

Resolution determining that the proposed citizen-initiated “Petition for Charter Amendment related to the Prohibition of the Use, Acquisition and Sale of Desalinated Water” failed to comply with Texas Local Government Code § 9.004 because it was not signed by at least 5% of the qualified voters of the City of Corpus Christi, Texas

Whereas, the City Council finds that the City had 152,502 qualified voters on July 30, 2020;

Whereas, Tex. Local Gov’t Code § 9.004(a) provides (a) The governing body of a municipality on its own motion may submit a proposed charter amendment to the municipality's qualified voters for their approval at an election. The governing body shall submit a proposed charter amendment to the voters for their approval at an election if the submission is supported by a petition signed by a number of qualified voters of the municipality equal to at least five percent of the number of qualified voters of the municipality or 20,000, whichever number is the smaller.

Whereas, 5% of 152,502 qualified voters is 7,625;

Whereas, on July 30, 2020, 4,227 unverified signatures were submitted to the City Secretary’s office requesting approval of a proposed citizen-initiated “Petition for Charter Amendment related to the Prohibition of the Use, Acquisition and Sale of Desalinated Water”;

Whereas, the maximum number of potentially verified signatures requesting approval of a proposed citizen-initiated “Petition for Charter Amendment related to the Prohibition of the Use, Acquisition and Sale of Desalinated Water” would not meet the minimum number of signatures required for mandatory submission of a citizen-initiated charter amendment at an election.

Now therefore, be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Corpus Christi, Texas:

Due to the failure of the petitioners to meet the minimum number of signatures required by Tex. Local Gov’t Code § 9.004 for submission of a citizen-initiated charter amendment to the voters for an election thereon, the City Council determines that no further action is legally required or appropriate to be performed on the aforesaid petition.

PASSED AND APPROVED on the _____ day of _____, 2020:

Joe McComb _____

Roland Barrera _____

Rudy Garza _____

Paulette M. Guajardo _____

Gil Hernandez _____

Michael Hunter _____

Ben Molina _____

Everett Roy

Greg Smith

ATTEST:

CITY OF CORPUS CHRISTI

Rebecca Huerta
City Secretary

Joe McComb
Mayor