

PROPOSITION 401

PROPOSAL BY THE CITY COUNCIL TO AMEND CITY CHARTER ARTICLE IX, SECTION 6, ENTITLED “MAJORITY TO ELECT IN PRIMARY”

SHALL ARTICLE IX, SECTION 6 OF THE CITY CHARTER ENTITLED “MAJORITY TO ELECT IN PRIMARY” BE AMENDED AS FOLLOWS?

A. At the primary election any candidate who shall receive a majority of all the valid ~~ballots~~ VOTES cast at such election ~~for that office~~ shall be declared elected to the office for which THE PERSON ~~he~~ is a candidate, and no further election shall be held as to said candidate.

B. FOR THE PURPOSES OF THIS SECTION, THE MAJORITY OF VOTES CAST IS DETERMINED BY:

1. CALCULATING THE TOTAL NUMBER OF ACTUAL VOTES CAST FOR ALL CANDIDATES FOR AN OFFICE WHOSE NAMES WERE LAWFULLY ON THE BALLOT FOR THAT OFFICE;
2. DIVIDING THE SUM REACHED PURSUANT TO PARAGRAPH 1 OF THIS SUBSECTION BY THE NUMBER OF SEATS TO BE FILLED FOR THE OFFICE;
3. DIVIDING THE NUMBER REACHED PURSUANT TO PARAGRAPH 2 OF THIS SUBSECTION BY TWO AND ROUNDING THAT NUMBER TO THE HIGHEST WHOLE NUMBER.

C. IF MORE CANDIDATES RECEIVE A MAJORITY OF VOTES CAST THAN THERE ARE SEATS TO BE FILLED FOR THE OFFICE PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION, FROM AMONG THOSE CANDIDATES WHO RECEIVE A MAJORITY OF VOTES CAST, THE CANDIDATES WHO SHALL RECEIVE THE HIGHEST NUMBER OF VOTES EQUAL TO THE NUMBER OF SEATS TO BE FILLED FOR THE OFFICE SHALL BE DECLARED ELECTED TO THAT OFFICE.

FULL BALLOT TEXT:

OFFICIAL TITLE: PROPOSAL BY THE CITY COUNCIL TO AMEND CITY CHARTER ARTICLE IX, SECTION 6 ENTITLED “MAJORITY TO ELECT IN PRIMARY”

DESCRIPTIVE TITLE: AMENDMENT TO THE CITY CHARTER SHALL REVISE THE MAJORITY CALCULATION FOR DETERMINING ELECTION IN THE PRIMARY TO MIRROR ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES.

A “YES” vote shall have the effect of revising Article IX, Section 6 of the City Charter of calculating the majority to elect in primary elections by mirroring state statute.

A “NO” vote shall have the effect of maintaining the current wording.