



Registrar of Voters

Consolidated Presidential General Election

*Tuesday, November 8, 2016
Sample Ballot and Information Pamphlet*

Polling Place Location
on Back Cover
Polls Open
November 8, 2016
7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

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Last Day To Register
To Vote
October 24, 2016
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Quick • Easy • Convenient
Vote-By-Mail
October 11th - November 1st
Application on Back Cover

AVISO IMPORTANTE
Una traducción en Español de
esta Boleta de Muestra y Folleto
de Información al Votante puede
obtenerse en la oficina del Registro
de Votantes llamando al (951) 486-
7200 o 1 (800) 773-VOTE (8683) o visite
nuestro sitio web www.voteinfo.net



Get out of line on Election Day!



VOTE-BY-MAIL

Quick, easy, convenient...
from the comfort of your home!

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VOTE EARLY

Riverside County
Registrar of Voters Office

See inside for additional locations and information



HELP KEEP VOTER ROLLS CURRENT

In an effort to maintain current voter rolls and to save taxpayer dollars, the Registrar of Voters will mail residency confirmation notices after the November 8, 2016 Consolidated Presidential General Election. The notification cards will be mailed to voters who have not voted in any election within the preceding four years, and his or her residence address, name or party affiliation had not been updated during that time.

**For more information visit www.voteinfo.net
or call 951-486-7200 or 1-800-773-VOTE(8683)**

REBECCA SPENCER
Registrar of Voters



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Assistant Registrar of Voters

**REGISTRAR OF VOTERS
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE**

Dear Voter:

November 8, 2016 is Election Day. This Sample Ballot and Voter Information Pamphlet provides ballot marking instructions, polling place location, candidate information, and other important election details that you should review before you vote. You may mark your selections on your Sample Ballot and take it with you to the polls for easy reference.

You have several options for voting:

Vote-by-Mail – Voting by mail is convenient and easy. You will find an application to receive a Vote-by-Mail ballot on the back cover of this pamphlet. The deadline to request a Vote-by-Mail ballot is November 1. You have several options for returning your ballot:

- Mail your ballot in time to reach the Registrar of Voters Office by 8:00 p.m. on Election Day, or be postmarked on or before Election Day and received no later than three days after Election Day to be counted.
- Return your ballot in person to the Registrar of Voters Office during regular business hours and until close of polls on Election Day. For your convenience the Registrar's office has a secure locked drop box at its entry for ballot drop off 24 hours a day.
- Deposit your ballot in one of the secure drop-off boxes available at designated City Clerks' Offices from October 11 through November 7. Please visit our website to view a map of ballot drop-off locations.
- Take your ballot to any Polling Place (before 8:00 p.m.) in Riverside County on Election Day.
- You may confirm that the Registrar of Voters Office has received your returned Vote-by-Mail ballot on our website at www.voteinfo.net.
- **Vote First, Count First!** Vote-by-Mail ballots received before Election Day are counted first. Return your ballot as soon as possible to ensure that it is included in the first Election Night results!

Early Voting – Vote at the Registrar of Voters Office beginning October 11 through November 7 (excluding Holidays), Monday through Friday, from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.; Saturday, October 29 and November 5, from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.; and Election Day, November 8, from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. Early voting will also be available at participating malls in Riverside County on October 28 through October 30. Please visit our website at www.voteinfo.net for additional early voting information.

Vote on Election Day November 8 – See the back cover of this Sample Ballot for your Polling Place location.

There is still time to volunteer to be a poll worker. We need Polling Officers to work at the polls on Election Day and we are eager to train you to assist voters with our proudest legacy – the right to vote.

The Registrar of Voters team is here to serve you. Please contact us anytime, so we can help make your voting experience a positive one. Thank you for participating in this election -- your vote counts!

Sincerely,



REBECCA SPENCER
Registrar of Voters

Be sure to follow the Registrar of Voters on
Facebook, YouTube and Twitter.

Elections in California

The Top Two Candidates Open Primary Act requires that all candidates for a voter-nominated office be listed on the same ballot. Previously known as partisan offices, voter-nominated offices are state legislative offices, U.S. congressional offices, and state constitutional offices.

