REG BSC 7-26-22 City Elections in Even-Numbered Years Recon Request DP 220727

I hereby request reconsideration of the Approved Digest for this ballot measure. I have included the text adopted by the Committee with my alternate language as tracked changes. I recommend these changes to increase accuracy and clarity. Thanks. DP

The Way It Is Now: The City holds elections for local offices in even- and some odd-numbered years. The Mmayor, Ssheriff, Ddistrict Aattorney, Ceity Aattorney and Ttreasurer are elected every four years in November of odd-numbered years. The last regular election for those ~~these~~ offices was in November 2019, and the next scheduled election for those ~~these~~ offices is ~~will be~~ in November 2023.

The City holds elections for Aassessor-Rrecorder, Ppublic Ddefender, members of the Board of Supervisors, School Board and City College Board every four years in November of even-numbered years. Elections for ~~state and~~ federal and state offices are also held in even-numbered years.

Local ballot measures appear ~~can be~~ on ballots ~~the ballot~~ in all local elections both even- and odd-numbered years ~~both even- and odd-numbered years~~. Voters may place an ~~a City~~ ordinance or declaration of policy on the ballot by submitting enough signatures from San Francisco voters on an initiative petition. To qualify for the ballot, the petition must include signatures from ~~San Francisco voters equaling~~ at least 5% of the votes cast ~~for all candidates~~ in the last mayoral ~~preceding~~ election ~~for mayor~~. As of July 2022, that number was ~~these petitions require a minimum of~~ 8,979 ~~signatures~~.

The Proposal: Proposition _ is a Charter amendment that would move ~~require that the City hold~~ elections for the Mmayor, Ssheriff, Ddistrict Aattorney, Ceity Aattorney and Ttreasurer to ~~in~~ November of presidential election years. As a result, the City would hold elections for all local offices in even-numbered years only and would not hold a regular local election in odd-numbered years.

Under Proposition _, ~~If this proposal is approved,~~ the terms of the Mmayor, Ssheriff, Ddistrict Aattorney, Ceity Aattorney and Ttreasurer would be extended by one year, and the next scheduled election for those ~~these~~ offices would be in November 2024. The City would then hold elections for those offices every four years.

Under Proposition _, local ballot ~~the City could place~~ measures would appear on ballots ~~the ballot~~ only in even-numbered years or in special elections.

Proposition _ would also change the minimum number of signatures required to place ~~for City initiative~~ ordinances and declarations of policy on the ballot ~~from 5% of the votes cast in the last mayoral election~~ to 2% of ~~registered voters in~~ San Francisco voters. As of July 2022, that number~~, which~~ was 9,948 ~~as of July 2022~~.

A "YES" Vote Means: If you vote "yes," you want the City to hold elections for Mmayor, Ssheriff, Ddistrict Aattorney, Ceity Aattorney and Ttreasurer in November of presidential election years, extend the terms for those offices by one year, ~~to~~ hold elections for local ballot measures only in even-numbered years or in special elections, and ~~to~~ change the minimum number of signatures required ~~for voters~~ to place ordinances and declarations of policy on the ballot.

A "NO" Vote Means: If you vote "no," you do not want to make these changes.