

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 Charter (Charter) establishes a Library Preservation Fund (Fund), which expires set to expire on June 30, 2023. The Fund pays for library services, and construction and maintenance of library facilities, at the Main Library and its 27 branches (Library). The City allocates dedicates a portion of its annual property taxes to the Fund at a rate of 2½ cents per \$100 of assessed property value.

The Fund is supports the Library in addition to minimum Library funding that the Charter requires the City to provide each year, which. ~~This minimum funding was initially originally~~ set as the amount the City provided in ~~the~~ 2006-07, ~~fiscal year~~ and has since been adjusted based on changes in the City's discretionary revenues.

The Charter requires the Library to be open ~~to the public for~~ at least 1,211 hours per every week. The Library Commission may ~~To~~ change the total number of hours that libraries must be open, after holding the Library Commission must hold public hearings in ~~the district of each member of the~~ Board of Supervisors district.

The Proposal: Proposition _ is a Charter amendment that would renew the Fund for 25 years, expiring until June 30, 2048. Money ~~The money~~ in the Fund would still come from the same annual property tax allocation, with no increase in the property tax rate, and the. ~~The~~ Fund would continue to pay for library services and construction and maintenance of the library facilities ~~of the Library~~.

Proposition _ would also:

- ~~• allow the City to temporarily freeze increases to the annual minimum funding when the City anticipates a budget deficit over \$300 million; and~~
- require the Main Library and its branches to be open ~~for~~ at least 1,400 hours per week. After July 1, 2028, the Library Commission could may modify these hours every five years, after holding public hearings in ~~the district of each member of the~~ Board of Supervisors district; and
- allow the City to temporarily freeze increases to the annual minimum library funding when the City anticipates a budget deficit over \$300 million.

A "YES" Vote Means: If you vote "yes," you want to renew the Library Preservation Fund for 25 years, allow the City to temporarily freeze the annual minimum funding for the Library when the City anticipates a budget deficit over \$300 million, and require the Main Library and its branches to increase the minimum hours they must be open more hours per week, and allow the City to temporarily freeze increases to the annual minimum library funding when the City anticipates a budget deficit over \$300 million.

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