

RESOLUTION NO. 20-119

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CARSON, CALIFORNIA, PROVIDING FOR THE FILING OF REBUTTAL ARGUMENTS REGARDING A CITY MEASURE, ENTITLED CARSON ESSENTIAL SERVICES PROTECTION MEASURE SUBMITTED AT THE GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION ON NOVEMBER 3, 2020

WHEREAS, on June 11, 2020, the City Council of the City of Carson, under the provisions of the Charter of the City of Carson, called for the holding of a General Municipal Election to be held on November 3, 2020, and requested consolidation of the same with the Statewide General Election to be held on the same date; and

WHEREAS, the City currently has a transient occupancy tax at the rate of 9%, which is a general tax; and

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 ballot measure to consider increasing the transient occupancy tax by 3% (i.e., from 9% to 12%) ("TOT Measure"), and the City Council has approved the submission thereof to the voters at the November 3, 2020, General Municipal Election;

WHEREAS, California Elections Code § 9285 authorizes the City Council, by majority vote, to adopt provisions to provide for the filing of rebuttal arguments regarding city measures submitted at municipal election;

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

Section 1. That pursuant to Elections Code § 9285, when the City's designated elections official has selected the arguments for and against the TOT Measure which will be printed and distributed to the voters, the City's designated elections official shall send copies of the argument in favor of the TOT Measure to the authors of the argument against, and copies of the argument against to the authors of the argument in favor. The author or a majority of the authors of an argument relating to the TOT Measure may prepare and submit a rebuttal argument not to exceed two hundred and fifty (250) words in length. A rebuttal argument may not be signed by more than five (5) authors. The rebuttal arguments shall be filed with the City Clerk not more than ten (10) days after the final date for filing direct arguments. The rebuttal arguments shall be accompanied by the Form of Statement to be Filed by Author(s) of Argument as provided for in California Elections Code § 9600. Rebuttal arguments shall be printed in the same manner as the direct arguments. Each rebuttal argument shall immediately follow the direct argument which it seeks to rebut.

Section 2. That all previous resolutions providing for the filing of rebuttal arguments for city measures are repealed.

Section 3. That the provisions of Section 1 of this Resolution shall apply only to the General Municipal Election to be held on November 3, 2020 and shall then be repealed.

Section 4. 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 this 4th day of August, 2020.

Albert Robles, Mayor

ATTEST:

Donesia Gause-Aldana, City Clerk

STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES) SS:
CITY OF CARSON)

I, Donesia Gause-Aldana, City Clerk of the City of Carson, do hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution, being Resolution No. was passed and approved by the City Council of the City of Carson, at a regular meeting of said Council held on August 4, 2020 and that said Resolution was adopted by the following vote:

AYES:
NOES:
ABSENT:
ABSTAIN:

Donesia Gause-Aldana, City Clerk