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BY FACSIMILE 559-457-1106 & U. S. MAIL

Mrs. Yvonne Spence,
City Clerk
City of Fresno
2600 Fresno Street, Suite 2133
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*Re: Parks and Recreation Initiative Measure – (1) Compliance with State Law &
(2) Request for Information Concerning Ballot Argument Deadlines*

Dear Mrs. Spence:

Recently, the press announced that the City of Fresno Parks and Recreation Initiative Measure obtained a sufficient number of valid signatures to qualify for the ballot. The question is: which ballot it will qualify to appear before the voters for their approval?

Under the California Elections Code provisions governing the qualification of municipal ballot measures for the ballot, and consolidation of city measures with the general election ballot, the City of Fresno is obligated to adopt a resolution calling an election on the measure and present the same along with a resolution requesting consolidation to the Fresno County Board of Supervisors. Calif. Elec. Code §10403.

The Fresno County Board of Supervisors has the discretion to approve or not approve consolidation with the statewide general election on November 6, 2018. Calif. Elec. Code §10401.

The City's resolutions must be presented at the same time to the Board of Supervisors.

The Board is required to approve this discretionary consolidation at a duly noticed meeting of the Board. That must be accomplished not later than August 10, 2018, 88 days prior to the November 6, 2018 statewide general election. Calif. Elec. Code §1405(b).

Any failure to comply with these notice and hearing requirements by both the City and the County Board of Supervisors will result in the failure of the measure to appear on the November 6, 2018 statewide general election ballot.

If the measure qualifies for the November 6, 2018 ballot, can you please advise the undersigned for the benefit of my clients who may wish to provide arguments to appear in the ballot information guide prepared by the City for this election?

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Thank you in advance for your assistance.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Charles H. Bell". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the printed name.

Charles H. Bell, Jr.

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