



City of Chula Vista Boards & Commissions

Charter Review Commission

Agenda

REGULAR MEETING OF THE CHARTER REVIEW COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF CHULA VISTA

May 8, 2019 6:00 p.m.

Building A, Room C-103 276 Fourth Avenue Chula Vista

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL: Chair O'Donnell, Vice Chair Felber, Commissioners Buddingh, Hopida, McDonald, and Ross.

CITY STAFF: Silva, Steinberger, Aguayo.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Persons speaking during Public Comments may address the Commission on any subject matter within the Commission's jurisdiction that is not listed as an item on the agenda. State law generally prohibits the Commission from discussing or taking action on any issue not included on the agenda, but, if appropriate, the Commission may schedule the topic for future discussion or refer the matter to staff. Comments are limited to three minutes.

ACTION ITEMS

The item(s) listed below will be considered individually by the Commission and are expected to elicit discussion, deliberation, and potential action. If you wish to speak on any item, please fill out a "Request to Speak" form and submit it to the Secretary prior to the meeting.

- 1. Approval of February 13, 2019 Meeting Minutes.
2. Report, Discussion and Possible Action on the Results of the Survey Regarding Potential Charter Amendments.

I declare under penalty of perjury that I am employed by the City of Chula Vista in the Office of the City Attorney and that I posted this document on the bulletin board at the City Hall according to Brown Act requirements.

Dated: 5/8/19 Signed: Mariana Aguayo

OTHER BUSINESS

1. STAFF COMMENTS
2. CHAIR'S COMMENTS
3. COMMISSIONERS' COMMENTS

ADJOURNMENT

MATERIALS

Materials provided to the Charter Review Commission related to any item on this agenda are available for public review in the Chula Vista City Attorney's Office, during normal business hours.

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MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE
CHARTER REVIEW COMMISSION
OF THE CITY OF CHULA VISTA

February 13, 2019

6:00 p.m.

A Regular Meeting of the Charter Review Commission of the City of Chula Vista was called to order by Chair O'Donnell at 6:00 p.m. in Conference Room C-103, located in Building A at 276 Fourth Avenue, Chula Vista, California.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Commissioners Buddingh, Hopida, McDonald (arrives at 6:02 p.m.), Ross, Vice Chair Felber and Chair O'Donnell

ABSENT: N/A

CITY STAFF: Assistant City Attorney Maland, Secretary Marisa Aguayo

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Chair O'Donnell called for public comments on matters not listed on the agenda. There being no members of the public who wished to speak, Chair O'Donnell closed public comments.

ACTION ITEMS

1. Approval of January 14, 2019 Minutes.

ACTION: Vice Chair Felber made a motion to approve the January 14, 2019 minutes. Commissioner Hopida seconded and motion passed as follows:

Yes: 6 (Buddingh, Hopida, McDonald, Ross, VC Felber and Chair O'Donnell)

No: 0

Abstain: 0

2. Discussion and Potential Action on Draft Public Survey Regarding Potential Charter Amendments.

Maland presents. Provides a handout. Commission discusses potential changes throughout the survey.

ACTION: Commissioner Buddingh made a motion to change the survey responses from “Don’t know” to “Not Sure.” Vice Chair Felber seconded and motion passed as follows:

Yes: 6 (Buddingh, Hopida, McDonald, Ross, VC Felber and Chair O’Donnell)
No: 0
Abstain: 0

ACTION: Commissioner Ross made a motion to change the survey questions in the Mayor and City Councilmembers and City Attorney from “are you okay...” to “would you be in favor of...” Vice Chair Felber seconded and motion passed as follows:

Yes: 6 (Buddingh, Hopida, McDonald, Ross, VC Felber and Chair O’Donnell)
No: 0
Abstain: 0

ACTION: Chair O’Donnell made a motion to include wording in Section E. City Council Salaries to include “base salary”. Commission Hopida seconded and motion passed as follows:

Yes: 6 (Buddingh, Hopida, McDonald, Ross, VC Felber and Chair O’Donnell)
No: 0
Abstain: 0

ACTION: Chair O’Donnell made a motion to change the wording in section City Attorney Appointed vs. Elected second sentence to read “The state of California has 482 cities; eleven of those cities have elected City Attorneys.” Commission Hopida seconded and motion passed as follows:

Yes: 6 (Buddingh, Hopida, McDonald, Ross, VC Felber and Chair O’Donnell)
No: 0
Abstain: 0

3. Discussion and potential action on biannual report to City Council.

Maland presents. Provides a draft of the Charter Review Commission Status Report to City Council for review. Commission discusses minor changes to the Status Report.

