CITY ATTORNEY’S IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS OF MEASURE ___

The City Council has placed before the voters the question whether to amend the City Charter to transition from an elected City Treasurer to an appointed City Treasurer. A full copy of the Charter Amendment text is printed in these ballot materials.

Currently, the City Treasurer is elected by the Albany voters to a four-year term of office. All other City officers and department heads are appointed by and serve at the pleasure of the City Council.

The current City Treasurer was elected to a four-year term commencing in December 2016. If the proposed Charter Amendment is approved by the voters, the City Treasurer will become an appointive position effective on December 10, 2020, or sooner if there is a vacancy in this office. From that point forward, the City Treasurer will be appointed by the City Council in the same manner as other City officers and department heads.

A “Yes” vote is a vote in favor of the Charter Amendment. A “No” vote is a vote against the Charter Amendment. This measure will be approved if it receives a simple majority of “Yes” votes.

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