

NOTICE

SPECIAL COMPTON CITY COUNCIL AGENDA Friday, January 21, 2011 6:00 PM

OPENING

ROLL CALL

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS

NEW BUSINESS

1. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COMPTON ORDERING THE SUBMISSION TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF THE CITY A CERTAIN MEASURE TO AMEND THE CITY CHARTER TO PROVIDE FOR THE USE OF MAILED BALLOTS IN ALL OF THE CITY'S MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS, COMMENCING IN 2013, TO BE HELD ON TUESDAY, APRIL 19, 2011, AS CALLED BY ORDINANCE NUMBER 2218
2. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COMPTON ORDERING THE SUBMISSION TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF THE CITY A CERTAIN MEASURE TO CHANGE THE NAME AND DATES FOR THE PRIMARY NOMINATING ELECTION AND GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS , COMMENCING IN 2013, TO BE HELD ON TUESDAY, APRIL 19, 2011, AS CALLED BY ORDINANCE NUMBER 2218
3. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COMPTON ORDERING THAT A BALLOT MEASURE RELATING TO THE EMPLOYMENT STATUS OF THE MAYOR AND THE COMPENSATION OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEMBERS, BE SUBMITTED TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF THE CITY AT THE PRIMARY ELECTION TO BE HELD ON TUESDAY, APRIL 19, 2011, AS CALLED BY ORDINANCE NUMBER 2218

4. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COMPTON ORDERING THAT A BALLOT MEASURE RELATING TO THE COMPENSATION OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEMBERS BE SUBMITTED TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF THE CITY AT THE PRIMARY NOMINATING ELECTION TO BE HELD ON TUESDAY, APRIL 19, 2011, AS CALLED BY ORDINANCE NUMBER 2218

COUNCIL COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS

ADJOURNMENT

NEXT REGULAR MEETING: Tuesday, January 25, 2011 @ 5:45 PM.

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January 21, 2011

TO: MAYOR AND MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL

FROM: CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE

SUBJECT: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COMPTON ORDERING THE SUBMISSION TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF THE CITY A CERTAIN MEASURE TO AMEND THE CITY CHARTER TO PROVIDE FOR THE USE OF MAILED BALLOTS IN ALL OF THE CITY'S MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS, COMMENCING IN 2013, TO BE HELD ON TUESDAY, APRIL 19, 2011, AS CALLED BY ORDINANCE NUMBER 2218

SUMMARY

The attached Resolution authorizes a measure to be placed on the April 19, 2011, ballot to authorize a charter amendment to provide for the use of mailed ballots in all of the City's municipal elections, including primary nominating elections, general municipal elections and special municipal elections.

BACKGROUND

In a mailed ballot election, every voter in the jurisdiction is provided with an absentee ballot. The use of the mailed ballot is permitted in California, under certain circumstances, pursuant to the Elections Code. The Compton City Charter serves as the local Constitution for the City of Compton and authorizes the City to control municipal affairs. The conduct of elections is specifically considered a municipal affair. To amend a City Charter section requires a majority approval of the voters.

The use of the mailed ballot has not been shown to increase voter registration or turnout. It does, however, make it easier for those who have registered to vote to actually cast their vote. In addition, the use of the mailed ballot would facilitate the conduct municipal elections. In the typical municipal election, the City contracts with the County of Los Angeles for certain supplies and equipment. Polling places must be located and set up for the election and must provide disabled access, sufficient parking, and sufficient space for polls. Poll workers must be recruited, trained and work a 12 to 14 hour day on election-day. Bilingual poll workers must also be recruited. The use of the mailed ballot would eliminate these activities. Instead, registered voters would receive a combined sample ballot and ballot. They would be able to vote at their convenience and take their time in deliberating about the candidates and measures.

The City of Compton Charter would be amended by adding Section 1306 to read as follows:

#1.

The City Council shall have the authority, when it so declares by resolution, to conduct any particular election by mailed ballot. The City Council may call for a mailed ballot election in connection with any municipal election, including a primary nominating election, a general municipal election, a special municipal election, any election to approve a special tax as required or authorized by Article XIIC of the California Constitution, any election to approve a property-related fee or charge as required or authorized by Article XIID of the California Constitution, or any assessment ballot proceeding required or authorized by Article XIID of the California Constitution. Mailed ballot elections shall not occur on the same date as a statewide direct primary election or statewide general election.

