

RESOLUTION NO. R-2026-043

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PISMO BEACH, CALIFORNIA ORDERING THE SUBMISSION TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF THE CITY A MEASURE AND ORDINANCE RELATING TO MAYORAL TERMS AT THE GENERAL ELECTION TO BE HELD ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2026, AND DIRECTING THE CITY ATTORNEY TO PREPARE AN IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS THEREOF

WHEREAS, while the other members of the City Council serve four-year terms, the Mayor of Pismo Beach currently serves a two-year term; and

WHEREAS, the City Council believes that it would be preferable for the Mayor to serve a four-year term; and

WHEREAS, Government Code Section 34900 and Elections Code 9222 authorize the City Council to submit to the voters a measure to change the term of office for its elected Mayor; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Pismo Beach has by Resolution R-2026-035 called for a general municipal election to be held on November 3, 2026; and

WHEREAS, the City Council desires to submit to the voters at the Election a measure that will convert the Office of the Mayor from a two-year term to a four-year term, effective with the term elected at the 2028 General Municipal Election.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PISMO BEACH DOES RESOLVE, DECLARE, DETERMINE AND ORDER AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. Pursuant to Election Code Section 9222 and Government Code Section 34900, the proposed ballot proposition attached hereto in draft ordinance form as **Exhibit A**, and titled “**FOUR-YEAR MAYORAL TERMS MEASURE**”, is hereby approved for placement on the ballot and submission to voters at the City’s regular election scheduled for November 3, 2026. The question shall be posed as follows:

CITY OF PISMO BEACH MEASURE _____	YES
FOUR-YEAR MAYORAL TERMS MEASURE. Shall the measure changing the Mayor’s term of office to four years, beginning with the term elected on November 7, 2028, be adopted?	NO

SECTION 2. City staff is directed to take all appropriate and necessary actions to cause the foregoing proposition to be placed on the ballot at the regular election of November 3, 2026.

SECTION 3. By Resolution R-2026-036 the City Council requested that the Board of Supervisors of San Luis Obispo County consent and agree to the consolidation of a General Municipal Election with the Statewide General Election on Tuesday, November 3, 2026. The Council reiterates that request and requests that this measure be included in the consolidation and that all terms of the resolution requesting consolidation also apply to this measure.

SECTION 4. Pursuant to Election Code Section 9280, the City Clerk is directed to transmit a copy of the measure to the City Attorney. The City Attorney is hereby directed to prepare and submit an impartial analysis explaining the effect of the measure on existing law and the operation of the measure.

SECTION 5. The City Clerk shall certify to the passage and adoption of this resolution, and immediately transmit a certified copy of this resolution to the San Luis Obispo County Clerk-Recorder for inclusion on the November 3, 2026 ballot.

UPON MOTION OF Council Member Newton, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Reiss, the foregoing resolution was adopted by the City Council of the City of Pismo Beach this 2nd day of June 2026, by the following vote:

AYES:	3	Newton, Reiss, Waage
NOES:	2	Inman, Guthrie
ABSENT:	0	
ABSTAIN:	0	
RECUSED:	0	

Approved:

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Ed Waage, Mayor

Attest:

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Erica Inderlied, City Clerk

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and official seal of the City of Pismo Beach on 6/3/2026.



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Erica Inderlied, City Clerk

MEASURE ____**ORDINANCE NO. O-2026-XXX****AN ORDINANCE OF THE PEOPLE OF THE CITY OF PISMO BEACH, CALIFORNIA
ADDING SECTION 2.04.005 OF THE PISMO BEACH MUNICIPAL CODE TO
CHANGE THE TERM OF THE ELECTIVE OFFICE OF MAYOR TO FOUR YEARS**

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Pismo Beach is currently composed of a directly-elected Mayor who serves a two-year term and four Council Members who serve four-year terms; and

WHEREAS, under current law, in each even-numbered year the Mayor and two Council Members come up for election; and

WHEREAS, the People of the City of Pismo Beach desire that beginning with the Mayor elected at the 2028 general municipal election, the term of office of the Mayor be four years.

NOW, THEREFORE, the People of the City of Pismo Beach, California do ordain as follows:

SECTION 1.

Section 2.04.005 of the Pismo Beach Municipal Code is hereby added to read as follows:

2.04.005 Membership.

The City Council shall be composed of a directly-elected Mayor and four at-large Council Members.

The term of office for Council Members shall be four years. Commencing with the term of office elected at the November 7, 2028 election, the term of office for the Mayor shall be four years.

SECTION 2.

The intent of this ordinance is to convert the elective office of Mayor to a four-year term, beginning with the term of office elected at the November 7, 2028 election. Under existing law, the four other members of the City Council are elected to staggered four-year terms, so that in each even-numbered year, two of the seats come up for election and in the next even-numbered year the other two seats come up for election. Nothing in this ordinance is intended to in any way change the terms of office of the four Council Members or to change the election schedules for Council Member seats, and all language in this ordinance regarding the office of Council Member is declaratory of existing law. It is the

Exhibit A

intent of this ordinance that the person elected Mayor at the election held on November 3, 2026 shall hold office for two years pursuant to the law in effect prior to the adoption of this ordinance.

SECTION 3.

This ordinance shall not be interpreted in any manner to conflict with controlling provisions of state or federal law, including, without limitation, the Constitution of the State of California. If any section, subsection, or clause of this ordinance shall be deemed to be unconstitutional or otherwise invalid, the validity of the remaining sections, subsections and clauses shall not be affected thereby.

SECTION 4.

This ordinance was submitted to the People at the November 3, 2026 General Municipal Election. Pursuant to Elections Code Section 9217, if the measure proposing this ordinance is adopted at that election by a majority of the qualified voters voting on that measure, this ordinance shall be considered as adopted upon the date that the vote is declared by the City Council, and shall go into effect ten days thereafter.

SECTION 5.

There is no possibility that the adoption of this ordinance will have a significant impact on the environment, and therefore, the adoption of this ordinance is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA"), pursuant to Section 15061(b)(3) of the CEQA Guidelines (Title 14, Chapter 3 of the California Code of Regulations).

SECTION 6.

If passed by the voters, the City Clerk shall certify to the passage and adoption of this Ordinance, shall enter the same in the book of original ordinances of the City and shall make a minute of the passage and adoption thereof in the records of the meeting at which the same is passed and adopted.

Before the expiration of fifteen (15) days after the passage of this Ordinance, the City Clerk shall cause the same to be posted in three public places within the City of Pismo Beach, to wit: 1) City Hall, 760 Mattie Road, Pismo Beach, 2) U.S. Post Office, Shell Beach Road, Pismo Beach, 3) U.S. Post Office, Crest Drive, Pismo Beach.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the People of the City of Pismo Beach this 3rd day of November 2026.

Attest:

Erica Inderlied, City Clerk