ACTION: Commissioner Buddingh made a motion to approve the minor changes and move forward with finalization and distribution of the Status Report to City Council. Vice Chair Felber seconded and motion passed as follows:

Yes: 6 (Buddingh, Hopida, McDonald, Ross, VC Felber and Chair O’Donnell)

No: 0
Abstain: 0

OTHER BUSINESS

1. STAFF COMMENTS – There is a vacancy on the Charter Review Commission. Please spread the word should you know anyone that is interested.
2. CHAIR’S COMMENTS – Let’s reconvene in April.
3. COMMISSIONERS’/BOARD MEMBERS’ COMMENTS – No comments.

ADJOURNMENT: Meeting adjourned at 6:27 p.m.

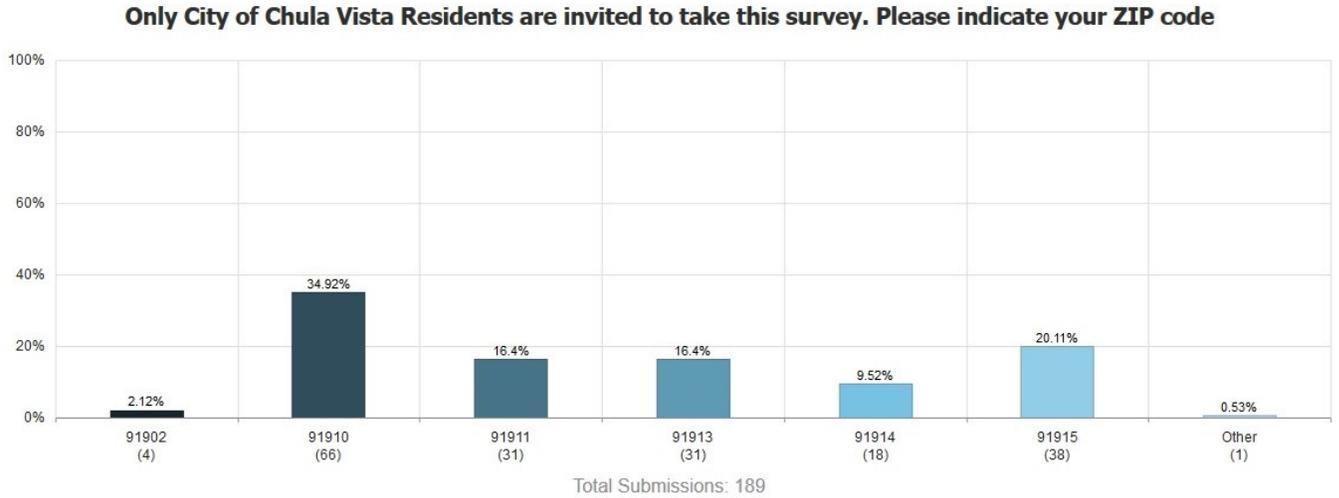
Marisa Aguayo, Secretary

Charter Review Commission Community Survey 2019

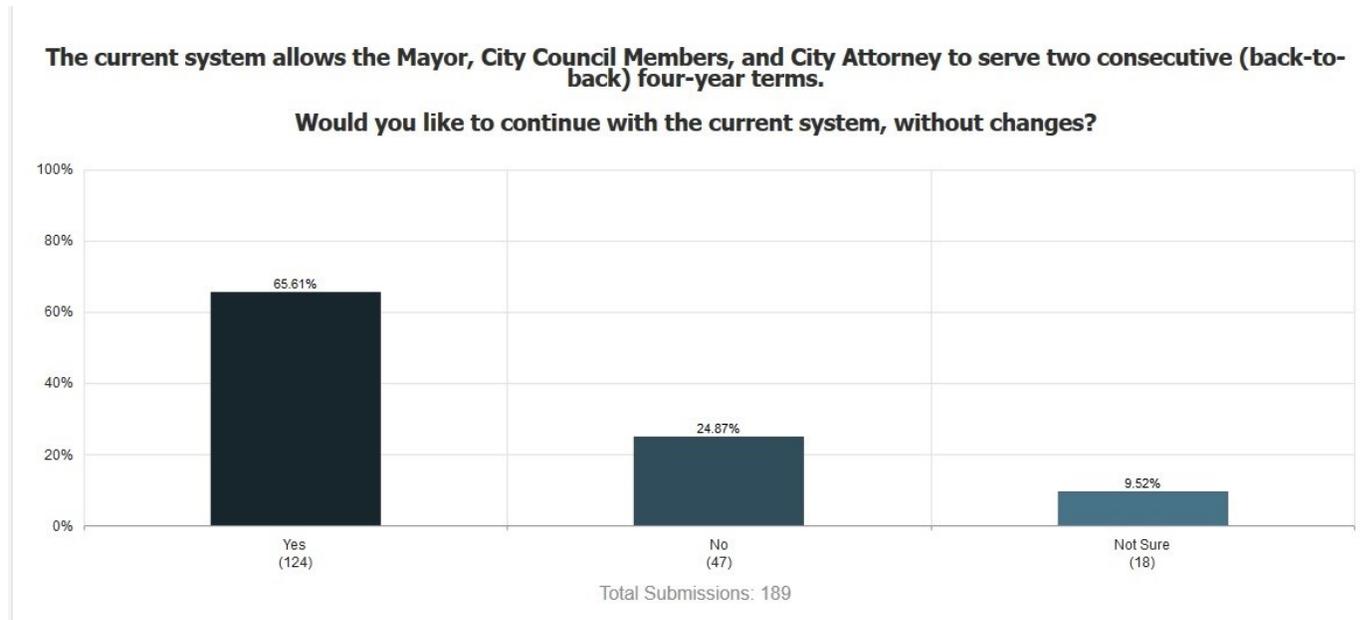
Survey Open March 1 – 25, 2019

189 Responses Submitted • 47 Comments Submitted

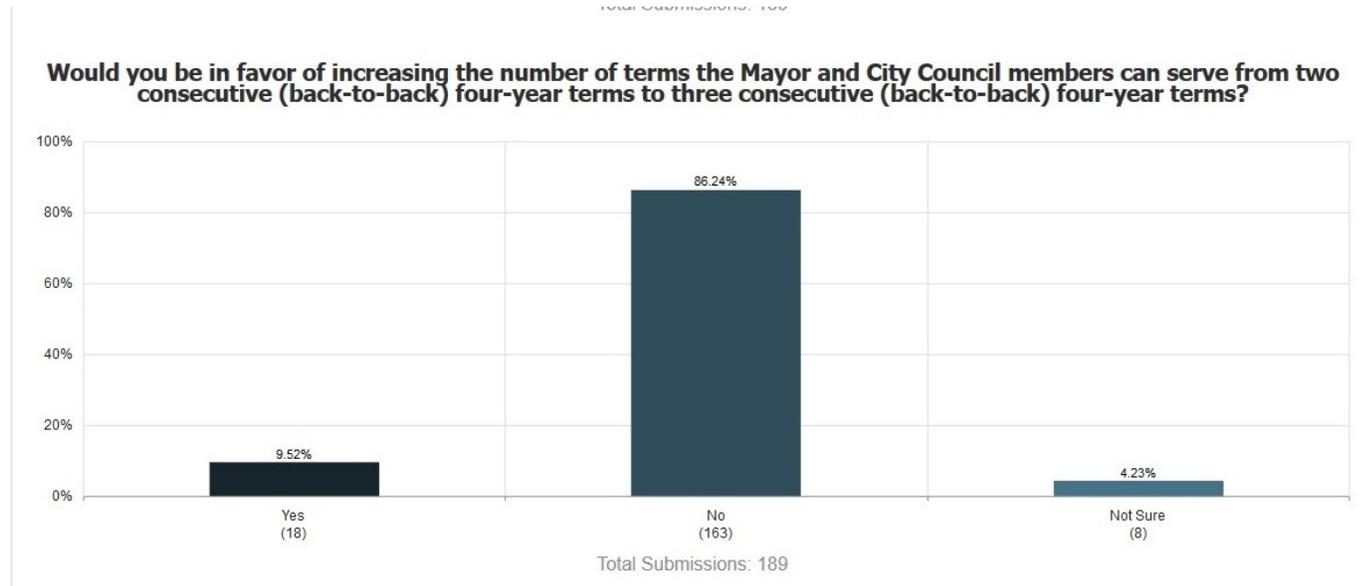
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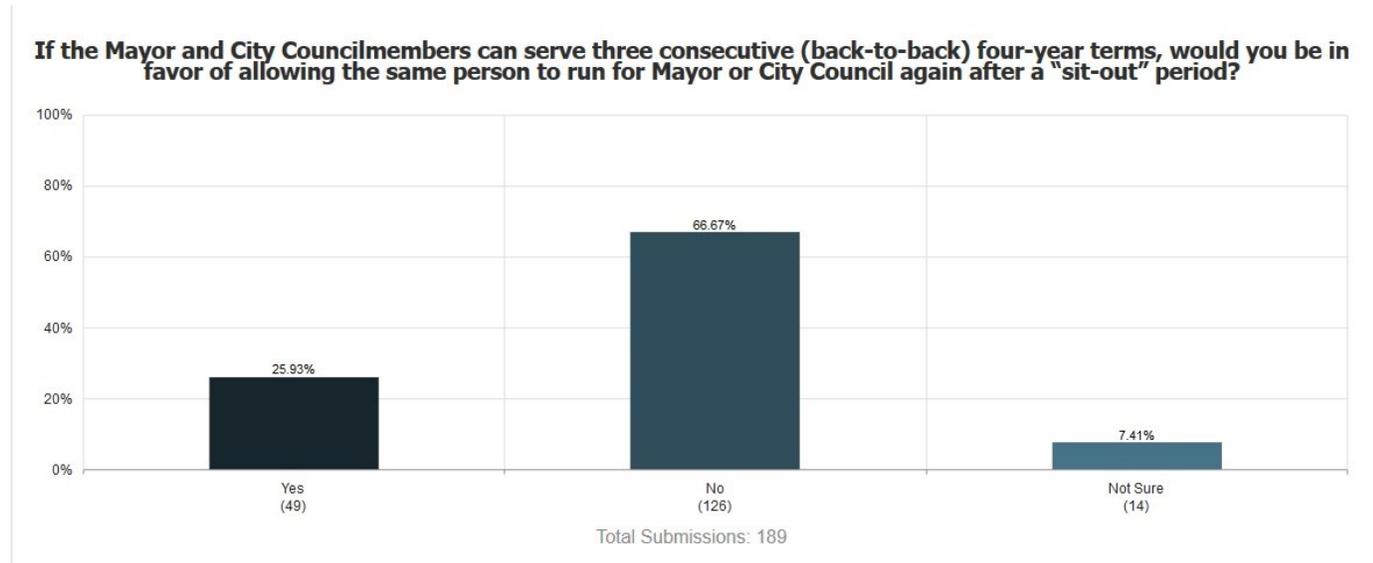
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Question 3