Elections conducted by all mail ballot shall be conducted pursuant to Chapter 2 of Division 4 (commencing with Section 4100 of the California Elections Code) as it now exists or may hereafter be amended, but only insofar as required by law and only where it is not inconsistent with the Charter and ordinances of the City of Compton.

The City Clerk, when conducting a mailed ballot, shall not commence to mail the combined sample ballot and mailed ballot prior to the 29th day before the election, and the City Clerk shall complete the mailing before the tenth day before the election. In order to be tabulated and counted in connection with the election, mailed ballots shall be returned to the City Clerk either by mail, by document delivery service, or in person by 5:00 p.m. local time on the day of the election. Only ballots received in the office of the City Clerk by 5:00 p.m. on election day shall be counted. The City Clerk may, in a manner similar to that in California Elections Code Section 3019, compare a copy of a voter's signature produced from the original ballot envelope to the voter's signature on the original affidavit, or may arrange with the County Registrar of Voters to compare such signature copies on the City's behalf, and if a ballot shall be rejected on the basis of such comparison an appropriate notation shall be marked on the original ballot envelope.

FISCAL IMPACT

Conducting a mailed ballot election would reduce and/or eliminate the costs related to a separate sample ballot, polling place costs such as rentals and equipment, and poll worker training and pay. However, costs for signature verification and mailing, including return postage for voted ballots, would increase.

RECOMMENDATION

City Council must adopt the attached resolution in order to place this item on the April 19, 2011 ballot.

WILLIE NORFLEET
CITY MANAGER

RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COMPTON ORDERING THE SUBMISSION TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF THE CITY A CERTAIN MEASURE TO AMEND THE CITY CHARTER TO PROVIDE FOR THE USE OF MAILED BALLOTS IN ALL OF THE CITY’S MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS, COMMENCING IN 2013, TO BE HELD ON TUESDAY, APRIL 19, 2011, AS CALLED BY ORDINANCE NUMBER 2218

WHEREAS, a Primary Municipal Election on Tuesday, April 19, 2011 has been called by Ordinance Number 2218, adopted on December 14, 2010, and

WHEREAS, the City Council also desires to submit to the voters at the election a question relating to the use of mailed ballots in all of the City’s municipal elections, including primary nominating elections, general municipal elections and special municipal elections.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COMPTON DOES HEREBY RESOLVE, DECLARE, DETERMINE AND ORDER AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. That the City Council, pursuant to its rights and authority, does hereby order submitted to the voters at said regular election the following question:

Shall the City Charter be amended to provide for the use of mailed ballots in all of the City’s municipal elections, including primary nominating elections, general municipal elections and special municipal elections, commencing in 2013?	Yes
	No

Section 2. That the proposed measure submitted to the voters is attached as Exhibit A.

Section 3. That in all particulars not recited in this resolution, the election shall be held and conducted as provided by law for holding municipal elections.

Section 4. The following constitutes the synopsis of the measure to be voted on for the purpose of meeting the publication requirements of Elections Code Section 12111:

A measure to amend Article XIII, by adding Sections 1306 to the Charter of the City of Compton to provide for the use of mailed ballots in all of the City’s municipal elections, including primary nominating elections, general municipal elections and special municipal elections, commencing in 2013.

Section 5. That notice of the time and place of holding the election is given and the City Clerk is authorized, instructed and directed to give further or additional notice of the election, in time, form and manner as required by law.

Section 6. That the Mayor shall sign and the City Clerk shall attest to the adoption of this Resolution.

Adopted this _____ day of _____, 2011.

MAYOR OF THE CITY OF COMPTON

ATTEST:

CITY CLERK OF THE CITY OF COMPTON

STATE OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
CITY OF COMPTON

I, Alita L. Godwin, City Clerk of the City of Compton, do hereby
certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the City Council, signed by the
Mayor, and attested to by the City Clerk at a regular meeting thereof held on
_____ day of _____, 2011.

That said resolution was adopted by the following vote, to wit:

AYES: Council Members—
NOES: Council Members—
ABSENT: Council Members—
ABSTAIN: Council Members—

CITY CLERK OF THE CITY OF COMPTON

EXHIBIT A – A PROPOSED CHARTER AMENDMENT

The City of Compton Charter is hereby amended by adding Section 1306 to read as follows

The City Council shall have the authority, when it so declares by resolution, to conduct any particular election by mailed ballot. The City Council may call for a mailed ballot election in connection with any municipal election, including a primary nominating election, a general municipal election, a special municipal election, any election to approve a special tax as required or authorized by Article XIIC of the California Constitution, any election to approve a property-related fee or charge as required or authorized by Article XIID of the California Constitution, or any assessment ballot proceeding required or authorized by Article XIID of the California Constitution. Mailed ballot elections shall not occur on the same date as a statewide direct primary election or statewide general election.

