CHARTER REVIEW COMMITTEE MEETING MUNICIPAL LIBRARY, COMMUNITY ROOM, 2nd FLOOR 41 WEST THURMAN AVENUE PORTERVILLE, CA 93257 NOVEMBER 6, 2013, 5:30 P.M.

Call to Order Roll Call

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

This is the opportunity to address the Charter Review Committee. Unless additional time is authorized by the Committee, all commentary shall be limited to three minutes.

SCHEDULED MATTERS

1. Minutes of October 23, 2013

Re: Approving draft Minutes of the Charter Review Committee Meeting of October 9, 2013.

2. Consideration of City Charter Section 4.1 – Intergovernmental Powers.

Re: Consideration of amendment to provide greater flexibility.

3. Consideration of City Charter Section 9 pertaining to timing of Municipal Elections.

Re: Approving proposed language to move City general elections from June of even years to coincide with federal elections in November of even years.

4. Consideration of Section 10 – Time and Place of Council Meetings; Meetings to be Open to Public; Council to Adopt Rules for Conduct of its Own Proceedings.

Re: Consideration of amendment to provide great flexibility with regard to Council Meeting locations.

5. Consideration of City Charter Section 16 – Vacancies in Office; When Offices Declared Vacant.

Re: Considering amendment to clarify what "absenting" oneself means.

6. Consideration of City Charter Section 24 – Director of Finance; Payment of Demands; To Check Annual Tax Roll.

Re: Consideration of amending language pertaining to frequency of reporting.

7. Consideration of City Charter Section 39 – Fiscal Year.

Re: Consideration of the timing of the fiscal year.

8. Consideration of City Charter Sections 40 through 45 pertaining to Tax Provisions.

Re: Considering amendments to ensure compliance with applicable laws.

9. Consideration of City Charter Section 47 – Application of Surplus Bond Money.

Re: Consideration of amending section.

10. Consideration of City Charter Section 48 – Payment of City Money; Expenditures and indebtedness; Presentation of Demands; Warrants on Treasury.

Re: Consideration of amendments to section to provide clarity.

11. Consideration of City Charter Section 49 – Monthly Financial Reports Required.

Re: Consideration of amendment for consistency with proposed language in Section 24.

12. Consideration of City Charter Section 61 – Competitive Bidding for Contract Work for Erection, Improvement and Repair of Public Buildings, Etc., Where the Amount of in Excess of Five Thousand Dollars.

Re: Consideration of amendments, including bidding requirements, definition of public works projects, and approval requirement.

13. Consideration of City Charter Section 62 – Public Improvements Re: Consideration of amendments for clarity and consistency.

14. Consideration of City Charter Section 63 – Franchises; Limitation on Renewals.

Re: Consideration of amendments.

- 15. Consideration of Committee Member Items of Interest
- 16. Scheduling of Future Meetings

OTHER MATTERS

ADJOURNMENT

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CHARTER REVIEW COMMITTEE MINUTES MUNICIPAL LIBRARY, COMMUNITY ROOM, 2nd FLOOR 41 WEST THURMAN AVENUE OCTOBER 23, 2013, 5:30 P.M.

Called to Order at 5:34 p.m.

Roll Call: Member Green, Member Irish, Member Salazar, Member Stowe, Chair

Bailey

Absent: Member Bush, Member Cortez, Member Hardin, Vice Chair Giraudi

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

• Barry Caplan, Porterville, inquired about the state of e-mail communications with the public; and requested that the committee consider the number of council members and district elections.

Chair Bailey addressed comments made by Mr. Caplan regarding e-mail communications, stating that the committee has received three e-mails to date.

SCHEDULED MATTERS

1. Minutes of October 9, 2013

Chair Bailey introduced the item. He noted that Luisa Zavala, Deputy City Clerk, had amended the draft minutes to reflect the receipt and distribution of written communications. Mr. Bailey then welcomed a motion or any additional amendments.

<u>COMMITTEE ACTION</u>: MOVED by Vice Chair Giraudi, SECONDED by Member

Irish that the Charter Review Committee approve the

minutes of October 9, 2013, as amended.

AYES: Green, Irish, Salazar, Bailey

NOES: None ABSTAIN: Stowe

ABSENT: Bush, Cortez, Hardin, Giraudi

Documentation: M.O. 01-102313

Disposition: Approved, as amended.

2. Consideration of New City Charter Section 67.1, Pertaining to Political Activities

Chair Bailey introduced the item. City Attorney Julia Lew explained that the language proposed for Section 67.1 already existed in the Charter, but that it was being proposed that it be made its own section.

Member Salazar recalled there being a question regarding the definition of working hours, to which Ms. Lew advised that it was best to defer to State law.

<u>COMMITTEE ACTION</u>: MOVED by Member Green, SECONDED by Member

Salazar that the City Council approve new Charter Section

67.1 as presented.

AYES: Green, Irish, Salazar, Stowe, Bailey

NOES: None ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Bush, Cortez, Hardin, Giraudi

Documentation: M.O. 02-102313

Disposition: Approved, as presented.

3. Consideration of New City Charter Section 74 – General Penalty

Chair Bailey introduced the item. City Attorney Lew stated that proposed language emphasized the fines and penalties, included civil remedies, recovery of costs when possible, and authorized the Council to implement the section via adoption of ordinances.

A discussion followed regarding the City's ability to recover certain costs, during which Chair Bailey expressed concern regarding the absence of a general attorney's fees provision. Member Salazar made a motion to approve the proposed language, which was seconded by Member Irish. In response to Mr. Bailey's concerns, City Attorney Lew stated that it could be amended to include, "This section constitutes statutory authority for recovery of costs and attorney's fees." Ms. Lew noted that it was important to understand that inclusion of the language did not guarantee recovery of the costs. The amendment was accepted by Members Salazar and Irish.

<u>COMMITTEE ACTION</u>: MOVED by Member Salazar, SECONDED by Member Irish

that the City Council approve new City Charter Section 74, as amended to include, "This section constitutes statutory

authority for recovery of costs and attorney's fees."

AYES: Green, Irish, Salazar, Stowe, Bailey

NOES: None ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Bush, Cortez, Hardin, Giraudi

Documentation: M.O. 03-102313

Disposition: Approved, as amended.