In both the open primary and general elections, you can vote for any candidate regardless of what party preference you indicated on your voter registration form. In the primary election, the two candidates receiving the most votes — regardless of party preference — move on to the general election. If a candidate receives a majority of the vote (50 percent + 1), a general election still must be held. Even if there are only two candidates for an office in the open primary, a general election for that office is still required.

California's open primary system does not apply to candidates running for U.S. President or local offices.

California law requires the following information to be printed in this pamphlet

Party-Nominated/Partisan Offices

Political parties may formally nominate candidates for party-nominated/partisan offices at the primary election. A nominated candidate will represent that party as its official candidate for the specific office at the general election and the ballot will reflect an official designation. The top vote-getter for each party at the primary election moves on to the general election. Parties also elect officers of county central committees at the primary election.

A voter can only vote in the primary election of the political party he or she has disclosed a preference for upon registering to vote. However, a political party may allow a person who has declined to disclose a party preference to vote in that party's primary election.

Voter-Nominated Offices

Political parties are not entitled to formally nominate candidates for voter-nominated offices at the primary election. A candidate nominated for a voter-nominated office at the primary election is the nominee of the people and not the official nominee of any party at the general election. A candidate for nomination to a voter-nominated office shall have his or her party preference, or lack of party preference, stated on the ballot, but the party preference designation is selected solely by the candidate and is shown for the information of the voters only. It does not mean the candidate is nominated or endorsed by the party designated, or that there is an affiliation between the party and candidate, and no candidate nominated by the voters shall be deemed to be the officially nominated candidate of any political party. In this sample ballot booklet, parties may list the candidates for voter-nominated offices who have received the party's official endorsement.

Any voter may vote for any candidate for a voter-nominated office, if they meet the other qualifications required to vote for that office. The top two vote-getters at the primary election move on to the general election for the voter-nominated office even if both candidates have specified the same party preference designation. No party is entitled to have a candidate with its party preference designation move on to the general election, unless the candidate is one of the two highest vote-getters at the primary election.

Nonpartisan State Offices

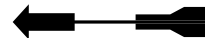
Political parties are not entitled to nominate candidates for nonpartisan offices at the primary election, and a candidate at the primary election is not the official nominee of any party for the specific office at the general election. A candidate for nomination to a nonpartisan office may not designate his or her party preference, or lack of party preference, on the ballot. The top two vote-getters at the primary election move on to the general election for the nonpartisan office.

HOW TO MARK YOUR PAPER BALLOT

Please refer to the following instructions on how to properly complete your Official Ballot:

- Connect the head and tail of the arrow that points to your choice like the example provided.
- Check both front and back of ballot for voting contests.
- Use a black ball point pen. Do not use felt tip, red or gel ink.
- One line connecting the arrow is preferred.
- Vote for no more than the number of votes allowed in each contest (e.g. vote for one, vote for no more than two, etc.).
- Please keep the Vote-by-Mail ballot folded the same way as you received it.

**TO MARK YOUR VOTE
DRAW A LINE**



VOTE!!!

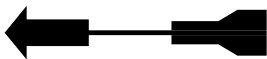
IMPORTANT NOTE!

If you are a Vote-by-Mail voter, you must fill out and sign your return envelope in order for your vote to be counted.

MAKE YOUR VOTE COUNT...MARK YOUR BALLOT CORRECTLY

EXAMPLE

CORRECT



INCORRECT



For a demonstration on marking your ballot, please visit our website at www.voteinfo.net