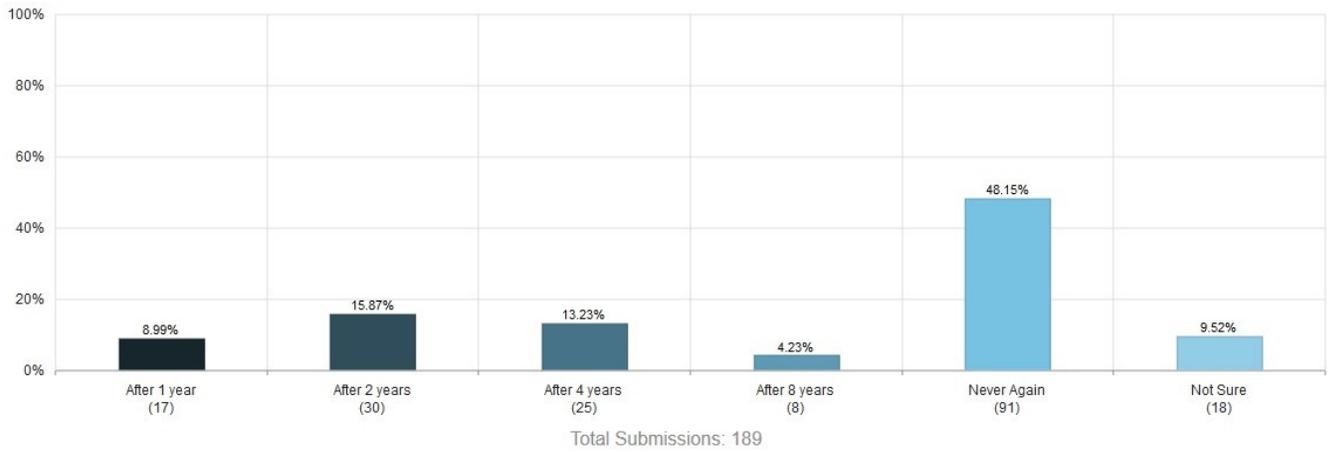


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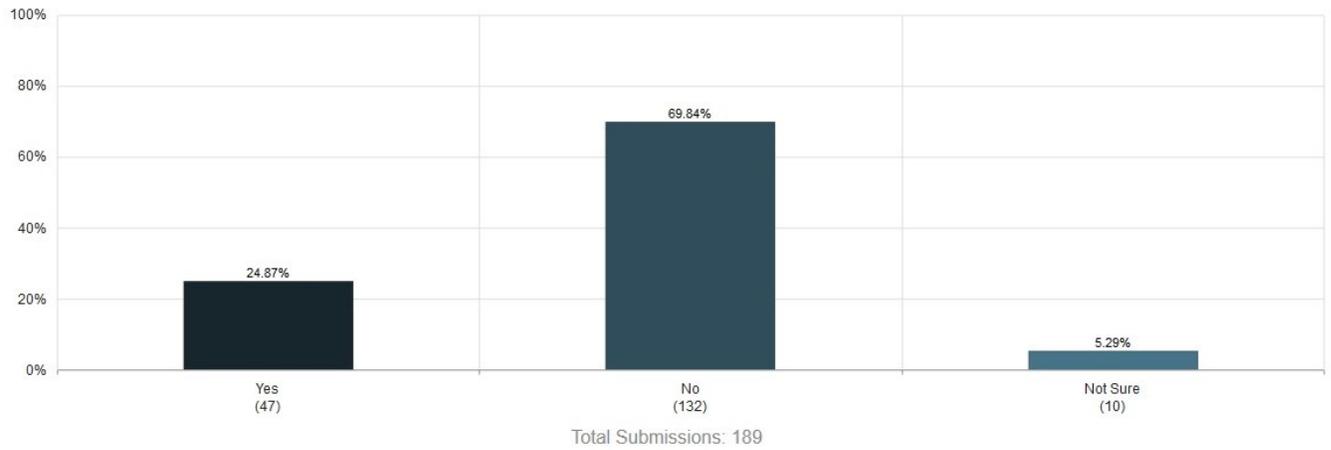
Question 5