4. Consideration of Modifications to Charter Section 9

Chair Bailey introduced the item, and identified a separately elected mayor as the first topic for consideration. Staff addressed questions regarding how separate elections for mayor would work, and a discussion ensued regarding the practicality. Member Salazar requested that the committee explore the process further. She noted

that the spreadsheet provided by staff showed a large number of cities with separately elected mayors, and added that there was public interest to move in that direction. The rest of the committee members spoke in opposition to further consideration.

Administrative Services Director Patrice Hildreth reviewed statistics with regard to voter turnout and agency participation. She advised that the numbers presented were supportive of moving the municipal election to coincide with the federal election, and then addressed questions regarding terms of current members and election costs.

Chair Bailey spoke of the benefits of increased voter turnout and saving money. City Attorney Lew stated that the thinking of the last committee was that voters who turned out solely for municipal elections were focused on city matters.

Member Salazar requested that each item be voted on for consistency, noting that there was no vote following consideration of a separately elected mayor. She also inquired about the need to bring back language regarding timing of elections.

COMMITTEE ACTION: MOVED by Member Stowe, SECONDED by Chair Bailey

that the committee propose no modifications to the Charter

pertaining to a separately elected mayor.

AYES: Irish, Stowe, Bailey NOES: Green, Salazar

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Bush, Cortez, Hardin, Giraudi

Documentation: M.O. 04-102313 Disposition: No modification.

COMMITTEE ACTION: MOVED by Chair Bailey, SECONDED by Member Stowe

that the committee direct staff to bring back draft language consistent with direction to have municipal elections coincide

with federal elections.

AYES: Green, Irish, Salazar, Stowe, Bailey

NOES: None ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Bush, Cortez, Hardin, Giraudi

Documentation: M.O. 05-102313 Disposition: Direction given.

Chair Bailey spoke of varying philosophies with regard to payment of elected officials. Some members argued that a truly civic minded individual would serve the public for free, while other questioned whether higher pay would motivate individuals to serve. A discussion ensued regarding previous failed efforts to raise Council compensation and the likelihood of a raise passing in the current environment.

COMMITTEE ACTION: MOVED by Member Irish, SECONDED by Member Salazar

that the committee approve leaving council compensation as

is.

AYES: Irish, Salazar, Stowe

NOES: Green, Bailey

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Bush, Cortez, Hardin, Giraudi

Documentation: M.O. 06-102313 Disposition: No modification.

5. Consideration of Modifications to Charter Section 13

Chair Bailey indicated that he had been approached by staff regarding term limits for appointment to committees and commissions. Staff spoke of difficulties associated with filling vacancies and of the Council's ability to establish term limits through the legislative process via ordinance.

<u>COMMITTEE ACTION</u>: MOVED by Member Irish, SECONDED by Member Green

that the committee approve leaving Charter Section 13 as is.

AYES: Green, Irish, Salazar, Stowe, Bailey

NOES: None ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Bush, Cortez, Hardin, Giraudi

Documentation: M.O. 07-102313 Disposition: No modification.

6. Consideration of Modifications to Charter Section 19, Pertaining to Duties of the Mayor

Chair Bailey introduced the item. Member Irish spoke in favor of granting the mayor sole authority to receive and approve all proclamations and ceremonial documents.

A discussion followed regarding the history of the proclamation approval process, and recent changes. Staff indicated that the vast majority of cities grant the authority to the mayor, and that the proclamation itself is ceremonial in nature. Member Green spoke in support of the current process.

<u>COMMITTEE ACTION</u>: MOVED by Member Green, SECONDED by Member

Salazar that the committee approve leaving Charter Section

19 as is.

AYES: Green, Salazar, Bailey

NOES: Irish, Stowe

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Bush, Cortez, Hardin, Giraudi

Documentation: M.O. 08-102313 Disposition: No modification.

The committee took a ten minute break at 7:04 p.m.

7. Consideration of New City Charter Section Establishing a Citizens Watch Dog Committee

Chair Bailey introduced the item. Member Green, who had requested the item, stated that while the concept sounded good in theory, he found it to be impractical and difficult to implement.

COMMITTEE ACTION: MOVED by Member Green, SECONDED by Member Irish

that the Committee round file the proposed new City Charter

section establishing a citizens watch dog committee.

AYES: Green, Irish, Salazar, Stowe, Bailey

NOES: None ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Bush, Cortez, Hardin, Giraudi

Documentation: M.O. 09-102313 Disposition: No modification.

8. Staff Report Regarding SB7 (New Legislation Affecting Charter Cities Regarding Prevailing Wages)

Staff provided the committee with an informational report about new litigation pertaining to prevailing wages, and addressed questions regarding the types of projects affected and the need to establish prevailing wages for the central valley.

Documentation: None. Disposition: Information only.

9. Consideration of Committee Member Items of Interest

Chair Bailey welcomed items of interest from the committee. The following items were suggested:

Member Salazar: City Charter Section 39 – Fiscal Year

City Charter Section 4.1 – Intergovernmental Powers (if not

already taken care of)

Member Salazar also requested clarification regarding committee reports at Council meetings and Council's response to the committee's punt regarding pension reform. Staff indicated that the committee had the opportunity to report, but was not required to or given direction to.

City Attorney Lew: City Charter Section 48 - Payment of City Money;

Expenditures and Indebtedness; Presentation of Demands;

Warrants on Treasury.

Chair Bailey: <u>City Charter Section 9</u> Pertaining to timing of Municipal

Elections

<u>City Charter Section 16</u> – Vacancies in Office; When Offices

Declared Vacant

<u>City Charter Section 24</u> – Director of Finance; Payment of

Demands; To Check Annual Tax Roll

City Charter Sections 40 through 45 pertaining to Tax

Provisions

<u>City Charter Section 47</u> – Application of Surplus Bond

Money

City Charter Section 49 - Monthly Financial Reports

Required

<u>City Charter Section 61</u> – Competitive Bidding for Contract Work for Erection, Improvement and Repair of Public Buildings, Etc., Where the Amount of in Excess of Five

Thousand Dollars

<u>City Charter Section 62</u> – Public Improvements

City Charter Section 63 - Franchises; Limitation on

Renewals

Member Irish: City Charter Section 10 – Time and Place of Council

Meetings; Meetings to be Open to Public; Council to Adopt

Rules for Conduct of its Own Proceedings.

Disposition: Items added to next agenda by consensus.

