

## Measure N

### City Attorney's Impartial Analysis

The measure would amend Article II of the Stockton City Charter to provide that on or before February 1, in the year following each decennial census, an Advisory Commission of registered voters residing in the city be established. The Commission would include a member appointed by the Mayor, and members appointed by each member of the City Council from their respective districts. The Commission would use data from the census, as well as other data, to develop recommendations for City Council consideration as to the boundaries of the Council districts following public outreach and hearings throughout the city. The Commission recommendations should be complete within 120 days of receipt of the census data. The City Council would determine the new district boundaries following at least one public hearing on the Commission recommendations prior to the public hearing in which the Council votes to approve, modify or reject the proposed boundaries.

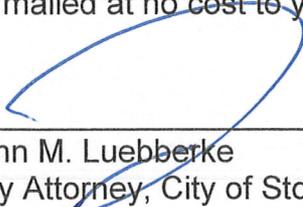
The measure would provide for redistricting standards that require each district be nearly equal in population; require compliance with the Federal Voting Rights Act and other applicable provisions of state and federal law; and give consideration to (1) topography, (2) geography, (3) cohesiveness, contiguity, integrity and compactness of territory, and (4) community of interest of the districts. The districts would be numbered sequentially, with the northeastern most section of the city numbered District 1.

The measure would amend Articles VI and VII of the Stockton City Charter to provide for the nomination and election of members of the City Council by District. If adopted, this would be first effective for the primary election in June of 2018.

At the primary municipal election voters would cast ballots for City Council candidates from their district. If one candidate at the primary municipal election receives a majority of the votes cast by the electors in his or her district that candidate would be elected. If no candidate within a district receives a majority of the votes cast by the electors in that district, the two candidates receiving the highest number of votes would qualify as candidates for the runoff election in that district at the general municipal election. The candidate receiving the highest number of votes from the electors in his or her district at the general municipal election would then be elected.

The measure would amend section 606 to provide that no person elected as Mayor would be eligible to serve more than two terms as Mayor; and no person elected to City Council would be eligible to serve more than two terms on the City Council.

The above statement is an impartial analysis of Measure N. If you desire a copy of the proposed ordinance, please call the City Clerk's office at (209) 937-8459 and a copy will be mailed at no cost to you.



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