COUNTY OF ALAMEDA

Sample Ballot and Voter Information Pamphlet
CITY OF PIEDMONT
General Municipal Election
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 2014

POLLS OPEN AT 7 A.M.
AND CLOSE AT 8 P.M.

WARNING: THE LOCATION OF YOUR POLLING PLACE MAY HAVE CHANGED

SEE BACK COVER FOR YOUR POLLING PLACE LOCATION AND VOTE BY MAIL BALLOT REQUEST

TAKE THIS SAMPLE BALLOT TO THE POLLS AND PRE-MARK IT TO AVOID DELAY
Follow These Easy Steps To Ensure Your Vote Counts:

- Clearly Mark Your Ballot
- Completely Connect the Arrow Next to Your Candidate or YES/NO Measure Choice
- Use Black or Blue Ballpoint Pen Only

**Vote for . . . how many?**

For most races, your choice is **ONE** but for others, you may be able to vote for two or three candidates.

**REMEMBER:**

- You can vote for fewer candidates than allowed
  - **BUT**
- If you vote for **MORE** Candidates than allowed, your vote(s) in that race will **NOT BE COUNTED.**

**Voting for a Write-In Candidate?**

Remember – Only votes for **qualified** write-in candidates are counted. To obtain a list of the Qualified Write-In Candidates call (510) 272-6933 or visit our website at [www.acgov.org/rov](http://www.acgov.org/rov)

**For Your Write-In Vote to Be Counted:**

- Completely Connect the Arrow Next to the Write-In Line
- Print or Write Legibly the Name of the Qualified Write-In Candidate on the Line Next to the Arrow
BILINGUAL POLL WORKERS ARE NEEDED FOR
JUNE AND NOVEMBER
2014 ELECTION

The Alameda County Registrar of Voters office is continually seeking people dedicated to the democratic process who are able to serve at a polling place on Election Day.

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  English/Spanish
  English/Tagalog
  English/Vietnamese
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• Be a registered voter or a lawful permanent resident
• Attend a mandatory training class

PASS A BILINGUAL ASSESSMENT AND ATTEND EXTENDED TRAINING TO RECEIVE AN EXTRA $10

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EARN EXTRA MONEY AND BE PART OF THE ELECTION PROCESS

*All Election Workers Must Attend Mandatory Training

INSPECTORS
• Person in-charge
• Must have own vehicle
• Must be a registered voter

EARN $180

JUDGES
• Must be a registered voter or a lawful permanent resident

EARN UP TO $125

CLERKS
• Must be a registered voter or a lawful permanent resident

EARN UP TO $115

STUDENTS
• Must be at least 16 years of age
• A U.S. citizen
• Have a G.P.A. of 2.5 or higher

EARN $100 or 52.50 (half shift)

FOR MORE INFORMATION
E-MAIL: rov_pollworker@acgov.org
CALL: (510)272-6971

NEW
OFFICIAL BALLOT
CITY OF PIEDMONT
GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION
ALAMEDA COUNTY
FEBRUARY 4, 2014

INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS: USE BLACK OR BLUE BALLPOINT PEN ONLY. To vote for a candidate of your choice, complete the arrow to the right of the candidate’s name. To vote for a qualified write-in candidate, PRINT the person’s name in the blank space provided and complete the arrow. To vote on any measure, complete the arrow after the word “Yes” or “No.”

INSTRUCCIONES PARA LOS VOTANTES: USE UN BOLÍGRAFO CON TINTA NEGRA O AZUL SOLAMENTE. Para votar por cualquier candidato de su selección, complete la flecha a la derecha del nombre del candidato. Para votar por un candidato calificado para inserción de su nombre por escrito, escriba EN LETRA DE MOLDE el nombre de esa persona en la línea en blanco que se le proporciona y complete la flecha. Para votar por cualquier medida, complete la flecha después de la palabra “Sí” o “No.”

