

Sec. 42-9. - Duties upon filing of a petition.

Within ten days after filing, the city clerk shall cause copies of the petitions to be made, and shall forward the petitions to the elections authorities to validate the signatures on the petition and to the city attorney to advise on the legal sufficiency of the petition, based upon any applicable local, state or federal laws, rules or regulations; provided, however, in the case of a proposed charter amendment, the city clerk shall forward the petitions forthwith to the elections authorities and the city attorney. Validation of signatures shall be reported by the elections authority within ten days of their receipt of the petition. If the elections authority's report confirms a sufficient number of valid signatures on the petition, the city clerk shall, upon receipt, forthwith forward to the council the elections authority's report and the city attorney's findings regarding legal sufficiency. If the elections authority's report confirms an insufficient number of valid signatures on the petition, the city clerk shall forthwith notify the petition committee of the deficiency. The petition committee shall have an additional ten (10) days from the time of notification by the city clerk to secure and file petitions containing additional signatures. The city clerk shall forward any additional petitions received forthwith to the elections authorities. Validation of additional signatures shall be reported by the elections authority within ten days of their receipt of the petition. The city clerk shall, upon receipt, forthwith forward to the council the elections authority's supplemental report regarding signature validation and the city attorney's findings regarding legal sufficiency.

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