

Polk Commissioners To Decide Local Ballot Questions

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BARTOW | County commissioners will decide by Wednesday on the details of the proposed five local ballot measures for the Nov. 4 general election.

County Attorney Michael Craig brought the issue to commissioners at Friday's agenda study session.

The questions include the order of the measures on the ballot and whether to give them specific numbers, the same as state constitutional amendments.

Commissioner Randy Wilkinson said he thought the provision that would force tax referendums to the general election ballot might be a good candidate for the top of the list.

Commissioner Bob English said the one that may have the most public interest could be the provision to require 60 percent voter approval of all charter amendments and citizen initiatives.

Commissioner Jack Myers said the order could be determined by a ranking by each commissioner.

Commissioner Jean Reed asked whether it's possible any the ballot measures could be thrown out by the courts as occurred with three state constitutional amendments.

That would take a legal challenge, Craig said.