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## **CITY CLERK APPROVES INITIATIVE ORDINANCE PETITION FOR CIRCULATION NON-EXCLUSIVE FRANCHISE SYSTEM FOR SOLID WASTE COLLECTION. INITIATIVE ORDINANCE.**

**LOS ANGELES** — Los Angeles City Clerk Holly L. Wolcott announced that a petition draft for an Initiative Ordinance submitted on October 11, 2016, relative to *Non-Exclusive Franchise System for Solid Waste Collection*, was approved by the Office of the City Clerk on October 12, 2016, for circulation and collection of signatures of registered voters in the City of Los Angeles. The official title and summary of the proposal as prepared by the City Attorney is included below:

### **NON-EXCLUSIVE FRANCHISE SYSTEM FOR SOLID WASTE COLLECTION. INITIATIVE ORDINANCE.**

The proposed ordinance would amend the Los Angeles Municipal Code to change the City's current exclusive franchise system to a non-exclusive franchise system for the collection, transportation and processing of commercial and multifamily solid waste. The proposed ordinance would repeal certain City restrictions on removal and transportation of solid waste and would repeal the City's requirement that owners of commercial and multifamily buildings subscribe to and show proof of solid waste collection services. The proposed ordinance would repeal certain City rules requiring commercial establishments to retain collection services for recyclables. The proposed ordinance also would repeal certain City restrictions regarding the operation of solid waste disposal facilities. The proposed ordinance would eliminate several current requirements in standard franchise agreements, including the requirements that a franchisee pay a living wage, supply trash containers for recyclables and organics, deliver recyclables and organics to certified City disposal facilities, and enter into labor agreements limiting work stoppages.

In accordance with Charter Section 451(b), all names signed to the petition must have been secured not more than 120 days prior to the date of filing the completed petition. The petition must be signed by 61,487\* registered voters of the City of Los Angeles. In addition, if the petition is not filed within two years after it has been approved for circulation, the proponents must entirely re-submit the petition for approval.

The Office of the City Clerk administers elections for the City of Los Angeles, the Los Angeles Unified School District, and the Los Angeles Community College District. More information can be found on the City Clerk's election website at: [clerk.lacity.org/elections](http://clerk.lacity.org/elections) or contact the Election Division at (213) 978-0444, or toll-free at (888) 873-1000 between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.

\*Per Charter Section 451(b), the number of signatures reflects 15% of total votes cast for all candidates for the Office of Mayor at the last election at which the Mayor was elected.

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