



July 16, 2012

HAND-DELIVERED TO Joe Cobb *Dr*
Ken Jones, Chairman
Joe Cobb, Treasurer
"Ordinance 2804 Referendum" Political Committee
P.O. Box 1855
Glendale, Arizona 85311

Re: "Ordinance 2804 Referendum" Petitions

Dear Mr. Jones and Mr. Cobb:

The city has concluded its initial review of the referendum petitions that were returned to this Office by the Ordinance 2804 Referendum political committee on July 12, 2012. Based on this review, the city is rejecting and refusing to file your referendum petition (all petition sheets) for the following reasons:

1. The petitions submitted on July 12, 2012 are untimely because they were not submitted, as required by A.R.S. § 19-142(A), within 30 days after passage of the ordinance.
2. The Application for Referendum Serial Number does not include a summary description of no more than one hundred words nor the text of the measure to be referred. Therefore, the Application for Referendum Petition Serial Number does not comply with A.R.S. §§ 19-101(A) and 19-111(A). As a result, no signatures gathered under this application are valid.
3. Even if the signatures were valid, the Temporary Receipt for Referendum Petitions issued to you on July 12, 2012 estimates that 1,568 signatures were presented to this Office. The minimum number of signatures necessary to qualify the proposed referendum for the ballot is 10% of the "whole number of votes cast at the citywide or townwide election at which a mayor or councilmen were chosen last preceding the submission of the application for a referendum petition . . ." *Ariz. Const. art 4, pt. 1 §1(8); A.R.S. §19-142(A)*. A citywide election is one "at which all of the qualified electors of a city or town are eligible to vote for a mayor or members of the city or town council." *Id.* The last citywide election in Glendale was held on September 2, 2008 and the whole number of votes cast at that election, as reflected in Resolution 4191 NS, is 18,620. Therefore, the minimum number of signatures required to qualify the proposed referendum for the ballot is 1,862. Thus, the petition lacks the minimum number of signatures necessary to place it on the ballot.



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In light of the above, the city has determined that the referendum petition is untimely and legally insufficient and that all the signatures gathered and petitions submitted are invalid. Therefore, this Office refuses to accept and file the petition for the referendum (all sheets).

Sincerely,


Pamela Hanna
City Clerk

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