RESOLUTION NO. 2020-57

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALBANY, CALIFORNIA, SUBMITTING TO THE QUALIFIED VOTERS OF THE CITY OF ALBANY A MEASURE ADDING CHAPTER 7 TO THE ALBANY MUNICIPAL CODE TO ESTABLISH RANKED CHOICE VOTING AS THE MEANS OF ELECTING MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL AND BOARD OF EDUCATION; AT A GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION TO BE CONSOLIDATED WITH THE STATEWIDE GENERAL ELECTION TO BE HELD ON NOVEMBER 3, 2020; AND SETTING RULES AND DEADLINES FOR THE SUBMITTAL OF ARGUMENTS FOR AND AGAINST THE MEASURE

WHEREAS, local initiative proponents drafted a measure entitled the "Ranked Choice Voting Initiative" (the "Measure"), proposing to add a new Chapter 7 to the Albany Municipal Code which would establish ranked choice voting as the means of electing Members of the City Council and Board of Education; and

WHEREAS, the Measure's initiative proponents filed the initial Notice of Intent to Circulate an Initiative Petition proposing the Measure on January 22, 2020; and

WHEREAS, while the initiative proponents had begun circulating a petition for voter signatures in an effort to qualify the Measure pursuant to the California Elections Code, the proponents were forced to halt their efforts on March 16, 2020 due to the Shelter-in-Place Order that was issued on that date by Alameda County to address the outbreak of the COVID-19 virus; and

WHEREAS, due to halting their efforts, the initiative proponents have been unable to gather the signatures of at least ten percent (10%) of Albany registered voter signatures as required by the California Elections Code in order to qualify the Measure for the November 3, 2020 General Municipal Election as an initiative; and

WHEREAS, while the Measure has not qualified as an initiative, the City Council, nonetheless, desires to give Albany voters the opportunity to vote on the Measure at the November 3, 2020 General Municipal Election; and

WHEREAS, California Elections Code section 9222 authorizes the City Council to submit local measures to the voters on its own authority and without an initiative petition; and

WHEREAS, the City Council desires to consolidate the General Municipal election for the Measure described herein with the Statewide General Election to be held on November 3, 2020; and

WHEREAS, the City Council further desires to set rules and deadlines for the submittal of written arguments and rebuttals for and against the Measure; and

WHEREAS, the specific terms of the Measure are provided for in the ordinance to be considered by the qualified voters, attached hereto as Exhibit "A" and by this reference made an operative part hereof, and in accordance with all applicable laws.

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

Section 1-Recitals. The City Council of the City hereby finds and determines that the foregoing recitals are true and correct, are incorporated herein and by this reference made an operative part hereof.

Section 2-Submission of Ballot Measure. The City Council of the City, pursuant to its right and authority as contained in California Elections Code section 9222, hereby orders

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the Measure attached hereto as Exhibit "A" to be submitted to the qualified voters of the City at the General Municipal Election to be held and consolidated with the Statewide General Election on Tuesday, November 3, 2020. The proposed Measure shall be in the form attached hereto as Exhibit "A" to this Resolution and is incorporated by this reference as if fully set forth herein.

Section 3-Ballot Question. The City Council, pursuant to its right and authority under California Elections Code, does hereby order that the ballot question for the Measure shall be presented and printed upon the ballot submitted to the qualified voters in the manner and form set forth in this Section 3. On the ballot to be submitted to the qualified voters at the election to be held at the General Municipal election to be consolidated with the Statewide General Election on Tuesday, November 3, 2020, in addition to any other matters required by law,

> "Shall a measure be adopted to change the current method of YES electing City Council and Board of Education Members from obtaining a plurality of votes to Ranked Choice Voting, in NO order to make Albany's elections more representative of the votes and preferences of its voters?"

Section 4-Election Procedures/Request for Consolidation.

there shall be printed substantially the following ballot question:

- The City Council consents to the consolidation of the election on this (A) Measure with all other elections being held in the same territory on November 3, 2020, and to hold and conduct the consolidated election in the manner prescribed in Election Code Section 10418.
- The ballots to be used at the election shall be in the form and content as (B) required by law.

