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TITLE: **STAFF COMMENT - REPORT BACK TO COMMITTEE CHAIR ON CHARTER AMENDMENT HISTORY**

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City of Sacramento
History of Charter Amendments

Election Date	# of Issues	Issue	Pass or Fail
11/07/1933	4	Pension	P
		Veterans Preference	P
		Closing Polls	P
		Payment of Claims	P
11/05/1935	3	Taxation	P
		Police	P
		City Employees	P
11/02/1937	7	Ordinance/Codes	P
		Representation System	P
		Proportional Voting	P
		Names on Ballot	F
		Regulation Elections	P
		Canvass of Vote	P
		Municipal Bond Elections	P
03/28/1939	1	Changing Fiscal Year	P
11/05/1940	5	Initiative and Referendum	P
		Retirement System	P
		Contracts and Bids	P
		Powers and Claims	P
		Municipal Elections	P
11/06/1945	7	Financial Provisions, Powers and Duties of the City Manager, Authorizing Certain Contracts and Purchases	P
		Composition and Terms of Council, Meetings, Acting Mayor, Salaries and Elections	F
		Annual Budget, Appropriation Ordinance and Tax Levy	P
		Veterans' Preference, Hours of Duty of Firemen; & Vacation of all City Employees	P
		Qualifications of Councilmen, Nominations, Declaration of Candidacy, Nomination Petitions and Application of the General Law to Elections	P
		Police Court, Appointments by the City Council, Investigation by City Council and Duties of City Attorney	F
		General Qualifications of City Employees	P
11/04/1947	3	Council Salary	P
		Fireman's Age	P
		Advertising	P
11/02/1948	2	Off-Street Vehicular Parking	P
		Extending Leasing Powers	P
11/08/1949	5	Tax Levy	P
		Civil Service	F
		Advertising for Bids	P
		Retirement System	P
		Official Advertising	F

Election Date	# of Issues	Issue	Pass or Fail
11/06/1951	3	Term of Council	F
		Personnel Office	P
		Power to Administer Oath	P
11/04/1952	2	Term of Utility Franchises	P
		Retirement System	P
11/03/1953	1	Civil Service Board Salary	F
11/02/1954	2	Increased Pension to Retired Persons	P
		Term of the Council	F
11/06/1956	3	Transfer City Health Department to Sacramento County	P
		Transit Authority	P
		Salaries of City Council	F
11/05/1957	2	Increase Mayor's Expenses	P
		Change in Employees Retirement System	P
11/04/1958	4	Residence Requirements for Councilmen	P
		Residence Requirements for Employees	P
		Increase Civil Service Board from 3 to 5	P
		Compensation for Civil Service Board, Retirement Board and Planning Commission	P
05/19/1959	3	Increased Pension to Retired Persons	P
		Social Security Coverage for City Employees	P
		Minor Changes in Retirement System	P
11/03/1959	1	Elective School Board	P
11/08/1960	3	Civil Service	P
		Letting of Contracts	P
		Salaries of Councilmen	F
06/05/1962	1	Increased Pension to Retired Persons	P
11/06/1962	1	Eliminate Office of City Prosecutor	P
11/05/1963	3	Initiative and Referendum	P
		4-Year Terms for Councilmen	F
		Payment to Housing Code Board Members	P
11/02/1965	2	City Employees Transferred to Sacramento County	P
		Control of Streets	P
11/08/1966	2	Employee Retirement System	P
		Elimination of 2 Years Experience Requirement in Department of Law	P
11/07/1967	2	Retirement Cost of Living	P
		Financial Provisions	P
06/04/1968	2	Qualifications of Officers and Conduct of Elections	P
		Dismissal of City Employees	P
06/24/1969	1	Election of 10 Councilmen and Mayor (11th district); Qualification of Office; Duties for Mayor; Term Staggering; Compensation of Councilmen; Compensation of Board Members	F
11/04/1969	3	Residency Requirements for City Employees	F
		Letting of Contracts	P
		Awarding of Contracts	P

