

RESOLUTION 19-39

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF PANAMA CITY BEACH, FLORIDA, CALLING FOR A REFERENDUM ON THE FOLLOWING QUESTION CAPTIONED: "REPEALING THE CURRENT CIVIL SERVICE SYSTEM"; SETTING THE DATE OF THE REFERENDUM TO BE APRIL 16, 2019, AND PROVIDING FOR NOTICE THEREOF; ESTABLISHING THE BALLOT TITLE AND QUESTION FOR THE REFERENDUM; AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO MAKE SUCH CORRECTIONS AND AMENDMENTS AS MAY BE NECESSARY TO ACCOMPLISH THE PURPOSES OF THIS RESOLUTION; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATELY EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the City Council proposes to amend certain provisions of the Charter of the City, which amendments are subject to approval by the electors at a referendum, and

WHEREAS, the upcoming Municipal Super Tuesday election provides an opportunity for the City to present these proposed amendments to its electorate.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Panama City Beach, Florida, that the referendum shall be held on April 16, 2019, on the following question:

QUESTION ONE

TITLE: REPEALING THE CURRENT CIVIL SERVICE SYSTEM

QUESTION: WHETHER TO REPEAL THE EXISTING CIVIL SERVICE SYSTEM AND CONCURRENTLY RE-ESTABLISH IT IN THE CITY'S CODE OF ORDINANCES. CURRENTLY, ALL PERMANENT EMPLOYEES ARE HIRED AND PROMOTED BY A CIVIL SERVICE BOARD. IF THE CHARTER AMENDMENT IS APPROVED, CITY STAFF COULD EXPEDITIOUSLY HIRE AND PROMOTE PERMANENT EMPLOYEES ACCORDING TO ORDINANCES, POLICIES AND RULES ADOPTED BY THE COUNCIL. THE CIVIL SERVICE BOARD WOULD CONTINUE TO HEAR DISCIPLINARY APPEALS.

YES-FOR APPROVAL _____

NO-FOR REJECTION _____

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that notice of the referendum shall be given by publication of notice in substantially the form of the foregoing questions once in the week of March 11, 2019, and once in the week of March 25, 2019, in the Panama City News Herald, a newspaper of general circulation in Bay County Florida, and by the posting of said notice on the City's website www.pcbgov.com during the months of March and April, 2019.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Manager is hereby authorized and directed to make such corrections and amendments to the ballot, schedule, and matters resolved herein as may be necessary to accomplish the purposes of this Resolution.

THIS RESOLUTION shall become effective immediately upon passage.

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED in regular session this 10th day of January, 2019.

CITY OF PANAMA CITY BEACH, FLORIDA

By 
MIKE THOMAS, MAYOR

ATTEST:


CITY CLERK