If yes, how long should the sit-out period be before that person is allowed to run again for Mayor or City Council?

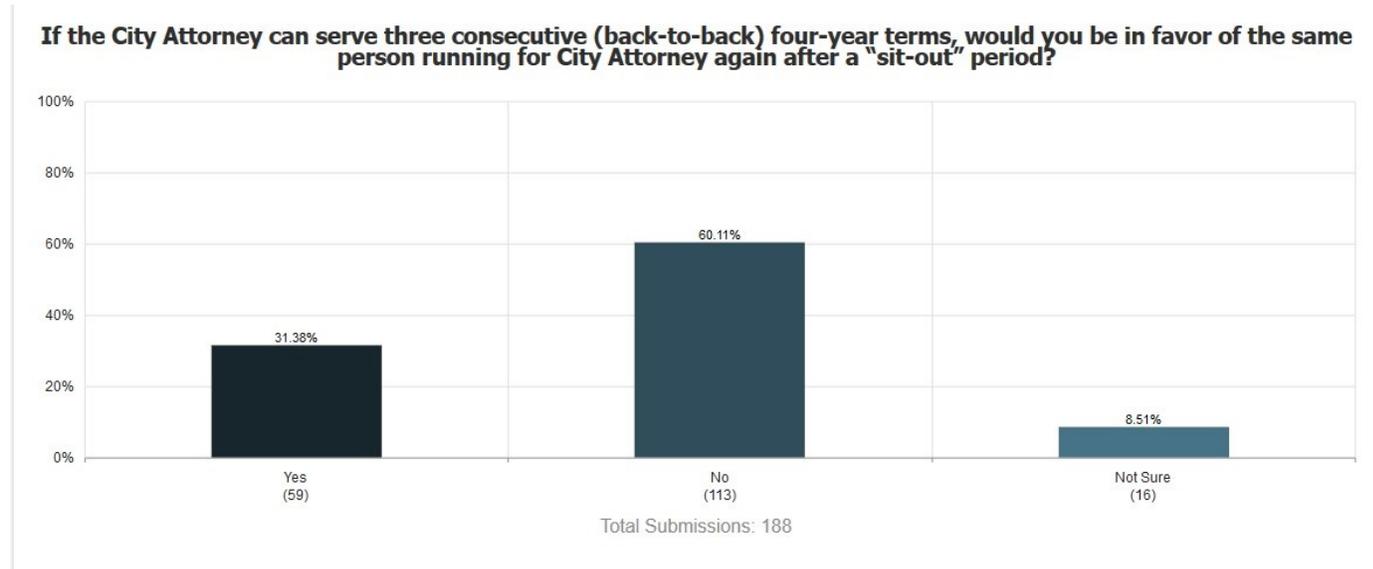


Question 6

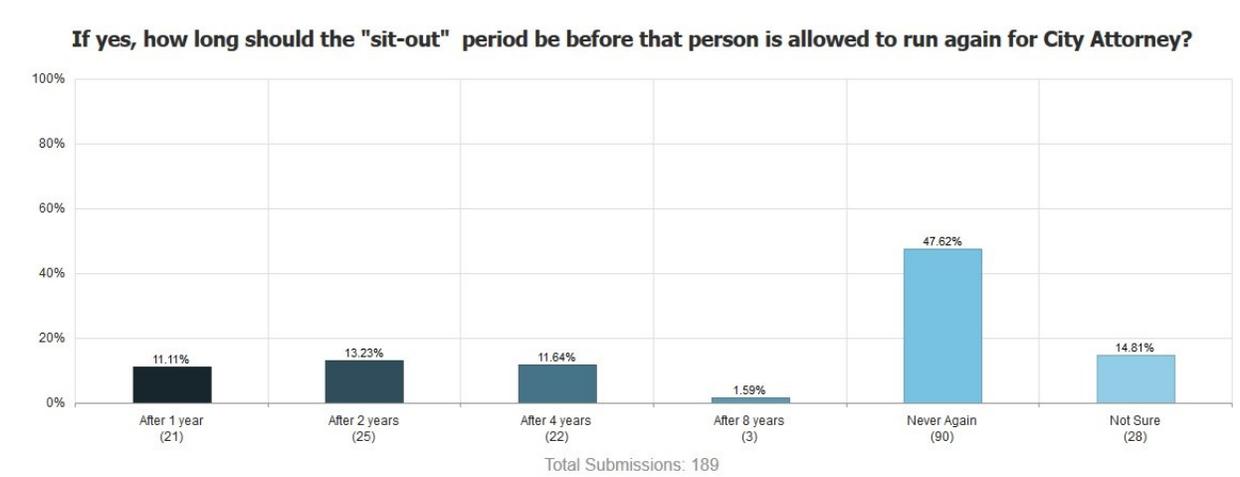
Would you be in favor of increasing the number of terms the City Attorney can serve from the current two consecutive (back-to-back) four-year terms to three consecutive (back-to-back) four-year terms?



