

# AGENDA

CITY OF HOUSTON ■ CITY COUNCIL  
November 20, 2023

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**AGENDA - COUNCIL MEETING Monday, November 20, 2023 - 1:30 PM**  
**City Hall - In Person Meeting**

**INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**1:30 PM - ROLL CALL**

**ADOPT MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

**PUBLIC SPEAKERS** - Pursuant to City Council Rule 8, City Council will hear from members of the public; the names and subject matters of persons who had requested to speak at the time of posting this Agenda are attached; the names and subject matters of persons who subsequently request to speak may be obtained in the City Secretary's Office.

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DESCRIPTIONS OR CAPTIONS OF AGENDA ITEMS WILL BE READ BY THE  
CITY SECRETARY PRIOR TO COMMENCEMENT

1. ORDINANCE tabulating the votes cast and canvassing the returns of the City of Houston General and Special Elections held on November 7, 2023; making various findings and provisions related to the subject; declaring the official results of the General and Special Elections
2. ORDINANCE declaring the adoption of Houston City Charter Amendments submitted to the qualified voters of the City and approved by a majority thereof at Special Elections held on November 7, 2023, and ordering the Houston City Charter Amended to enable three or more Council Members to place an item on a regular City Council Meeting Agenda, and to allow the City of Houston to remain in a Council of Governments or Metropolitan Planning Organization only if votes on the Governing Board are apportioned proportionately on the basis of population Should only be considered after passage of item 1 above

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ANOTHER DAY MAY BE NEVERTHELESS CONSIDERED LATER AT  
THE SAME CITY COUNCIL MEETING.



## CITY OF HOUSTON - CITY COUNCIL

Meeting Date: 11/20/2023

Item Creation Date:

CSC - 2023 General Election Canvass ORD

Agenda Item#: 1.

### **Summary:**

ORDINANCE tabulating the votes cast and canvassing the returns of the City of Houston General and Special Elections held on November 7, 2023; making various findings and provisions related to the subject; declaring the official results of the General and Special Elections

### **Background:**

Background:

The Texas Election Code requires City Council to canvass the returns of the November 7, 2023 General and Special Elections (collectively, the "Election") not later than 11 days after the Election.

The proposed ordinance confirms the number of votes cast in the Election and the results of the Election.

The proposed ordinance is in the customary form to conduct the canvass and is recommended for approval.

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Pat Jefferson-Daniel  
City Secretary

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### **ATTACHMENTS:**

**Description**

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## CITY OF HOUSTON - CITY COUNCIL

Meeting Date: 11/20/2023

Item Creation Date:

CSC - Ordinance to amend the charter 2023

Agenda Item#: 2.

### **Summary:**

ORDINANCE declaring the adoption of Houston City Charter Amendments submitted to the qualified voters of the City and approved by a majority thereof at Special Elections held on November 7, 2023, and ordering the Houston City Charter Amended to enable three or more Council Members to place an item on a regular City Council Meeting Agenda, and to allow the City of Houston to remain in a Council of Governments or Metropolitan Planning Organization only if votes on the Governing Board are apportioned proportionately on the basis of population  
Should only be considered after passage of item 1 above

### **Background:**

In Ordinance No. 2023-0624, passed and approved on August 2, 2023, City Council ordered a special election be held on November 7, 2023, for the purposes of submitting to the qualified voters of the City of Houston, Texas a proposition ("City of Houston Proposition A") to amend the City Charter to enable three or more City Council Members to place an item on a regular City Council meeting agenda. In Ordinance No. 2023-0647, passed and approved on August 21, 2023, City Council ordered a special election be held on November 7, 2023, for the purposes of submitting to the qualified voters of the City of Houston, Texas, a proposition ("City of Houston Proposition B") to amend the City Charter to allow the City of Houston to remain in a Council of Governments or Metropolitan Planning Organization only if votes on the governing board are apportioned proportionately on the basis of population.

On November 7, 2023, a majority of the qualified voters of the City of Houston who voted in the special elections approved City of Houston Proposition A and City of Houston Proposition B. On November 20, 2023, City Council tabulated the votes and canvassed the returns of the City of Houston special elections held on November 7, 2023.

It is recommended that City Council approve the proposed ordinance to comply with the requirements of Texas Local Government Code Section 9.005(b).

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