Election Date	# of Issues	Issue	Pass or Fail
06/02/1970	1	Sacramento City Employees Retirement System	P
11/03/1970	11	Election of 8 Councilmen by District and Mayor Citywide (as 9th member of the Council); Staggered 4-Year Terms; Require 1-Year (Mayor) 1 1/2-Year (Council) Residency; and Procedure for Districts and Conduct of District Election	P
		Election of 8 Councilmen (2 Nominated From Each District to be Elected Citywide); Mayor Elected Citywide (9th Councilmen); Staggered 4-Year Terms; Require 1-Year (Mayor) 1 1/2-Year (Council) Residency; and Procedures for Districts and Conduct of Elections	F
		Election of 8 Councilmen At-Large Citywide; Mayor Elected Citywide (9th Councilmen); Staggered 4-Year Terms; Require 1-Year Residency for All	F
		Election of 8 Councilmen At-Large Citywide; Mayor Elected Citywide (9th Councilmen); Require 1-Year Residency for All	F
		Retain the Form of Government Except to: a) Stagger 4-Year Terms for All; and b) Require 1-Year Residency for All	F
		Retain the Form of Government Except Require 1-Year Residency for All	F
		Relating to Compensation of Mayor and Councilmen under general state law; Mayor to receive 1 1/2 times compensation for Councilmem.	F
		Relating to Commencement of Term of Office of the Council [21 Days After Nov Election]	P
		Elimination of Civil Service Board Salary Survey	F
		Procedures for Submission and Adoption of Annual City Budget	P
		Eliminate Residence Requirement of City Employees Except for Public Heath and Safety Reasons to be Established by Civil Service Board	P
09/21/1971	8	Federally Assisted Low Rent Housing	P
		Binding Arbitration of Certain Labor Negotiation Impasses (Charter Initiative)	F
		Relating to Compensation of Mayor and Councilmen	F
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		Board of Education Residency Requirement and Salary	F
		City Board and Commission Members Salary and Compensation	P
		Letting of Contracts for Public Works and Supplies, & Execution of Contracts	F
		Consolidation of City/Council Library System	P
11/02/1971	7	Obsolete and Superseded Charter Sections	P
		Franchises, Licenses, Permits, Leases and Sales	P
		Initiative, Referendum and Recall	P
		Consolidation of City/County Departments	F
		Method of Payment of Salaries	P
		City Entertainment and Advertising Fund	F
		Public Transportation System	P
06/06/1972	3	City Purchases and Contracts	P
		Consolidation of City/County Departments	P
		Retirement Benefits for Transferred Employees	P
11/07/1972	9	Salaries of Mayor and Councilmembers	F
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		Election of Member of Board of Education of Sac City Unified School District	F
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		Conflict of Interest and Removal from Office	P
		Probationary Period for City Employees	P
		City Employee Retirement Benefits	P

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		City Entertainment and Advertising Fund	F
04/17/1973	2	Conflict of Interest and Removal from Office	P
		Secondary Employment for Police Officers and Firefighters	P
11/06/1973	4	Salaries of Mayor and Councilmembers	F
		Elimination of Civil Service Board Salary Survey	P
		Elimination & Modification of Certain Sections in the Personnel Mgmt. Area	P
		Modification of the Disability Provisions of the Retirement System	P
06/04/1974	1	Sacramento City Employees Retirement System	F
11/04/1975	1	Employee Development Programs	P
06/08/1976	3	Election of Member of Board of Education of Sac City Unified School District	P
		Method of Enacting Ordinances	P
		Appointment of Hearing Officers by Civil Service Board	P
11/02/1976	1	Retirement of City Employees and Requiring Employees to Join State PERS	P
09/27/1977	2	Eliminating Unnecessary and Unclear Language in Charter; Minor Revisions	P
		Official Salaries Commission for Mayor, Council and Agencies on Which Members Serve	F
09/25/1979	5	Multipurpose Sports Stadium (Enacting Ordinance Initiative Failed)	P
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		Civil Service and Other Personnel Matters	F
		Sacramento City Employees Retirement System Cost of Living and Survivor Benefits	P
		Appointment of Former Council Members to Commissions	F
11/04/1980	5	Civil Service and Other Departmental and Personnel Matters	F
		Veterans' Preference	P
		Salaries of Employees	P
		Date Elected Officials Take Office	P
		Adoption of Ordinances	P
11/02/1982	5	Civil Service and Personnel Matters	F
		Employee Discipline Procedures and Other Personnel Matters	F
		Districts with City Consolidated, Merged, Incorporated, Annexed or Contracts for Service Area	P
		Employee Vacation Allowance	F
		Longevity Pay for City Employees	F
06/06/1984	1	Retirement Benefits Increase and Special Tax	F
09/22/1987	1	Designated Up to 4 Weeks Per Year When Council Meetings Not Held	P
11/08/1988	1	Contracts for Public Projects/Competitive Bid	P
06/06/1989	1	Transfer of SCERS Employees to PERS	P
09/26/1989	1	Primary and General Elections Held on Same Dates and Statewide Elections	P
11/06/1990	1	Appointment of Employees From List of Highest 3 Scoring Ranks	P
11/05/1996	1	Mandatory Binding Arbitration for Police Department Employees (Initiative)	P
06/02/1998	1	Mandatory Binding Arbitration for Fire Department Employees	P
03/05/2002	1	SCERS Definition of Final Compensation	F
11/05/2002	1	Full Time Mayor and Compensation Commission	P

