

City Language

Shall the city charter be amended: a) to require that all private citizens' emails to any public official be placed on the city website in "real time," including emails or electronic communications between private citizens and public officials in all City departments, including the library department, police department, city health clinics and city departments handling utility bills and code enforcement, and limit the ability of citizens to keep private the details of these communications; b) to require that the heads of all city departments, including the police department, parks department, library department, all city manager's staff and all city council members and their staff post online in real time information about all meetings and phone calls with private citizens; c) prohibit the city from exercising state law protection for information that could expose the city and taxpayers to greater financial and legal liability and risk; d) to require the city to create at taxpayer expense an online electronic data system for most city communications and documents, which for the most part are already available to the public; and e) to install and permanently operate such a system at an estimated cost of approximately \$36 million initially and \$12 million annually thereafter if fully implemented, which could require a tax increase equivalent to three cents per \$100 valuation or a reduction in city services?

SOS Proposed Language

Shall the city charter be amended to add the citizen initiated "Open Government Online" amendment for the purpose of assuring open government, including provisions that require the city to use its state law discretion in favor of public access, conduct significant business online and accessible to the public through the internet, produce information and conduct negotiations on economic development agreements in public, archive e-mail correspondence with city officials and post calendar entries and phone logs of top city officials relating to city business online while protecting individual privacy?