

IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS

This ballot measure would amend the Charter of the City of Chico to add term limitations of the members of the City Council. Presently, persons serving in each office may serve four-year terms. Consequently, those persons can, in effect, serve unlimited terms. This measure would eliminate the ability to serve unlimited terms and create a limit of three consecutive terms each for the offices of the City Council.

The measure would operate prospectively, so that any time served by a person serving in office before November 6, 2018, would not count toward the term limit thereafter. A full term will be defined as any partial service of a term exceeding two years, or any term that ends as a result of resignation or removal. Calculation of terms includes any time served as mayor, vice-mayor, or mayor pro tempore.

A "Yes" vote would serve to eliminate the ability of persons serving as a City Council Member to serve unlimited terms, and would limit an individual to serving a maximum of three (3) consecutive terms on the City Council.

A "No" vote would serve to leave the absence of term limitations as is.

This measure was placed on the ballot by action of the Chico City Council on July 3, 2018.