

ADOPTION AGENDA, DISCUSSION, OTHER LEGISLATIVE ITEMS

ORDINANCES TO BE INTRODUCED, READY FOR DISPENSING WITH THE READING AND ADOPTION:

ITEM-203: Two actions relating to Submitting to the Voters a Ballot Proposition Amending the City Charter Relating to the Chief Financial Officer, City Treasurer, Independent Budget Analyst, Audit Committee, and City Auditor, and Requiring a Balanced Budget.

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(Continued from the meeting of February 5, 2008, portions of Item 204 A-B, at the request of Council President Peters, for further review. See City Attorney Reports dated 1/29/2008, 1/14/2008, and 11/2/2007.)

TODAY'S ACTION IS:

Introduce and adopt the following ordinance in Subitem A and consider Subitem B:

Subitem-A: (O-2008-95 REV) COR. COPY 2

Introduction and adoption of an Ordinance submitting to the qualified voters of the City of San Diego at the Municipal Election consolidated with the Statewide Primary Election to be held on June 3, 2008, one proposition amending the City Charter by amending Article V, Sections 39 and 45; amending Article VII, Sections 69 and 111; amending Article VIII, Section 117; amending Article XV, Sections 265 and 270; and adding Article V, Sections 39.1, 39.2, and 39.3; to establish the positions and duties of Chief Financial Officer, City Auditor and Independent Budget Analyst; modify the City Treasurer appointment process; create an Audit Committee; and require the Council to adopt a balanced budget and ensure a balanced budget by the end of each fiscal year.

NOTE: This item is not subject to Mayor's veto.

ADOPTION AGENDA, DISCUSSION, OTHER LEGISLATIVE ITEMS (Continued)

ORDINANCES TO BE INTRODUCED, READY FOR DISPENSING WITH THE READING
AND ADOPTION: (Continued)

ITEM-203: (Continued)

Subitem-B: (R-2008-627) COR. COPY 2

Directing the City Attorney to prepare a ballot title, summary, and impartial analysis; directing the Mayor to prepare a fiscal analysis; and assigning authorship of the ballot argument; all regarding the ballot measure relating to the Chief Financial Officer, City Treasurer, Independent Budget Analyst, Audit Committee, and City Auditor and requiring a balanced budget.

NOTE: This item is not subject to Mayor's veto.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

On February 4, 2008, Councilmember Frye suggested several revisions to the ordinance in Subitem A. These items were incorporated into the revised ordinance for discussion on February 5, 2008. At that meeting, all of the items relating to the ordinance were approved by Council by a 6-0 vote except for the item relating to the appointment process for the City Auditor in proposed Charter section 39.2. This remaining item failed to receive 5 affirmative votes and was continued as unfinished business. The ordinance and resolution are on the agenda as unfinished business. The remaining item for discussion and action on Subitem-A relates to the appointment of the City Auditor. The three options discussed at the meeting were: (1) appointed by the Audit Committee and confirmed by the Council; (2) appointed by the City Manager, in consultation with the Audit Committee, and confirmed by the Council; and (3) appointed by the Audit Committee, in consultation with the City Manager, and confirmed by the Council.

If the ballot measure is introduced and adopted, the Council will consider the items in Subitem B.