- (C) In accordance with Section 10403 of the Elections Code, the Board of Supervisors of Alameda County is hereby requested to consent to consolidation of the election on this Measure with the Statewide General Election and all other elections being held in the same territory on November 3, 2020, and to having the Registrar of Voters render such election services to the City of Albany as may be requested by the City Clerk of said City, the County of Alameda to be reimbursed in full for such services as are performed.
- (D) The election services which the City of Albany requests the Registrar of Voters, or such other official as may be appropriate, to perform and which such officer is hereby authorized and directed to perform, if said Board of Supervisors consents, include: the preparation, printing and mailing of sample ballots and polling place cards; the establishment or appointment of precincts, polling places, vote centers, and election officers, and making such publications as are required by law in connection therewith; the furnishing of ballots, voting booths, vote centers, and other necessary supplies or materials for polling places; the canvassing of the returns of the election and the furnishing of the results of such canvassing to the City Clerk of the City of Albany; and the performance of such other election services as may be requested by the City Clerk.
- (E) The City Clerk is authorized, instructed and directed to coordinate with the Alameda County Registrar of Voters to procure and furnish any and all official ballots, notices, printed matter and all supplies, equipment and paraphernalia, or cause such actions to be made, that may be necessary in order to properly and lawfully conduct the election.
- (F) That the precincts, ballot drop box locations and hours of operations, vote center locations and hours of operations, vote-by-mail procedures

- and timing, the election officers, and all other persons and procedures for the General Municipal Election shall be the same as those utilized by the County of Alameda; and
- (G) In all particulars not recited in this Resolution, the election shall be held and conducted as provided by law for holding municipal elections in the City.
- (H) 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.
- (I) All ballots shall be tallied at a central counting place and not at the precincts. Said central counting place shall be at a County center as designated by the Registrar of Voters.
- (J) The Alameda County Registrar of Voters is hereby authorized to canvass the returns of said election.
- (K) The City Clerk of the City of Albany shall receive the canvass as it pertains to the election on the measure, and shall certify the results to the City Council, as required by law.

Section 5-Arguments and Analysis.

(A) The City Council authorizes (i) the City Council or any member(s) of the City Council, (ii) any individual voter eligible to vote on the above Measure, (iii) a bona fide association of such citizens or (iv) any combination of voters and associations, to file a written argument in favor of or against the City Measure, in accordance with Article 4, Chapter 3, Division 9 of the Elections Code of the State of California and may change the argument until 12:00 p.m. of August 14, 2020 after which no arguments for or against the Measure may be submitted to the City Clerk. Arguments in favor of or against the Measure shall each not

exceed 300 words in length. Each argument shall be filed with the City Clerk, signed, and include the printed name(s) and signature(s) of the author(s) submitting it, or if submitted on behalf of an organization, the name of the organization, and the printed name and signature of at least one of its principal officers who is the author of the argument.

- (B) The City Clerk shall comply with all provisions of law establishing priority of arguments for printing and distribution to the voters, and shall take all necessary actions to cause the selected arguments to be printed and distributed to the voters.
- Pursuant to Section 9280 of the Elections Code, the City Council directs (C) the City Clerk to transmit a copy of the Measure to the City Attorney. The City Attorney shall prepare an impartial analysis of the Measure, not to exceed 500 words in length, showing the effect of the Measure on the existing law and the operation of the Measure. The City Attorney shall transmit such impartial analysis to the City Clerk, who shall cause the analysis to be published in the ballot pamphlet along with the ballot measure as provided by law. The Impartial Analysis shall be transmitted to the City Clerk not later than the deadline set by the County of Alameda. The impartial analysis shall include a statement indicating whether the Measure was placed on the ballot by a petition signed by the requisite number of voters of by the City Council. In the event the entire text of the Measure is not printed on the ballot, nor in the voter information portion of the sample ballot, there shall be printed immediately below the impartial analysis, in no less than 10-font bold type, the following: "The above statement is an impartial analysis of Ordinance or Measure ____. If you desire a copy of the ordinance or measure, please call the election official's office at 510-528-5710 and a copy will be mailed at no cost to you."

Section 6-Rebuttals.

- (A) That pursuant to Section 9285 of the Elections Code of the State of California, when the Clerk has selected the arguments for and against the various City initiated Measures which will be printed and distributed to the voters, the Clerk shall send copies of the argument in favor of the Measures to the authors of the argument against, and copies of the argument against to the authors of the argument in favor. The authors or persons designated by them may prepare and submit rebuttal arguments not exceeding 250 words. The rebuttal arguments shall be filed with the City Clerk not later than 12:00 p.m. of August 21, 2020. Rebuttal arguments shall be printed in the same manner as the direct arguments. Each rebuttal argument shall immediately follow the direct argument which it seeks to rebut.
- (B) That the provisions herein shall apply only to the election to be held on November 3, 2020, and shall then be repealed.

