

# City of Calistoga

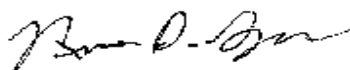
## Staff Report

**TO:** Honorable Mayor and City Council  
**FROM:** Richard Spitler, Acting City Clerk  
**DATE:** March 19, 2013  
**SUBJECT:** Special Municipal Election March 5, 2013 - Declaration of Results

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APPROVAL FOR FORWARDING:



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Richard Spitler, City Manager

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2 **ISSUE:** Consideration of a Resolution declaring the results of the Special Municipal  
3 Election held in the City of Calistoga, on March 5, 2013.

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5 **RECOMMENDATION:** Adopt Resolution.

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7 **BACKGROUND/DISCUSSION:** The City of Calistoga conducted its Special  
8 Election on March 5, 2013 to address the Enchanted Resorts referendum (Ballot  
9 Measure C). In accordance with State law, the election process officially begins not  
10 less than 88 days after the City Council calls for the election, and ends at least 30  
11 days subsequent to the election when the City Council declares the results of the  
12 election. This report includes: 1) a general description of the election process; 2) a  
13 description of the official canvass; and 3) a summary of the results of the election.

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15 The Election Process

16 On November 20, 2012 the City Council adopted Resolution 2012-078 requesting  
17 that the Napa County Elections Department hold a special election to address the  
18 referendum on the Enchanted Resorts general plan amendment which was adopted  
19 by the City Council on August 21, 2012 (pursuant to Elections Code section 9214 b).

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22 During the period from September 20, 2012 through March 5, 2013 the City Clerk's  
23 office engaged in the following activities: 1) published and posted notices as

24 required by state law; 2) assisted petitioners with campaign finance disclosure  
25 requirements; 3) assisted and reviewed a petition for referendum, arguments for and  
26 against the ballot measure and rebuttals to same; and 4) publicized the election.  
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28 The County conducted the election, prepared the certification and the canvass of  
29 returns of the election pursuant to Elections Code 10418.  
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### 31 The Official Canvass

32 The official canvass was conducted by the Napa County Elections Department  
33 during the period February 4, 2013 through March 7, 2013 for ballot Measure C.  
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### 35 The Election Results

36 The final vote tallies of the 2013 Calistoga Special Municipal Election is 781 votes in  
37 support of Measure C and 643 votes against and will be presented for the City  
38 Council's review in the form of the Elections Official's Certificate of Canvass (Exhibit  
39 A ). The Resolution itself reports the following final results of the election:  
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- 41 1. Measure C passed.

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43 **FISCAL IMPACT:** Adoption of the Resolution has no fiscal impact.  
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### 45 **ATTACHMENTS:**

- 46 1. Draft Resolution
- 47 2. Exhibit A – Canvass and Statement of votes cast for Measure C