



**Report on the Petition to Repeal Chapter  
174 of the Local Government Code  
submitted to the Office of the City Clerk**

**Tina J. Flores, City Clerk**

**Item # 4**

**February 11, 2021**

# History



- On Friday, January 8, 2021, I received a Petition with the following verbiage:

“Petition to repeal Chapter 174 of the Texas Local Government Code, which would eliminate collective bargaining applicable to the City of San Antonio’s Police Officers, pursuant to Chapter 174.053 of the Texas Local Government Code. This petition requests the City Council to conduct an election of registered voters to determine whether Chapter 174 shall be repealed in its entirety.”

# Verification Process



- The Office of the City Clerk utilized the Bexar County Elections Office Votec Elections Management And Compliance System (VEMACS) loaned to us at the Bexar County Elections Office.
- VEMACS was programmed in accordance with provisions outlined in Chapter 277 of the Texas Election Code. VEMACS allows users to search and verify by Voter Identification Number, Name, Address, or Date of Birth as well as providing for signature verification.

# Certification of Petition Pages



- The following numbers represent the signatures verified for the Petition:

RULE DESCRIPTION	TOTAL
<b>Valid (OK)</b>	<b>20,282</b>
Not Registered (NR)	1,541
Valid Duplicate on Petition (VD)	428
Voter Cancelled (CAN)	234
Signature Questionable (SQ)	1
Signed prior to Voter Registration (RD)	61
Signing Date Invalid (SD)	225
Voter Status Not Registered (SNR)	22
District Invalid (WD) – Out of City	2,922
*Unchecked Line (NCK)	2,744
Signature Rejected (SR)	386
Address Rejected (AR)	4
No Circulator on Page (NC)	10
Neither VUID or DOB (NVB)	1
<b>GRAND TOTAL (Lines)</b>	<b>28,861</b>

- Pages numbered 6001 – 6916 were not verified as they were not needed to reach the statutory requirement.
- Pages numbered 6717 – 6916 did not meet the statutory requirement of a circulator statement.

\*Includes: Blank lines, missing required data, and not verified

# Certification



- Per Section 37 of the City Charter and Section 9.004 of the Local Government Code, I have determined that each verified page of the petition has a proper statement of the circulator and has been signed by a sufficient number of qualified electors.
- I hereby certify the results of my examination of the petition submitted as valid.
- Certification is hereby declared, and action is required.
- Council must order election on the matter.

# Next Steps



- Notice of sufficiency to FixSAPD whom submitted the petitions.
- The City Council has until Friday, February 12, 2021 to call a Special Election for the May 1, 2021 Ballot.