54 Elections 156 Issues From 1933 to 2002

City of Sacramento
Consolidation Issues on Ballot or Via Ordinance

Various consolidation issues were placed before the voters under the current governance (1921-2009). Some measures were for the consolidation of the entire agencies, others were consolidations of departments as follows:

Nov. 1990 (consolidation of city/county government) **[failed]**

- Measure S - Shall the City of Sacramento and the County of Sacramento be reorganized and consolidated and shall the proposed Charter of the City-County of Sacramento be adopted as the government law of the City-County of Sacramento?

Nov. 1974 (consolidation of city/county government) **[failed]**

- Measure A – City/County Consolidation.

June 1972 (relating to consolidation generally) [**passed**]

- Measure B - Shall the Charter of the City of Sacramento be amended to authorize the city council to provide for the performance by the County of Sacramento of municipal functions which lawfully may be performed by the county?

Nov. 1971 (relating to consolidation generally) [**failed**]

- Measure K - Shall the Charter of the City of Sacramento be amended to authorize the city council, with no further voter approval, to provide for the performance by the County of Sacramento of all or any municipal functions which lawfully may now or hereafter be performed by the County?

Sept. 1971 (consolidation of city/county library) [**passed**]

- Measure H – Shall the Charter of the City of Sacramento be amended to authorize the City library system to be consolidated with the County library system?

Nov. 1965 (transfer of City Employees) **[passed]**

- Measure A – City Employees transferred to Sacramento County.

Sept. 1965 (transferring city assessing and tax collection function and employees to county) [**approved by council**]

- Ordinance 2627 "Adding Section 41.21 to Article 1, Chapter 41, of the Sacramento City Code, transferring assessing and tax collection functions for the

City of Sacramento to the County of Sacramento, and declaring this ordinance an emergency measure to take effect immediately.

June 1964 (consolidation of city of sac/city of north sac) [**passed** - effective Dec. 64]

City of North Sacramento consolidation of cities and assumption of bonded indebtedness.

- Measure B – Shall the City North Sacramento be consolidated with the City of Sacramento and the property in the City of North Sacramento be subject to taxation at the same rate with the property in the City of Sacramento to pay any bonded indebtedness of both cities, outstanding or authorized, for the acquisition, construction or completion of any municipal improvements?

Nov. 1962 (eliminate city prosecutor) [**passed**]

At the present time the City Attorney's Office prosecutes all misdemeanors in the Municipal Court and it is proposed to transfer and merge these duties with the District Attorney's Office, and the question is:

- Measure A - Shall Article XIV, Section 128, of the City Charter be amended to eliminate the provisions therein requiring the City Attorney's Office to prosecute, on behalf of the people, all misdemeanor cases in the Municipal Court?

Nov. 1956 (transfer city health dept to county) [**passed**]

- Measure A – To amend Article XIII of the Charter of the City of Sacramento and Article XX of the City Charter, in order to consolidate the health services of the City of Sacramento and County of Sacramento, and to provide for the transfer of officials and employees from the City Health Department to the Health Department of Sacramento County, together with provisions for preservation of rights of transferred employees who are members of Sacramento City Employees' Retirement System, by repealing Sections 108 to 124, inclusive, of Article XIII and adding new Sections 108.1, .108.2, 108.3, 108.4 *and* 108.5 to Article XIII and adding a new Section 175.27 to Article XX.

Academic Study on Sacramento's History of Consolidation

Google Search "sacramento city-county consolidation"

Case Studies of City-County Consolidations: Reshaping the Local Government Landscape. Section 5 (pg 79-102). Sacramento/Sacramento County, California: Consolidation, West-Coast Style. Glen W. Sparrow.