10. Scheduling of Future Meetings

The committee reviewed the timeline, and without objection, Chair Bailey set the next meeting for November 6, 2013. City Manager Lollis communicated Mr. Hardin's request to change the meeting day.

Disposition: Meeting scheduled.

OTHER MATTERS

None

ADJOURNMENT The Committee adjourned at 7:54 p.m. to the meeting of November 6, 2013.					
	Luisa M. Zavala, Deputy City Clerk				
Allan Bailey, Chair					

TO:

Porterville Charter Review Committee

Cc:

John Lollis, City Manager

FROM:

Julia M. Lew, City Attorney

DATE:

October 31, 2013

SUBJ:

City Charter Section 4.1 – Intergovernmental Powers

The following item is scheduled for consideration per the direction of the Committee (and staff's request). Staff would like the Committee to consider a modification to expand the City's powers to clarify that it includes Indian Tribes. This office also recommends clarifying that special districts are included as well.

The current Charter Section reads as follows:

Sec. 4.1. Intergovernmental Powers.

The City may exercise and perform any of its functions and may participate in the financing thereof, jointly or in cooperation, by agreement or otherwise, with any one or more states or any agency of California, or any governmental jurisdiction or nonprofit corporation thereof, or the United States or any of its agencies or instrumentalities. (3-4-03)

The proposed Charter Section is as follows:

Sec. 4.1. Intergovernmental Powers.

The City may exercise and perform any of its functions and may participate in the financing thereof, jointly or in cooperation, by agreement or otherwise, with any one or more states or any agency of California; any special district; or any governmental jurisdiction, including Indian Tribes, or nonprofit corporation thereof; or the United States or any of its agencies or instrumentalities.

TO:

Porterville Charter Review Committee

Cc:

John Lollis, City Manager

FROM:

Julia M. Lew, City Attorney

DATE:

October 31, 2013

SUBJ:

City Charter Section 9 (Timing of Election)

Per the direction of the Charter Review Committee, the following is draft language for the above-referenced Section. This edits reflect all proposed changes recommended by the Committee (so far).

Sec. 9 Legislative Body; Composition; Election; Term; Compensation; Ineligibility for Other City Office; President of the Council; Vice-President; Installation of Newly Elected Officer; Powers to be Exercised by Council.

The legislative body of the city shall consist of five persons elected at large, which body shall be known as the council.

The members of the council shall be elected by the qualified voters of the city at a general municipal election to be held in the said city at the same time as the primarygeneral election for state federal offices for the state of California. They shall hold office for the period of four (4) years from and after the date upon which they are installed in office in accordance with this section and/or until their successors are elected and installed in office.

The members of the council shall each receive the sum of twenty dollars (\$20.00) for each council meeting actually attended; the mayor shall receive the sum of twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) for each meeting of the council actually attended, provided, however, that the members of the council shall not receive compensation for more than seven meetings in any one calendar month. In addition, the council shall be reimbursed for necessary expenses incurred for authorized city business.

The members of the council shall not be eligible to any other office or employment with the city.

The council shall reorganize at the meeting following each municipal election wherein the newly-elected members are installed and shall choose one of its number to serve as president of the council to be known as mayor. At

this time, the council shall also choose one of its number to serve as vice-president, and he/she shall act as mayor pro tempore in case of the absence, sickness or other disability of the mayor. The mayor and mayor pro tempore shall serve a two year term, but either may be removed at any time by a four fifths (4/5) vote of the council. If the council removes the mayor prior to the expiration of his/her term pursuant to this provision, the council shall choose one of its number to serve as mayor until the next organizational meeting.

Where the canvass of the vote is to be completed by the city elections official, the canvas shall be completed no later than the fourth Friday after the election. Upon completion of the canvass, the elections official shall certify the results to the city council, which shall meet at its usual place of meeting no later than the fourth Friday after the election to declare the results and to install the newly elected officers. For a consolidated election, the city elections official, upon receipt of the results of the election from the elections official conducting the election, shall certify the results to the city council, which shall meet at its usual place of meeting no later than the next regularly scheduled city council meeting following the presentation of the canvass of the returns, or at a special meeting called for this purpose, to declare the results and to install the newly elected officers.

All powers granted to and vested in the city of Porterville by law or by the provisions of this charter, shall, except as herein otherwise provided, be exercised by the council to be designated the "Council of the City of Porterville." The council shall be the governing body of the city and subject to the express limitations of this charter shall be vested with all powers necessary or convenient for a complete and adequate system of municipal government, consistent with the constitution of the state.

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TO:

Porterville Charter Review Committee

Cc:

John Lollis, City Manager

FROM:

Julia M. Lew, City Attorney

DATE:

November 1, 2013

SUBJ:

City Charter Section 10 (Place of City Council Meetings)

This item is on the agenda per the direction of the Charter Review Committee, and at the request of City staff. Staff requests that the Charter Review Committee consider modifying the language to allow for more flexibility as to where regular City Council meetings may be held.

Current Section 10 of the Charter reads as follows:

Sec. 10. Time and place of council meetings; meetings to be open to public; council to adopt rules for conduct of its own proceedings.

The council shall provide by ordinance for the time and place of holding its meetings. Special meetings shall be called in accordance with the provisions of general law. There shall be at least one (1) regular meeting in each month. Any regular meeting may be adjourned to a date and hour certain, and such adjourned meeting shall be a regular meeting for all purposes. (4-6-71)

Except for special meetings with the legislative bodies of other political subdivisions, or informational meetings held within the community where no action is to be taken, all meetings of the council shall be held in the city hall, unless by reason of fire, flood, or other disaster, or lack of seating capacity, the city hall cannot be used for that purpose, and all meetings shall be open to the public. The council shall adopt rules for conducting its proceedings and may punish its members or other persons present at any meeting for disorderly conduct. (4-2-63; 3-4-03)

Amendment note—The first paragraph of § 10 was amended April 6, 1971, by changing the manner of calling special meetings. Formerly the council provided by ordinance "the manner in which its special meetings may be called." The second paragraph of § 10 was amended March 4, 2003 to allow meeting outside city hall.

Staff proposes modifications as follows:

Sec. 10. Time and place of council meetings; meetings to be open to public; council to adopt rules for conduct of its own proceedings.

