Argument in Favor of Measure WW

Vote "YES" on Measure WW to ensure Belmont has the most qualified professional to safeguard our City's public investments, save taxpayer money, and ensure public accountability.

Measure WW will make the City Treasurer an appointed position, saving taxpayer money on elections and ensuring the most qualified persons are eligible to hold the position.

Belmont is fortunate that its current City Treasurer has excellent experience and professionally managed the City's financial portfolio. We need to ensure we have such expertise in the future.

Currently, the City holds an election for the City Treasurer every four years, spending taxpayer funds on an elected position that only requires a candidate to be 18 years of age and a registered voter. Most cities have already transitioned from having the Treasurer an elected to an appointed position to ensure that a qualified person holds this office.

Measure WW will require the City Treasurer be selected subject to the same evaluation and hiring practices as other City employees that ensures we will have a qualified financial professional with the right skills and experience to manage the public's investments.

Belmont's budget and finances are becoming more complex than in previous years, requiring that we have a qualified financial professional.

Vote "YES" on Measure WW to ensure we have a City Treasurer in the future who has proper experience, oversight, and accountability for the City's finances.

Vote "YES" on Measure WW to have Belmont join the vast majority of California cities that recognize an experienced professional needs to be hired based on experience and qualifications.

The Belmont City Council unanimously supports Measure WW.

Vote "YES" on Measure WW.

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