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January 21, 2011

TO: MAYOR AND MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL

FROM: CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE

SUBJECT: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COMPTON ORDERING THE SUBMISSION TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF THE CITY A CERTAIN MEASURE TO CHANGE THE NAME AND DATES FOR THE PRIMARY NOMINATING ELECTION AND GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS, COMMENCING IN 2013, TO BE HELD ON TUESDAY, APRIL 19, 2011, AS CALLED BY ORDINANCE NUMBER 2218

SUMMARY

The attached Resolution authorizes a measure to be placed on the April 19, 2011, ballot to authorize charter amendments for a change in date for the Primary Nominating Election and the General Municipal Election commencing 2013. In addition, the attached resolution also authorizes a measure to be placed on the April 19, 2011, ballot to authorize Charter amendments renaming the Primary Nominating Election and the General Municipal Election.

BACKGROUND

The Compton City Charter serves as the local Constitution for the City of Compton and authorizes the City to control municipal affairs. To amend a City Charter section requires a majority approval of the voters.

A Primary Municipal Election on Tuesday, April 19, 2011, has been called by Ordinance Number 2218 and adopted on December 14, 2010. City Council proposes that a measure be presented to voters that would change the date of the Primary Nominating Election from the third Tuesday in April of each odd-numbered year to the first Tuesday in April of each odd-numbered year and renaming the Primary Nominating Election to be called the "General Municipal Election" commencing in 2013.

#2.

City Council also proposes that a measure be presented to voters that would change the date of the General Municipal Elections from the first Tuesday in June in each odd-numbered year to the third Tuesday in June of each odd-numbered year and renaming the General Municipal Election to be called the “Municipal Run-off Election” commencing in 2013.

FISCAL IMPACT

There is no fiscal impact to the City of Compton.

RECOMMENDATION

City Council must adopt the attached resolution in order to place this item on the April 19, 2011 ballot.

WILLIE NORFLEET
CITY MANAGER

RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COMPTON ORDERING THE SUBMISSION TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF THE CITY A CERTAIN MEASURE TO CHANGE THE NAME AND DATES FOR THE PRIMARY NOMINATING ELECTION AND GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS , COMMENCING IN 2011, TO BE HELD ON TUESDAY, APRIL 19, 2011, AS CALLED BY ORDINANCE NUMBER 2218

WHEREAS, a Primary Nominating Election on Tuesday, April 19, 2011 has been called by Ordinance Number 2218, adopted on December 14, 2010; and

WHEREAS, the City Council also desires to submit to the voters at the election a question relating to: a) changing the date of the Primary Nominating Election from the third Tuesday in April of each odd-numbered year to the first Tuesday in April of each odd-numbered year and renaming it to be called the "General Municipal Election"; b) changing the date of the General Municipal Election from the first Tuesday in June in each odd-numbered year to the third Tuesday in June of each odd-numbered year and renaming it to be called the "Municipal Run-off Election."

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COMPTON DOES HEREBY RESOLVE, DECLARE, DETERMINE AND ORDER AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. That the City Council, pursuant to its rights and authority, does hereby order submitted to the voters at said Regular Election the following question:

Shall the City Charter be amended to change the date of the Primary Nominating Election to the first Tuesday in April in odd-numbered years, to be known as the "General Municipal Election"; and change the date of the General Municipal Election to the third Tuesday in June in odd-numbered years, to be known as the "Municipal Run-off Election", commencing in 2013?	Yes
	No

#2.

Section 2. That the proposed measure submitted to the voters is attached as Exhibit A.

Section 3. That in all particulars not recited in this resolution, the election shall be held and conducted as provided by law for holding municipal elections.

Section 4. The following constitutes the synopsis of the measure to be voted on for the purpose of meeting the publication requirements of Elections Code Section 12111:

A measure to amend Article XIII, Sections 1300, 1301 and 1302 of the Charter of the City of Compton to change the date of the Primary Nominating Election to the first Tuesday in April in odd-numbered years, to be known as the "General Municipal Election", and change the date of the General Municipal Election to the third Tuesday in June in odd-numbered years, to be known as the "Municipal Run-off Election", commencing in 2013.

