



Date: December 17, 2024

To: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

From: Rebecca Poirier, City Clerk

Subject: City Clerk – Adopt Resolution No. 2024-89 Declaring the Results of the Votes Cast at the November 5, 2024 Special Municipal Election. Expenditure: None.

RECOMMENDATION

Recommendation of the City Clerk that City Council adopt Resolution No. 2024-89 declaring the results of the Special Municipal Election consolidated by the Los Angeles County Registrar Recorder / County Clerk with the Presidential General Election on November 5, 2024.

FUNDING

None required.

DISCUSSION

The City Council adopted Resolution Nos. 2024-47 and 2024-48 calling for the holding of a special municipal election and requesting the Board of Supervisors of Los Angeles County consolidate a Special Municipal Election with the Presidential General Election on November 5, 2024.

The Voters approved Measure TC:

“City of Torrance Amendments to the City Charter: Shall the City Charter be amended to increase transparency related to the budget and independent audit, to make the City Manager and City Attorney at will employees, restrict City Council compensation to minimum wage, to add provisions regarding ethics, anti-nepotism, and campaign disclosures, and to make other modernizing amendments?”

Yes Votes: 44,061

No Votes: 17,855

The resolution containing the certified copy of the results provided by the Los Angeles County Registrar Recorder/County Clerk is attached for your consideration.

ATTACHMENT

1. Resolution No. 2024-89 - Reciting the Fact of the Special General Municipal Election Held on November 5, 2024

RESOLUTION NO. 2024-89**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE, CALIFORNIA, RECITING THE FACT OF THE SPECIAL GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION HELD ON NOVEMBER 5, 2024, DECLARING THE RESULTS AND SUCH OTHER MATTERS AS PROVIDED BY LAW**

WHEREAS, a Special General Municipal Election was held and conducted in the City of Torrance, California, on Tuesday, November 5, 2024 as required by law; and

WHEREAS, notice of the election was given in time, form and manner as provided by law; that voting precincts were properly established; that election officers were appointed and that in all respects the election was held and conducted and the votes were cast, received and canvassed and the returns made and declared in time, form and manner as required by the provisions of the charter of the City of Torrance and the Elections Code of the State of California; and

WHEREAS, the Los Angeles County Registrar canvassed the returns of the election and has certified the results to this City Council, the results are received, attached and made a part hereof as Exhibit A.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE, CALIFORNIA, DOES RESOLVE, DECLARE, DETERMINE AND ORDER AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. That the whole number of votes cast in the precincts was 18,080 and the whole number of vote by mail votes cast in the City was 52,069. The total of ballots cast in the City 70,649, with a voter turnout of 74.99%.

SECTION 2. That the measure voted for at the election is as follows:

Measure TC

City of Torrance – Measure TC
<p>Shall City of Torrance's Charter (established in 1947) be amended/modernized, compliant with State law, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Requiring disclosure of all campaign donations to City candidates • Requiring lobbyists to register with the City • Requiring ethics training for all elected officials • Establishing stricter conflict of interest rules on elected officials/City staff • Restricting Mayor/Councilmembers compensation to State of California Minimum Wage rate without raising taxes <p>Requiring public disclosure, independent audits of all City spending?</p>

SECTION 3. That the number of votes given at each precinct and the number of votes given in the City for and against the measure were as listed in Exhibit A attached.

SECTION 4. The City Council does declare and determine that as a result of the election, a majority of the voters voting on **Measure TC**, voted in favor of it, and the measure was carried, and shall be deemed adopted and ratified.

SECTION 5. The City Clerk shall enter on the records of the City Council of the City, a statement of the result of the election, showing: (1) The whole number of ballots cast in the City; (2) The measure voted upon; (3) the total number of votes for and against the measure.

SECTION 6. That the City Clerk shall file with the Secretary of State the changes to the Charter.

SECTION 7. That the City Clerk shall certify to the passage and adoption of this resolution and enter it into the book of original resolutions.

INTRODUCED, APPROVED, and ADOPTED this 17th day of December, 2024.

Mayor George K. Chen

APPROVED AS TO FORM:
PATRICK Q. SULLIVAN, City Attorney

ATTEST:

Tatia Y. Strader, Assistant City Attorney

Rebecca Poirier, MMC, City Clerk

Exhibit A: Certificate of the Canvass of the Election Returns

TORRANCE CITY COUNCIL RESOLUTION NO. 2024-89

STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES) ss
CITY OF TORRANCE)

I, Rebecca Poirier, City Clerk of the City of Torrance, California, do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly introduced, approved, and adopted by the City Council of the City of Torrance at a regular meeting of said Council held on the 17th day of December, 2024 by the following roll call vote:

AYES: COUNCILMEMBERS

NOES: COUNCILMEMBERS

ABSTAIN: COUNCILMEMBERS

ABSENT: COUNCILMEMBERS

Date: _____

Rebecca Poirier, MMC
City Clerk of the City of Torrance



Los Angeles County Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk

CERTIFICATE OF THE CANVASS

OF THE ELECTION RETURNS

I, **DEAN C. LOGAN**, Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk of the County of Los Angeles, of the State of California, DO HEREBY CERTIFY that pursuant to the provisions of Section 15300 et seq. of the California Elections Code, I canvassed the returns of the votes cast for each elective office and/or measure(s) for

Torrance City

at the General Election, held on the 5th day of November, 2024.

I **FURTHER CERTIFY** that the Statement of Votes Cast, to which this certificate is attached, shows the total number of ballots cast in said jurisdiction, and that the whole number of votes cast for each candidate and/or measure(s) in said jurisdiction in each of the respective precincts therein, and the totals of the respective columns and the totals as shown for each candidate and/or measure(s) are full, true and correct.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my official seal this 3rd day of December 2024.

Dean C. Logan
DEAN C. LOGAN

Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk
County of Los Angeles

FINAL OFFICIAL V2
STATEMENT OF VOTES CAST
BY PRECINCT

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TORRANCE CITY SPECIAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION - MEASURE TC

FINAL OFFICIAL V2
STATEMENT OF VOTES CAST
BY PRECINCT

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PRECINCT TOTAL		18,080	10,275	5,384
VBM TOTAL		52,569	33,786	12,471
GRAND TOTAL	94,215	70,649	44,061	17,855