

FULL TEXT OF MEASURE Q
CITY OF ALAMEDA CITY CHARTER
AMENDMENTS

By amending Section 2-4 to read:

Section 2-4 The salary attached to the following offices shall be fixed by the Council: Auditor, Treasurer, City Manager, City Attorney, City Clerk. Each Councilmember shall receive \$50.00 for each meeting of the Council which he shall attend; provided, that no Councilmember shall receive such fees for more than two meetings in any one calendar month.

(Effect: Deletes “at not less than the following amounts per annum” “\$3,600.00;” “\$3,600.00;” “\$4,000.00;” “\$3,000.00;” “\$2,400.00.” Deletes obsolete language.)

By amending Section 2-6 to read:

Section 2-6 The term of each elective officer shall commence at 8:00 o’clock p.m. on the third Tuesday of the month following the general municipal election at which such officer was elected and continue for four years thereafter and until his or her successor is elected and qualified.

(Effect: Deletes “The term of each elective officer holding office as of June 2, 1992 shall be shortened approximately four to five months to 8:00 o’clock p.m. of the third Tuesday of the month following the November 3, 1992, general municipal election and shall be considered a complete term.” Deletes obsolete language.)

By amending Section 2-9 to read:

Section 2-9 If any elected or Council-appointed officer of the City who shall remove from the City or absent himself therefrom for more than thirty days consecutively without the permission of the Council, or shall fail to qualify by taking the oath of office within fifteen days from the time his certificate of election or appointment is mailed or delivered to him, or shall resign, or be convicted of a felony, or be adjudged insane, his office shall be vacant.

(Effect: Adds “elected or Council-appointed” before “officer.” Conforms to another section of Charter. Deletes “and filing his official bond, whenever such bond is required.” Deletes obsolete language.)

By adding Section 2-16 to read:

Section 2-16 All references to “his” shall be changed to “his or her” and all references to “him” shall be changed to “him or her” and all references to “himself” shall be changed to “himself or herself”.

(Effect: All references to his, him, or himself shall include her or herself.)

By amending Section 3-7(A) to read:

Section 3-7 The Council shall:

(A) Meet in the month next succeeding the month in which the General Municipal Election is held, and organize by selecting from its membership, a Vice Mayor of the Council, whose term shall commence upon selection and continue until the selection and qualification of the successor following the next General Municipal Election.

(Effect: Deletes “at 8:00 o’clock p.m. on the third Tuesday of” and adds “in” before “the month.” New language more flexible).

By amending Section 3-7(B) to read:

(B) Hold regular meetings in the calendar year as fixed by resolution in December of the preceding year. Its meetings shall be public and held in the Council Chamber of the City Hall. Special meetings may be called pursuant to general law.

(Effect: Deletes “at least twice in each month as fixed by ordinance” and adds “in the calendar year as fixed by resolution in December of the preceding year.” New language more flexible. Deletes “by the Mayor or three Councilmembers by serving the Councilmembers personally with written notices of time and purpose of the meeting or as required by.” Adds “pursuant to general law” after “Special meetings may be called.” Conforms to general law.)

By amending Section 3-7(C) to read:

(C) Contract and fix the compensation for the services of a Certified Public Accountant, who shall at least annually investigate the transactions and audit the accounts of all officers having the collection, custody or disbursement of public money, or having the power to approve, allow or audit demands on the treasury. Said Auditor shall have free access to all records, books and papers in all departments of the City. Said Auditor may at any time visit any of the public offices and make examinations and investigations therein without hindrance. At the close of the investigation said Auditor shall file with the Council a written report containing recommendations. If during said Auditor’s examination and audit it shall appear that a public offense has been committed, or that any officer or employee is in default, said Auditor shall immediately report to the Council, which shall take proceedings as are authorized by law.

(Effect: Deletes “Said Auditor must examine the official bonds of all City officers and employees and investigate the sufficiency and solvency of the sureties thereon” and “or that the surety on any bond is insufficient.”. Deletes obsolete provisions.)

By deleting Section 3-7(E):

(Effect: Deletes obsolete section that requires Council to fix amounts of bonds of officers and employees for performance of their duties, procedures for the bonds, and payment by City for the bonds).

By amending Section 3-7(F) to read:

(F) Prescribe the form of oath of office and require that every elected and Council-appointed officer shall, before entering upon the duties of his office, take and file such oaths with the City Clerk.

(Effect: Adds “elected and Council-appointed” before officer. Clarifies which officers of those listed in Sec. 2-12 are covered.)

By amending Section 3-7(I) to read:

(I) Establish on or before July 1, 1938, a retirement, pension and insurance system for City officers and employees based on sound actuarial principles, which system once adopted shall not be amended except by majority vote of the full Council and shall not be repealed except by the People. Such system shall provide for the support thereof by deductions from the compensation of officers