Section 7-Placement on the Ballot. The full text of the ballot Measure shall be printed in the voter pamphlet, and a statement shall be printed in the ballot pursuant to Section 9223 of the Elections Code advising voters that they may obtain a copy of this Resolution and the ballot Measure, at no cost, upon request made to the City Clerk.

Section 8-Delivery of Resolution to County. The City Clerk shall certify to the passage and adoption of this Resolution and enter it into the book of original resolutions. The City Council directs the City Clerk to deliver copies of this Resolution, including the ballot Measure attached hereto as Exhibit "A", to the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors of Alameda County and to the Registrar of Voters of Alameda County not later than 88 days prior to the Special Municipal Election.

Section 9-CEQA. The City Council hereby finds and determines that the ballot measure relates to organizational or administrative activities of governments that will not result in direct or indirect physical changes in the environment, and therefore is not a project within the meaning of the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA") and the State CEQA Guidelines, section 15378(b)(5).

Section 10-Severability. If any provision of this Resolution or the application thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications of the Resolution which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this Resolution are severable. The City Council hereby declares that it would have adopted this Resolution irrespective of the invalidity of any particular portion thereof.

Section 11-Effective Date of Resolution. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

The undersigned hereby certifies that the foregoing is a full, true, and complete copy of the Resolution duly passed and adopted by the City Council of the City of Albany at a regular meeting thereof on the 15th day of June 2020.

Mick Pilch, Mayor



City of Albany

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PASSED AND APPROVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALBANY,

The 15th day of June, 2020, by the following votes:

AYES: Council Members Barnes, Maass, McQuaid, Nason, and Mayor Pilch

NOES: none

ABSENT: none

ABSTAINED: none

RECUSED: none

WITNESS MY HAND AND THE SEAL OF THE CITY OF ALBANY, this

16th day of June, 2020.

Anne Hsu CITY CLERK

EXHIBIT "A"

ORDINANCE NO. 2020-07

AN ORDINANCE OF THE PEOPLE OF THE CITY OF ALBANY, CALIFORNIA, ADDING CHAPTER 7 TO THE ALBANY MUNICIPAL CODE TO ESTABLISH RANKED CHOICE VOTING AS THE MEANS OF ELECTING MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL AND BOARD OF EDUCATION

NOW THEREFORE, THE PEOPLE OF THE CITY OF ALBANY DO ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1:

Subject to the approval of a majority of the voters of the City of Albany at the scheduled election so designated by the City Council in a separate resolution placing this proposal on the ballot for such election, Chapter 7 is hereby added to the Albany Municipal Code as provided for in Attachment "1," and is incorporated by this reference as if fully set forth herein. with the codified portion of the ordinance starting with Article IV.

SECTION 2:

If any portion of this Ordinance is declared invalid by a court of law or other legal body with applicable authority, the invalidity shall not affect or prohibit the force and effect of any other provision or application of the Ordinance that is not deemed invalid. The voters of the City hereby declare that they would have voted for the adoption of this Ordinance, and each portion thereof, regardless of the fact that any portion of the Ordinance may be subsequently deemed invalid.

SECTION 3:

To the fullest extent allowed by law, the provisions of this Ordinance shall prevail over, and supersede, all other provisions of the Municipal Code and any ordinances, resolutions or administrative policies of the City of Albany which are in conflict with any provision of this Ordinance.

SECTION 4:

This Ordinance shall not be amended or repealed, unless (1) a majority of voters vote to do so at a general municipal election, provided that the ballot measure was placed on the ballot by way of (a) initiative petition, or (b) the affirmative vote of at least four (4) members of the five-member City Council, irrespective of any absences, recusals, or vacancies at the time of such vote; or (2) the City Council votes to do so by the affirmative vote of at least four (4) members of the five-member City Council, irrespective of any absences, recusals, or vacancies at the time of such vote.

