RESOLUTION NO. 16-047

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF VICTORVILLE, COUNTY OF SAN BERNARDINO, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, ORDERING THE SUBMISSION TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF THE CITY AT THE MUNICIPAL ELECTION TO BE HELD ON NOVEMBER 8, 2016, A CERTAIN MEASURE AMENDING SECTIONS 300 AND 301 OF THE CITY CHARTER AND AUTHORIZING RELATED ACTIONS INCLUDING DIRECTING THE CITY ATTORNEY TO PREPARE AN IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS OF THE MEASURE, AUTHORIZING ARGUMENTS FOR OR AGAINST THE MEASURE, AND SETTING THE DATE AFTER WHICH NO ARGUMENTS FOR OR AGAINST THE MEASURE MAY BE SUBMITTED TO THE CITY CLERK

WHEREAS, pursuant to authority provided by Section 3 of Article XI of the California Constitution, Section 9255 of the California Elections Code, and Government Code Section 34458, the City Council of the City of Victorville ("City") desires to submit to the qualified electors a proposed Charter Amendment measure; and

WHEREAS, the City Council is authorized by the California Constitution and State statutes to submit this proposed Charter Amendment measure to the qualified electors of the City at a general municipal election to be held the same date as the November 8, 2016 statewide general election; and

WHEREAS, on June 7, 2016, the City Council adopted Resolution Nos. 16-018 and 16-019 calling and giving notice of a General Municipal Election to be held in the City on November 8, 2016, and requesting consolidation of that election with the statewide General Election to be held on November 8, 2016; and

WHEREAS, the City Council wishes to submit this Charter Amendment measure proposing removal of restrictions on the method of electing Victorville City Councilmembers, to the voters at the November 8, 2016 General Municipal Election.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF VICTORVILLE DOES HEREBY RESOLVE AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. That the foregoing recitals are true and correct and incorporated herein by this reference.

SECTION 2. That, pursuant to Section 3 of Article XI of the California Constitution, and State statutes, the City Council hereby orders the following question be submitted to the qualified voters of the City at the General Municipal Election on November 8, 2016 (as referenced in Resolution Nos. 16-018 and 16-019).
SECTION 3. That the full text of the proposed Charter Amendment (with additions to and deletions from the current Charter text indicated thereon) shall be in the form attached hereto as Exhibit A, which is hereby incorporated by reference into this Resolution.

SECTION 4. Said proposed Charter Amendment measure shall appear upon the ballots in substantially the following form:

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<td>REMOVE RESTRICTIONS ON METHOD OF ELECTING VICTORVILLE CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS.</td>
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<td>Shall Article III of the Victorville City Charter, Method of Election, be amended to: (1) delete Charter Section 300’s requirement that the City elect its council members “at large”; and (2) remove Charter Section 301’s prohibition on electing council members either “by” districts or “from” districts?</td>
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SECTION 5. That the Registrar of Voters of the County of San Bernardino is hereby authorized to procure and furnish any and all official ballots, notices, printed matter and all supplies, equipment and paraphernalia that may be necessary in order to properly and lawfully conduct the election. The ballots to be used at the election shall be, both as to form and matter contained therein, such as may be required by law to be used at such election.

SECTION 6. That only the qualified electors of the City of Victorville are entitled to vote at said election on this proposed Charter Amendment measure, and if a majority of the qualified electors voting on the proposed Charter Amendment measure vote in favor, said measure shall be deemed approved.

SECTION 7. That any and all members of the Victorville City Council, any individual voter who is eligible to vote on the measure, or a bona fide association of citizens, or any combination of voters and associations, are authorized to file a written argument(s) regarding the City Charter Amendment measure specified above, accompanied by the printed name(s) and signature(s) of the author(s) submitting it, in accordance with Article 4, Chapter 3, Division 9 of the California Elections Code (commencing with Section 9281) and are authorized to change the argument until and including the date fixed by the Registrar of Voters after which no arguments for or against the City measure may be submitted to the City Clerk.

SECTION 8. That, pursuant to Section 9280 of the California Elections Code, the City Council directs the City Clerk to transmit a copy of the ballot measure to the Victorville City Attorney. The City Attorney shall prepare an impartial analysis of the ballot measure, not to exceed five hundred (500) words in length, showing the effect of the measure on existing law and the operation of the measure. The analysis shall include a statement indicating whether the 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 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 760-955-5188 and a copy will be mailed at no cost to you.” The impartial analysis shall be filed by the date set by the Registrar of Voters for the filing of primary arguments.