Question 7

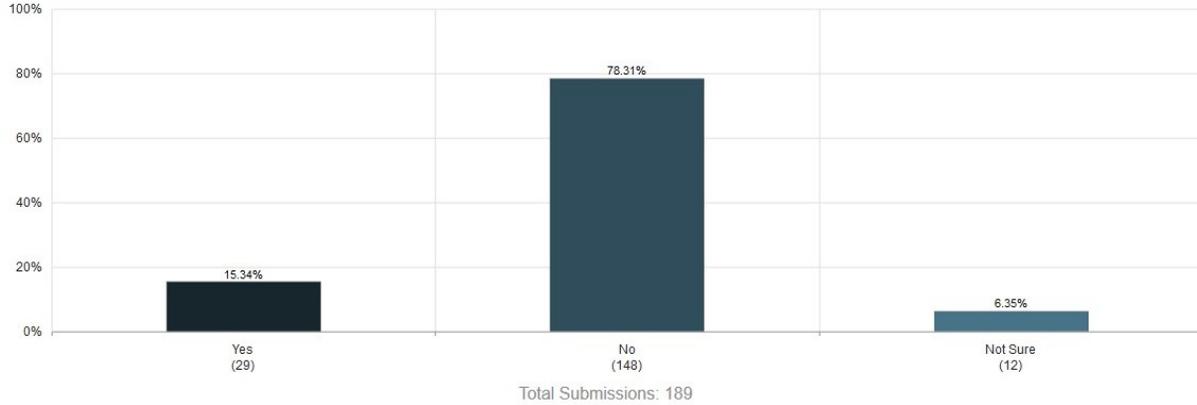


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Question 9

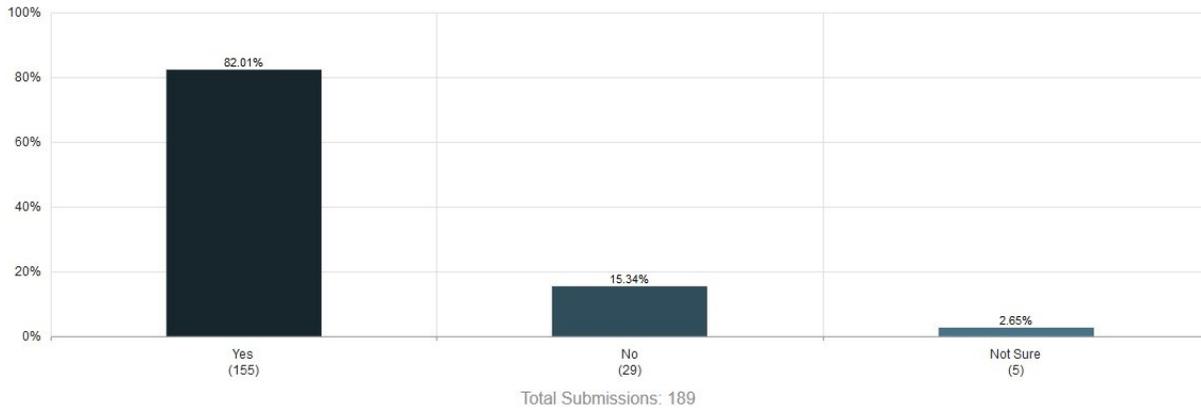
As a result of the Charter amendment in 2008, the City Attorney is now elected. There are 482 cities in the State of California; eleven of those have elected City Attorneys. Are you in favor of the City Attorney returning to being appointed by the Mayor and City Council, rather than being elected?