FOR MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
VOTE FOR NO MORE THAN TWO

AMAL SMITH
University Administrator
Administradora de Universidad

DOUG IRELAND
Retired Financial Executive
Ejecutivo en Finanzas Jubilado

MEASURES SUBMITTED TO THE VOTERS
MEDIDAS SOMETIDAS A LOS VOTANTES

A Shall the City of Piedmont, at City Council discretion, issue bonds or otherwise incur debt in a principal amount not to exceed $8,000,000 to refinance a portion of the City’s existing obligation to the California Public Employees Retirement System for the
Sample Ballot

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**OFFICIAL BALLOT**

**CITY OF PIEDMONT**

**GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION**

**ALAMEDA COUNTY**

**FEBRUARY 4, 2014**

**VOTE FOR NO MORE THAN THREE FOR MEMBERS OF CITY COUNCIL**

**TEDDY KING**

City Planning Consultant

**JEFF WIELER**

Incumbent

Titular

**HARI TITAN**

Big-Data Scientist

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**SHALL THE CITY OF PIEDMONT, AT CITY COUNCIL DISCRETION, ISSUE BONDS OR OTHERWISE INCUR DEBT IN A PRINCIPAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED $8,000,000 TO REFINANCE A PORTION OF THE CITY’S EXISTING OBLIGATION TO THE CALIFORNIA PUBLIC EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT SYSTEM FOR THE PURPOSE OF ACHIEVING DEBT SERVICE SAVINGS, AS MORE SPECIFICALLY SET FORTH IN ORD. 711 N.S. WHICH IS ON FILE WITH THE PIEDMONT CITY CLERK?**

**A**

¿Deberá la Ciudad de Piedmont emitir bonos o adquirir una deuda, a discreción del Concejo Municipal, por un monto que no exceda $8,000,000 para refinanciar una parte de la obligación que la Ciudad tiene actualmente con el Sistema de Retiro para Funcionarios Públicos de California, con el fin de lograr un ahorro en el servicio de la deuda como se establece específicamente en la Ordenanza 711 N.S. que se encuentra en poder del Secretario Municipal de Piedmont?

**YES**

Sí

**NO**

No
INFORMATION FOR VOTERS WITH DISABILITIES

The Alameda County Registrar of Voters has made every effort to locate accessible polling places for all elections. The accessibility of your polling place is shown on the back cover of this Voter Information Pamphlet by the words, “YES” and “NO” printed below the disability symbol.

“YES” means your polling place is accessible. 

“NO” means your polling place is not accessible.

For questions about the accessibility of your polling place, call (510) 272-6933. For the location of your polling place, call our 24-hour number at (510) 267-8683.

The Registrar of Voters office provides the Voter Information Pamphlet in an audio MP3 format (on our website) or on CD format (mailed by request). Please call (510) 272-6933 for CD requests.

A voter who is unable to enter his/her polling place because it is inaccessible, may contact our office for the location of the nearest accessible polling place that is within their district. Please call (510) 272-6933 for more information.

Beginning 29 days before an election, the Alameda County Registrar of Voters office serves as a polling place during regular hours, 8:30am – 5:00pm, Monday through Friday and from 7:00am – 8:00pm on Election Day. In addition, there may be weekend voting hours for a General Election; please contact our office at (510) 272-6973 for more information on weekend hours.

You may request that a paper ballot be brought to you outside the polling place. A poll worker will bring you a ballot and deposit it in the ballot box after you have voted.

Any registered voter may apply for a vote by mail ballot. Applications must be received by the Alameda County Registrar of Voters office no later than 7 days prior to the election.

Any voter may request a vote-by-mail ballot in the following ways:

1. Apply online at: www.acgov.org/rov/votebymail.htm
2. Complete the application form on the back cover of the Voter Information Pamphlet and mail it to the Registrar of Voters office.
3. E-MAIL, fax, or mail us a letter requesting a vote-by-mail ballot and include your name, home address, the address to which you want the ballot mailed, and your signature.
4. Call (510) 272-6973 to request for a ballot to be mailed to you. Only the registered voter himself or herself may apply for a vote by mail ballot. An application for a vote by mail ballot that is made by any person other than the registered voter is a criminal offense.
Not all candidates submit a statement of qualifications. For a complete list of candidates on the ballot, consult your sample ballot, which is included within this pamphlet.

