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WHATCOM COUNTY
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Whatcom County
Attn: Dana Brown-Davis
311 Grand Avenue, Suite 105
Bellingham, WA 98225

Re: Proposed Ballot Measure (Resolution 2021-032)

Dear Dana:

The ballot measure submitted has been received and will appear on the November 2, 2021, General Election ballot. The proposed ballot measure will appear as follows (highlighted items were edited by the Auditor):

**Whatcom County
Proposition 2021-13
Percentage of Necessary Signatures for Initiative/Mini Initiative**

On May 4, 2021, the Whatcom County Council passed Ordinance 2021-032, which proposed to amend Charter sections 5.40 and 5.41—the percentage of signatures necessary for initiatives and mini-initiatives—subject to a vote of the people. If passed, these amendments would change the number of signatures required for an initiative from at least 8% of Whatcom County votes cast in the last election for governor to at least 8% of votes cast in the last regular county executive election. For a mini-initiative, the number of signatures required would change from at least 3% of Whatcom County votes cast in the last election for governor to 3% of votes cast in the last regular county executive election. Should these amendments be approved?

Yes

No

The proposed explanatory statement will appear as follows (highlighted items were edited by the Auditor):

If passed, these amendments would change the number of signatures required for an initiative from at least eight percent of Whatcom County votes cast in the last election for governor to at least eight percent of votes cast in the last regular county executive election. For a mini-initiative, the number of signatures required would change from at least three percent of Whatcom County votes cast in the last election for governor to three percent of votes cast in the last regular county executive election.

This notice is being provided pursuant to RCW 29A.36.080.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Diana Bradrick". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the printed name and title.

Diana Bradrick
County Auditor