SECTION 5:

This Ordinance shall take effect only if approved by a majority of the eligible voters of the City of Albany voting at a General Municipal election to be held on November 3, 2020, and shall take effect ten (10) days after the City Council has certified the results of the General Municipal election by resolution.

SECTION 6:

The Mayor is hereby authorized to attest to the adoption of this Ordinance by the People voting thereon on November 3, 2020, by signing where indicated below.

I hereby certify that the foregoing Ordinance was passed, approved and adopted by the People of the City of Albany on the 3rd day of November, 2020.

Dated: 12/15/2020

Nick Pilch, Mayor

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Anne Hsu, City Clerk

Mala Subramanian, City Attorney

ATTACHMENT 1

RECITALS

WHEREAS, Voter Choice Albany drafted a measure entitled the Ranked Choice Voting Initiative (the "RCV Initiative"), which adds a new chapter to the Albany Municipal Code.

WHEREAS, the Notice of Intent to circulate a Petition supporting the RCV Initiative was filed on Jan. 22, 2020.

WHEREAS, on Mar. 16, 2020, Voter Choice Albany was forced to halt its efforts to circulate the Petition, due to the Shelter-in-Place Order that was issued on that date by Alameda County.

WHEREAS, but for the outbreak of the COVID-19 pandemic, the RCV Initiative could have garnered the voter support necessary to qualify for the Nov. 3, 2020 General Municipal Election.

NOW, THEREFORE, to ensure that the voters may vote on the RCV Initiative, the City Council resolves to place the RCV Initiative on the ballot for the Nov. 3, 2020 General Municipal Election, pursuant to Section 5.01 of the City Charter and Section 306 of the Elections Code, in the following form:

THE RANKED CHOICE VOTING INITIATIVE

The people of the City of Albany do ordain as follows:

ARTICLE I TITLE

This Initiative shall be known and referred to as "The Ranked Choice Voting Initiative".

ARTICLE II FINDINGS AND PURPOSE

After three years of study, Albany's Charter Review Committee found Ranked Choice Voting at large to be the best method for electing Albany's City Council and Board of Education, and unanimously recommended that Albany transition to this method. Currently, members of both bodies are elected by plurality at large ("first past the post") regime. A significant body of academic research has found that the plurality at large regime acts as a

substantial barrier to representation for all groups other than the majority – or can, in certain cases, result in an outcome where a powerful minority wrests control of every single seat. As such, the plurality at large regime produces election results that do not accurately reflect the votes and preferences of Albany electors. Besides being unfair, such an election regime reduces voter turnout and weakens the effectiveness of our democracy.

In 2018 the Charter Review Committee presented its recommendation to the City Council and the Board of Education. On this basis, the Board of Education unanimously requested that the City Council place a Charter amendment on the ballot to transition to Ranked Choice Voting at large for electing the Board. Two Councilmembers supported placing this question in front of the voters, while three Councilmembers denied both the Charter Review Committee's recommendation and the Board of Education's request.

This Initiative adds a chapter to the Albany Municipal Code for the purpose of instituting Ranked Choice Voting at large for electing members of the City Council – which, pursuant to Paragraph (a) of Section 6.01 of the City Charter, will have the effect of instituting Ranked Choice Voting at large for electing members of the Board of Education. Ranked Choice Voting will make Albany's elections more representative of the votes and preferences of its voters. This will improve Albany's democracy by providing representation for a broader range of perspectives on its governing bodies, as well as reducing the chance that a powerful minority can capture control of our government. This change will also increase voter turnout. Continued inaction represents a risk to not just the quality of governance of Albany, but to members of our community whose voices are not being heard under the current regime.

ARTICLE III SEVERABILITY.

Each provision of this Initiative is severable. If any provision is held to be invalid, that invalidity shall not affect any other provision that can be given effect without the invalid provision. This Initiative shall become effective upon passage.

ARTICLE IV ADDITION OF CHAPTER 7 TO THE MUNICIPAL CODE.

Chapter 7 (Ranked Choice Voting Elections) is hereby added to the Albany Municipal Code, as follows:

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GENERAL PROVISIONS AND DEFINITIONS §7.1

Enacted pursuant to Section 5.01 of the Albany City Charter (the "City §7-1.1 Charter"), this Chapter provides the manner by which members ("Members") of the Albany City Council shall be elected. Specifically, Ranked Choice Voting shall be used for electing Members, at large, during each general municipal election, beginning with the November 8, 2022 general municipal election. Ranked Choice Voting shall also be used for electing Members, at large, during any special election called after November 8, 2022.

