



Proposition E

This is the fifth of twelve proposed Propositions to amend the City of Brenham's Home Rule Charter which will be considered by the voters in the May 3, 2025 Special Election.

What you will see on the ballot:

PROPOSITION E

- ☐ YES Shall Article III, Section 8 of the Brenham City Charter be amended by clarifying that members of the City Council do not serve as Election Judges, as that position is defined in Chapter 32 of the Texas Election Code, in any election held by the City?
- ☐ NO

Why is this Proposition on the ballot?

Proposition E clarifies that the members of the City Council will not serve as election judges in any City of Brenham election; that position is clearly defined in Chapter 32 of the Texas Election Code.

How will this Proposition change the Charter?

ARTICLE III. THE CITY COUNCIL

Sec. 8. - Canvassing returns and declaring results of election; judges of its own ~~election and~~ qualification.

The returns of every municipal election shall be delivered forthwith by the Election Judges to the City Secretary. The Council shall canvass the returns; investigate the qualifications of the candidates, and declare the official results of the election in accordance with applicable state and federal laws. The returns of every municipal election shall be recorded in the minutes of the Council by Ward totals, when applicable. At each election the qualified person receiving a majority of all votes cast for the office that person seeks shall thereon be declared elected by said Council.

The City Council shall be judges of the ~~election and the Council's~~ qualifications of its members, and the Council's determination shall be conclusive and final for all purposes.

What does it mean to vote **YES on this Proposition?**

If you vote **YES** on this proposition, you are voting to amend the Brenham City Charter to read as follows:

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The City Council shall be judges of the qualifications of its members, and the Council's determination shall be conclusive and final for all purposes.

What does it mean to vote **NO on this Proposition?**

If you vote **NO** on this proposition, you are voting to keep the Brenham City Charter as it is currently worded:

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The City Council shall be judges of the election and the Council's qualification of its members shall be conclusive and final for all purposes.

What is the budget impact of this Proposition?

There is no budget impact if Proposition E is approved.