

**CITY OF LONG BEACH
CITY ATTORNEY'S IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS OF MEASURE "BBB"**

**CHARTER AMENDMENT TO ESTABLISH A THREE-TERM LIMIT ON
MAYORAL AND CITY COUNCIL SERVICE AND TO PROHIBIT
INDIVIDUALS WHO HAVE ALREADY SERVED THREE TERMS FROM
BEING ELECTED AS WRITE-IN CANDIDATES**

Voter approval of Measure "BBB" would amend Section 214 of the Long Beach City Charter, relating to term limits for the offices of Mayor and City Councilmember. On August 7, 2018, the Long Beach City Council placed Measure "BBB" on the ballot for the consideration of Long Beach voters.

Long Beach City Charter Section 214, "Term Limitations on Ballot Access by Candidates for City Council and Mayor," currently provides that the Mayor and City Councilmembers may serve no more than two terms in office, unless they run as a write-in candidate. The Charter currently provides no limit on the number of times a candidate may run as a write-in, and further provides that the name of the write-in candidate who has been nominated at a primary election shall appear on the ballot for the general election as if he or she were formally nominated (not a write-in candidate).

The proposed measure would provide that during his or her lifetime, a person may serve no more than three terms, as further defined in the measure, as Mayor, and no more than three terms as City Councilmember. From the November 6, 2018, general municipal election and for all future elections, any write-in candidacy will count towards the three-term limit. The proposed measure would further prohibit any candidate for the office of Mayor who has served three terms or City Councilmember who has served three terms from running as a write-in candidate. Under state law, term limits measures may only apply prospectively.

Measure "BBB" requires simple majority approval of Long Beach voters to pass. If Measure "BBB" does not pass, the current Charter term limits will remain in effect.

A "Yes" vote will approve Measure "BBB".

A "No" vote will not approve Measure "BBB".

The above statement is an impartial analysis of Measure "BBB". If you desire a copy of the Measure, please call the Elections Official's office at (562) 570-6101 and a copy will be mailed at no cost to you.

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