

**MEASURE T: PROPOSED BALLOT MEASURE
OF THE CITY OF ALAMEDA**

<p>T MEASURE T: Shall the Charter of the City of Alameda be amended to provide that Council may determine when City offices are to be open for business? Such amendment will be accomplished by amending Article XXII Sect. 8 of said Charter, as fully set forth in Resolution No. 14252 of the Council of the City of Alameda.</p>	YES
	NO

**CITY ATTORNEY’S IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS OF
MEASURE T**

This measure would amend the City of Alameda City Charter to allow Council to establish business hours for City offices. The Charter now requires City offices to be open for business from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. every day except holidays, and allows Council to keep offices open longer on any day if necessary. The Charter presently does not authorize the City Council to close City offices or to establish hours other or shorter than 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. The measure would allow Council to establish business hours for City offices.

A “yes” vote would approve the proposed amendment to the City of Alameda City Charter and would allow the Council to establish business hours for City offices.

A “no” vote would disapprove the proposed amendment to the City of Alameda City Charter and would retain language requiring City offices to be open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on all non-holidays and allowing the City Council to increase, but not reduce or change, those hours.

s/TERESA L. HIGHSMITH
City Attorney

ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF MEASURE T

City of Alameda government offices are open or closed depending on the needs of the community. The City Planning Department opens early in the morning so that permits can be obtained. The City Library is open in the late evening and during weekend hours. The Measure, if approved by the voters of Alameda, would replace a rigid and outdated requirement that public offices be open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. every day. It would give City Council the ability to modify hours as needed in response to the community.

We urge you to vote YES on the Measure so that City office hours can be adjusted to best serve our community.

s/Beverly J. Johnson

Mayor

s/Lena L. Tam

Vice-Mayor

s/Frank Matarrese

Alameda City Council Member

s/Marie Gilmore

Alameda City Council Member

s/Doug deHaan

Council Member

**NO ARGUMENT AGAINST MEASURE T WAS
SUBMITTED.**