SECTION 9. That the City Clerk of the City of Victorville is hereby directed to immediately file a certified copy of this resolution with the Board of Supervisors and the Registrar of Voters of the County of San Bernardino, and to enter it into the book of original resolutions of the City.
Resolution No. 16-047

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 9th day of AUGUST 2016.

__________________________________________________________________________
Gloria Garcia
MAYOR OF THE CITY OF VICTORVILLE

ATTEST:

__________________________________________________________________________
CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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CITY ATTORNEY

I, CAROLEE BATES, City Clerk of the City of Victorville and ex-officio Clerk to the City Council of said City, DO HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of Resolution No. 16-047 which was adopted at a meeting held on the 9th day of August 2016, by the following roll call vote, to wit:

AYES: Councilmembers Garcia, Cox, McEachron, and Negrete

NOES: NONE

ABSENT: Councilmember Kennedy

ABSTAIN: NONE

__________________________________________________________________________
CITY CLERK
Exhibit A

to

City Council Resolution No. 16-047 Regarding Charter Amendment Measure

Charter Amendment Measure

Section 1: TEXT OF AMENDMENTS TO VICTORVILLE CITY CHARTER.

The City Charter of the City of Victorville is hereby amended as follows (double underlining showing additions and strikethrough showing deletions):

ARTICLE III. METHOD OF ELECTION RESERVED

Section 300. Structure of Election of Council Members. The City shall elect council members "at large" without regard to where in the City they reside and without regard to their geographic district.

Section 301. Prohibition on "Districting." The City shall not permit elections of council members either "by" districts or "from" districts.

Section 2: BALLOT DESCRIPTION.

As required by Government Code section 34458.5, the following ballot description is included in this proposed Charter Amendment Measure:

This Charter Amendment Measure would delete Article III, Sections 300 and 301 of the Victorville City Charter to remove current restrictions and limitations on the methods by which City Council members are elected. This Charter amendment does not give the City Council any new City powers and does not give the City Council power to raise its own compensation or the compensation of other city officials without voter approval.

Section 3: SEVERABILITY.

It is the intent of the people that the provisions of this Charter Amendment measure are severable and that if any provision of this Charter Amendment measure, or the application thereof to any person or circumstance, is held invalid such invalidity shall not affect any other provision or application of this Charter Amendment measure which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application.

Section 4: CONFLICTING MEASURES.

In the event this Charter Amendment measure and another measure or measures relating to the matters described herein shall appear on the same general municipal election ballot, the other measure or measure shall be deemed to be in conflict with this Charter Amendment measure. In
the event that this Charter Amendment measure receives a greater number of affirmative votes, the provisions of this measure shall prevail in its entirety, and the provisions of the other measure(s) shall be null and void. If this Charter Amendment measure is approved by the voters but superseded in whole or in part by any other conflicting measure approved by the voters at the same election, and such other conflicting measure is later found held invalid, this measure shall be self-executing and given full force and effect.

Section 5: EFFECTIVE DATE.

This Charter Amendment measure shall become effective in the manner allowed by law.
STATE OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF SAN BERNARDINO) ss.
CITY OF VICTORVILLE

I, HEIDI ROCHE, Deputy City Clerk of the City of Victorville and ex-officio Clerk of the City Council of said City, DO HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of Resolution No. 16-047 which was adopted by the City Council of the City of Victorville at a special meeting of said Council held on the 9th day of August 2016.

Heidi Roche
Deputy City Clerk
City of Victorville

STATE OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF SAN BERNARDINO) ss.
CITY OF VICTORVILLE

I, HEIDI ROCHE, Deputy City Clerk of the City of Victorville and ex-officio Clerk of the City Council of said City, DO HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of Resolution No. 16-047 which was adopted at a meeting of the City Council of the City of Victorville held on the 9th day of August 2016, the original of which is on file in my office, and that I have carefully compared the same with the original.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Victorville to be affixed hereto this 10th day of August 2016.

Heidi Roche
Deputy City Clerk
City of Victorville