90,000 with salaries subject to a yearly adjustment equal to the year-over-year percentage increase in the local consumer price index, effective January 1, 2025?”

PROPOSITION C

FOR	157,047
AGAINST	214,587

CITY OF DALLAS PROPOSITION D

“Shall Chapter IV, Section 3 of the Dallas City Charter be amended by deleting the requirement that elections for members of the city council be held in May and instead be held according to state law and as designated by city resolution or ordinance?”

PROPOSITION D

FOR	236,127
AGAINST	125,976

CITY OF DALLAS PROPOSITION E

“Shall Chapter III, Section 3A of the Dallas City Charter be amended to eliminate the ability for members of the city council to run for city council again after serving the maximum four two-year terms and to eliminate the ability for the mayor to run for mayor again after serving the maximum two four-year terms?”

PROPOSITION E

FOR	256,174
AGAINST	114,892

CITY OF DALLAS PROPOSITION F

“Shall Chapter IIIA, Section 2 and Chapter IX, Section 2 of the Dallas City Charter, which requires the city council to provide assistants to the city secretary and city auditor, be amended to also require the city council to provide employees to the city secretary and city auditor?”

PROPOSITION F

FOR	242,451
AGAINST	116,048

CITY OF DALLAS PROPOSITION G

“Shall Chapter IV, Section 5(b)(2) of the Dallas City Charter, which establishes the redistricting commission, be amended by adding eligibility criteria for serving on the redistricting commission?”

PROPOSITION G

FOR	253,188
AGAINST	104,152

CITY OF DALLAS PROPOSITION H

“Shall Chapter IV, Section 5; Chapter XV, Section 3; Chapter XVI, Section 1; and Chapter XVII, Section 2 of the Dallas City Charter be amended by eliminating the requirement that members of the redistricting commission, city plan commission, civil service board, and park and recreation board be registered to vote, qualified voters, or qualified taxpaying citizens?”

PROPOSITION H

FOR	189,416
AGAINST	174,597

CITY OF DALLAS PROPOSITION I

“Shall Chapter XVIII, Section 11 of the Dallas City Charter, which establishes procedures for initiative and referendum of ordinances, be amended to extend the deadline petitioners must meet to collect required signatures from 60 days to 120 days and reduce the number of signatures required on a petition from 10 percent of the qualified voters of the City of Dallas to five percent?”

PROPOSITION I

FOR	195,624
AGAINST	161,810

CITY OF DALLAS PROPOSITION J

“Shall Chapter XXIV, Section 17(b) of the Dallas City Charter be amended to allow city council’s appointments to city boards and commissions to be replaced by city council prior to completion of a member’s two-year term?”

PROPOSITION J

FOR	216,698
AGAINST	136,374

CITY OF DALLAS PROPOSITION L

“Shall Chapter XI, Section 2 be amended and a new chapter be added to the Dallas City Charter that establishes the Office of the Inspector General with the Inspector General being appointed by city council and lists the duties of the Inspector General?”

PROPOSITION L

FOR	244,617
AGAINST	106,767

CITY OF DALLAS PROPOSITION O

“Shall Chapter VIII, Section 6 of the Dallas City Charter be amended to clarify the terms of associate municipal judges and state that associate municipal judges are appointed by city council, receive assignments from the administrative judge or the administrative judge’s designee, and must be residents of Dallas within four months of the date of appointment and practicing attorneys in good standing?”

PROPOSITION O

FOR	282,886
AGAINST	72,146

CITY OF DALLAS PROPOSITION P

“Shall Chapter XVI, Section 12.1 of the Dallas City Charter be amended by deleting the requirement that a city employee who appeals his or her discharge or reduction in grade to an administrative law judge pay one-half of the costs attributed to having the administrative law judge conduct the appeal hearing?”