The council shall provide by ordinance for the time and place of holding its meetings. Special meetings shall be called in accordance with the provisions of general law. There shall be at least one (1) regular meeting in each month. Any regular meeting may be adjourned to a date and hour certain, and such adjourned meeting shall be a regular meeting for all purposes. (4-6-71)

Except for special meetings with the legislative bodies of other political subdivisions, or informational meetings held within the community where no action is to be taken, all meetings of the council shall be held in the city hall at or on city-owned facilities, unless by reason of fire, flood, or other disaster, or lack of seating capacity, the city hall facilities cannot be used for that purpose, and all meetings shall be open to the public. The council shall adopt rules for conducting its proceedings and may punish its members or other persons present at any meeting for disorderly conduct.

TO:

Porterville Charter Review Committee

Cc:

John Lollis, City Manager

FROM:

Julia M. Lew, City Attorney

DATE:

November 1, 2013

SUBJ:

City Charter Section16 (City Council Member Vacancies)

This item is on the agenda per the request and direction of the Charter Review Committee. Concerns were expressed concerning the use of the phrase "If any legislative officer of the city shall remove from the city of absent himself/herself therefrom...."

Current Section 16 of the Charter reads as follows:

Sec. 16. Vacancies in office; when offices declared vacant.

A vacancy in any legislative office, from whatever cause arising excluding any vacancy created due to a successful recall election, shall be filled by appointment by the council, such appointee to hold office until the next general municipal election, when a successor shall be chosen by the electors for the unexpired term; provided, that if the council fails to agree or for any other reason does not fill such vacancy within thirty days after the same occurs, then such vacancy shall be filled by the mayor; provided, however, that if for any reason the seats of a majority of the council shall become vacant, then the city clerk shall call a special election at once to fill the vacancies for the unexpired terms, and the same shall be conducted substantially in the manner provided for general municipal elections. (3-4-03)

If any legislative officer of the city shall remove from the city or absent himself/herself therefrom for more than thirty (30) days consecutively without permission of the council, or for said period shall willfully fail or refuse to perform the duties of his office, though able so to do, or shall fail to qualify, or shall resign, or be convicted of a felony or a crime of moral turpitude, or be adjudged mentally incompetent, his/her office shall thereupon become vacant. (3-4-03)

Staff will review examples from other cities and provide these for discussion purposes at the time of the meeting.

TO:

Porterville Charter Review Committee

Cc:

John Lollis, City Manager

FROM:

Julia M. Lew, City Attorney

DATE:

November 1, 2013

SUBJ:

City Charter Section 24 (Frequency of Financial Reports)

This item is on the agenda per the request and direction of the Charter Review Committee, due to the request of staff. The City Council has been requiring quarterly financial reports, instead of the required monthly reports. Staff proposes the following changes to Section 24 of the Charter:

Sec. 24. Director of finance; payment of demands; to check annual tax roll.

The city manager shall appoint the director of finance of the city, who shall serve as the general accountant of the city. He/she shall receive and preserve in his office all accounts, books, vouchers, documents and papers relating to the accounts of the city, its debts, revenues and other financial affairs. He/she shall keep an account of all moneys paid into and out of the treasury; and keep informed as to the exact condition of the treasury at all times. (4-6-71)

Every demand upon the treasury, before its approval by the council, must be presented to the director of finance, who shall satisfy himself/herself whether the money is legally due, and its payment authorized by law. If satisfactory, he/she shall draw a warrant upon the treasury for the payment thereof. Every demand approved by the director of finance shall specify on its face the several items composing it, with the amounts and dates thereof. The approval of the council shall not be necessary to draw warrants for the payment of regular salaries of officials and employees of the city, or for payment of any obligation previously authorized by law, or by resolution or order of the council. (4-6-71)

He/she shall render, each month on at least a quarterly basis, a statement to the council showing the financial condition of the city, and annually a like statement covering all of the financial transactions of the city during the year previous.

After the annual tax roll has been completed, and before it is deposited with the collector, the director of finance shall make a check of the roll correcting any errors that may be found and endorse same with his/her approval. (4-6-71; 3-4-03)

Amendment note—The first, second and fourth paragraphs of § 24 were amended April 6, 1971. Formerly the auditor was the general accountant of the city who performed the duties set out in the section.

TO:

Porterville Charter Review Committee

Cc:

John Lollis, City Manager

FROM:

Julia M. Lew, City Attorney

DATE:

November 1, 2013

SUBJ:

City Charter Section 39 (Fiscal Year)

This item is on the agenda per the request and direction of the Charter Review Committee, originally due to the request of staff. However, in light of the proposal by the Committee to change the election date to coincide with the federal general elections, staff recommends that no changes be made to this section.

For the Committee's information, Section 39 reads as follows:

Sec. 39. Fiscal year.

The fiscal year of the city shall commence on the first day of July of each year, or at such other time as may be fixed by ordinance. (3-4-03)

TO:

Charter Review Committee

FROM:

Michael Maurer, Deputy City Attorney

DATE:

November 1, 2013

SUBJ:

Comments on Tax Provisions of Charter (§§ 40-45)

The following is our office's review and analysis of the tax provisions of the existing charter. Each section is set forth in full followed by our comments. Sections 41 and 43 are not discussed because they have previously been repealed.

Sec. 40. Taxation to Conform To General Laws Of The State.

Except as otherwise herein provided the council shall, by ordinance, provide a system for the assessment, equalization, levy, and collection of taxes, which, as nearly as may be, shall conform to the system provided by the general laws of the state; provided, that all sales for delinquent taxes shall be made to the City of Porterville. Should the council fail to fix the tax rate within the time prescribed, then the tax rate of the previous year shall constitute the rate for the current year.

COMMENTS: The City is in compliance with the first part because the Municipal Code incorporates the state Revenue and Taxation Code and establishes the rules for other City taxes. The City should continue to provide the authority to establish the tax system by ordinance. It should be noted that under Propositions 13, 218, and 26, the City cannot *establish* a tax by ordinance. Any new or increased taxes would still need voter approval.

The second sentence is preempted by state law. To the extent it is not preempted, it is redundant to Section 45 below. To avoid confusion we recommend that it be eliminated.

The third sentence is preempted by state law as far as it applies to general property taxes. However, the City could issue a different general or special tax that would be fixed annually – for example by deciding whether or not to institute an approved escalator. We recommend leaving this sentence in place.

Sec. 42. Annual Tax Levy To Be Affixed.