Each candidates statement of qualifications, if any, is volunteered by the candidate and is printed at the expense of the candidate, unless otherwise determined by the governing body. Statements have been printed as submitted by the candidates, including any typographical, spelling, or grammatical errors. The statements have not been checked for accuracy by the Registrar of Voters office.

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CITY OF PIEDMONT
City Council Members

JEFF WIELER
Occupation: Incumbent Council Member
Age: 48
My education and qualifications are: As a City Council member, I have focused on responsible financial management. This reflects both my professional experience — I have a 35-year career in finance and an MBA from Harvard Business School — and there is no more serious duty for an elected official than careful, prudent management of public finances. Personnel expense is Piedmont's greatest cost. My experience dealing with unions and my past service as chair of the Piedmont Civil Service Commission will help Piedmont responsibly address this critical area. Our city will have a new City Administrator shortly after the election; three department heads and several key middle-management employees are close to retirement age. My 20 years experience as a community volunteer on the Civil Service Commission, Municipal Tax Committee, Ad Hoc Library Committee, Civic Center Committee, and Park Commission can help provide continuity and institutional memory during this time of transition. I am honored to be supported by 10 individuals who served as mayor — they know what Piedmont needs in a Council member. Piedmont will face problems and opportunities in the next four years, and if reelected I will do my best to improve Piedmont and keep it a wonderful place to live.

TIM ROOD
Occupation: City Planning Consultant
Age: 48
My education and qualifications are: Bachelor's cum laude, Columbia University; Masters', architecture and city planning, UC Berkeley. Licensed architect, certified planner, LEED accredited. I ran for Council in 2012 to highlight issues of fiscal responsibility, openness, and transparency, missing election by just 26 votes. Since then, I've worked hard to strengthen Piedmont's fiscal management as a member of the Council-appointed Budget Advisory & Financial Planning Committee, organized community support for bicycle and pedestrian safety improvements as Green Transportation Co-Chair of Piedmont Connect, and spoken out on numerous issues of good governance, due process and fairness (see www.Rood4Piedmont.com). My city planning experience includes consulting to Bay Area regional agencies and leading community outreach in dozens of communities to find consensus on difficult issues. As an architect, I'm experienced in construction administration and support strong oversight and risk management for public works. My family moved to Piedmont in 2002 for its excellent schools, safe neighborhoods and quality of life. I've been involved in Piedmont's civic affairs for years through school committees and campaigns, the Swim Club board and the League of Women Voters. I have the dedication, energy and professional skills to be a leader on the Council and make Piedmont an even greater place to live.

TEDDY KING
Occupation: Policy Analyst
Age: 44
My education and qualifications are: As a community leader and mom of school age children, I am running for a seat on City Council because I want to ensure that Piedmont remains an exceptional place to live. If elected, I will fight to make our streets safer, enhance customer service in city government, and improve cooperation between the city and schools. I have a proven track record of promoting environmental sustainability and fiscal responsibility. Committed to making Piedmont the best it can be, I worked to enhance open space as Chair of the Piedmont Park Commission. As a Piedmont Recreation Commissioner, I oversee athletic and educational opportunities for kids, families and seniors. I chaired the Environmental Task Force, where I drafted Piedmont’s Climate Action Plan, was President of the Piedmont Neighbors and Newcomers Club and am a Beach School volunteer. My professional experience includes serving on a United States Senate Campaign, as a legislative aide to a member of Congress, as Chief of Staff to a member of the San Francisco Board of Supervisors, and as Policy Analyst to a national health care advocacy organization. I am a proud U.C. Berkeley graduate and I ask for your vote on Election Day.
HARI TITAN
Occupation: Big Data Scientist
My education and qualifications are: Dear Piedmont voters: I am running for a position on School Board for the Piedmont Unified School District in the February 4, 2014 election. Few parents attend School Board meetings but a lot more would love an easy way to explore the history of any topic of interest. My campaign platform is to be the catalyst for modernizing the communication platform between parents and board members. Please checkout a system I will use if elected: http://HariTitan.com As a Board member, after each meeting I would update each topic with decisions or next steps of the Board. This discussion platform allows parents to view and enhance each others ideas by adding comments. It also allows parents to vote on ideas and comments. This system will save time for all parents and also bring ideas to the table from parents too busy to view 3 hour board meetings or download multiple documents to follow a single topic of interest. This technology has been used by various industries to find and build consensus. If you’d like to give it a try in Piedmont, please spread the word and vote for me. Sincerely, Hari Titan, PhD (Computer Science ’93) Havens Parent