SAMPLE BALLOT / BOLETA DE MUESTRA

PARTY-NOMINATED OFFICES CARGOS NOMINADOS POR LOS PARTIDOS		VOTER-NOMINATED OFFICES CARGOS NOMINADOS POR LOS VOTANTES		CITY CIUDAD	
PRESIDENT AND VICE PRESIDENT PRESIDENTE Y VICEPRESIDENTE		UNITED STATES SENATOR SENADOR DE ESTADOS UNIDOS		CITY OF CATHEDRAL CITY CIUDAD DE CATHEDRAL CITY	
Vote for One Party Vote por Un Partido		Vote for One Vote por Uno		Mayor Alcalde	
JILL STEIN for President por Presidente	Green Verde	KAMALA D. HARRIS Party Preference: Democratic Preferencia de Partido: Demócrata Attorney General of California Procuradora General de California	LORETTA L. SANCHEZ Party Preference: Democratic Preferencia de Partido: Demócrata United States Congresswoman Congresista de Estados Unidos	STANLEY E. HENRY Mayor Alcalde	
AJAMU BARAKA for Vice President por Vicepresidente					
HILLARY CLINTON for President por Presidente					
TIM KAINE for Vice President por Vicepresidente	Democratic Demócrata	UNITED STATES REPRESENTATIVE REPRESENTANTE DE ESTADOS UNIDOS 36th Congressional District Distrito Congresional Núm. 36		City Council Member Miembro del Concejo Municipal	
GLORIA ESTELA LA RIVA for President por Presidente	Peace and Freedom Paz y Libertad			Vote for no more than Two Vote por no más de Dos	
DENNIS J. BANKS for Vice President por Vicepresidente		RAUL RUIZ Party Preference: Democratic Preferencia de Partido: Demócrata Congressman / Emergency Physician Congresista / Médico de Urgencias		SERGIO ESPERICUETA Automotive Service Technician Técnico de Servicio Automotriz	
DONALD J. TRUMP for President por Presidente		JEFF STONE Party Preference: Republican Preferencia de Partido: Republicano Pharmacist / California Senator Farmacéutico / Senador de California		JOHN B. AGUILAR Appointed Council Member Miembro del Concejo Nombrado	
MICHAEL R. PENCE for Vice President por Vicepresidente	Republican, American Independent Republicano, Americano Independiente	MEMBER OF THE STATE ASSEMBLY MIEMBRO DE LA ASAMBLEA DEL ESTADO		GREGORY PETTIS Cathedral City Councilmember / Realtor Miembro del Concejo Ciudad de Cathedral / Agente de Bienes Raíces	
GARY JOHNSON for President por Presidente		56th Assembly District Distrito de la Asamblea Núm. 56			
BILL WELD for Vice President por Vicepresidente	Libertarian Libertario	EDUARDO GARCIA Party Preference: Democratic Preferencia de Partido: Demócrata California State Assemblymember Miembro de la Asamblea del Estado de California			
		NONPARTISAN OFFICES CARGOS NO PARTIDARIOS			
		SCHOOL ESCOLAR			
		DESERT COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT DISTRITO DE UNIVERSIDAD COMUNITARIA DE DESERT			

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SAMPLE BALLOT / BOLETA DE MUESTRA

Governing Board Member, Trustee Area 3 Miembro Junta Gobernante, Fideicomisario Área 3	
Vote for One Vote por Uno	
RON HALLETT Beekeeper Apicultor	
EVERETT R. MARTIN Retired Parole Agent Agente de Libertad Condicional Jubilado	
FRED JANDT Appointed Incumbent Titular Nombrado	

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SAMPLE BALLOT / BOLETA DE MUESTRA

NONPARTISAN OFFICES CARGOS NO PARTIDARIOS	
DISTRICT DISTRITO	
DESSERT HEALTH CARE DISTRICT DISTRITO DE ATENCIÓN DE LA SALUD DE DESERT	
Director / Director Vote for no more than Three Vote por no más de Tres	
JENNIFER S. WORTHAM Healthcare Administrator / Educator Administradora de Atención Médica / Educadora	
DAVID W. DUFFNER Physician / Orthopedic Surgeon Médico / Cirujano Ortopédico	
JEROME C. ESTES Registered Nurse Enfermero Registrado	
LES ZENDLE Physician / Medical Director Médico / Director de Servicio Médico	
DONALD LORACK Healthcare Professional Profesional de Atención Médica	
LINDA MARIE LEVINSON Business Woman Empresaria	
MARK MATTHEWS Desert Healthcare Director Director de Atención Médica de Desert	

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SAMPLE BALLOT / BOLETA DE MUESTRA



