Impartial Analysis of Measure V

Because the City of Pacifica is a "general law city", state law governs the qualifications for holding office on the City Council. State law authorizes adoption of a term limit ordinance if approved by a majority of votes cast by city voters at a regularly scheduled election. State law further provides that any such limit shall apply prospectively only.

If this measure is approved by the voters of Pacifica, no person may be elected to more than two terms on the Pacifica City Council after the effective date of the measure. A term of office under the ordinance that would be enacted by this measure is either a full four year term, or a partial term in excess of two years. However, terms of office served or commenced prior to the effective date of the measure by present and former members of the Pacifica City Council will not count toward the two-year limit.

To become operative, this measure must be approved by a majority of votes cast on the measure at the November 2, 2010 election.

A "yes" vote on the measure would adopt the two term limit.

A "no" vote on the measure would result in no change in existing City law.

If the measure carries by a majority vote, it will be fully enforceable on a prospective basis only.

/s/ Cecilia M. Quick, Pacifica City Attorney The above statement is an impartial analysis of Measure V. If you desire a copy of the measure, please call the Pacifica City Clerk's Office at (650) 738-7307 and a copy will be mailed at no cost to you. The Measure is also available online at

http://www.cityofpacifica.org/government/city_council.