DOUGLAS M. IRELAND
Occupation: Retired Financial Executive
Age: 58
My education and qualifications are: I believe in public education and am proud of Piedmont's excellent schools. They are the cornerstones of our town. To sustain them, our community deserves thoughtful representation and strong leadership. As a School Board member, I will collaborate with school and community members to strive for the finest educational outcomes for our children. Our family's four children grew up in Piedmont schools, and over their 17 years here, I have been immersed in school issues. I served on the Havens Site Council, the Piedmont Educational Foundation and co-chaired the recent Parcel Tax campaign. I am passionate about the role education plays in all our futures. I graduated from public K-12 schools and Dartmouth College. Both gave me an appreciation for comprehensive education. My 30-year Wall Street career provided experience growing successful businesses in competitive and evolving markets. Success required understanding employees and clients, articulating strategic plans and producing desired outcomes. As our District faces budget, personnel, curriculum and technology challenges, I believe I have valuable skills to offer. I would like to bring my passion and perspective to the Board to preserve and enhance Piedmont's greatest asset. Thank you.

AMAL SMITH
Occupation: University Administrator
Age: 52
My education and qualifications are: I am running for School Board because I have excellent and relevant skills to contribute to the governance of our school district and because I want to give back to the community that has supported my family for over 14 years. I have 24 years experience working in higher education, where the last 13 have been in financial management at the University of California, Office of the President. I am committed to strong fiscal oversight; continuing to provide an excellent and robust K-12 program, with a focus on creative classroom strategies and leveraging technological innovations; continuing teacher development and collaborative evaluation; and building on the on-going collaborative relationship among teachers, students, staff, families and Piedmont citizens. I have been an active Piedmont volunteer for over 13 years, including president and treasurer of the Piedmont Educational Foundation and Beach Parent Organization; treasurer of the Piedmont High School Parents Club; member of the District's Budget Advisory Committee, PHS Wellness Center Advisory Board and PHS Boosters; and volunteered in countless ways in my sons’ classrooms, schools and teams, as well as on seismic bond and parcel tax campaigns. I would be honored to serve, and I respectfully ask for your support.

CANDIDATES' STATEMENTS
CITY OF PIEDMONT
Members, Board of Education
With **my VOTER PROFILE** there has never been an easier or faster way to access your information.

Log on today at www.acgov.org/rov/profile.htm

**Your voter profile includes:**

- Your voter registration information (address, party affiliation, vote by mail status, and registration date)
- Your polling place
- Your sample ballot
- The status of your vote by mail ballot
- Your preferred language
- Whether you have chosen to receive your sample ballot by mail
- Which districts you are eligible to vote in

You can also update your registration information, change your preferred language, and opt in / opt out of receiving your sample ballot by mail.

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GO GREEN AND SAVE TAX DOLLARS

Opt-out of receiving your Sample Ballot and Voter Information Pamphlet by mail

Beginning January 1, 2011, State Law (AB 1717) allows voters to “go green” by choosing to opt-out of receiving their sample ballot and voter information pamphlet by mail and accessing it online instead. Choosing the online option will help reduce County costs and save tax dollars.

If you would like to opt-out of receiving your Sample Ballot and Voter Information Pamphlet by mail, simply log on to “My Voter Profile” at www.acgov.org/rov/profile.htm or download the app for your mobile phone.

Sample Ballot and Voter Information Pamphlets are available online approximately 40 days before an election.

FOR MORE INFORMATION

Visit our website at: www.acgov.org/rov
CALL: (510) 272-6973
IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS BY CITY ATTORNEY

MEASURE A

Measure A would authorize the City Council to approve the issuance of bonds or other debt to refinance the City of Piedmont’s Side Fund obligations to the California Public Employees’ Retirement System (PERS).