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MEASURES SUBMITTED TO THE VOTERS / MEDIDAS SOMETIDAS A LOS VOTANTES		STATE / ESTADO	
51	SCHOOL BONDS. FUNDING FOR K-12 SCHOOL AND COMMUNITY COLLEGE FACILITIES. INITIATIVE STATUTE. Authorizes \$9 billion in general obligation bonds for new construction and modernization of K-12 public school facilities; charter schools and vocational education facilities; and California Community Colleges facilities. Fiscal Impact: State costs of about \$17.6 billion to pay off both the principal (\$9 billion) and interest (\$8.6 billion) on the bonds. Payments of about \$500 million per year for 35 years. BONOS ESCOLARES. FINANCIAMIENTO PARA INSTALACIONES DE ESCUELAS K-12 Y COLEGIOS COMUNITARIOS. LEY POR INICIATIVA. Autoriza \$9 mil millones en bonos de obligación general para la nueva construcción y modernización de las instalaciones de escuelas públicas K-12, las instalaciones de escuelas autónomas subsidiadas por el gobierno y de educación vocacional, y las instalaciones de colegios comunitarios de California. Impacto fiscal: costos del estado de aproximadamente \$17.6 mil millones para liquidar tanto el capital (\$9 mil millones) como los intereses (\$8.6 mil millones) de los bonos. Pagos de aproximadamente \$500 millones al año durante 35 años.	YES / SÍ NO / NO	
52	MEDI-CAL HOSPITAL FEE PROGRAM. INITIATIVE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT AND STATUTE. Extends indefinitely an existing statute that imposes fees on hospitals to fund Medi-Cal health care services, care for uninsured patients, and children's health coverage. Fiscal Impact: Uncertain fiscal effect, ranging from relatively little impact to annual state General Fund savings of around \$1 billion and increased funding for public hospitals in the low hundreds of millions of dollars annually. PROGRAMA DE TARIFAS HOSPITALARIAS DE MEDI-CAL. ENMIENDA CONSTITUCIONAL Y LEY POR INICIATIVA. Extiende indefinidamente una ley existente que impone tarifas a los hospitales para financiar los servicios de atención médica de Medi-Cal, la atención para pacientes no asegurados y la cobertura de salud infantil. Impacto fiscal: consecuencia fiscal incierta, que oscila entre un impacto relativamente pequeño y ahorros anuales del Fondo General estatal de aproximadamente \$1 mil millones y mayor financiamiento para hospitales públicos en unos cientos de millones de dólares cada año.	YES / SÍ NO / NO	
53	REVENUE BONDS. STATEWIDE VOTER APPROVAL. INITIATIVE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT. Requires statewide voter approval before any revenue bonds can be issued or sold by the state for certain projects if the bond amount exceeds \$2 billion. Fiscal Impact: State and local fiscal effects are unknown and would depend on which projects are affected by the measure and what actions government agencies and voters take in response to the measure's voting requirement. BONOS DE INGRESO. APROBACIÓN DE LOS VOTANTES A NIVEL ESTATAL. ENMIENDA CONSTITUCIONAL POR INICIATIVA. Requiere la aprobación de los votantes a nivel estatal antes de que el estado pueda emitir o vender cualquier bono de ingreso para ciertos proyectos, si el monto del bono excede \$2 mil millones. Impacto fiscal: se desconocen las consecuencias fiscales locales y estatales, y dependerían del proyecto al que afecte esta iniciativa de ley y de las acciones que tomen los organismos gubernamentales y los votantes en respuesta al requisito de voto de la iniciativa de ley.	YES / SÍ NO / NO	