PROPOSITION P

FOR	193,041
AGAINST	160,095

CITY OF DALLAS PROPOSITION Q

“Shall Chapter III, Section 3; Chapter III, Section 4; Chapter III, Chapter 8(b); Chapter III, Section 13(a); Chapter III, Section 19; Chapter IV, Section 6(a); Chapter IV, Section 6(c)(2); Chapter IV, Section 13; Chapter XI, Section 1; Chapter XI, Section 3; Chapter XII, Section 4; Chapter XIII, Section 2(2); Chapter XIII, Section 9; Chapter XIV, Section 8; Chapter XV, Section 3; Chapter XV, Section 4; Chapter XVI, Section 3(b)(1); Chapter XVI, Section 7; Chapter XVI, Section 10(a); Chapter XVI, Section 11(b); Chapter XVIII, Section 7; Chapter XVIII, Section 11(1); Chapter XVIII, Section 15; Chapter XIX, Section 7; Chapter XXII, Section 2; Chapter XXII, Section 3; Chapter XXII, Section 4(1); Chapter XXII, Section 10; and Chapter XXIV of the Dallas City Charter be amended to conform to state law, conform to the city code, match actual practices, correct terms, clarify language, and other technical amendments?”

PROPOSITION Q

FOR	256,128
AGAINST	95,345

CITY OF DALLAS PROPOSITION R

“Shall the Dallas City Charter be amended by adding a new section in Chapter XXIV that reforms marijuana possession enforcement by prohibiting the Dallas Police Department from making arrests or issuing citations for marijuana possession or considering the odor of marijuana as probable cause for search or seizure, except as part of a violent felony or high priority narcotics felony investigation; making enforcement of Class A (currently, two to four ounces) and Class B (currently, up to two ounces) misdemeanor marijuana possession the Dallas Police Department’s lowest enforcement priority; and prohibiting city funds or personnel from being used to test cannabis-related substances to determine whether a substance meets the legal definition of marijuana, except in limited circumstances?”

PROPOSITION R

FOR	246,901
AGAINST	124,782

CITY OF DALLAS PROPOSITION S

“Shall the Dallas City Charter be amended by adding a new chapter that grants standing to any resident of Dallas to bring a lawsuit against the city to require the city to comply with provisions of the city charter, city ordinances, and state law; entitles claimants to seek declaratory and injunctive relief against the city and recover costs and reasonable attorney’s fees; and waives the city’s governmental immunity from suit and liability in claims brought under this amendment?”

PROPOSITION S

FOR	201,344
AGAINST	165,043

CITY OF DALLAS PROPOSITION T

“Shall Chapter VI of the Dallas City Charter be amended by adding a new section compelling the city to conduct the city-commissioned Community Survey on an annual basis, to be completed by a minimum of 1,400 Dallas residents on their satisfaction on quality of life issues, the results of which will result in the city manager earning additional performance compensation (between 0 percent and 100 percent of the city manager’s annual base salary) or the termination of the city manager?”

PROPOSITION T

FOR	163,821
AGAINST	203,344


CITY OF DALLAS PROPOSITION U

“Shall Chapter XI of the Dallas City Charter be amended by adding a new section compelling city council to appropriate no less than 50 percent of annual revenue that exceeds the total annual revenue of the previous year to fund the Dallas Police and Fire Pension, with any monies remaining of that 50% to be appropriated to increasing the starting compensation of officers of the Dallas Police Department and to increase the number of police officers to a minimum of 4,000, and to maintain that ratio of officers to the City of Dallas population as of the date of passage of this amendment?”

PROPOSITION U

FOR	186,945
AGAINST	183,741

From this tabulation it appears that Propositions A, B, D through J, L, O through S, and U were approved by the qualified voters of the city of Dallas participating in the election.



Councilmember Cara Mendelsohn, Chair

Councilmember Jesse Moreno, Member

Councilmember Omar Narvaez, Member

**CANVASSING COMMITTEE OF THE CITY
COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DALLAS**