



DD City of Westminster, City of Westminster Term Limits

Shall an ordinance be adopted that prospectively limits the number of terms a person may serve as Member of the City Council or Mayor, in any combination, to three four-year terms?

What your vote means

YES	NO
A "Yes" vote would approve the establishment of a single lifetime term limit of three (3) four (4) year terms for the offices of Mayor or Council Member, collectively.	A "No" vote disapproves establishing such term limits.

For and against

FOR	AGAINST
No argument in favor of this measure was submitted.	No argument against this measure was submitted.



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**Full Text of Measure DD
City of Westminster**

ORDINANCE NO. _____

AN ORDINANCE OF THE PEOPLE OF THE CITY OF WESTMINSTER, ADDING WESTMINSTER MUNICIPAL CODE SECTION 2.04.0125 REGARDING TERM LIMITS

NOW THEREFORE, THE PEOPLE OF THE CITY OF WESTMINSTER DO ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. Term Limits. Pursuant to California Government Code section 36502(b) and subject to the approval of a majority of the voters of the City of Westminster, Westminster Municipal Code section 2.04.125 is hereby added to read as follows:

2.04.125. Term Limits.

A. No person shall be eligible to serve in the office of City Council Member or Mayor, in any combination, for more than three (3) four (4)-year terms following the adoption of this measure, commencing with those elected in the November 3, 2020 election.

B. Notwithstanding the foregoing and for the purpose of term limitation, any person who is appointed by the City Council or elected to fill a vacant office of a City Council Member or Mayor for an unexpired term of more than one-half the original term shall be deemed to have served a full term.

C. If a Member of the City Council is elected Mayor, his or her uncompleted term of office shall not count towards the term limits established in subsection A. above, provided that:

1. The Member of the City Council is elected to the Office of Mayor at a general municipal election; and
2. The Member of the City Council's office is not scheduled for election at such general municipal election.

SECTION 2. Severability. If any portion of this Ordinance is declared invalid by a court of law or other legal body with applicable authority, the invalidity shall not affect or prohibit the force and effect of any other provision or application of the Ordinance that is not deemed invalid. The voters of the City hereby declare that they would have circulated for qualification and/or voted for the adoption of this Section, and each portion thereof, regardless of the fact that any portion of the initiative may be subsequently deemed invalid.

SECTION 3. Effectiveness. To the fullest extent allowed by law, the provisions of this Ordinance shall prevail over, and supersede, all other provisions of the Municipal Code and any ordinances, resolutions or administrative policies of the City of Westminster which are in conflict with any provision of this Ordinance.

SECTION 4. Repeal and Amendment. This Section shall not be repealed or amended except by a measure approved by a majority of the electors voting on the issue at an election legally called for that purpose.

SECTION 5. Effective Date. After its adoption by the voters, this Ordinance shall be in full force and effect ten (10) days after the vote is declared by the City Council of the City of Westminster, pursuant to the provisions of Election Code § 9217 and 15400 and as provided by law.

SECTION 6. Attestation. After this ordinance is approved by a majority vote of the voters, the Mayor and City Clerk shall certify that the ordinance was submitted to the voters of the city and that it was approved by a majority vote. The City Clerk shall file one copy of the approved ordinance with the Orange County Clerk-Recorder's office, one copy with the Orange County Registrar of Voters keep one copy in the City's archive. The City Clerk shall certify to the passage and adoption of this ordinance and shall cause the same to be published in the manner required by law.



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**Impartial Analysis
City of Westminster
Measure DD**

The City of Westminster has one Mayor elected at-large and four City Council Members who, starting November 3, 2020, will be elected by district. Each of those offices has a four-year term. There is currently no limit on the number of terms a person may serve in either office.

The Westminster City Council voted to place Measure DD on the ballot for the November 3, 2020 general municipal election. If passed by voters, Measure DD will enact Westminster Municipal Code Section 2.040.125, which sets the following lifetime term limits:

“No person shall be eligible to serve in the office of City Council Member or Mayor, in any combination, for more than three (3) four (4)-year terms following the adoption of this measure.”

This term limit will be aggregated; a person will be limited to serving a maximum of three (3) four (4)-year terms regardless of whether they hold the office of Council Member or Mayor, or any combination of those positions, during that period. The term limits apply regardless of whether the terms were served consecutively or not. Term limits will also not be renewed even if there is a break in office.

Once a person has served three (3) four (4)-year terms, for any combination of the two offices, they will no longer be eligible to serve as either a City Council Member or Mayor. For example, a person would be ineligible to run for either office if they served two terms as a Council Member and one as Mayor. The same prohibition would apply regardless of whether the three (3) terms were served consecutively, or whether there had been a ten year break in office.

Measure DD will only apply to terms of office beginning on or after November 3, 2020. It will not apply retroactively. Therefore, terms served or partially served prior to Measure DD will not count toward the three (3) four (4)-year term limit.

There are two special situations:

1. If someone is appointed or elected to fill a vacancy on the Council or as Mayor, and there is more than one-half of the original term left to be served in the appointed position, service in that appointed office will be counted as though a four (4)-year term had been served.
2. If a current district Council Member is elected Mayor, that person's uncompleted term as a Council Member shall not count toward term limits, but only if both of the following are true: 1) the Council Member was elected Mayor at a general municipal election; and 2) that Council Member's district seat was not up for election at that same election.

A “Yes” vote would approve the establishment of a single lifetime term limit of three (3) four (4) year terms for the offices of Mayor or Council Member, collectively.

A “No” vote disapproves establishing such term limits.

This Measure will take effect only if a majority of voters vote “Yes” at the November 3, 2020 general municipal election.

The above statement is an impartial analysis of Measure DD. If you desire a copy of the measure, please call the Office of the City Clerk at 714-548-3237 and a copy will be mailed at no cost to you.