The council, not later than its second regular meeting in August, shall fix a rate of taxation sufficient to raise the amounts established by council action pursuant to Section 44. The council shall notify the county assessor who shall thereupon compute and carry out the amount of tax so levied on each parcel of property contained in the assessment roll for the city. (4-6-1971; 3-4-2003).

COMMENTS: This section only applies to special taxes, which the council might have the authority to annually set the rate, depending on the tax. Therefore this should remain in place. Note that under Section 40 any failure to fix the rate will result in the previous year's rate.

Sec. 44. Limitation On Special Tax Levies; Enumeration Of Purpose For Which Special Taxes May Be Levied.

The council shall have the power to levy and collect taxes, in addition to the taxes herein or by general law authorized to be levied and collected, sufficient to pay and maintain the sinking fund of the bonded indebtedness of the city; and for the following purposes: (4-6-1971);

- (a) For the support and maintenance of the fire department, for fire protection purposes, at the rate of not more than three miles on each dollar of the assessed valuation of the real and personal property within the city; (4-6-1971);
- (b) For the acquisition, construction and maintenance, as the case may be, of permanent public improvements, of real property, of public buildings and structures, and of public offices, including equipping and furnishing the same, at the rate of not more than two mills on each dollar thereof;
- (c) For the maintenance and support of free public libraries and reading rooms in said city, at the rate of not more than two mills on each dollar thereof;
- (d) For the maintenance and support of free public parks and playgrounds in said city, at the rate of not more than two mills on each dollar thereof;
- (e) For music, entertainment and promotion, at the rate of not more than one mill on each dollar thereof. (2-5-1935; 4-5-1949);

COMMENTS: This section limits the City's ability to pass special taxes. The committee may want to reconsider this section in light of Proposition 218, which requires 2/3 voter approval to pass a special tax. Thus, the council does not necessarily have the power to levy taxes. Given that a special tax now needs a significant majority, the committee may want to consider eliminating any charter limitations. Ultimately, any special tax outside the scope of this chapter would require the voters to approve both a charter amendment and the tax itself. But if the taxed passed with a supermajority, the charter amendment would likely pass as well, since it only needs a simple majority. To be clear, we are not recommending eliminating this section, but merely pointing out that the law has changed since it the section was adopted.

If the section remains as written it will not obviate the need for voter approval, but the section will continue to effectively limit the ability to impose special taxes without a future charter amendment.

Sec. 45. Taxes And Assessments To Constitute A Lien; Foreclosure.

All taxes and assessments levied, together with any percentages imposed for delinquency and cost of collection, shall constitute liens on the property assessed; every tax upon the personal property shall be a lien upon the real property of the owner thereof. The liens provided for in

this section shall attach as of the first Monday in March each year and may be enforced by actions to foreclose such liens in any court of competent jurisdiction, or by a sale of the property affected and the execution and delivery of all necessary certificates and deeds therefore, under such regulations as may be prescribed by ordinance; provided that when real estate is offered for sale for city taxes due thereon the same shall be sold to the city in like case and manner, and with like effect and right of redemption as it may be struck off and sold to the state when offered for sale for county taxes; and the council shall have power to provide by ordinance for the procedure to be followed in such sales to the city and redemption thereafter.

COMMENTS: This section is redundant to general law, which provides the City with rights of sale and redemption for tax defaulted property. However, we recommend adding a provision that indicates that this section is cumulative to any rights and remedies the City may have under the general laws relating to the enforcement and collection of taxes and assessments.

TO:

Porterville Charter Review Committee

Cc:

John Lollis, City Manager

FROM:

Julia M. Lew, City Attorney

DATE:

November 1, 2013

SUBJ:

City Charter Section 47 (Application of Surplus Bond Money)

This item is on the agenda per the request and direction of the Charter Review Committee, due to the request of staff. However, staff reviewed this section with the City Finance Director and has determined that no changes are recommended.

For the Committee's information the current Section reads as follows:

Sec. 47. Application of surplus bond money.

All moneys derived from the sale of bonds, including premiums and accrued interest, shall be applied to the purposes for which the bonds were voted. After such purposes have been fully completed and paid for, any remaining surplus shall be transferred to the bond and interest redemption fund.

Sec. 45. Taxes and assessments to constitute a lien; fore-closure.

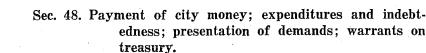
All taxes and assessments levied, together with any percentages imposed for delinquency and cost of collection, shall constitute liens on the property assessed; every tax upon the personal property shall be a lien upon the real property of the owner thereof. The liens provided for in this section shall attach as of the first Monday in March each year and may be enforced by actions to foreclose such liens in any court of competent jurisdiction, or by a sale of the property affected and the execution and delivery of all necessary certificates and deeds therefor, under such regulations as may be prescribed by ordinance; provided, that when real estate is offered for sale for city taxes due thereon the same shall be sold to the city in like case and manner, and with like effect and right of redemption as it may be struck off and sold to the state when offered for sale for county taxes; and the council shall have power to provide by ordinance for the procedure to be followed in such sales to the city and redemption thereafter.

Sec. 46. Disposition of city money.

All moneys collected for the city by any officer or department thereof shall be paid into the treasury daily if possible, and at least once each week.

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No money shall be expended and no indebtedness shall be incurred on behalf of the city, for any purpose, unless and Supp. No. 3, Rev.

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until the same shall have been authorized by ordinance, resolution or order of the council. Any expenditure, purchase, or indebtedness to be made or incurred of \$500.00 or more, shall first require specific council authorization except as otherwise provided for in this Charter.

All demands against the city shall, before being paid, be presented to and approved by the proper board, commission or officer, as herein provided. Demands for which no appropriation has been made shall be presented to the city manager, provided, that any person dissatisfied with the refusal of the city manager to approve any demand, in whole or in part, may present the same to the council, and the approval of such demand by the council shall have the same effect as its approval by the city manager; and provided further, that if the council shall provide for other boards or commissions, it may make provision for the presentation to and approval by any such board or commission of demands for liabilities incurred by them.

The council may provide for a revolving petty cash fund of not more than three hundred dollars to be paid to the city manager, and used by him for the payment in cash, of expenditures provided for in the budgets that cannot conveniently be paid otherwise. He shall account to the council for all payments by him out of said fund when making demand for the replenishment of the same, and at such other times as the council may require, and they shall thereupon be charged against the proper appropriations.