Question 10

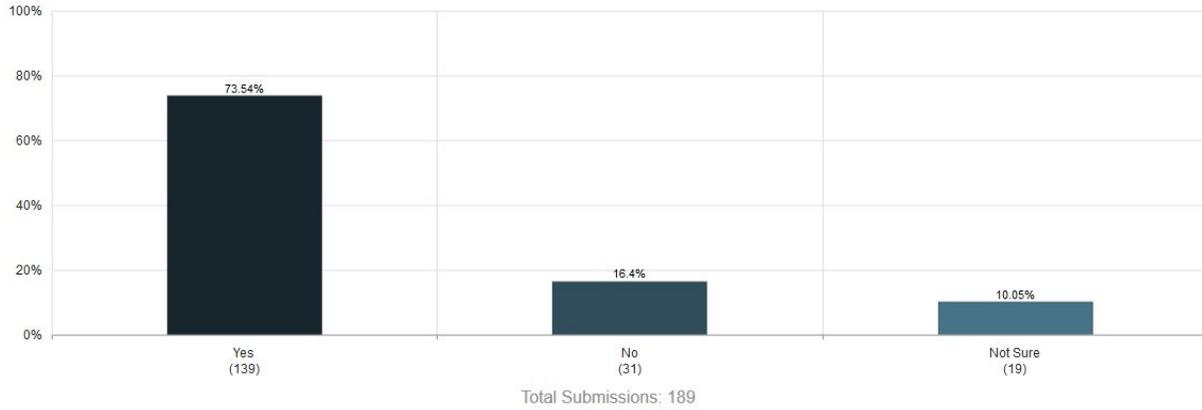
The City Attorney is required to be a resident of the State of California but is not required to be a resident of the City (Charter Section 503). Of the eleven cities in California that have elected City Attorneys, all but Chula Vista require the City Attorney to be a resident of the City.

If the City Attorney stays as an elected position, are you in favor of requiring the City Attorney to be a resident of the City?



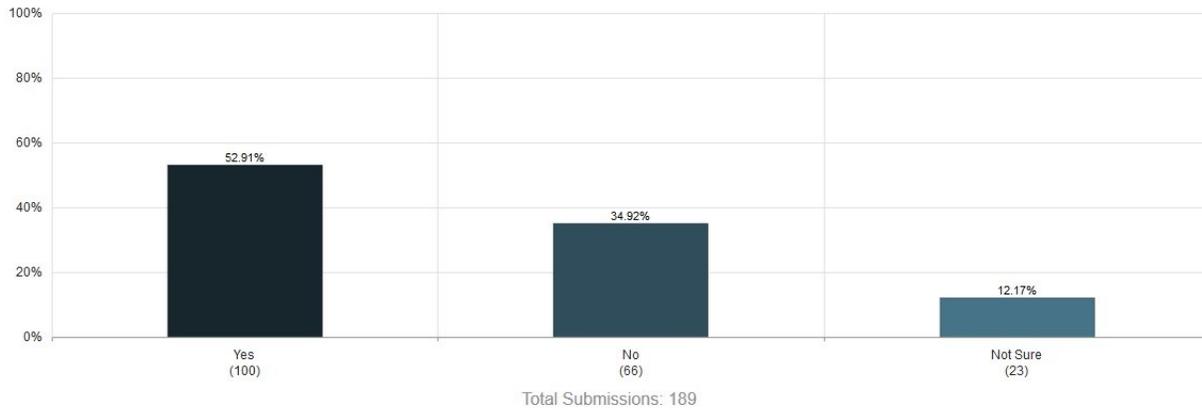
Question 11

Would you be in favor of changing the Charter to add a process for suspending elected City officials from their duties, without pay, when they are charged with a felony in a court of law, until their case is resolved?

