

ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF CHARTER AMENDMENT MEASURE 3

This Charter Amendment Measure would help the City of Huntington Beach operate more efficiently and effectively for our residents and taxpayers.

Moving to a two-year budget process gives residents more transparency of the City's long term planning and spending, and gives the City more time to adequately debate and account for priorities that go into the budget. What's more, it gives city departments greater stability with less annual up and down budget fluctuations. And a two-year budget offers long term opportunities to increase efficiencies, prevent wasteful spending, and prepare for periods of growth or change. In all, it helps us better manage your City.

This measure also prevents future City Councils from taking away the rights of voters to choose their elected leaders, by ensuring no Council Member is ever appointed to more than a 2-year term. Under this Charter Amendment Measure, all future Council appointments would last only up until the next regularly scheduled election. And, this Charter Amendment Measure contains some administrative clean-up language on issues such as City Council meeting dates, and procedures to cancel a meeting. All items are meant to help us best manage the City of Huntington Beach.

Join us, vote YES on Charter Amendment Measure 3.

"The undersigned author(s) of the Direct Argument in favor of **Charter Amendment Measure 3** at the Special Primary Election for the City of Huntington Beach to be held on March 5, 2024, hereby states that such argument is true and correct to the best of their knowledge and belief."

Signed: 
Tony Strickland, Mayor

Date: 11.1.23

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