

# Request for Ballot Title Preparation or Publication of Notice

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## Filing Information

Election Date

November 8, 2022

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## Referral Information

Title, Number or other Identifier

Amends charter: voting rights to be extended as legally allowed

This Filing is For

Drafting of Ballot Title Attach referral text.

Publication of Notice Ballot title below.

## Ballot Title Additional requirements may apply

**Caption** 10 words which reasonably identifies the subject of the measure.

See attached.

**Question** 20 words which plainly phrases the chief purpose of the measure.

See attached.

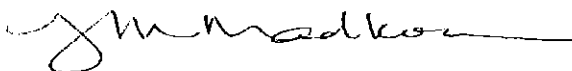
**Summary** 175 words which concisely and impartially summarizes the measure and its major effect.

See attached.

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By signing this document:

→ I hereby state that I am authorized by the county or city governing body, or district elections authority to submit this Request for Ballot Title – Preparation or Publication of Notice.



August 11, 2022

Signature

Date Signed

**Extending Voting Rights Charter Amendment Ballot Title & Explanatory Statement**

**Caption (10/10):** Amends charter: voting rights to be extended as legally allowed

**Question (20/20):** Should charter require county to extend the right to vote, including to noncitizens, to the fullest extent allowed by law?

**Summary (171/175):** State law provides that county residents who are United States citizens 18 years of age or older are eligible to register to vote. Registered voters can vote in local, state, and federal elections, with limited exceptions (for example, under state law a person sentenced to a term of incarceration for a felony is not eligible to vote during the term of incarceration). Current county charter does not address voter registration or qualifications for elections for county officers and on county measures.

This charter amendment recommended by the Charter Review Committee requires the county to extend the right to vote, including to noncitizens, to the fullest extent allowed by law. This amendment would apply to the right to vote in elections for county officers (chair, commissioner, sheriff, and auditor) and on county measures (initiatives, referenda, and referrals of county ordinances or charter amendments).

This amendment would not immediately change existing voting rights in county elections, but directs the county to take action to extend the right to vote as allowed by law.

**Explanatory Statement: (234/500):** State law provides that county residents who are United States citizens 18 years of age or older are eligible to register to vote. Registered voters can vote in local, state, and federal elections, with some limited exceptions (for example, state law provides that a person sentenced to a term of incarceration for a felony is not eligible to vote during the term of incarceration). Current county charter does not address voter registration or voter qualifications for elections for county officers and on county measures.

This amendment recommended by the Charter Review Committee would add a provision to the county charter requiring the county to extend the right to vote, including to noncitizens, to the fullest extent allowed by law. This amendment would apply only to the right to vote in elections for county officers (chair, commissioner, sheriff, and auditor) and on county measures (initiatives, referenda, or referrals of county ordinances or charter amendments).

This amendment would not immediately change existing voting rights in county elections, but directs the county to take action to extend the right to vote as allowed by law. If this amendment is adopted by voters, the county first would determine whether and to what extent the law allows the county to extend the right to vote to additional individuals, and the county then would take steps to extend the right to vote if and to the extent allowed by law.



## **EXHIBIT B**

### **Extending Voting Rights Charter Amendment Text**

(Language ~~stricken~~ is deleted; underlined language is new.)

#### **CHAPTER XI. ELECTIONS**

- 11.10. Right to Vote in County Elections.**
- 11.15. Election Of Officers.**
- 11.20. Tie Votes.**
- 11.30. Initiative And Referendum.**
- 11.40. Recall.**
- 11.50. Charter Amendment And Repeal.**
- 11.60. Campaign Finance.**

#### **11.10. Right to Vote in County Elections.**

The county shall extend the right to vote, including but not limited to extending the right to vote to noncitizens, in elections for county officers and on county measures, to the fullest extent allowed by law.