The City has participated in PERS since 1974. In 2003, PERS adopted a requirement that all pension plans with fewer than 100 active members be assigned to risk sharing pools with other agencies having similar benefits. Because the City’s miscellaneous and safety plans each had fewer than 100 members, PERS assigned the City’s plans to risk pools. Because the various plans joining these risk pools had different levels of unfunded liability at the time they joined, PERS established a separate “Side Fund” for each plan to address its outstanding unfunded liability at the time it joined the pool.

The Side Funds are distinct from the City’s other PERS plans and liabilities and are currently scheduled to be retired over fixed terms (seven years remaining for the miscellaneous plan and nine years remaining for the safety plan) under a fixed amortization schedule. The total current amount of the City’s Side Fund obligations is approximately $7,800,000. PERS charges the City an interest rate on the Side Fund obligations at a rate equal to the PERS actuarial rate of return, which is currently 7.5%.

Measure A would allow the City Council to authorize the refinancing of the City’s PERS Side Fund obligations at a lower interest rate through the issuance of new bonds or other indebtedness in an amount up to $8,000,000 (i.e., the current outstanding obligation plus transaction costs of the refinancing). Current projections estimate that such a refinancing could save the City between $600,000 and $700,000 over the next nine years.

Section 4.14 of the Charter of the City of Piedmont requires that the voters must give majority (50% + 1) approval prior to the issuance of any bonds that would constitute a general obligation of the City.

A “Yes” vote on Measure A means the voter is in favor of authorizing the City Council to issue bonds or otherwise incur debt to refinance the City’s Side Fund obligations to PERS.

A “No” vote on Measure A means the voter is opposed to authorizing the City Council to issue bonds or otherwise incur debt to refinance the City’s PERS Side Fund obligations.

Should a majority of qualified voters approve Measure A, the City Council would then have the authority required under the Charter to approve the terms and conditions of a bond refinancing of the PERS Side Fund obligations. If a majority of the voters do not approve Measure A, the City would not be able to issue bonds to refinance the PERS Side Fund obligations. The City would continue to be required to meet its PERS Side Fund obligations.

The above statement is an impartial analysis of Measure A. The full text of Measure A is printed in the Voter’s Information Pamphlet and is also available on the City of Piedmont’s website at: http://www.ci.piedmont.ca.us.

s/MICHELLE MARCHETTA KENYON
Acting City Attorney
ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF MEASURE A

This ballot measure is seeking voter approval to refinance approximately $7.8 million in “side fund” pension obligations to CalPERS. The City of Piedmont’s underwriters for this transaction currently estimate that the City could save between $600,000 and $700,000 over the next 9 years by refinancing at a lower interest rate.

The City of Piedmont currently owes approximately $7.8 million in side fund obligations to CalPERS as evidenced by the CalPERS contracts referred to as “PERS Side Fund Obligations”, which are debt obligations of the City imposed by law. Currently, these obligations are scheduled to be paid off over the next 9 years and the City is being charged an effective rate of interest of 7.5%. The City is fully obligated to pay the PERS Side Fund Obligations with interest, regardless of any other steps taken concerning future pensions and benefits for City employees. Section 4.14 of the Piedmont City Charter requires voter approval for any new bonded indebtedness, even if such indebtedness merely refinances an existing obligation such as the PERS Side Fund Obligations.

The Budget Advisory and Financial Planning Committee recommended and each of its five members individually supports the refinancing of the City’s side fund obligations. The City Council voted unanimously to ask for voter approval to refinance this debt at today’s lower interest rates, just as wise homeowners do when they refinance their mortgage with a lower interest rate, and endorses this measure. As of the time of writing this argument, all the announced candidates for City Council have endorsed measure A. Approval of this measure does not require the City Council to proceed with the refinancing. In the event conditions, such as interest rates or expected savings, are not favorable, the City Council would not be required to go forward with the refinancing.

s/John Chiang
Mayor
s/Margaret Fujioka
Vice Mayor
s/Jeff Wieler
Councilmember
s/Dean Barbieri
Former Mayor
s/Bill Hosler
Chair, Budget Advisory and Financial Planning Committee

NO ARGUMENT AGAINST MEASURE A WAS SUBMITTED
FULL TEXT OF MEASURE A

ORDINANCE NO. 711 N.S.

