TOWN OF LOOMIS

MEASURE A

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS (FAQS)



MARCH 5, 2024 ELECTION

*What is Measure A?

Measure A asks voters in the Town of Loomis to consider making the Town Clerk's Office appointive rather than elective.

*What is an elected Town Clerk?

Any Loomis resident 18 years or older can become a candidate for elected Town Clerk and no other qualifications or accountability can be required. Once elected, acceptable performance is the purview of the voters and a recall election is the remedy for lack of performance.

*Is it common to have an elected Town Clerk?

Elected Town Clerks only account for approximately 27% of California's 482 cities.

*Why is Measure A on the ballot now?

At the request of the current Loomis Town Clerk on November 14, 2023, following a lengthy discussion of the evolution of the elected Town Clerk's role, Town Council members agreed to ask voters during the March 2024 election, if they want the Town Clerk to be appointed rather than elected. Click here to view the video recording of this meeting, Loomis Town Council November 14, 2023 meeting - YouTube

*What changes will Loomis citizens see if Measure A is approved?

For many years, the day-to-day work of the Town Clerk's Office has been done entirely by a full-time staff member, the Deputy Town Clerk. Under Measure A, the same work would continue to be handled by that position and retitled "Town Clerk." The budget would show a decrease of one elected position. Specific qualifications and certification requirements would be added to the Town Clerk's job description to ensure the person in the position had appropriate skills. An appointed Town Clerk would be held accountable for job performance by the Town Council and the Town Manager.

*Who would appoint the Town Clerk under Measure A?

The law assigns this responsibility to the Town Council.

*Would approval of Measure A save money?

The City would see an immediate savings of \$600 every year, the value of the salary currently authorized for the elected Town Clerk. Since an appointed position would not require any further elections, there would also be a small amount of savings in the Town's election costs every four years.

Questions?

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