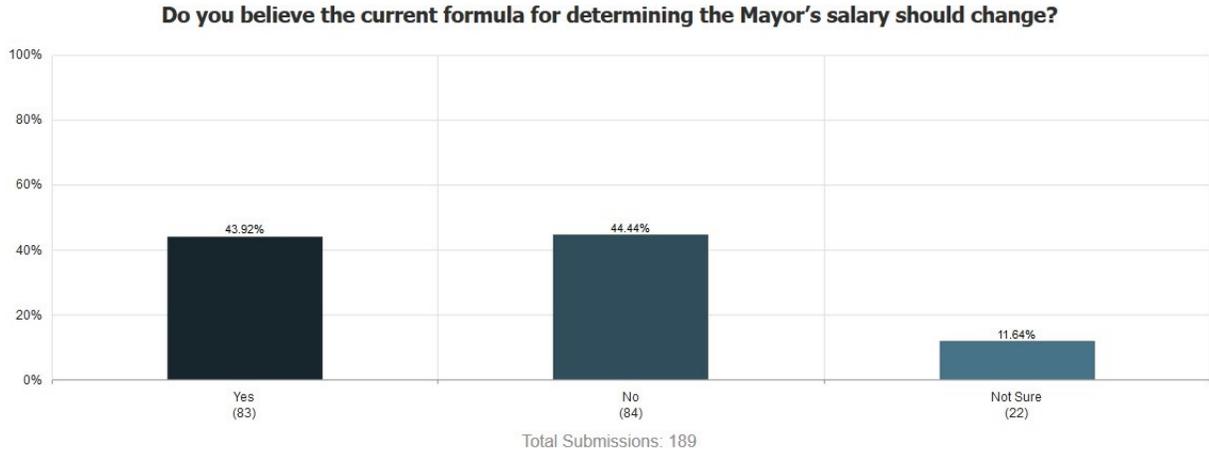


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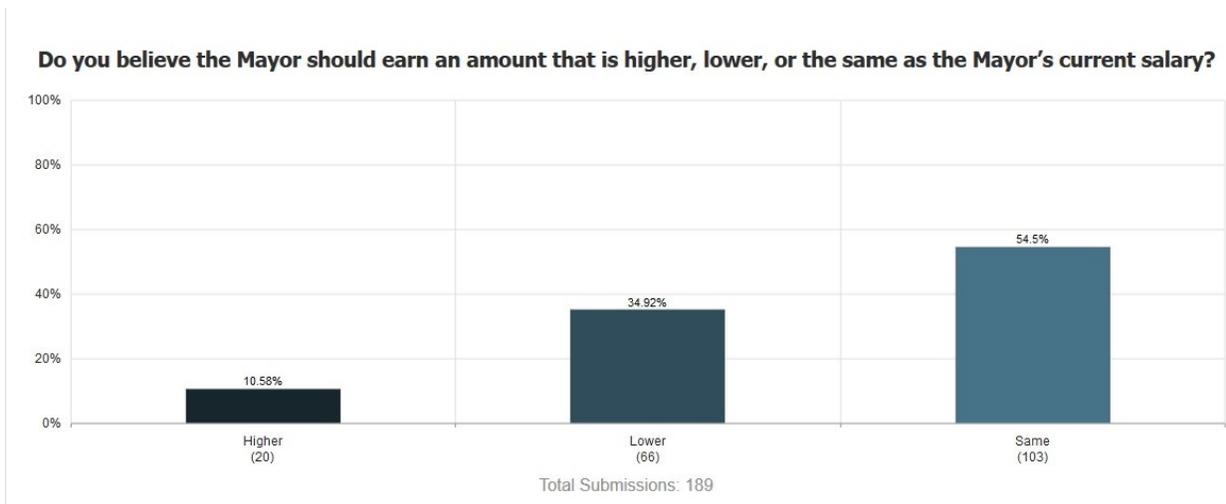
The CRC is considering recommending to the City Council that the Charter be amended to allow only vote-by-mail balloting for special elections for the Mayor, City Council members, and City Attorney. This would apply only to elections that are held on a date other than a regularly-scheduled election, and the City Council would be able to decide which method to use in each election. Would you be in favor of this amendment?



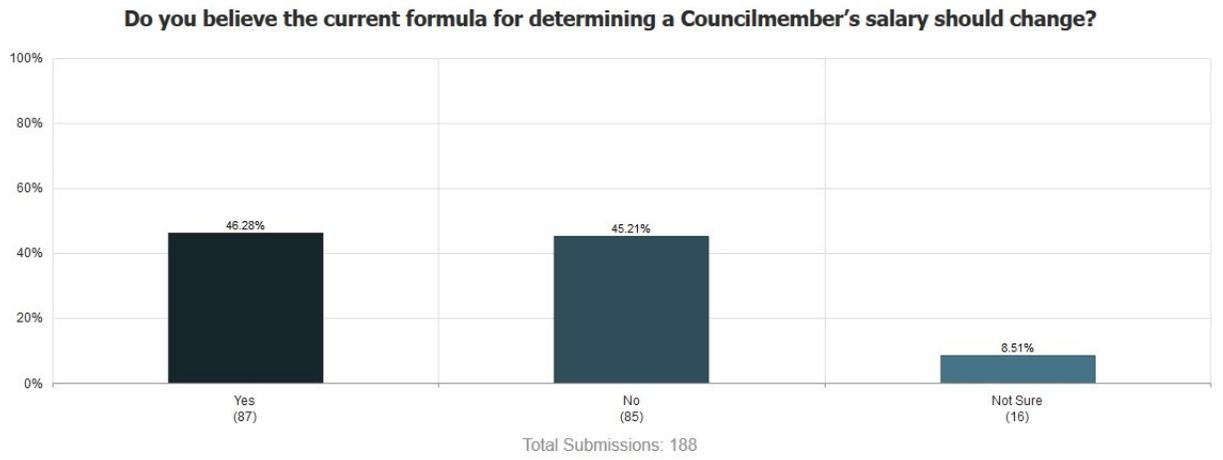
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Question 14



Question 15



Question 16