54	LEGISLATURE. LEGISLATION AND PROCEEDINGS. INITIATIVE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT AND STATUTE. Prohibits Legislature from passing any bill unless published on Internet for 72 hours before vote. Requires Legislature to record its proceedings and post on Internet. Authorizes use of recordings. Fiscal Impact: One-time costs of \$1 million to \$2 million and ongoing costs of about \$1 million annually to record legislative meetings and make videos of those meetings available on the Internet. LEGISLATURA. LEGISLACIÓN Y PROCEDIMIENTOS. ENMIENDA CONSTITUCIONAL Y LEY POR INICIATIVA. Prohíbe que la legislatura apruebe cualquier proyecto de ley a menos que se publique en Internet 72 horas antes del voto. Exige que la legislatura grabe sus procedimientos y los publique en Internet. Autoriza el uso de grabaciones. Impacto fiscal: costos únicos de \$1 millón a \$2 millones y costos continuos de aproximadamente \$1 millón al año para grabar las reuniones legislativas y publicar esos videos para que estén disponibles en Internet.	YES / SÍ NO / NO	
55	TAX EXTENSION TO FUND EDUCATION AND HEALTHCARE. INITIATIVE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT. Extends by twelve years the temporary personal income tax increases enacted in 2012 on earnings over \$250,000, with revenues allocated to K-12 schools, California Community Colleges, and, in certain years, healthcare. Fiscal Impact: Increased state revenues—\$4 billion to \$9 billion annually from 2019-2030—depending on economy and stock market. Increased funding for schools, community colleges, health care for low-income people, budget reserves, and debt payments. EXTENSIÓN DE IMPUESTOS PARA FINANCIAR LA EDUCACIÓN Y LA ATENCIÓN MÉDICA. ENMIENDA CONSTITUCIONAL POR INICIATIVA. Extiende doce años el aumento temporal del impuesto sobre los ingresos personales promulgado en 2012 para los salarios mayores a \$250,000; los ingresos se asignarán a escuelas K-12, universidades comunitarias de California y, ciertos años, a la atención médica. Impacto fiscal: aumento del ingreso estatal, de \$4 mil millones a \$9 mil millones al año, de 2019 a 2030, dependiendo de la economía y del mercado de valores. Mayor financiamiento para escuelas, colegios comunitarios y atención médica para gente con bajos ingresos, reservas presupuestarias y pago de deudas.	YES / SÍ NO / NO	
56	CIGARETTE TAX TO FUND HEALTHCARE, TOBACCO USE PREVENTION, RESEARCH, AND LAW ENFORCEMENT. INITIATIVE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT AND STATUTE. Increases cigarette tax by \$2.00 per pack, with equivalent increase on other tobacco products and electronic cigarettes containing nicotine. Fiscal Impact: Additional net state revenue of \$1 billion to \$1.4 billion in 2017-18, with potentially lower revenues in future years. Revenues would be used primarily to augment spending on health care for low-income Californians. IMPUESTO A LOS CIGARROS PARA FINANCIAR LA ATENCIÓN MÉDICA, LA PREVENCIÓN DEL USO DE TABACO, LA INVESTIGACIÓN Y LA EJECUCIÓN DE LA LEY. ENMIENDA CONSTITUCIONAL Y LEY POR INICIATIVA. Aumenta el impuesto a los cigarrillos en \$2.00 por cajetilla, con un aumento equivalente en otros productos de tabaco y cigarrillos electrónicos que contienen nicotina. Impacto fiscal: ingreso adicional neto estatal de \$1 mil millones a \$1.4 mil millones de 2017 a 2018, con ingresos potencialmente más bajos en años futuros. Los ingresos se usarán principalmente para aumentar el gasto en atención médica para los habitantes de bajos recursos de California.	YES / SÍ NO / NO	