Section 5. That notice of the time and place of holding the election is given and the City Clerk is authorized, instructed and directed to give further or additional notice of the election, in time, form and manner as required by law.

Section 6. That the Mayor shall sign and the City Clerk shall attest to the adoption of this Resolution.

Adopted this _____ day of _____, 2011.

MAYOR OF THE CITY OF COMPTON

ATTEST:

CITY CLERK OF THE CITY OF COMPTON

**STATE OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
CITY OF COMPTON**

RESOLUTION NO. _____

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I, Alita L. Godwin, City Clerk of the City of Compton, do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the City Council, signed by the Mayor, and attested to by the City Clerk at a regular meeting thereof held on _____ day of _____, 2011.

That said resolution was adopted by the following vote, to wit:

AYES: Council Members—
NOES: Council Members—
ABSENT: Council Members—
ABSTAIN: Council Members—

CITY CLERK OF THE CITY OF COMPTON

EXHIBIT A – A PROPOSED CHARTER AMENDMENT

The City of Compton Charter is hereby amended to read as follows (with text in ~~strikeout~~ indicating deletion and double-underlined text indicating addition):

Section 1300. Elections. Municipal elections held in said city shall be classified as follows:

- (a) General Municipal Election ~~nominating elections~~
- (b) Municipal Run-off elections
- (c) Special municipal elections

Section 1301. General Municipal Elections. General Municipal Elections shall be held on the ~~third~~ first Tuesday in April in each odd-numbered year for the purpose of nominating not exceeding two candidates for each of the elective offices in which vacancies have occurred since the preceding ~~general municipal election~~ Municipal Run-off Election and for such other purposes as may be provided by Charter or ordinance. The General Municipal Election may be consolidated with ~~the election of the Compton Unified School District~~ such other local, state or national election that is established on the date of the General Municipal Election. (~~Amended April 22, 1975; Amended November 7, 1978~~)

Section 1302. Municipal Run-Off Elections. Municipal Run –Off Elections shall be held on the third Tuesday in June in each odd-numbered year for the purpose of electing officers of the City to Fill the vacancies and expiring terms in the elective offices and for such other purposes as may be provided by Charter or Ordinance. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the general election date may be changed by ordinance adopted not later than December 1 of any even-numbered year, if the date stated in the ordinance will permit consolidation of the next election with that of another public entity. (Amended April 22, 1975)

_____, 2011

TO: MAYOR AND MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL

FROM: CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE

SUBJECT: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COMPTON ORDERING THAT A BALLOT MEASURE RELATING TO THE EMPLOYMENT STATUS OF THE MAYOR AND THE COMPENSATION OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEMBERS BE SUBMITTED TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF THE CITY AT THE PRIMARY NOMINATING ELECTION TO BE HELD ON TUESDAY, APRIL 19, 2011, AS CALLED BY ORDINANCE NUMBER 2218

SUMMARY

The attached Resolution authorizes a measure to be placed on the April 19, 2011, ballot to authorize charter amendments for a change in the employment status of the Mayor, and the rate of compensation of the Mayor and Council Members.

BACKGROUND

The Compton City Charter serves as the local Constitution for the City of Compton and authorizes the City to control municipal affairs. To amend a City Charter section requires a majority approval of the voters.

A Primary Nominating Election on Tuesday, April 19, 2011, has been called by Ordinance Number 2218 and adopted on December 14, 2010. City Council proposes that a measure be presented to the voters that would amend the City Charter to provide that the office of Mayor will be a full-time position, requiring the occupant of that office to devote his or her full time during business hours to the duties of his or her office, and the monthly salary of the Mayor be set at \$15,000.00, and that the monthly salary of each Council Member be set at \$4,000.00.

FISCAL IMPACT

At present, the salary of the Mayor and members of the City Council is comprised of two components which are distinguished by the source of authority for the level of pay. The Mayor and City Council members receive a salary of \$600.00 per month to carry out their duties as Mayor and City Council members, respectively. This amount is set by the City Charter (City Charter, §504) and can only be changed by amendment of same. In addition, the Mayor and City Council members receive a salary for their service on various Boards, Commissions and similar government bodies.¹ The compensation received by the Mayor and City Council members for

¹ For example, the U.C.D.C., the Gaming Commission, the Housing Development Commission and the Public Finance Commission.

