



City Attorney's Impartial Analysis

The City Council placed this measure on the ballot seeking voter approval to spend more than \$1 million of city funds for improvements to the Monroe Street Pool located at 3401 Monroe Street. The estimated cost of the improvements is \$22 million to \$24 million. A majority vote would authorize, but not require, the expenditure of up to \$24 million for the improvements. The authorized amount would be adjusted annually for inflation by the percentage increase in the regional construction cost index.

A "yes" vote means you authorize the City Council to approve spending up to \$24 million in city funds, adjusted annually for inflation, for improvements to the Monroe Street Pool.

A "no" vote means you do not authorize the City Council to approve spending up to \$24 million in city funds, adjusted annually for inflation, for improvements to the Monroe Street Pool.

The measure requires approval by a simple majority (50% plus one vote) to pass.

WHY A VOTE IS REQUIRED:

In 1982, Carlsbad citizens passed Proposition H (now found in Carlsbad Municipal Code Chapter 1.24), which prohibits the city from spending more than \$1 million in city funds for real property improvements, other than for routine maintenance and repairs, unless the proposed improvement project and the cost in city funds is first placed on the ballot and approved by a majority of the voters. "City funds" primarily refer to General Fund money derived from citywide general taxes. "City funds" do not include money derived from developer fees or from city enterprises, such as the golf course and water district.

THE PROPOSED IMPROVEMENTS TO MONROE STREET POOL:

The existing Monroe Street Pool, which was built in 1982, includes a 25-yard by 25-meter pool, equipment room, and locker room building. The proposed improvements will:

- Expand the pool, pool deck, bleachers, parking lot and shade
- Add family restrooms, exterior deck showers, new entrances, a new building and mechanical room, and a new 8-foot wall to reduce sound coming from the pool
- Renovate the locker rooms, reconfigure the lobby and meeting room, and replace pool tile, piping, drains, pumps and filters
- Make other energy efficiency and building code upgrades

The City Council approved the concept for the proposed improvements at its January 21, 2021, meeting. Details regarding the proposed improvements may be found on the city's website at www.carlsbadca.gov.

The estimated cost of the improvements is \$22 to \$24 million. The exact cost will be determined through the design, permitting, budgeting and construction contracting process. The amount of the authorized expenditure will be adjusted annually by the percentage increase in the regional construction cost index.

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