



Report on the Three Petitions to Amend the City Charter submitted to the Office of the City Clerk

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Item #4

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History



- On Wednesday, April 11, 2018, I received Three Petitions seeking to amend the City Charter as follows:

Petition 1: “Petition for a City of San Antonio Charter Amendment to Set a Limit on the Appointment, Term of Appointment, and Salary of a City Manager.”

Petition 2: “Petition for a City of San Antonio Charter Amendment to Facilitate Voter Use of the Referendum Process.”

Petition 3: “Petition for a City of San Antonio Charter Amendment to Require Arbitration, in Lieu of Litigation, in the Event of Impasse in Collective Bargaining.”

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 Petition 1:

RULE DESCRIPTION	TOTAL
Valid (OK)	20,226
Not Registered (NR)	3,512
Valid Duplicate on Petition (VD)	101
Voter Cancelled (CAN)	688
Signature Questionable (SQ)	70
Signed prior to Voter Registration (RD)	85
Signing Date Invalid (SD)	21
Voter Status Not Registered (SNR)	22
District Invalid (WD) – Out of City	2,957
*Unchecked Line (NCK)	4,955
GRAND TOTAL (Lines)	32,637

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

Certification of Petition Pages



- The following numbers represent the signatures verified for Petition 2:

RULE DESCRIPTION	TOTAL
Valid (OK)	20,101
Not Registered (NR)	3,709
Valid Duplicate on Petition (VD)	71
Voter Cancelled (CAN)	653
Signature Questionable (SQ)	132
Signed prior to Voter Registration (RD)	68
Signing Date Invalid (SD)	1
Voter Status Not Registered (SNR)	28
District Invalid (WD) – Out of City	2,792
*Unchecked Line (NCK)	4,110
Address Questionable (AQ)	1
GRAND TOTAL (Lines)	31,666

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

Certification of Petition Pages



- The following numbers represent the signatures verified for Petition 3:

RULE DESCRIPTION	TOTAL
Valid (OK)	20,172
Not Registered (NR)	4,046
Valid Duplicate on Petition (VD)	69
Voter Cancelled (CAN)	679
Signature Questionable (SQ)	124
Signed prior to Voter Registration (RD)	74
Signing Date Invalid (SD)	7
Voter Status Not Registered (SNR)	22
District Invalid (WD) – Out of City	2,776
*Unchecked Line (NCK)	5,038
Signature Rejected (SR)	2
GRAND TOTAL (Lines)	33,009

*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 paper of the three petitions has a proper statement of the circulator and have been signed by a sufficient number of qualified electors.
- I hereby certify the results of my examination of each of the Three Petitions Submitted to Amend the City Charter as valid.
- Said certification is hereby declared and no action is required.

Next Steps



- The City Council has until Monday, August 20th to call a Special Election for the November 6, 2018 Ballot.