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PIEDMONT AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS OR THE INCURRENCE OF DEBT TO REFINANCE CERTAIN EXISTING DEBT OBLIGATIONS TO THE CALIFORNIA PUBLIC EMPLOYEES’ RETIREMENT SYSTEM AND RELATED MATTERS

The City Council of the City of Piedmont hereby ordains as follows:

SECTION 1  RECITALS

The City Council hereby finds and determines the following recitals are true and correct:

a. The City of Piedmont (the “City”) entered into a contract with the California Public Employees’ Retirement System (“PERS”) dated October 16, 1974, as amended (the “PERS Contract”), pursuant to which the City is obligated to make payments to PERS relating to pension benefits accruing to members of the City’s miscellaneous and safety plans in accordance with the provisions of Sections 20000 et seq. of the Government Code (the “PERS Retirement Law”).

b. In 2003, the PERS Retirement Law was amended to provide that PERS establish criteria under which contracting members, such as the City, would be required to participate in risk pools (i.e., pools containing multiple employers), and PERS established such criteria for participation in risk pools, including mandated participation for rate plans with less than 100 active members.

c. Because each of the City’s miscellaneous plan and safety plan had less than 100 active members, PERS assigned the City’s plans to risk pools and established “side funds” separate from the risk pools for each plan as of June 30, 2003 (individually, a “Side Fund” and together, the “Side Funds”). The amount of each Side Fund equals the amount of the unfunded accrued actuarial liability of the City in connection with each plan. PERS amortizes the obligations related to the Side Funds over a fixed period of time and charges the City an interest rate on such amounts at a rate equal to the PERS actuarial rate of return, which is currently 7.50%. For the Fiscal Year ended June 30, 2013, the payment for the miscellaneous plan Side Fund was $314,103 and the payment for the safety plan Side Fund was $928,164. The City’s obligations to PERS related to the Side Funds as evidenced by the PERS Contracts is referred to herein as the “PERS Side Fund Obligations.”

d. As of June 30, 2013, PERS projected the amount of the PERS Side Fund Obligations as $2,311,901 for the miscellaneous plan and as $5,532,124 for the safety plan. This amount changes from time to time based on actuarial determinations prepared by PERS.

e. The PERS Side Fund Obligations are debt obligations of the City imposed by law.

f. The City is authorized pursuant to Articles 10 and 11 (commencing with Section 53570) of Chapter 3 of Division 2 of Title 5 of the Government Code of the State of California or under the Charter of the City to issue refunding bonds or otherwise incur indebtedness for the purpose of refunding any evidence of indebtedness of the City.

g. For the purpose of refunding all or any portion of the PERS Side Fund Obligations, the City has determined to authorize the issuance of bonds or the incurrence of debt in order to achieve debt service savings, subject to satisfying the requirements of Section 4.14 of the Charter of the City.

h. Section 4.14 of the Charter of the City provides, in part, that: “No bonded indebtedness which shall constitute a general obligation of the City may be created unless authorized by the affirmative votes of a majority of the electors voting on such proposition at any election at which the question is submitted to the electors and unless in full compliance with the provisions of the State Constitution, other State laws and this Charter.”

i. The City will hold its regular municipal election on February 4, 2014 (the “Election”).

j. This Council desires to submit to the registered voters of the City at the Election the question of whether bonds of the City may be issued and sold or debt otherwise incurred for the purpose of refinancing all or any portion of the PERS Side Fund Obligations as required by the Section 4.14 of the Charter of the City.

SECTION 2  ISSUANCE OF BONDS OR INCURRENCE OF DEBT AUTHORIZED

The City is hereby authorized, at City Council discretion, to issue bonds or otherwise incur debt in a principal amount not to exceed $8,000,000 to refinance all or any portion of the PERS Side Fund Obligations for the purpose of achieving debt service savings.
SECTION 3  EFFECTIVENESS OF ORDINANCE

Pursuant to Section 4.14 of the Charter of the City, this Ordinance shall not become effective unless approved by a majority of the voters voting on the proposition associated with this Ordinance at an election to be held on Tuesday, February 4, 2014. This Ordinance shall be posted at City Hall after its second reading by the City Council for at least 30 days.