All demands approved by the proper board, commission or officer shall be presented to the director of finance, who shall examine the same, and if the amount thereof is legally due and there remains on his books an unexhausted balance or an appropriation against which the same may be charged, he shall approve such demand and draw and sign his warrant on the treasurer therefor, payable out of the proper fund. Objections of the director of finance to any demand may be overruled by the council, and the director of finance shall Supp. No. 3, Rev.

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thereupon draw his warrant as directed by the council. Such warrants, when presented to the treasurer, shall be paid by him out of the fund therein designated, if there be sufficient money in such fund for that purpose. A warrant not paid for lack of funds shall be registered, and all registered warrants shall be paid in the order of registration when funds are available therefor; all such registered warrants shall bear interest at the rate of six per cent per annum. The director of finance shall draw his warrants for payment of municipal or other bonds payable out of the funds in the treasury upon presentation and surrender of the proper bonds or coupons without approval of anybody or officer. The council may make further regulations by ordinance regarding the presentation, approval and payment of demands against the city.

Amendment note—Section 48 was amended April 6, 1971, to read as set out. The second sentence was added to the first paragraph. Provisions relating to demands against the library and park funds were eliminated in the second paragraph. The petty cash fund, in the third paragraph, was increased from \$100.00 to \$300.00. In the fourth paragraph the director of finance was substituted in lieu of the city auditor.

Sec. 49. Monthly financial reports required.

All officers required by this Charter or by ordinance to submit monthly financial reports to the council, shall submit the same in duplicate, and upon their approval by the council, one of each of such duplicate reports shall be posted forthwith in the office of the city clerk in such manner as to be readily accessible to the public, and shall remain so posted until the approval by the council of the next succeeding financial report when the same procedure shall be followed in relation thereto. The council, in addition to such posting, may, in its discretion, cause any of such reports to be published at any time.

Sec. 50. Approving illegal claims to forfeit office.

Every officer who shall wilfully approve, allow or pay, any demand on the treasury not authorized by law, shall be liable to the city individually and on his official bond for the Supp. No. 3

TO: Porterville Charter Review Committee

Cc: John Lollis, City Manager

FROM: Julia M. Lew, City Attorney

DATE: November 4, 2013

SUBJ: City Charter Section 49 (Frequency of Financial Reports)

This item is on the agenda per the request and direction of the Charter Review Committee, due to the request of staff. If Section 24 is modified to reflect that that the reports will be provided to the City Council at least on a quarterly basis (instead of monthly basis), this section should be modified to reflect that change.

For the Committee's information the modified Section could read as follows:

Sec. 49. Monthly Quarterly financial reports required.

All officers required by this Charter or by ordinance to submit monthly quarterly financial reports to the council, shall submit the same in duplicate, and upon their approval by the council, one of each of such duplicate reports shall be posted forthwith in the office of the city clerk in such manner as to be readily accessible to the public, and shall remain so posted until the approval by the council of the next succeeding financial report when the same procedure shall be followed in relation thereto. The council, in addition to such posting, may, in its discretion, cause any of such reports to be published at any time.

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SUBJ: City Charter Section 61 (Public Project Bidding)

This item is on the agenda per the request and direction of the Charter Review Committee, due to the request of staff. Public Works and other staff have requested that the Committee consider increasing the bid limit from \$5,000.00 to at least \$25,000.00 and clarify that the City retains the right, no matter the cost, to do work with its own forces. Staff requests that the Committee consider broadening the emergency provisions of Section 61 to include threats affecting the health and safety of City residents.

Some proposed changes are included in the Section below as a starting point for consideration by the Committee:

Sec. 61. Competitive bidding for contract work for erection, improvement and repair of public buildings, etc., where the amount estimated contract cost is in excess of five thousand twenty-five thousand dollars.

When the City determines to contract for work for a public project, and the cost estimate for said work a required expenditure exceeds twenty-five thousand dollars, it shall be contracted for and let to the lowest responsible bidder after notice. (4-6-71)

As used in this section public project means a project for the erection, improvement and repair of public buildings and works; work in or about streams, embankments, or other work for protection against overflow; street sewer work except maintenance or repair; furnishing supplies or materials for any such project, including maintenance or repair of streets, sewers or water lines.

The council may reject any or all bids presented and may, at its discretion, readvertise for other bids, or, the council may, after rejecting bids, determine and declare by a four-fifths (4/5) vote of all of its members that the work in question may be more economically or satisfactorily performed by day labor, or the labor or materials purchased at a lower price in the open market and after the adoption of a resolution to this effect it may proceed to have the same done in the manner stated without further observance of the foregoing provisions of this section.

The notice inviting sealed bids shall set a date for the opening of bids; the first publication shall be at least ten (10) days before the date of the opening of the bids; shall

be published at least twice not less than five (5) days apart in the official newspaper selected by the council.

In case of a great public calamity, such as an extraordinary fire, flood, storm, epidemic or other disaster, or in the case of circumstances resulting in a serious threat to public health and/or safety, the council may, by resolution passed by a vote of four-fifths (4/5) of its members, determine and declare that the public interest or necessity demands the immediate expenditure of public money to safeguard life, health, or property, and thereupon they may proceed without advertising for bids or receiving the same, to expend, or enter into a contract involving the expenditure of any money required in such emergency, on hand in the city treasury and available for such purpose. (4-10-61)

The City reserves the right to perform any public project or make or repair any public property or improvement using its own forces, regardless of cost.

Amendment note—The first paragraph of § 61 was amended April 6, 1971 by increasing the amount from \$2,500.00 to \$5,000.00.



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<u>Quick CIFAC Response Stops</u> <u>Work in Healdsburg on Eve of</u> <u>Violations</u>

Senior Field Representative Sally Riley explains how the new water main installation for the City of Healdsburg (Sonoma County) to be done by city crews, was stopped. Riley received a flurry of calls on a Monday morning from CIFAC network members. "The City is supposed to start installing six inch water main today. They have all of the marking done, including saw cutting. They even have it posted on their web site. Can they really do this? Can you help?" Read more...