#3.

service on these Boards and Commissions is set by Resolution. Thus, sums received for service on Boards and Commissions, which is the larger component of the Mayor's and City Council members' salary, can vary.

As of July, 2010, the Mayor received a salary of \$4,600.00 per month for services rendered to the City of Compton. As of July, 2010, each member of the City Council received a salary of \$4,000.00 for services rendered to the City of Compton.

This resolution, if adopted by the Council and passed by the electorate, would set the salary of the Mayor and each member of the City Council in the City Charter, thereby requiring an amendment of the Charter to change these officials' salaries. If adopted and passed, the Mayor's salary would increase from \$4,600.00 per month to \$15,000.00 per month. If adopted and passed, the salary of each member of the City Council would remain the same. Thus, if adopted and passed, this measure would fix the cost to the City of Compton for salary attributable to the Mayor and the City Council at \$31,000.00 per month, a net increase of \$10,400 over the July, 2010, level of pay. These sums, however, would remain constant unless changed by Charter amendment, which would require a majority approval of the voters. Moreover, because the Mayor would be a full-time employee, rather than a part-time employee, the City may benefit from the increased and undivided attention devoted by the occupant of this office to his or her duties.

Adoption of a resolution defining the office of Mayor as a full-time position would, except as indicated above, yield no fiscal impact to the City.

RECOMMENDATION

City Council must adopt the attached resolution if it is to place this item on the April 19, 2011 ballot.

WILLIE NORFLEET
CITY MANAGER

RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COMPTON ORDERING THAT A BALLOT MEASURE RELATING TO THE EMPLOYMENT STATUS OF THE MAYOR AND THE COMPENSATION OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEMBERS, BE SUBMITTED TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF THE CITY AT THE PRIMARY ELECTION TO BE HELD ON TUESDAY, APRIL 19, 2011, AS CALLED BY ORDINANCE NUMBER 2218

WHEREAS, a Primary Nominating Election on Tuesday, April 19, 2011 has been called by Ordinance Number 2218, adopted on December 14, 2010; and

WHEREAS, the City Council desires to submit to the voters at such Primary Nominating Election a ballot measure relating to the employment status of the Mayor and the compensation of the Mayor and Council Members.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COMPTON DOES HEREBY RESOLVE AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. That the City Council, pursuant to its rights and authority, does hereby order submitted to the voters at such Primary Nominating Election the following ballot measure:

Shall Sections 500 and Section 600 of the Compton City Charter be amended effective July 1, 2011, to provide for the full-time employment of the position of Mayor and to authorize a monthly salary of \$15,000 for the Mayor and a monthly salary of \$4,000 for each Council Member as compensation for their duties with no compensation authorized for them as Members of City created authorities, boards, commissions, and similar bodies?	Yes
	No

SECTION 2. That the proposed measure submitted to the voters is attached as Exhibit A.

SECTION 3. That in all particulars not recited in this Resolution, the election shall be held and conducted as provided by law for holding municipal elections.

SECTION 4. The following constitutes the synopsis of the measures to be voted on for the purpose of meeting the publication requirements of Elections Code Section 12111:

Measure to: (1) amend Section 600 of the Compton City Charter to provide that performance of the duties of the office of Mayor shall be considered as the full-time employment of the person occupying that office; and (2) amend Section 504 of Compton City Charter effective July 1, 2011, to authorize a monthly salary of \$15,000 for the Mayor and a monthly salary of \$4,000 for each Council Member as compensation for their duties with no compensation authorized for them as Members of City created authorities, boards, commissions, and similar bodies.

SECTION 5. That notice of the time and place of holding the election is given and the City Clerk is authorized, instructed and directed to give further or additional notice of the election, in time, form and manner as required by law.

SECTION 6. That the Mayor shall sign and the City Clerk shall attest to the adoption of this Resolution.

ADOPTED this _____ day of _____, 2011.

MAYOR OF THE CITY OF COMPTON

ATTEST:

CITY CLERK OF THE CITY OF COMPTON

RESOLUTION NO. _____
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STATE OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
CITY OF COMPTON

I, Alita Godwin, City Clerk of the City of Compton, hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the City Council, signed by the Mayor, and attested to by the City Clerk at a regular meeting thereof held on the _____ day of _____, 2011.

