

It is a class A misdemeanor punishable, notwithstanding the provisions of section 560.021, RSMo, to the contrary, for a term of imprisonment not to exceed one year in the county jail or a fine not to exceed ten thousand dollars or both, for anyone to sign any initiative petition with any name other than his or her own, or knowingly sign his or her name more than once for the same measure for the same election, or to sign a petition which such person knows he or she is not a registered voter.

PETITION FOR PROPOSITION D

- Shall the City of St. Louis adopt an ordinance to:
- establish an open, non-partisan system for elections to the offices of Mayor, Comptroller, President of the Board of Aldermen, and Alderman
 - enable voters to choose all the candidates they wish in the open, non-partisan primary
 - allow the top two candidates to then compete in a runoff general election?

To the Board of Election Commissioners of the City of St. Louis, Missouri:
We, the undersigned, registered voters of the City of St. Louis, Missouri respectfully request that the Ordinance attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference be submitted to the Board of Aldermen of the City of St. Louis, Missouri, and if the Board of Aldermen fails to adopt it, that it be submitted to the registered voters of the City of St. Louis, Missouri at the first election at which such submission may be lawfully had in accordance with the City Charter, and each for him or herself says: I have personally signed this petition; I am a registered voter of the City of St. Louis, Missouri; and my address is correctly written after my name.

CIRCULATOR’S AFFIDAVIT STATE OF MISSOURI, CITY OF ST. LOUIS

I, _____, being first duly sworn say (print or type name of signers)

NAME (Signature)	DATE SIGNED	ADDRESS (Street)	NAME (Printed or Typed)
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signed this page of the foregoing petition, and each of them signed his or her name thereto in my presence. I believe that each has stated his or her name, address and city, town, or village correctly, and that each signer is a registered voter of the City of St. Louis, Missouri.

FURTHERMORE, I HEREBY SWEAR AND AFFIRM UNDER PENALTY OF PERJURY THAT ALL STATEMENTS MADE BY ME ARE TRUE AND CORRECT AND THAT I HAVE NEVER BEEN CONVICTED OF, FOUND GUILTY OF, OR PLED GUILTY TO ANY OFFENSE INVOLVING FORGERY.

I am at least 18 years of age. I do__do not__(check one) expect to be paid for circulating this petition. If paid, list the payer:_____

Signature of Affiant

Street Address of Affiant/Circulator

Printed Name of Affiant/Circulator

City, State, and Zip Code of Affiant/Circulator

Subscribed and sworn to before me this____day of____, A.D. 201__.

Signature of Notary

Street Address of Notary

Notary Public (Seal)
City, State, and Zip Code of Notary
My commission expires_____

COMMITTEE OF THE PETITIONERS
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An ordinance establishing an open, non-partisan system for elections to the offices of Mayor, Comptroller, President of the Board of Aldermen, and Alderman that enables voters to choose all the candidates they wish in the open, non-partisan primary and allow the top two candidates to then compete in a runoff general election.

WHEREAS, it is critical to representative democracy to ensure that winning candidates in city elections have broad support from voters across St. Louis City;

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF ST. LOUIS AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. Municipal elections.
Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, the elections for the offices of Mayor, Comptroller, President of the Board of Aldermen, and Alderman shall be conducted as non-partisan, top-two runoff elections. Elections for any municipal offices not provided for in the Charter or this Code as of the date of enactment of this section shall be conducted as described in Section 2.

SECTION 2. Conduct of municipal elections.

Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, in the primary election for the offices of Mayor, Comptroller, President of the Board of Aldermen, and Alderman, voters shall select as many candidates as they approve of for each office. The two candidates receiving the most votes for each office shall advance to the general election. The candidate for each office receiving the most votes in the general election shall be declared the winner.

SECTION 3. Ballot instructions for municipal elections.

Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, for the primary election for the offices of Mayor, Comptroller, President of the Board of Aldermen, and Alderman, the instructions on the ballot shall state, "Vote for AS MANY names as you approve of," with "AS MANY" being written in uppercase.

SECTION 4. Vacancies.

Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, the election to fill a vacancy in the offices of Mayor, Comptroller, President of the Board of Aldermen, or Alderman shall be conducted as a non-partisan, top-two runoff election.

SECTION 5. Effect on Election Ordinances

Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, the elections described in Section 1 shall be non-partisan elections. Candidates for office elected by the method described in Section 2 shall be required to declare their candidacy with the Board of Elections, however, they shall not declare a party affiliation to the Board of Elections.

To the extent that there is no conflict, generally-applicable election ordinances shall apply to the elections described in Section 1. However, no political party committee shall be allowed to formally nominate a candidate for non-partisan office, but nothing herein shall prohibit a party or committee from endorsing any candidate.

SECTION 6. Severability

The provisions of this section are severable. If any provision of this ordinance is declared invalid, that invalidity shall not affect other provisions of the ordinance which can be given effect without the invalid provision.