<u>Pipe Bursting May Bust Ross</u> <u>Valley's Budget....Violating the</u> <u>Law is Expensive...</u>

The Ross Valley Sanitation District (RVSD) has failed to answer CIFAC Executive Director Cathryn Hilliard's letter telling them that they must competitively bid sewer line replacement work that exceeds \$15,000 in value. Hilliard and Marin Builders Association representative Casey Mazzoni spoke at two hearings of the Board in June and July of 2011. They told the RVSD Board that if they were to proceed as suggested by their former General Manager, they could face a costly legal challenge. Read more...

New Force Account Limits
Increase Inquiries
Communicating and understanding
the changes in the California
Public Contract Code appear to be

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NORTHERN CALIFORNIA					
Charter City	County	Charter Section	Ordinance	Bidding Threshold	Comments
<u>ALAMEDA</u>	' Alameda	Sec. 3.15	'	45,000	Signatory to CUCCAA
<u>ALBANY</u>	Alameda	Sec. 4.03	13-1 et seq	30,000	Rules by Ordinance
<u>BERKELEY</u>	Alameda	Sec. 67	7.18.010	200,000	
<u>CHICO</u>	Butte	Sec.1110	3.2		Defined by Ordinance
DINUBA	Tulare	Sec. 5.05		75,000	
<u>EUREKA</u>	Humboldt	Sec. 710	39,42	15,000	
EXETER	Tulare County	4.4	Municipal code 3.36.100	75,000	Formal \$75,000
FOLSOM	Sacramento	Sec. 5.04	2.36.08	40,000	Adjusted by CPI
FORTUNA	Humboldt	Art. IV Sec. 400	97-607		No Limit
FRESNO	Fresno		Municipal code 4-102	129,000	
GILROY	Santa Clara	Sec. 1109	2,30.300	5,000	Council may vote to do in- house
GRASS VALLEY	Nevada	Art 13 Sec 2(b)		25,000	
<u>HAYWARD</u>	Alameda	Sec. 1303	2-8.01	35,000	Council sets by Ordinance
KING CITY			2.45.010	5,000	
KINGSBURG	Fresno	Sec. 5.04		5,000	PCC applies except if adopted ordinance saying otherwise
<u>LEMOORE</u>	Kings	Art 3	Municipal code 1-8-6	50,000	
LINDSAY	Tulare	Sec. 8.11	Municipal code 3.04.090	99,000	Formal bids \$99,000 Informal bids \$33,000
<u>MARINA</u>	Monterey	Sec.2.05	Municipal code 3.16.060	5,000	
MARYSVILLE	Yuba	Article V	2.76.120	25,000	
MERCED	Merced		Municipal code 3.04.220	58,575	
<u>MODESTO</u>	Stanislaus			50,000	
MONTEREY	Monterey	Sec. 4.8	Municipal code 28-20	60,000	
MOUNTAIN VIEW	Santa Clara	Sec. 1107	Municipal code 2.79	45,000	
<u>NAPA</u>	Napa		101	45,000	Limits per 22032
OAKLAND	Alameda	808	Municipal code 2.04.050	50,000	PCC does not Apply
OROVILLE	Butte			5,000	PCC Provisions Apply
PACIFIC GROVE	Monterey		Municipal code 2.16.320	15,000	

topping the list of CIFAC Field Representatives' activities during the first quarter of 2012 for the Northern Region. Field Representative Sally Riley spent time each day explaining the increased force account limit to public agencies signatory to the California Uniform Public Construction Cost Accounting Act and other changes made during the 2011 legislation sessions. Read more...

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Northern Region Senior Field Representative



Central Region Field Representative



Southern Region Field Representative



Contributors News

ENCYMEERS Operating Engineers Local Union NO. 3 Magazine (June 2013): CIFAC's new role as county roadwork cop.

We need your help!

UCON Magazine (May 2013): CIFAC Fights with Charter Cities; Keeping Public Works Public

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PALO ALTO	Santa Clara		2.30 et seq	65,000	It funded by bond or assessments	
<u>PETALUMA</u>	Sonoma			25,150	Adjusted by CPI with Council action	
PIEDMONT	Alameda	Sec. 4.11		10,000	PCC Provisions Apply	
PORTERVILLE	Tulare			5,000		
REDWOOD CITY	San Mateo	49a, 67, 68		100,000		
Richmond*	Contra Costa		2.52	25,000	Sole disscretion of City	
ROSEVILLE	Placer		4.12.095	21,250	Adjusted per inflation	
SACRAMENTO	Sacramento	Art. XIV Sec. 200	3.60.020	100,000	Set by Ordinance	
<u>SALINAS</u>	Monterey		Municipal code 12-21	50,000		
<u>SAN</u> FRANCISCO	San Francisco			400,000		
SAN JOSE	Santa Clara	Sec. 1217		1,000,000		
SAN LEANDRO	Alameda	Sec. 540	1-5-200	5,000	By Ordinance	
SAN MATEO	San Mateo	Sec. 5.21	Municipal code 3.60.030	100,000		
SAN RAFAEL	Marin		11.5	30,000		
SAN RAMON	Contra Costa	Article 5	Municipal code A7-6	500,000		
SAND CITY	Monterey	Sec. 2		5,000		
SANTA CLARA	Santa Clara	Sec. 1310		1,000	PCC Provisions Apply	
SANTA CRUZ	Santa Cruz	Sec. 1414	Municipal code 3.08.090	100,000		
SANTA ROSA	Sonoma		344.060	10,000	Can be suspended by City	
STOCKTON	San Joaquin		Municipal code 3.68.040	32,123		
SUNNYVALE	Santa Clara	Sec 1309	2.09.070	50,000	Set by Ordinance	
TRUCKEE	Nevada		3.129	2,500	Bidding can be waived by Council	
TULARE	Tulare			15,000		
<u>VALLEJO</u>	Solano	Sec. 717	3.20.080	100,000	Set by Ordinance	
<u>VISALIA</u>	Tulare			25,000		
WATSONVILLE	Santa Cruz	Sec. 1117	Municipal code -5.11	45,000		
WOODLAKE	Tulare			75,000		