That said resolution was adopted by the following vote, to wit:

AYES:	COUNCIL MEMBERS—
NOES:	COUNCIL MEMBERS—
ABSENT:	COUNCIL MEMBERS—
ABSTAINS:	COUNCIL MEMBERS—

CITY CLERK OF THE CITY OF COMPTON

EXHIBIT A – PROPOSED AMENDMENT OF CHARTER SECTION 504 AND SECTION 600

Section 504 of the Compton City Charter is hereby amended to read as follows (text to be deleted shown in ~~strike through~~ and text to be added shown in double-underline):

Section 504. Compensation of Members of the City Council, Various Boards and Commissions.

The members of the City Council shall receive reimbursement for necessary traveling and other expenses when on official duty out of the City on order of the City Council. In addition, effective July 1, 2011, members of the City Council, ~~and the Mayor,~~ shall receive a salary of ~~Six Hundred Four Thousand Dollars (\$600.00)~~ (\$4,000) per month, ~~and the Mayor shall receive a salary of Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000) per month.~~ The Mayor and the members of the City Council shall not receive compensation for service on any City created authority, board, commission, or similar body, but may receive reimbursement for necessary traveling and other expenses when on official duty out of the City on order of the governing body of such authority, board, commission, or similar body.

Other Elective Officers. The other elective officers, shall severally receive at stated time a compensation for their services in their respective capacities to be fixed by ordinance adopted by the City Council, which compensation for such services shall not be increased or diminished as to any such officer after his election or appointment and during his term of office, nor within thirty days prior to the date when nomination papers for the position may be filed.

Section 600 of the Compton City Charter is hereby amended to read as follows (text to be added shown in double-underline):

Section 600. Presiding Officer. Mayor. The member of the City Council to be nominated from the City at large and to be known as the Mayor shall be the presiding officer of the City Council. The performance of the duties of the office of Mayor shall be considered as the full-time employment of the person occupying that office. The Mayor shall have a voice and vote in all its proceedings. He shall be the official head of the City for all ceremonial purposes and he shall perform such other duties as may be prescribed by this Charter or as may be imposed by the City Council consistent with his office.

January 21, 2011

TO: MAYOR AND MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL

FROM: CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE

SUBJECT: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COMPTON ORDERING THAT A BALLOT MEASURE RELATING TO THE COMPENSATION OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEMBERS BE SUBMITTED TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF THE CITY AT THE PRIMARY NOMINATING ELECTION TO BE HELD ON TUESDAY, APRIL 19, 2011, AS CALLED BY ORDINANCE NUMBER 2218

SUMMARY

The attached Resolution authorizes a measure to be placed on the April 19, 2011, ballot to authorize charter amendments for a change in the rate of compensation of the Mayor and Council Members.

BACKGROUND

The Compton City Charter serves as the local Constitution for the City of Compton and authorizes the City to control municipal affairs. To amend a City Charter section requires a majority approval of the voters.

A Primary Nominating Election on Tuesday, April 19, 2011, has been called by Ordinance Number 2218 and adopted on December 14, 2010. City Council proposes that a measure be presented to the voters that would amend the City Charter to provide that the monthly salary of the Mayor be set at \$5,000.00, and that the monthly salary of each Council Member be set at \$4,000.00.

FISCAL IMPACT

At present, the salary of the Mayor and members of the City Council is comprised of two components which are distinguished by the source of authority for the level of pay. The Mayor and City Council members receive a salary of \$600.00 per month to carry out their duties as Mayor and City Council members, respectively. This amount is set by the City Charter (City Charter, §504) and can only be changed by amendment of same. In addition, the Mayor and City Council members receive a salary for their service on various Boards, Commissions and similar government bodies.¹ The compensation received by the Mayor and City Council members for service on these Boards and Commissions is set by Resolution. Thus, sums received for service

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on Boards and Commissions, which is the larger component of the Mayor's and City Council members' salary, can vary.

As of July, 2010, the Mayor received a salary of \$4,600.00 per month for services rendered to the City of Compton. As of July, 2010, each member of the City Council received a salary of \$4,000.00 for services rendered to the City of Compton.

This resolution, if adopted by the Council and passed by the electorate, would set the salary of the Mayor and each member of the City Council in the City Charter, thereby requiring an amendment of the Charter to change these officials' salaries. If adopted and passed, the Mayor's salary would increase from \$4,600.00 per month to \$5,000.00 per month. If adopted and passed, the salary of each member of the City Council would remain the same. Thus, if adopted and passed, this measure would fix the cost to the City of Compton for salary attributable to the Mayor and the City Council at \$21,000.00 per month, a net increase of \$400.00 per month over the July, 2010, level of pay. These sums, however, would remain constant unless changed by Charter amendment, which would require a majority approval of the voters.

