

## RESOLUTION 8374

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HAWTHORNE, CALIFORNIA RELATING TO THE PROPOSAL TO ADOPT A CHARTER FOR THE CITY OF HAWTHORNE AT THE NOVEMBER 8, 2022 GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION DIRECTING THE CITY ATTORNEY TO PREPARE AN IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS OF THE MEASURE, SETTING PRIORITIES FOR FILING A WRITTEN ARGUMENT RELATING TO THE BALLOT MEASURE, AND PROVIDING FOR REBUTTAL ARGUMENTS RELATING TO THE BALLOT MEASURE**

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Resolution 8373, the City Council has ordered submission to the voters a proposed charter for the City of Hawthorne, for consideration of adoption at the General Municipal Election on November 8, 2022; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council desires to direct the City Attorney to prepare an impartial analysis of the measure and set forth the parameters for submitting arguments for and against the measure.

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

**SECTION 1. Findings.** The City Council finds that all of the preceding recitals are true and correct, are incorporated herein by this reference, and made an operative part hereof.

**SECTION 2. Impartial Analysis.** Pursuant to Elections Code Section 9280, the City Council hereby 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, and transmit such impartial analysis to the City Clerk not later than the deadline for submittal of primary arguments for or against the Measure. 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. 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-font bold type, the following: "The above statement is an impartial analysis of Measure \_\_\_. If you desire a copy of the Measure, please call the Office of the City Clerk at (310) 349-2915 and a copy will be mailed at no cost to you. You may access the charter text at: <https://www.cityofhawthorne.org/government/city-clerk/public-notices>."


**SECTION 3. Written Ballot Arguments.** The City Council authorizes, but does not require, any and all members of the City Council to file a written argument in favor or against the above referenced Measure in accordance with Article 4, Chapter 3, Division 9 of the Elections Code, including Elections Code Section 9282(b), and to change the arguments until and including the date fixed by the City Clerk after which no arguments for or against the Measure may be submitted to the City Clerk. Any voter eligible to vote on the Measure, bona fide association of citizens, or any combination of voters and associations may also file a written argument in favor or against the above referenced Measure with the City Clerk in accordance with Article 4, Chapter 3, Division 9

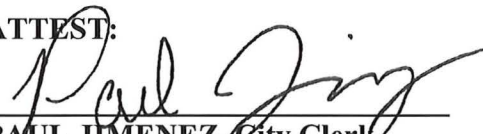
of the Elections Code, including Elections Code Sections 9282 through 9287. In the event that more than one argument for or against the foregoing measure is timely submitted, the City Council's duly appointed elections official shall give preference and priority first, to arguments submitted by a member of the City Council, as authorized by this Resolution, and second, to individual voters, bona fide associations, or a combination thereof, in the order set forth at California Elections Code Section 9287.

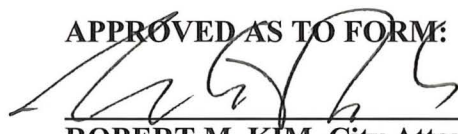
**SECTION 4. Rebuttal.** Pursuant to Elections Code Section 9285, when the City's designated elections official has selected the arguments for and against the foregoing measure which will be printed and distributed to the voters, the City's designated elections official shall send copies of the argument in favor of the measure to the authors of the argument against, and copies of the argument against to the authors of the argument in favor. The author or a majority of the authors of an argument relating to the foregoing city measure may prepare and submit a rebuttal argument compliant with Elections Code Section 9285. The rebuttal arguments shall be accompanied by the Form of Statement to be Filed by Author(s) of Argument as provided for in California Elections Code Section 9600. 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. All previous resolutions providing for the filing of rebuttal arguments for city measures are repealed. The provisions of Section 4 of this Resolution shall apply only to the General Municipal Election to be held on November 8, 2022 and shall then be repealed.

**SECTION 5. Certification.** The City Clerk shall certify to the passage and adoption of this Resolution and enter it into the book of original Resolutions.

**PASSED, APPROVED, and ADOPTED** this 9th day of August, 2022.

  
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**ALEX VARGAS, Mayor**  
City of Hawthorne, California

**ATTEST:**  
  
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**PAUL JIMENEZ, City Clerk**  
City of Hawthorne, California

**APPROVED AS TO FORM:**  
  
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**ROBERT M. KIM, City Attorney**  
City of Hawthorne, California

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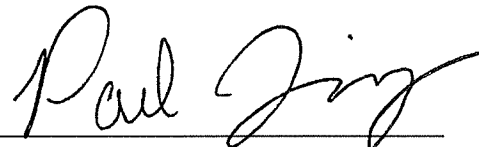
I, **Paul Jimenez**, the duly elected City Clerk of the City of Hawthorne, California, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that the foregoing Resolution, being Resolution No. 8374 was duly adopted by the City Council of the City of Hawthorne, at the regular meeting of the City Council held **August 9, 2022** and that it was adopted by the following vote, to wit:

AYES:       Councilmembers Reyes English,  
              Patterson, Mayor Vargas.

NOES:       Councilmember Monteiro, Valentine

ABSTAIN:   None.

ABSENT:     None.



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Paul Jimenez, City Clerk  
City of Hawthorne, California