SECTION 4  OTHER MATTERS

Should this Ordinance be approved by the voters as required by the Charter of the City, and should the City Council thereafter elect to issue said bonds or otherwise incur debt, (1) the approval of the terms and conditions of the bonds and the sale thereof or the incurrence of debt and other matters related thereto shall be approved by City Council by ordinance, in furtherance of the authority granted by this Ordinance; and (2) the members of the City Council and other officers of the City are hereby authorized and directed, individually and collectively, to do any and all things that they deem necessary or advisable in order to effectuate the purposes of this Ordinance.
Any voter may request a vote-by-mail ballot in the following ways:

- Apply online at www.acgov.org/rov/votebymail.htm
- Complete the application form on the back cover of this pamphlet and mail it to the Registrar of Voters office.
- E-MAIL, fax, or mail us a letter requesting a vote-by-mail ballot and include your name, home address, the address to which you want the ballot mailed, and your signature.
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Any voter may request to be a permanent vote-by-mail voter in the following ways:

- Print and complete the form online at: www.acgov.org/rov/forms/permanent_absentee.pdf and mail it to the Registrar of Voters office.
- Complete the application form on the back cover of this pamphlet and check the box and initial the line next to the text “YES, I want to be a permanent vote by mail voter” and mail it to the Registrar of Voters office.
- E-MAIL, fax, or mail us a letter requesting to become a permanent vote-by-mail voter and include your name, home address, the address to which you want the ballot mailed, and your signature.

Once you become a permanent vote-by-mail voter, you will automatically receive a ballot by mail for every election.

FAQ’s

When Are Ballots Mailed Out?
- By law, the first day ballots can be mailed to voters is 29 days before an election. Ballots are mailed continuously during the 29 day period.

What if I Lose My Ballot?
- Call the Registrar of Voters’ Office for a replacement ballot. If it is too late for us to send you a replacement ballot, you may go to your polling place and vote on a provisional ballot.

For more FAQ’s visit our website at: www.acgov.org/rov/faqs.htm
BALLOT DROP-OFF SITES

Return your voted ballot at any of these blue drop-off boxes at your convenience!

LOCATIONS

ALAMEDA COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING
1221 Oak St, Oakland – located on the corner of 12th St and Oak St

RENÉ C. DAVIDSON COURTHOUSE
1225 Fallon St, Oakland – located on the entrance ramp on 12th St

OTHER DROP-OFF SITE

RENÉ C. DAVIDSON COURTHOUSE
1225 Fallon St, Oakland – located inside the courthouse next to the Sheriff’s check-in station

HOURS

Monday – Friday
8:30am – 5:00pm
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If you would like to opt-out of receiving your Sample Ballot and Voter Information Pamphlet by mail, simply complete the Opt-Out/Opt-In Form online at:

www.acgov.org/rov/sampleballotopt.htm

Sample Ballot and Voter Information Pamphlets are available online approximately 40 days before an election.

For more information visit our website at: www.acgov.org/rov
or contact us at: (510)272-6973
DID YOU SIGN YOUR APPLICATION?
VOTE BY MAIL BALLOT APPLICATION

ALAMEDA COUNTY
REGISTRAR OF VOTERS
P.O. BOX 23340
OAKLAND, CA 94623-2334

CITY OF PIEDMONT GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 2014

Mail or deliver this application directly to the Alameda County Registrar of Voters. Application must be in Registrar’s office by 5:00 p.m. on January 28, 2014.

PLEASE PRINT NAME AND RESIDENCE ADDRESS (DO NOT USE P.O. BOX)

FIRST NAME       MIDDLE NAME       LAST NAME

NUMBER AND STREET (DESIGNATE N, S, E, W)       CITY       ZIP CODE

MAILING ADDRESS FOR BALLOT (IF DIFFERENT FROM RESIDENCE)

STREET OR BOX

CITY       STATE       ZIP

☐ YES, I want to be a permanent vote by mail voter

☐ (check box and initial)

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT (DON’T PRINT)       DATE

I attest under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the contents of my application are true and correct.

YOUR POLLING PLACE IS

TO:

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ENGLISH - (510)272-6973       CHINESE - (510)208-9665       SPANISH - (510)272-6975

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