RECOMMENDATION

City Council must adopt the attached resolution in order to place this item on the April 19, 2011 ballot.

WILLIE NORFLEET
CITY MANAGER

RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COMPTON ORDERING THAT A BALLOT MEASURE RELATING TO THE COMPENSATION OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEMBERS BE SUBMITTED TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF THE CITY AT THE PRIMARY NOMINATING ELECTION TO BE HELD ON TUESDAY, APRIL 19, 2011, AS CALLED BY ORDINANCE NUMBER 2218

WHEREAS, a Primary Nominating Election on Tuesday, April 19, 2011 has been called by Ordinance Number 2218, adopted on December 14, 2010; and

WHEREAS, the City Council desires to submit to the voters at such Primary Nominating Election a ballot measure relating to the compensation of the Mayor and Council Members.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COMPTON DOES HEREBY RESOLVE AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. That the City Council, pursuant to its rights and authority, does hereby order submitted to the voters at such Primary Nominating Election the following ballot measure:

Shall Section 504 of the Compton City Charter be amended effective July 1, 2011, to authorize a monthly salary of \$5,000 for the Mayor and a monthly salary of \$4,000 for each Council Member as compensation for their duties with no compensation authorized for them as Members of City created authorities, boards, commissions, and similar bodies?	Yes
	No

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SECTION 3. That in all particulars not recited in this Resolution, the election shall be held and conducted as provided by law for holding municipal elections.

SECTION 4. The following constitutes the synopsis of the measure to be voted on for the purpose of meeting the publication requirements of Elections Code Section 12111:

Measure to amend Section 504 of Compton City Charter effective July 1, 2011, to authorize a monthly salary of \$5,000 for the Mayor and a monthly salary of \$4,000 for each Council Member as compensation for their duties with no compensation authorized for them as Members of City created authorities, boards, commissions, and similar bodies.

SECTION 5. That notice of the time and place of holding the election is given and the City Clerk is authorized, instructed and directed to give further or additional notice of the election, in time, form and manner as required by law.

SECTION 6. That the Mayor shall sign and the City Clerk shall attest to the adoption of this Resolution.

ADOPTED this _____ day of _____, 2011.

MAYOR OF THE CITY OF COMPTON

ATTEST:

CITY CLERK OF THE CITY OF COMPTON

STATE OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
CITY OF COMPTON

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I, Alita Godwin, City Clerk of the City of Compton, hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the City Council, signed by the Mayor, and attested to by the City Clerk at a regular meeting thereof held on the _____ day of _____, 2011.

That said resolution was adopted by the following vote, to wit:

AYES:	COUNCIL MEMBERS—
NOES:	COUNCIL MEMBERS—
ABSENT:	COUNCIL MEMBERS—
ABSTAINS:	COUNCIL MEMBERS—

CITY CLERK OF THE CITY OF COMPTON

EXHIBIT A – PROPOSED AMENDMENT OF CHARTER SECTION 504

Section 504 of the Compton City Charter is hereby amended to read as follows (text to be deleted shown in ~~strike through~~ and text to be added shown in double-underline):

Section 504. Compensation of Members of the City Council, Various Boards and Commissions.
~~The members of the City Council shall receive reimbursement for necessary traveling and other expenses when on official duty out of the City on order of the City Council. In addition, Effective July 1, 2011,~~
members of the City Council, ~~and the Mayor,~~ shall receive a salary of ~~Six Hundred Four Thousand Dollars (\$600.00)~~ (\$4,000) per month, ~~and the Mayor shall receive a salary of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000) per month.~~ The Mayor and the members of the City Council shall not receive any additional compensation for service on any City created authority, board, commission, or similar body, but may receive reimbursement for necessary traveling and other expenses when on official duty out of the City on order of the governing body of such authority, board, commission, or similar body.

Other Elective Officers. The other elective officers, shall severally receive at stated time a compensation for their services in their respective capacities to be fixed by ordinance adopted by the City Council, which compensation for such services shall not be increased or diminished as to any such officer after his election or appointment and during his term of office, nor within thirty days prior to the date when nomination papers for the position may be filed.

