

RESOLUTION NO. ____

**RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RICHMOND,
CALIFORNIA, SUBMITTING TO THE VOTERS A MEASURE TO RESTORE
STAFFING LEVELS IN THE POLICE DEPARTMENT (AS RECOMMENDED BY THE
CHIEF OF POLICE NOT TO EXCEED TWENTY OFFICERS) TO HELP THE
DEPARTMENT MEET SERVICE DEMANDS AND TRAINING REQUIREMENTS
WHILE REDUCING BURNOUT, STAFF OVERTIME, AND FATIGUE**

WHEREAS, the City will hold a general municipal election on November 8, 2022, (the “General Election”); and

WHEREAS, the City Council has submitted to the voters at the General Election an advisory question to impose minimum staffing levels of 165 sworn officers in the Police Department to create a healthy work force with minimal overtime; and

WHEREAS, the City Council desires to submit an advisory question to the electorate regarding the imposing of minimum staffing levels in the Police Department; and

WHEREAS, in order for the change to become effective, it must be approved by the electorate; and

WHEREAS, the Council adopted Resolution No. 79-22 on June 21, 2022, calling for a general municipal election on November 8, 2022 (“Election”); and

WHEREAS, the City Council desires to submit the advisory question to the qualified electors of the City at that Election.

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

Section 1. The foregoing recitals are true and correct, and this Council so find and determines.

Section 2. A general municipal election has been called for the City to be held on Tuesday, November 8, 2022. The City Council hereby submits the following question to the qualified voters of the City of Richmond at the General Election:

“ADVISORY VOTE ONLY: Should the staffing levels in the Police Department be restored to a minimum staffing of 165 sworn officers, 20 more than the current funded level of 145, to create a healthy workforce with minimal overtime?”

Section 4. The City Clerk of the City of Richmond is hereby ordered and directed to cause said proposed advisory question to be printed and to mail a copy of said advisory question to all registered voters in the City of Richmond with sample ballots in substantially the form set forth above.

Section 5. The City Clerk of the City of Richmond is hereby authorized to sign a Notice of Election and Advisory Question To Be Voted On in a form substantially similar to that attached hereto as Exhibit A. The Clerk of the City is hereby authorized and directed to publish said Notice of Election and Advisory Question To Be Voted On at least one time not later than a week before the election in the EAST BAY TIMES, a newspaper of general circulation circulated within the City of Richmond, in accordance with the provisions of Section 12111 of the Elections Code of the State of California.

Section 6. The Clerk of the City is hereby authorized and directed to cause to be delivered, no later than August 12, 2022 (which date is not fewer than 88 days prior to the date set for the Election) one copy of this Resolution to the Registrar of Voters of the County.

Section 7. 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 advisory question on the existing law and the operation of the measure, and transmit such impartial analysis to the City Clerk within ten (10) days of the adoption of this resolution.

Section 8. The Finance Director of the City is hereby authorized and directed to prepare and file with the Registrar of Voters (through the City Clerk) an impartial analysis of the advisory question contained in Section 2 hereof covering its financial impact upon the City government in accordance with Section 2.16.070 of the Municipal Code of the City, within the time established by the Registrar of Voters.

Section 9. Pursuant to Section 9282 of the Elections Code of the State of California, the legislative body of the City of Richmond, or any member or members of the legislative body authorized by the body, or any individual voter who is eligible to vote on the advisory question or bona fide association of citizens, or any combination of voters and associations, may file a written argument, not to exceed 200 words in length, accompanied by the printed name(s) and signature(s) of person(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, for or against the City measure.

Section 10. This advisory question requires a majority of qualified electors casting votes.

Section 11. Pursuant to California Elections Code section 9285, subdivision (b), the City Council hereby adopts the provisions of California Elections Code section 9285, subdivision (a), relating to rebuttal arguments for the measure identified in section 2 above only for the November 8, 2022, election and thereafter this section 11 shall expire.

Section 12. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption. The change shall go into effect after the vote is declared by the City Council.

I certify that the foregoing resolution was passed and adopted by the Council of the City of Richmond at a regular meeting thereof held July 26, 2022, by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSTENTIONS:

ABSENT:

CLERK OF THE CITY OF RICHMOND
(SEAL)

Approved:

Mayor

Approved as to form:

City Attorney

EXHIBIT A

Notice of Election and Advisory Question To Be Voted On

CITY OF RICHMOND

**NOTICE OF GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION
AND ADVISORY QUESTION TO BE VOTED ON**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a General Municipal Election will be held in the City of Richmond on Tuesday, November 8, 2022, at which there will be submitted to the voters the following measure:

“ADVISORY VOTE ONLY: Shall the staffing levels in the Police Department be restored to a minimum staffing of 165 sworn officers, 20 more than the current funded level of 145, to create a healthy workforce with minimal overtime?”

Said Election has been consolidated with the Statewide General Election to be held in the City of Richmond on November 8, 2022. The election precincts within the City of Richmond for said Election shall be the regular election precincts established for said Statewide General Election, and the polling places and officers of election within the City of Richmond for said Election shall be the same as those selected and designated or to be selected and designated for said Statewide General Election.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN pursuant to Article 4, Section 9282 of the Elections Code of the State of California, the legislative body of the City of Richmond, or any member or members of the legislative body authorized by the body, or any individual voter who is eligible to vote on the measure or bona fide association of citizens, or any combination of voters and associations, may file a written argument, not to exceed 300 words in length, accompanied by the printed name(s) and signature(s) of the person(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, for or against the City measures.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that, based upon the time reasonably necessary to prepare and print the arguments and sample ballots for the election, the City Clerk has fixed August 24, 2022, during normal office hours, 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., as the date after which no arguments for or against the City measure may be submitted to the Clerk for printing and distribution to the voters as provided in Article 4. Arguments shall be submitted to the City Clerk, accompanied by the printed name(s) and signature(s) of the person(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, at the Richmond City Hall, 450 Civic Center Plaza, Suite 300, Richmond, California. No more than five signatures may appear on the argument.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the City Council of the City of Richmond has determined that rebuttal arguments, not to exceed 250 words in length, as submitted by the authors of the opposing direct arguments, may be filed with the City Clerk by August 29, 2022, during normal office hours, 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., accompanied by the printed name(s) and signature(s) of the person(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. No more than five signatures may appear on the rebuttal.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that any ordinance, impartial analysis, or direct argument filed under the authority of the Elections Code will be available for public examination in the City Clerk’s office from August 25, 2022, to September 7, 2022. Any rebuttal argument filed under the authority of the Elections Code will be available for public examination in the City Clerk’s Office from August 30, 2022, to September 12, 2022.

The polls will be open on Election Day between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m.

Pamela Christian

Clerk of the City of Richmond
City Elections Official

NOTA:

Si desea obtener informacion en Espanol de este aviso legal, puede llamar a la Oficina de la Secretaria Municipal, (510) 620-6513.

Dated:

Publish: