

AGENDA SUMMARY EUREKA CITY COUNCIL

TITLE: Amendment to City Charter Section 202 and Section 207 providing for Ranked Choice Voting.

DEPARTMENT: City Clerk

PREPARED BY: Pam Powell

PRESENTED FOR: Action □Information only □Discussion/Direction

RECOMMENDATION

1. Adopt a Resolution of the City Council calling and giving notice of the holding of a General Municipal Election to be held on Tuesday, November 3, 2020, for the submission to the voters of a ballot measure relating to the Charter of the City of Eureka to require the Eureka City Council to adopt an ordinance providing for ranked choice voting for office of Mayor and Councilmembers; and

2. Resolution requesting the Board of Supervisors of the County of Humboldt to consolidate the General Municipal Election for a ballot measure to be held on Tuesday, November 3, 2020 with the Statewide General Election to be held on that date; and

 Resolution setting priorities for filing written arguments regarding a city ballot measure and directing the City Attorney to prepare an impartial analysis; and
Resolution of the City Council of the City of Eureka, California providing for the

filing of rebuttal arguments for city measures submitted at municipal elections.

FISCAL IMPACT

□No Fiscal Impact Included in Budget

□ Additional Appropriation

COUNCIL GOALS/STRATEGIC VISION

DISCUSSION

At the May 19th Regular Council meeting, Council directed staff to prepare the necessary resolutions for amending the Charter to allow Ranked Choice Voting for the offices of Mayor and Councilmembers. The resolutions call for the placement of the ballot measure, request for consolidation of the election with the County of Humboldt, directs the City Attorney to prepare an impartial analysis of the measure and sets priorities for filing of written arguments and rebuttals.