

**CITY OF BURBANK
CITY ATTORNEY'S IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS OF MEASURE CD
CITY OF BURBANK BY-DISTRICT COUNCIL ELECTIONS MEASURE**

Measure **CD** is an ordinance providing for the election of Burbank City Council members “by-district” in the districts and by the sequence specified in the ordinance. The City Council placed this measure on the ballot pursuant to the terms of a settlement agreement resolving litigation against the City under the California Voting Rights Act.

Current Law: The City Charter designates how City Council members are elected. The Charter specifies that Burbank voters elect members of the City Council “at large,” meaning any voter who is a resident of the City can run for election to any seat on the City Council in accordance with the provisions of state law. Two seats are open in the presidential election year; three seats are open in the gubernatorial election year. In each of those elections, every Burbank voter can vote for as many candidates as there are open seats on the City Council. For example, in November 2026 every Burbank voter can vote for up to three candidates for City Council. Two years later in November 2028, every Burbank voter can vote for up to two candidates for City Council.

What Would Change If Voters Approved Measure CD: Measure **CD** is an ordinance that would establish by-district elections of Burbank City Council members in single-member districts instead of at-large elections. If the voters approve Measure **CD**, however, it cannot go into effect unless the voters also approve the Charter amendments as proposed in Measure **CC**, which is also on the November 2026 ballot, to remove the existing requirement for at-large election of City Council members.

How Measure CD Operates: The by-district election system proposed in Measure **CD** would divide the City into the electoral districts reflected in the map that is part of the measure. Only voters who reside in a particular district could run for election to represent the residents of that district on the City Council. Only voters who reside in that district could vote for a single candidate to represent them on the City Council. Burbank voters would vote for their single district Council member once every four years because each district seat would be on the ballot once every four years in the sequence specified in the ordinance. Burbank voters must approve both Measures **CC** and **CD** if the voters wish to have by-district elections for City Council members in the districts specified in Measure **CD**.

The above statement is an impartial analysis of Measure CD. If you desire a copy of the ordinance, please call the City Clerk's office at (818) 238-5851 and a copy will be mailed at no cost to you. You may also view the full text of Measure CD at www.burbankca.gov/Election-Measures



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