CITY COUNCIL ORDINANCE NO. 18-08
(Approved by the Voters on June 5, 2018)

AN ORDINANCE OF THE PEOPLE OF THE CITY OF
IRVINE, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING THE CITY CHARTER
OF THE CITY OF IRVINE TO REQUIRE A 2/3 VOTE OF
THE CITY COUNCIL TO PROPOSE TAXES

NOW, THEREFORE, the City Council of the City of Irvine, California DOES
HEREBY ORDAIN as follows:

SECTION 1: Text of Charter Amendment. The City Charter of the City of Irvine is
hereby amended as follows (underlining showing additions and strike-through showing
deletions):

Section 904. City Council Sponsored Tax Proposals – 2/3 Vote
Requirement.

Notwithstanding any conflicting provision of this Charter, no City Council
sponsored proposal to impose, extend or increase a tax shall be
presented at an election unless the ordinance or resolution proposing to
impose, extend or increase such tax is approved by at least a two-thirds
vote of the total members of the City Council. As used in this section, the
term "tax" shall mean both a "general tax" and a "special tax" as defined in
Article XIIIC, Section 1, subdivisions (a) and (d), respectively, of the
California Constitution.

SECTION 2: Ballot Description. As provided in Government Code section 34458.5, the
following ballot description is included in this proposed Charter Amendment measure:

CHARTER AMENDMENT (Section 904): This Charter Amendment
measure would amend the City Charter to add Section 904. Proposed
Section 904 would require any tax proposal sponsored by the City Council
that imposes, extends or increases a tax to be approved by at least a two-
thirds vote of the total membership of the City Council in order to be
presented to the voters at an election, whereas presently only a majority
vote of the City Council is required to place most tax measures on the
ballot for voter consideration. The term "tax" in proposed Section 904
means both "general" and "special" taxes as defined in Article XIIIC of the
California Constitution. A "general tax" is defined in the California
Constitution as a tax imposed for general governmental purposes. A
"special tax" is defined in the California Constitution as a tax imposed for
specific purposes, including a tax imposed for a specific purpose which is
placed into a general fund. This amendment does not give the City
Council power to raise its compensation or that of other City officials
without voter approval.
SECTION 3: Severability. It is the intent of the people that the provisions of this Charter Amendment measure are severable and that if any provision of this Charter Amendment measure, or the application thereof to any person or circumstance, is held invalid such invalidity shall not affect any other provision or application of this Charter Amendment measure which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application.

SECTION 4: Effective Date. This Charter Amendment measure shall become effective in the manner allowed by law.

ADOPTED by the vote of the people of the City of Irvine on June 5, 2018 at a Special Municipal Election as certified by the City Council of the City of Irvine on the 10th day of July 2018, and the effective date of the ordinance will be determined by the official filing date by the Secretary of State.

MAYOR OF THE CITY OF IRVINE

ATTEST:

CITY CLERK OF THE CITY OF IRVINE

STATE OF CALIFORNIA )
COUNTY OF ORANGE ) SS
CITY OF IRVINE )

I, MOLLY MCLAUGHLIN, City Clerk of the City of Irvine, HEREBY DO CERTIFY that the foregoing Charter Amendment was adopted by the voters of the City of Irvine as an initiative measure at an election held on June 5, 2018, as certified by the City Council of the City of Irvine on the 10th day of July 2018, and that the effective date of the ordinance will be determined by the official filing date by the Secretary of State’s Office.

CITY CLERK OF THE CITY OF IRVINE

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