

## INITIATIVE MEASURE TO BE SUBMITTED DIRECTLY TO THE VOTERS

The City Attorney has prepared the following title and summary of the chief purpose and points of the proposed measure, pursuant to California Elections Code Section 9203. The City Attorney does not verify any assertion made in the proposed measure and makes no representation regarding the merits or legality of the proposed legislation.

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### BALLOT TITLE

A Proposed Ordinance to Repeal All Ordinances and Rescind All Resolutions Adopted by the West Covina City Council Relating to the Establishment of a Local Health Department

### BALLOT SUMMARY

The measure seeks to adopt an ordinance to repeal all prior ordinances and rescind all prior resolutions adopted by the West Covina City Council regarding discontinuing public health services with the County of Los Angeles and establishing a City-administered local public health department, including Resolutions Nos. 2021-15 and 2021-34, Urgency Ordinance No. 2476, and Ordinances Nos. 2478, 2479 and 2484.

On February 23, 2021, the City Council adopted Resolution No. 2021-15 and Urgency Ordinance No. 2476, which terminated the Los Angeles County Health Officer's services provided pursuant to Health and Safety Code section 101375. The manner of the termination was required by statute. The termination is effective July 1, 2021.

On April 6, 2021, the City Council adopted Ordinance No. 2478 to amend Section 2-236 of the West Covina Municipal Code ("WCMC") to add the Public Health Director as an exempt position. Ordinance No. 2478 went into effect on May 7, 2021.

On April 6, 2021, the City Council also adopted Ordinance No. 2479 to repeal and replace existing provisions of Article II of Chapter 13 of the WCMC to adopt by reference provisions of the Los Angeles County Code relating to public health. The ordinance will amend the WCMC effective July 1, 2021.

On May 18, 2021, the City Council adopted Ordinance No. 2484 to repeal and replace existing provisions of Article I of Chapter 13 of the WCMC to establish a public health department within the City, the functions of the City Health Officer, the functions of the department, and the powers and duties of the Health Officer. The ordinance will amend the WCMC effective July 1, 2021.

On May 4, 2021, the City Council adopted Resolution No. 2021-34 to establish the fee schedule for services provided by the West Covina Health Department. The fees to be

charged are the same as those charged by the County. The fee schedule goes into effect July 1, 2021.

The measure seeks to repeal and rescind the foregoing ordinances and resolutions. The measure requires majority voter approval. If approved, the measure may be amended or repealed only by another vote of the people.