



County of Los Angeles

July 21, 2026

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The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
500 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, California 90012

**Re: County of Los Angeles Ethics Commission Charter
Amendment**

Dear Supervisors:

On May 19 and July 7, 2026, the Board of Supervisors (Board) directed our office to draft the necessary documents, including an ordinance, for a special election to vote on an amendment to the County of Los Angeles Charter (Charter), to be held on the same date as the November 3, 2026, General Election.

If approved by a majority of the voters (50% + 1), the proposed ordinance would repeal Sections 11.68 and 11.70 in Article III-D of the Charter and add Sections 11.67.00, 11.67.50, 11.68.00, 11.68.50, 11.69.00, 11.69.50, and 11.70 to Article III-D of the Charter, relating to the County of Los Angeles Ethics Commission, Office of Ethics Compliance, and Ethics Compliance Officer. Relating to the November 2020 Charter amendment measure known as "Measure J," the proposed Ordinance would also renumber Article III, Section 11, Subsection (8) to Article XII, Section 51-1/4 of the Charter and amend to address the new governance structure.

Attached are the analysis and ordinance for your Board's consideration, which also includes the proposed Charter amendment (Ordinance).

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The Ordinance requires two readings and a majority vote of your Board for placement on the ballot. To place the Ordinance on the November 3, 2026 ballot, the Board must approve both the Ordinance and a Resolution calling and consolidating the election (to be presented at the same meeting as the second reading of the Ordinance) by no later than August 4, 2026.

Very truly yours,



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Attachment

c: Joseph M. Nicchitta
Chief Executive Officer

Edward Yen, Executive Officer
Board of Supervisors