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Charter City	County	Charter Section	Ordinance	Bidding Threshold	Comments
<u>ADELANTO</u>	San Bernardino	Sec. 607	Sec. 3,45,10	45,000	Signatory to CUCCAA
ALHAMBRA	Los Angeles	Sec. 135	Sec. 3.40.010	50,000	
<u>ANAHEIM</u>	Orange	Sec. 1211		50,000	
ARCADIA	Los Angeles	Sec. 1212	Sec. 2842	30,000	
BAKERSFIELD	Kern	Sec. 136	Municipal code 3.20.090	40,000	
BELL	Los Angeles	Sec. 1111		25,000	May be increased by resolution by 2/3 vote of Council
BIG BEAR LAKE	San Bernardino	Sec.1004		4,000	
BUENA PARK	Orange		Sec. 3.28.110	100,000	Resolution 12289
<u>BURBANK</u>	Los Angeles	Sec. 1205	Sec. 2.2.115	100,000	
CARLSBAD	San Diego	Sec. 404	Sec. 3.28.080	45,000	Signatory to CUCCAC
CERRITOS	Los Angeles	Sec. 905		5,000	
CHULA VISTA	San Diego	Sec. 1009		50,000	
COMPTON	Los Angeles	Sec. 1409		25,000	



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CULVER CITY	Los Angeles	Sec. 1604	Sec. 3.07.090	30,000	
<u>CYPRESS</u>	Orange	Sec. 1012	Sec. 21A.19	100,000	The Charter states \$3,500
DEL MAR	San Diego		Sec. 7.20.010	45,000	Signatory to CUCCAA
DESERT HOT SPRINGS	Riverside	Sec. 300	Sec. 3.44.100	30,000	
DOWNEY	Los Angeles	Sec. 1211		15,000	If all bids are rejected, or none received, Council can vote to use own forces if less then \$30,000
EL CAJON	San Diego	Sec. 400		50,000	Rules as established by the City
EL CENTRO	Imperial	Sec. 300	Sec. 2-185.11	45,000	Signatory to CUCCAA
GLENDALE	Los Angeles	Article 6 Sec.9(d)	Sec. 4.12.070	50,000	Director of Public Works
HUNTINGTON BEACH	Orange	Sec. 614	Sec. 3.02.070	30,000	
INDIAN WELLS	Riverside	Sec. 200	Sec. 3.34.010	100,000	Informal \$30,000 Formal \$100,000 Not Signatory to CUCCAA
INDUSTRY	Los Angeles	Sec. 1003	Sec. 3.52.010	45,000	Signatory to CUCCAC
INGLEWOOD	Los Angeles	Article	Sec. 2-196	75,000	Ord. 06-04, 4-11-06
IRVINE	Orange	Sec. 1004	Sec. 6.10.201	45,000	Signatory to CUCCAA
IRWINDALE	Los Angeles		Sec. 3.44.110	5,000	In accordance with general la
LA QUINTA	Riverside	Sec. 200	Sec. 3.30.060	5,000	Conform with State requirements
<u>LANCASTER</u>	Los Angeles	Sec. 300	Sec. 3.32.300	45,000	Signatory to CUCCAA
LOMA LINDA	San Bernardino		Sec. 3.32.150	5,000	
LONG BEACH	Los Angeles	Sec. 1800	Sec. 2.84.010	100,000	
LOS ALAMITOS	Orange	Sec. 1206		10,000	
LOS ANGELES	Los Angeles		Sec. 10.15	100,000	Force Account No Limit
<u>NEEDLES</u>	San Bernardino	Sec. 1109		15,000	
NEWPORT BEACH	Orange	Sec. 1110		120,000	
NORCO	Riverside	Sec. 1		5,000	
OCEANSIDE	San Diego	Sec. 301		25,000 Public Projects	Force Account No Limit
PALM DESERT	Riverside		Sec. 3.30.040	10,000	
<u>PALM</u> SPRINGS	Riverside	Sec. 913	Sec. 7.03.040	45,000	Signatory to CUCCAA
PALMDALE	Los Angeles	Sec. 300	3.08.180	125,000	Force Account No Limit
<u>PASADENA</u>	Los Angeles	Sec. 1002		75,000	
<u>PLACENTIA</u>	Orange	Sec. 608		25,000	
<u>POMONA</u>	Los Angeles	Sec. 1203	Sec. 2-1001	30,000 Informal 175,000 Formal	Not Signatory to CUCCAC
<u>PORT</u> HUENEME	Ventura	Sec. 1.9 B	Sec. 2568	25,000 Informal & Force Account 75,000 Public Project	
RANCHO MIRAGE	Riverside	Sec. 200	Sec. 3.34.010	45,000	Signatory to CUCCAA
REDONDO BEACH	Los Angeles	Sec. 19	Sec. 2-6. 1.02	50,000	
RIVERSIDE	Riverside	Sec.1109		50,000	
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BERNARDINO	Bernardino		260.17.50.030	3,000	
SAN DIEGO	San Diego		Sec. 22.3105	1,000,000, Major Public Works Projects Force Account Limit 100,000	
SAN LUIS OBISPO	San Luis Obispo			45,000	CUCCAA and Charter
SAN MARCOS	San Diego	Sec. 200	Sec. 2.30.090	No Limit	
SANTA ANA	Orange	Sec. 422	Sec. 33-203	500	
<u>SANTA</u> BARBARA	Santa Barbara	Sec. 519	Sec. 4.52.190	No limit	
SANTA MARIA	Santa Barbara	Sec. 600	Sec. 3-4.13	45,000	CUCCAA/Charter
<u>SANTA</u> MONICA	Los Angeles	Sec. 608	Sec. 2.24.071	100,000	
<u>SANTEE</u>	San Diego		Sec. 3.24.110		
SEAL BEACH	Orange	Sec. 1010		23,300	Adjusted annually by the City Engineer
SHAFTER	Kern		Municipal code 2.68.220	50,000	Informal \$15,000; Formal \$50,000
SIGNAL HILL	Los Angeles		Sec. 3.20.195	5,000	
Solvang*	Santa Barbara	Sec. 200		30,000	CUCCAA/Charter
TEMPLE CITY	Los Angeles	Sec. 607 (E)		5,000	In accordance with general law
TORRANCE	Los Angeles	Sec. 1450	Sec. 22.2.2	50,000	
VENTURA	Ventura County	Sec. 1006	Sec. 4.600.230	175,000	Refers to PCC Section 22032 Not Signatory to CUCCAA
Vernon*	Los Angeles				Charter silent
VICTORVILLE	San Bernardino		Sec. 2.28.170	45,000	Signatory to CUCCAA
<u>VISTA</u>	San Diego	Section 300		45,000	Signatory to CUCCAA
WHITTIER	Los Angeles	Sec. 1110		10,000	

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