CITY OF ALAMEDA RESOLUTION NO. _____

CALLING FOR THE HOLDING OF A CONSOLIDATED MUNICIPAL ELECTION IN THE CITY OF ALAMEDA ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2026, FOR THE SUBMISSION OF A PROPOSED CHARTER AMENDMENT TO ELIMINATE THE OFFICES OF ELECTED CITY AUDITOR AND CITY TREASURER, ESTABLISHING THE POLICIES AND PROCEDURES FOR SUCH AN ELECTION, REQUESTING THAT THE COUNTY OF ALAMEDA CONDUCT SUCH AN ELECTION, AND AUTHORIZING CITY COUNCILMEMBERS TO FILE WRITTEN ARGUMENTS FOR OR AGAINST THE MEASURE

WHEREAS, the existing City Charter includes the offices of elected City Auditor and City Treasurer; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to authority provided by the California Constitution, Article XI and the Government Code, Title 4, Division 2, Chapter 2 (commencing at § 34450) and the Elections Code, Division 9, Chapter 3, Article 3 (commencing at § 9255) of the State of California, the City Council of the City of Alameda desires to submit to the voters a proposed Charter amendment to eliminate the offices of elected City Auditor and City Treasurer; and

WHEREAS, the City Council is authorized and directed by statute to submit the proposed Charter amendment to the voters.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALAMEDA THAT:

Section 1. That pursuant to the California Constitution, Article XI and the Government Code, Title 4, Division 2, Chapter 2 (commencing at § 34450) and the Elections Code, Division 9, Chapter 3, Article 3 (commencing at § 9255) of the State of California, there is called and ordered to be held in the City of Alameda, California, on Tuesday, November 3, 2026, a Consolidated Municipal Election for the purpose of submitting the following proposed charter amendment, which shall be designated on the ballot as “City of Alameda Charter Amendment” and the aforementioned statement of the measure shall read as follows:

MEASURE: City of Alameda Charter Amendment

Shall the measure amending Sections 2-1, 2-4, and 2-7, and repealing Articles IV and V to eliminate the offices of elected City Auditor and City Treasurer be adopted?	YES
	NO

Section 2. That the text of the charter amendment submitted to the voters is as follows:

CITY OF ALAMEDA CHARTER AMENDMENT

Section 2-1 would be amended as follows: The following elective officers are hereby established: The Mayor and four (4) Councilmembers, who shall constitute the Council~~; Auditor and Treasurer~~.

Section 2-4 would be amended as follows: The salary attached to the following offices shall be fixed by the Council: ~~Auditor, Treasurer,~~ City Manager, City Attorney, City Clerk. Each Councilmember shall receive an annual salary not to exceed 30% of the salary for "All Occupations, United States Bureau of Labor Statistics, Occupational Employment and Wage Statistics, San Francisco-Oakland-Hayward Area," payable at the time and in the manner as fixed by Council resolution.

Section 2-7 (D) would be amended as follows: In the event that vacancies exist in a majority of the offices of Councilmember, such vacancies shall be filled by the following officers, in the order named, sufficient to constitute a Council quorum of three, to-wit, ~~Auditor, Treasurer, and~~ President of the Planning Board, President of the Public Utilities Board, and President of the Social Service Human Relations Board until the successor is selected at a Special Election to be held within 90 days of the date the vacancy is filled pursuant to this section. This successor shall serve the unexpired term.

Section 2-14 would be amended as follows: No person shall be eligible for the elected office held by that person for two complete consecutive terms immediately prior to the term for which the person seeks election or appointment. ~~This section shall not apply to the office of Auditor or Treasurer or prevent persons in office from completing their terms.~~

Section Article IV would be repealed in its entirety: ~~Auditor~~

~~Sec. 4-1. The Auditor shall have, at the time of their election, a degree in accounting or business administration or be licensed as a Certified Public Accountant and five years of accounting experience.~~

~~Sec. 4-2. The Auditor shall provide for at least annual audits of the City's financial operations, books and records to assure that the City's financial transactions, accounts and records are maintained in accordance with the requirements of the City Charter, state and federal laws and generally accepted accounting principles.~~ Repealed.

Section Article V would be repealed in its entirety: ~~Treasurer~~

~~Sec. 5-1. The Treasurer shall have had, at the time of their election, five years experience in administering investment programs and be licensed as a Chartered Financial Analyst or Certified Financial Planner.~~

~~Sec. 5-2. The Treasurer shall annually recommend to Council an investment policy for City monies and monitor and report results of the City investment portfolio.~~ Repealed.

Section 3. That the vote requirement for the measure to pass is a majority (50% + 1) of the votes cast.

Section 4. That the ballots to be used at the election shall be in form and content as required by law.

Section 5. That the City Clerk is authorized, instructed and directed 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.

Section 6. That the polls shall be open at seven o'clock a.m. of the day of the election and shall remain open continuously from that time until eight o'clock p.m. of the same day when the polls shall be closed, pursuant to Elections Code § 10242, except as provided in Elections Code §§ 14212 and 14401.

Section 7. That in all particulars not recited in this resolution, the election shall be held and conducted as provided by law for holding municipal elections.

Section 8. That notice of the time and place of holding the election is given and the City Clerk is authorized, instructed and directed to give further or additional notice of the election, in time, form and manner as required by law.

Section 9. That the City Council hereby requests the Board of Supervisors to consolidate this election with the November 3, 2026, statewide general election to be held on that date.

Section 10. That the City Clerk is hereby directed to file a certified copy of this Resolution with the Alameda County Clerk of the Board of Supervisors and the County Registrar of Voters in sufficient time so that the measure may be included in the November 3, 2026 Consolidated General Municipal Election ballot.

Section 11. That, pursuant to Elections Code § 9280, the City Clerk is hereby directed to transmit a copy of the measure to the City Attorney, who shall prepare an impartial analysis of the measure, not to exceed 500 words in length, showing the effect of the measure on existing law and the operation of the measure.

Section 12. That the City Council authorizes the following members to file written arguments not exceeding 300 words in length, in accordance with Article 4, Chapter 3, Division 9 of the Elections Code of the State of California, for or against the measure described above:

Argument In Favor and Rebuttal: _____

Argument Against and Rebuttal: _____

The arguments may be changed or withdrawn until and including the date fixed by the City Clerk after which no arguments for or against the measure may be submitted to the City Clerk.

Section 13. That the City Council adopts the provisions of Elections Code § 9285 to permit rebuttal arguments, if arguments have been filed in favor of or against the measure that is being submitted to the voters of the City at this Consolidated General Municipal Election. Rebuttal arguments shall be filed with the City Clerk not more than 10 days after the final date for submitting the direct arguments. The author or a majority of authors of a direct argument may prepare and submit a rebuttal argument not exceeding 250 words in length or may authorize in writing any other person or persons to prepare, submit and sign the rebuttal argument.

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I, the undersigned, hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was duly and regularly adopted and passed by the Council of the City of Alameda in a special meeting of the City Council assembled on the 7th day of July 2026, by the following vote to wit:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTENTIONS:

IN WITNESS, WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the official seal of said City this 8th day of July 2026.

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Lara Weisiger, City Clerk
City of Alameda

Approved as to Form:

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Yibin Shen, City Attorney
City of Alameda