

**MEASURE R
CITY OF COLTON**

IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS OF MEASURE R

This Impartial Analysis of Measure R has been prepared by the City Attorney pursuant to Section 9280 of the California Elections Code.

Currently, the Colton City Council consists of six members who are elected by-district from six electoral districts, with an at-large elected Mayor. The Colton Municipal Code defines the geographic boundaries of the City's current six electoral districts by which Councilmembers are elected.

Measure R was placed on the ballot by the Colton City Council and, if approved by a majority of Colton voters, will amend the Municipal Code as follows:

- Reduces the number of Councilmembers and Council electoral districts from six to four, while retaining an at-large elected Mayor;
- Legally defines the boundaries of the four new electoral districts; and
- Temporarily shortens future City Council terms (from four years to two years) in order to "phase in" the new electoral district system.

In order to "phase in" the new system, the Measure establishes the following procedures:

- November, 2018 Election – No change – Candidates for current Electoral Districts 1, 2 and 4 would run for election for four-year terms as scheduled. Councilmembers representing current Electoral Districts 3, 5 and 6 would continue to serve out their original terms (expiring in November, 2020). State law does not permit the Measure to shorten these Council terms.
- November, 2020 Election – Candidates for current Electoral Districts 3, 5 and 6 would run for election, but only for two year terms. This will allow the change from six to four districts to occur at the same election, as required by State law (see below).
- November, 2022 Election – The change would occur at this election. The current six electoral districts would cease to exist and be replaced by the four new electoral districts identified in the Measure. All four Council seats representing the new districts would be up for election. However, candidates for new Electoral Districts 1 and 2 (former Districts 1, 2 and 3) would run for two year terms and those for new Electoral Districts 3 and 4 (former Districts 4, 5 and 6) would run for four year terms. This will "re-stagger" City Council elections, per City practice.
- November, 2024 Election - Candidates for new Electoral Districts 1 and 2 would run for four year terms.
- November, 2026 Election - Candidates for new Electoral Districts 3 and 4 would run for four year terms.

This schedule would continue for future elections until amended by Colton voters.

Pursuant to State law, any Council restructuring/redistricting of this nature requires approval by a majority of the City's voters voting at an election.

A "yes" vote on Measure R will approve the restructuring/redistricting Measure.

A "no" vote on Measure R will not approve the restructuring/redistricting Measure.

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