This Chapter establishes procedures to be used in Ranked Choice §7-1.2 Voting elections, and shall be liberally construed to give effect to its purposes. This Chapter may not be amended or repealed, unless (1) a majority of voters vote to do so at a general municipal election, provided that the ballot measure was placed on the ballot by way of (a) initiative petition, or (b) the affirmative vote of at least four (4) members of the five-member City Council, irrespective of any absences, recusals, or vacancies at the time of such vote; or (2) the City Council votes to do so by the affirmative vote of at least four (4) members of the five-member City Council, irrespective of any absences, recusals, or vacancies at the time of such vote.

Ranked Choice Voting is a method that allows voters to rank candidates §7-1.3 for elected office in order of preference. Elections conducted by Ranked Choice Voting shall be used for single-seat and multi-seat elections. Elections conducted by Ranked Choice Voting are tabulated in rounds, as specified in this Chapter.

For purposes of this Chapter, the following terms have the following §7-1.4 meanings:

- "City Clerk" means the City Clerk of the City of Albany, or his or her a. designee.
- "Continuing candidate" means a candidate who has not yet been b. designated as elected or defeated.
- "Election threshold" means the number of votes sufficient for a c. candidate to be elected in a multi-seat contest. The election threshold

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equals the total votes counted for candidates in the first round of tabulation, divided by the sum of one plus the number of seats to be filled, then adding one, disregarding any fractions. Expressed as a formula, the election threshold = $[(Total \ votes \ cast)/(Seats \ to \ be \ elected+1)] + 1$, with any fraction disregarded.

- d. "Exhausted ballot" means a ballot with a ranking marked for at least one candidate but that does not contain a ranking for any continuing candidate, making the ballot unable to be transferred to another continuing candidate.
- e. "Exhausted by overvote" means an instance in which a voter has ranked more than one candidate at the same ranking.
- f. "Highest ranked continuing candidate" means the continuing candidate on a voter's ballot with the lowest numerical ranking.
- g. "Multi-seat election" means an election in which two or more candidates can be designated as elected in a single contest to fill multiple seats in the same publicly elected office. This may also be referred to as a multi-winner election.
- h. "Ranking" means the number assigned to a candidate by a voter that establishes the order in which that voter's ballot is transferred at the transfer value to that candidate during tabulation.
- i. "Seat" means an elected position occupied by one person, one or more of which form a publicly elected office.
- j. "Single-seat election" means an election in which only one continuing candidate can be designated as elected in the contest. This may also be referred to as a single-winner election.
- k. "Skipped ranking" means a voter has left a ranking order unassigned but ranks a candidate at a subsequent ranking order.

- 1. "Special election" means any election that may be called to fill vacancies or unexpired terms pursuant to the City Charter.
- m. "Surplus fraction" means a number equal to the quotient of the difference between an elected candidate's vote total and the election threshold, divided by the candidate's vote total (or, expressed as a formula, (V-T)/V, in which "V" is the elected candidate's vote total and "T" is the election threshold), rounded down to four decimal places.
- n. "Transfer value" means the proportion of a vote that a ballot will contribute to its highest ranked continuing candidate. If a ballot contributes to the election of a candidate, it receives a new transfer value pursuant to Subparagraph (3) of Paragraph (a) of Section §7-3.6.
- §7-1.5 Ballots with Skipped Rankings and Overvotes
 - a. If a ballot contains a skipped ranking, the ballot shall be transferred to the highest ranked continuing candidate. Just as one example, suppose that a ballot contains rankings for a voter's second choice, third choice, and fourth choice (i.e., the voter skipped his or her first-choice ranking). Assuming that the voter's second choice is a continuing candidate, the ballot shall be transferred to the voter's second choice.
 - b. If a ballot contains an overvote, it shall count as an exhausted ballot when the overvote is reached.
- §7-1.6 There shall be no nomination of candidates and no write-in candidates to succeed any Member who is the subject of a recall petition. If a Member is recalled, his or her successor shall be determined pursuant to the procedures set forth to fill vacancies under the City Charter.
- §7-1.7 Any special election called for the same date as a general municipal election must be consolidated with the general municipal election. If they are not consolidated

with a general municipal election, two or more special elections to elect Members must themselves be consolidated, provided that those special elections have been called for the same date.

