

**City Council Meeting, August 21, 2018
Public Comments, Agenda Item No. 15**

Submitted by: Gary Osterhout

Position: Neutral

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Agenda Item:

15. 18-0305 Discuss the Impacts of Senate Bill 415 and the Possibility of Changing the General Municipal Election to Another Date (City Clerk Tamura). DISCUSS AND PROVIDE DIRECTION

Comment:

Would prefer a June election to November, and March to June. Really don't much care whether terms are extended or not to comply.

Martha Alvarez

From: Bruce Moe
Sent: Monday, August 20, 2018 6:27 PM
To: Martha Alvarez
Subject: FW: Council Terms

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From: Alice Neuhauser <apntrc@msn.com>
Sent: Monday, August 20, 2018 3:18 PM
To: List - City Council <CityCouncil@citymb.info>
Subject: Council Terms

Ladies and Gentlemen,

I am opposed to both the extension of council term limits beyond what voters voted for and not tying our local elections to November general elections.

Fundamentally, it is for the voters to determine who is in office how long, not subject to changes determined solely by vested interests. With the on-going concerns with how voting is impacted and the barriers created across the country to try to limit voting, more than ever this is the time for a transparent democracy to be encouraged.

Likewise, turnout is greatest in November and therefore it is the optimum time for holding our local elections. We should be encouraging the greatest number of people participating in our elections. I am skeptical of the claim that people don't pay attention to local elections with national elections taking place. To the contrary, the greater awareness of issues I think makes it more meaningful. Since our local elections are non-partisan, I don't see any negative influence on local matters.

I hope that you will leave important voter decisions with the voters.

Thank you.

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Martha Alvarez

From: Bruce Moe
Sent: Tuesday, August 21, 2018 7:45 AM
To: Martha Alvarez
Subject: FW: Opposed to Term Extensions

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From: Suzanne Michel <suzannemichel@mail.com>
Sent: Monday, August 20, 2018 10:37 PM
To: List - City Council <CityCouncil@citymb.info>
Subject: Opposed to Term Extensions

Dear City Councilpersons:

I'm strongly opposed to extending your own elected terms. No amount of reasoning justifies it. I watched the video where you previously discussed this and the reasons given were backwards and didn't support your goal of adding on to your terms. It contradicts the Senate Bill 450 which seeks to achieve maximum voter turnout, not your terms. The organization Common Cause needs to hear about this.

Suzanne Michel

Manhattan Beach Voter

Martha Alvarez

From: Mary Kirchwehm on behalf of Bruce Moe
Sent: Tuesday, August 21, 2018 11:23 AM
To: Martha Alvarez
Subject: FW: No term extensions

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-----Original Message-----

From: Christine Thayer <cathayer@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, August 17, 2018 10:12 AM
To: List - City Council <CityCouncil@citymb.info>
Subject: No term extensions

Not in favor of proposed term extensions.
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