

**RESOLUTION No. 20-124**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CARSON, CALIFORNIA, SETTING PRIORITIES FOR FILING WRITTEN ARGUMENT(S) AND DIRECTING THE CITY ATTORNEY TO PREPARE AN IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS REGARDING A MEASURE, WHICH WILL BAN THE SALE AND USE OF “SAFE AND SANE” FIREWORKS AND USE OF ILLEGAL FIREWORKS IN THE CITY OF CARSON, EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE ALLOWED BY THE CARSON MUNICIPAL CODE**

**WHEREAS**, a General Municipal Election is to be held in the City of Carson, California, on November 3, 2020, at which there will be submitted to the voters a measure, which will ban the sale and use of “safe and sane” fireworks and use of illegal fireworks in the City of Carson, except as otherwise allowed by the Carson Municipal Code (“Fireworks Measure”).

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

**Section 1.** That pursuant to Election Code §§ 9282 and 9287, the City Council hereby authorizes, but does not require, the following council members to prepare a written argument for the Fireworks Measure.

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**Section 2.** That in the event that more than one argument for or against the Fireworks Measure is timely submitted, the City Council’s duly appointed elections official shall give preference and priority first, to arguments submitted by a member of the City Council, as authorized by this Resolution, and second, to individual voters, bona fide associations, or a combination thereof, in the order set forth at California Elections Code § 9287.

**Section 3.** That in accordance with the requirements of Division 9, Chapter 3, Article 4 of the California Elections Code, all written arguments for or against the Fireworks Measure: (1) shall not exceed three hundred (300) words in length; (2) shall be filed with the City’s designated elections official; (3) shall be accompanied by the printed name(s) and signature(s) of the person(s) submitting it, or if submitted on behalf of an organization, the name of the organization, and the printed name and signature of at least one of the principal officers who is the author of the argument; and (4) shall be accompanied by the Form of Statement to be Filed by Author(s) of Argument as provided for in California Elections Code § 9600. All written arguments may be changed or withdrawn until and including the date fixed by the City’s

designated elections official, after which time no arguments for or against the Fireworks Measure may be submitted to the elections official.

**Section 4.** That the City Council hereby directs the City’s designated elections official to transmit a copy of the Fireworks Measure to the City Attorney. In accordance with California Elections Code § 9280, the City Attorney is hereby directed to prepare an impartial analysis of the Fireworks Measure, not to exceed five hundred (500) words in length, showing the effect of the measure on the existing law and the operation of the measure. The analysis shall include a statement indicating whether the Fireworks Measure was placed on the ballot by a petition signed by the requisite number of voters or by the governing body of the city. In the event the entire text of the Fireworks Measure is not printed on the ballot, nor in the voter information portion of the sample ballot, there shall be printed immediately below the impartial analysis, in no less than 10-point bold type, a legend substantially as follows: “The above statement is an impartial analysis of Measure \_\_\_. If you desire a copy of the measure, please call the elections official's office at (310-952-1720) and a copy will be mailed at no cost to you.” The impartial analysis shall be filed by the date set by the City’s designated elections official for the filing of primary arguments.

**Section 5.** That the City’s designated elections official shall cause the City Attorney’s Impartial Analysis, and duly selected arguments, to be printed and distributed to voters in accordance with State law regarding same.

**Section 6.** That the City Clerk shall certify to the passage and adoption of this Resolution and enter it into the book of original Resolutions. This Resolution shall be effective immediately upon passage and adoption.

**PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED** by the City Council of the City of Carson, California, at a regular meeting held on the 4th day of August, 2020.

ATTEST:

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Mayor Albert Robles

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City Clerk Donesia L. Gause-Aldana