

ARGUMENT AGAINST MEASURE A

The Citizens of Glendale have not voted for a treasurer who was not an appointed incumbent for the last 30 years. What was usually the MO, the treasurer resigns in the middle of the term and the council appoints the next treasurer, and that person runs and generally wins as an incumbent.

For a change this time the voters will have a say in who they elect to represent them in the office of the City Treasurer.

The office of the City Treasurer is created by our city's charter and the function of the City Treasurer is "shall receive and safely keep and pay out as directed in this Charter all moneys belonging to the city and all moneys received into the hands of any office, board, department or employee of the city and shall keep an exact account of receipts and disbursements". The cash management of the city.

Of all our elected officials, the treasurer of any governmental body must be the most independent, the one most answerable to the voters. The treasurer doesn't spend the taxpayers' money, he or she keeps an eye on it for us. And the elected officials who spend the taxpayers' money want to influence the selection of the person to watch it. Do you want your treasurer Beholden to the city council or to you, the electorate.

The fundamental question that we need to answer is whether we want more democracy or less. If we want less democracy we should have all of our representatives appointed by a king, and if we believe in one-person one vote, if we believe in our democracy, if we believe that the separation of powers is a key attribute of our democracy, then you should not support this ballot measure.

Vote No on Measure A.

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