- §7-1.8 All consolidated elections of Members will be combined into one multiseat election. Any longer terms to be filled shall be awarded to the candidates who are first to be declared or designated as elected, and any shorter terms shall be awarded to the candidates who are last to be declared or designated as elected.
- §7-1.9 If any special election is not consolidated pursuant to Section 7-1.8, it shall be held using Ranked Choice Voting in a single-seat election, on the date of the next regularly established election to be held throughout the City of Albany at least 114 days from the call of the special election.

§7.2 VOTING

- §7-2.1 The ballot shall allow voters to assign a different ranking to every candidate, as well as to write-in candidates. If the voting equipment used by the City Clerk cannot feasibly accommodate that number of rankings on the ballot, the City Clerk may limit the number of candidates that a voter may rank to the maximum number allowed by the equipment.
- §7-2.2 Voters may rank as few candidates as they prefer or as many as they prefer subject to any limitation on the maximum number of candidates established by the City Clerk pursuant to Section §7-2.1.

§7.3 VOTE COUNTING

- §7-3.1 This Subchapter (§7-3) establishes the procedures for electing candidates in single-seat and multi-seat elections using Ranked Choice Voting.
- §7-3.2 In an election conducted by Ranked Choice Voting, the City Clerk shall provide ballot instructions that make clear the proper voting procedures for voting in a Ranked Choice Voting election.
- §7-3.3 Each ballot's vote is initially assigned to the highest ranked candidate on that ballot at a transfer value of one.

§7-3.4 If the number of candidates is equal to or less than the seats to be filled, each candidate is declared elected. The number of votes for each candidate is counted and tabulation is complete. Otherwise tabulation proceeds in accord with Section 7-3.5 for a single-seat election or Section 7-3.6 for a multi-seat election.

§7-3.5 Single-Seat Election Tabulation

- a. Vote tabulation proceeds in rounds as follows:
 - 1. Each ballot is counted for the highest ranked continuing candidate on that ballot. If there are only two continuing candidates, the candidate with more votes is declared the winner of the election, and tabulation is complete. Otherwise, tabulation proceeds pursuant to Subparagraph (2) immediately below.
 - 2. The candidate with the fewest votes is defeated, and votes for the defeated candidate are transferred to the highest ranked continuing candidate of each affected ballot. If two or more candidates are tied with the fewest number of votes, the candidate to be defeated shall be determined by lot. A new round of tabulation starts again pursuant to Subparagraph (1) immediately above.

§7-3.6 Multi-Seat Election Tabulation

- a. Vote tabulation proceeds in rounds as follows:
 - 1. Each ballot is counted, at its current transfer value, for the highest ranked continuing candidate on that ballot. If there is at least one candidate with more votes than the election threshold, each candidate with more votes than the election threshold is designated as elected. If the number of elected candidates is equal to the number of seats to be filled, the

tabulation is complete. Otherwise, tabulation proceeds
pursuant to Subparagraph (2) immediately below.

- 2. If any ballot counted for a candidate who has been designated as elected and who has surplus fraction greater than zero has not been assigned a new transfer value after that candidate was designated as elected, the tabulation proceeds pursuant to Subparagraph (3) immediately below. Otherwise, the tabulation proceeds pursuant to Subparagraph (4) below.
- 3. Of the candidate or candidates who have been designated as elected, the candidate with the greatest number of votes (with any tie decided by lot) is deemed to have a number of votes equal to the election threshold for the contest in all subsequent rounds. Each ballot counted for that candidate is assigned a new transfer value, by multiplying the ballot's current transfer value by the surplus fraction for the elected candidate, rounded down to four decimal places. Tabulation continues pursuant to Subparagraph (1) above.
- 4. If the total number of elected and continuing candidates is equal to the number of seats to be filled, the continuing candidates are designated as elected and the tabulation is complete. Otherwise, the continuing candidate with the fewest votes is defeated, and a new round of tabulation begins pursuant to Subparagraph (1) above.

