

CITY OF _____ INITIATIVE PETITION

BALLOT TITLE: City Vote On Annexations

TITLE: REQUIRING CITYWIDE VOTE ON PROPOSED ANNEXATIONS

QUESTION: Shall the _____ City Charter be amended to prohibit annexations without prior voter approval?

SUMMARY: Current law allows the city council to annex property as provided by state law. This measure would amend the City Charter to require that annexations be approved by the voters of the city. Applies to all annexations, including delayed annexations; except annexation contracts signed prior to the charter change, annexations necessitated by failing septic systems, health hazards or any annexations mandated by state law would not be subject to a public vote.

TEXT: The foregoing charter change will prohibit the City of _____ from annexing land without prior voter approval. This will amend any existing annexation policy in the City charter. Annexation contracts signed prior to the charter change and annexations necessary due to health hazards or state mandate will be exempt from a public vote.

CHIEF PETITIONER(S) (No More Than 3)

<i>Signature</i>	_____	_____	_____
<i>Print Name</i>	_____	_____	_____
<i>Address</i>	_____	_____	_____
<i>City, State, Zip</i>	_____	_____	_____

PAY FOR CIRCULATORS: There will be no paid circulators gathering signatures for this petition.

INSTRUCTIONS

FOR CIRCULATORS

Only registered voters of the City of _____ may sign a petition.

All signers on any one signature sheet must be registered voters of the City of _____.

It is advisable to use a pen or indelible pencil for signing petitions. Do NOT use ditto marks.

A petition circulator must be a registered voter of the state but need not be a registered voter of the city.

Only one circulator may collect signatures on any one sheet of a petition.

It is unlawful for a petition circulator to knowingly make any false statement to any person who signs the petition or requests information about it.

It is unlawful to circulate or file a petition knowing it to contain a false signature.

FOR SIGNERS

Only registered voters of the City of _____ may sign a petition.

Sign your full name, as you did when you registered to vote. Fill in the date you signed the petition, your residence address and your precinct (if known) in the spaces provided.

A woman should sign her own name, not her husband's or her husband's initials, e.g. not "Mrs. John A. Jones" or "Mrs. J.A. Jones."

Be sure to print your name clearly in the space provided.

It is unlawful to sign any person's name other than your own. Do Not sign another person's name under any circumstances.

It is advisable to use a pen or indelible pencil for signing petitions. Do NOT use ditto marks.

It is unlawful to sign a petition more than once.

It is unlawful for a person to knowingly sign a petition when the person is not qualified to sign it.