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VIA E-MAIL (PDF)

John Arntz Department of Elections City Hall, Room 48 1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place San Francisco, California 94102

Re: March 5, 2024 Ballot Questions

Dear Director Arntz:

Please find below the ballot questions for local measures appearing on the ballot at the March 5, 2024 election.

Proposition entitled "Affordable Housing Bonds": "SAN FRANCISCO AFFORDABLE HOUSING BONDS. To construct, develop, acquire, and/or rehabilitate housing, including workforce housing and senior housing, that will be affordable to households ranging from extremely low-income to moderate-income households; shall the City and County of San Francisco issue \$300,000,000 in general obligation bonds, subject to independent citizen oversight and regular audits, with a duration of up to 30 years from the time of issuance, an estimated average tax rate of \$0.0057/\$100 of assessed property value, and projected average annual revenues of \$25,000,000?"

Proposition entitled "Police Officer Staffing Levels Conditioned on Future Tax Funding": "Shall the City amend the Charter to set minimum police officer staffing levels, require the City to budget enough money to pay the number of police officers employed in the previous year, allow the Police Department to introduce amendments to its budget, and set aside funds to pay for police recruitment, all for at least five years, but all if and only if the voters later adopt a new tax or amend an existing tax to fund these requirements?"

Proposition entitled "Changes to Local Ethics Laws": "Shall the City amend its ethics laws to further restrict the gifts City employees and officers may accept, expand the definition of conduct by City employees, officers and others that those laws prohibit as bribery, require additional reporting of gifts to City departments, create a uniform set of rules for nonwork activities of City employees and officers instead of rules by each department, create additional penalties for some ethics violations, require ethics training for additional City employees, and change the requirements for making future amendments to some ethics laws?"

<u>Proposition entitled "Illegal Substance Dependence Screening and Treatment for Recipients of City Public Assistance"</u>: "Shall the City require single adults age 65 and under with no dependent children who receive City public assistance benefits and whom the City reasonably suspects are dependent on illegal drugs to participate in screening, evaluation and treatment for drug dependency for those adults to be eligible for most of those benefits?"

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Proposition entitled "Police Department Policies and Procedures": "Shall the City allow the Police Department to hold community meetings before the Police Commission can change policing policies, reduce recordkeeping and reporting requirements for police officers, set new policies for police officers to report use-of-force incidents and to engage in vehicle pursuits, authorize the Police Department to use drones and install public surveillance cameras without further approval, and authorize the Police Department to use new surveillance technology unless the Board of Supervisors disapproves?"

<u>Proposition entitled "Real Estate Transfer Tax Exemption and Office Space Allocation"</u>: "Shall the City exempt from the real estate transfer tax the first time a property is transferred after being converted from a commercial to residential use, have authority to amend the transfer tax without voter approval but not to increase it, and increase the annual limit on office space available for development by including office space that has been converted to a different use or demolished?"

<u>Proposition entitled "Offering Algebra 1 to Eighth Graders"</u>: "Shall it be City policy to encourage the San Francisco Unified School District to offer Algebra 1 to students by their eighth-grade year and to support the School District's development of its math curriculum?"

Very truly yours,

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