§7.4 REPORTING

- §7-4.1 For purposes of this Chapter, the following terms have the following meanings:
 - a. "Ballot report" means a report in plain text electronic format that lists all of the following for each ballot counted in the tabulation:

1		1.	The candidate indicated at each ranking.
2		2.	The precinct in which the ballot was cast.
3		3.	Whether the ballot was cast by mail.
4	b.	"Summary report" means a report that lists all of the following:	
5		1.	The number of ballots counted.
6		2.	The votes received by each candidate in each round of the
7			tabulation.
8		3.	In each round of tabulation, the cumulative number of all
9			exhausted ballots and all ballots exhausted by overvotes.
10		4.	Any other information that the City Clerk chooses to include.
11	§7-4.2	Repor	ting Limitations
12	a.	A ball	ot report generated pursuant to this Section (§7-4.2) shall not
13		permit	t the order in which the votes were cast in each precinct to be
14		recons	structed or the identification of the voter that cast the ballot.
15	b.	This S	Section (§7-4.2) does not prohibit the City Clerk from providing
16		additio	onal reports or including additional information in any report
17		except	t for the limitations expressed in Paragraph (a) immediately
18		above	
19	§7-4.3	Vote 7	Γabulation and Report Publication Timing and Posting
20	a.	The C	ity Clerk, in coordination with the Alameda County Registrar of
21		Voters	s, shall do all of the following:
22		1.	Tabulate the results as soon as the City Clerk determines it is
23			feasible after the close of the polls, and publish the
24			corresponding summary report.
25		2.	Tabulate the results for the last preliminary count of the ballots
26			on election night and publish a corresponding summary report.
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- b. The City Clerk shall publish a summary report and ballot report for the final tabulation of the official canvass in conjunction with the certified statement of the results.
- §7-4.4 The City Clerk shall promptly post links to reports pursuant to Section 7-4.2 on the internet website of the City Clerk's Office.
 - §7.5 VOTER EDUCATION
- §7-5.1 For purposes of this Chapter, the following terms have the following meanings:
 - a. "Additional supported language" means a language for which a jurisdiction is required to provide voting materials and assistance under the Federal Voting Rights Act of 1965 (52 U.S.C. Sec. 10101 et seq.) or for which the Secretary of State has determined that it is necessary to provide facsimile ballots at a precinct within the jurisdiction pursuant to subdivision (c) of Section 14201 of the State Elections Code.
 - b. "Additional supported language community" means a community that speaks an additional supported language.
 - §7-5.2 Education Planning and Execution
 - a. The City Clerk shall conduct a voter education and outreach campaign before each election conducted pursuant to this division, until the conclusion of the second general election conducted in this manner. A campaign conducted pursuant to this chapter shall include public meetings and public service announcements through different media, including media serving additional supported language communities, if available, to familiarize voters with that election method. Materials and information disseminated as part of the campaign shall be provided in all additional supported languages and shall be accessible to individuals with disabilities.

- b. The City Clerk shall, in collaboration with the Alameda County
 Registrar of Voters, develop a plan describing how they will conduct
 the voter education and outreach campaign required by this Section
 (§7-5.2). The plan shall include all of the following information:
 - 1. How the City Clerk will use media, which may include digital media, newspapers, radio, and television, to inform voters about an upcoming election.
 - 2. What information will be publicly available on the City Clerk's internet website.
 - 3. What information will be included in the sample ballot and vote by mail materials.
 - 4. How the City Clerk will conduct direct outreach to voters, including voters with disabilities.
 - 5. How the City Clerk will have a community presence to educate voters, including voters with disabilities.
 - 6. How the City Clerk will educate voters within each additional supported language community.
- c. Before finalizing its plan, the City Clerk shall publish a draft plan and hold, at least 10 days after publication of its plan, at least one regular public meeting to discuss the plan. The City Clerk shall also make a good faith effort to invite each of the following to at least one of those public meetings:
 - Representatives, advocates, and other stakeholders
 representing each additional supported language community.
 - Representatives from the disability community and community organizations and individuals that advocate on behalf of, or provide services to, individuals with disabilities.

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- d. All materials provided by the voter education and outreach campaign, including materials provided on the internet website of the elections official, sample ballots and vote by mail materials, and materials provided through direct outreach and community presence, shall be provided in the additional supported languages and shall be accessible to individuals with disabilities.
- e. If multiple jurisdictions within the same county are conducting ranked choice voting elections, the City Clerk may combine or coordinate his or her voter education plans and voter education and outreach campaigns.
- f. The City Clerk may partner or coordinate resources with nongovernmental organizations to conduct its voter education and outreach campaign.