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CRIMINAL SENTENCES. PAROLE. JUVENILE CRIMINAL PROCEEDINGS AND SENTENCING. INITIATIVE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT AND STATUTE. Allows parole consideration for nonviolent felons. Authorizes sentence credits for rehabilitation, good behavior, and education. Provides juvenile court judge decides whether juvenile will be prosecuted as adult. Fiscal Impact: Net state savings likely in the tens of millions of dollars annually, depending on implementation. Net county costs of likely a few million dollars annually.

SENTENCIAS PENALES. LIBERTAD CONDICIONAL. PROCESOS Y SENTENCIAS PENALES DE DELINCUENCIA DE MENORES. ENMIENDA CONSTITUCIONAL Y LEY POR INICIATIVA. Permite la consideración de libertad condicional para criminales no violentos. Autoriza créditos de tiempo de sentencia por rehabilitación, buena conducta y educación. Otorga al juez del tribunal de menores la decisión de enjuiciar al menor como si fuera un adulto. Impacto fiscal: ahorros netos estatales que probablemente serán de decenas de millones de dólares cada año, dependiendo de la implementación. Costos netos del condado que probablemente serán de algunos millones de dólares al año.

YES / SÍ

NO / NO

58

ENGLISH PROFICIENCY. MULTILINGUAL EDUCATION. INITIATIVE STATUTE. Preserves requirement that public schools ensure students obtain English language proficiency. Requires school districts to solicit parent/community input in developing language acquisition programs. Requires instruction to ensure English acquisition as rapidly and effectively as possible. Authorizes school districts to establish dual-language immersion programs for both native and non-native English speakers. Fiscal Impact: No notable fiscal effect on school districts or state government.

DOMINIO DEL INGLÉS. EDUCACIÓN MULTILINGÜE. LEY POR INICIATIVA. Mantiene el requisito de que las escuelas públicas garanticen que los estudiantes dominen el idioma inglés. Exige que los distritos escolares soliciten la participación de los padres y de la comunidad para desarrollar programas de adquisición del idioma. Exige el adiestramiento para garantizar que la adquisición del inglés sea lo más rápida y eficiente posible. Autoriza a los distritos escolares a establecer programas bilingües de inmersión para hablantes nativos y no nativos del inglés. Impacto fiscal: no hay ningún efecto fiscal importante en los distritos escolares ni en el gobierno estatal.

YES / SÍ

NO / NO

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CORPORATIONS. POLITICAL SPENDING. FEDERAL CONSTITUTIONAL PROTECTIONS. LEGISLATIVE ADVISORY QUESTION. Asks whether California's elected officials should use their authority to propose and ratify an amendment to the federal Constitution overturning the United States Supreme Court decision in *Citizens United v. Federal Election Commission*. *Citizens United* ruled that laws placing certain limits on political spending by corporations and unions are unconstitutional. Fiscal Impact: No direct fiscal effect on state or local governments.

Shall California's elected officials use all of their constitutional authority, including, but not limited to, proposing and ratifying one or more amendments to the United States Constitution, to overturn *Citizens United v. Federal Election Commission* (2010) 558 U.S. 310, and other applicable judicial precedents, to allow the full regulation or limitation of campaign contributions and spending, to ensure that all citizens, regardless of wealth, may express their views to one another, and to make clear that corporations should not have the same constitutional rights as human beings?

CORPORACIONES. GASTO POLÍTICO. PROTECCIONES CONSTITUCIONALES FEDERALES. PREGUNTA CONSULTIVA LEGISLATIVA. Preguntan si los funcionarios electos de California deberían usar su autoridad para proponer y ratificar una enmienda a la Constitución federal para anular la decisión de la Corte Suprema de Estados Unidos sobre *Citizens United v. Federal Election Commission*. *Citizens United* dictaminó que las leyes que limitan de cierta manera el gasto político de las corporaciones y los sindicatos son anticonstitucionales. Impacto fiscal: no hay ningún efecto fiscal directo sobre los gobiernos estatal o locales.

¿Usarán los funcionarios electos de California toda su autoridad constitucional, incluidos, entre otros, proponer y ratificar una o más enmiendas a la Constitución de Estados Unidos para anular el caso 558 U.S. 310 de *Citizens United* vs. Comisión Federal Electoral (Federal Election Commission) (2010) y otros precedentes judiciales aplicables para permitir la total regulación o limitación de contribuciones de campaña y gastos, para asegurar que todos los ciudadanos, independientemente del nivel de riqueza, puedan expresar sus opiniones los unos a los otros y dejar claro que las corporaciones no deberían de tener los mismos derechos constitucionales que los seres humanos?

YES / SÍ

NO / NO

60

ADULT FILMS. CONDOMS. HEALTH REQUIREMENTS. INITIATIVE STATUTE. Requires adult film performers to use condoms during filming of sexual intercourse. Requires producers to pay for performer vaccinations, testing, and medical examinations. Requires producers to post condom requirement at film sites. Fiscal Impact: Likely reduction of state and local tax revenues of several million dollars annually. Increased state spending that could exceed \$1 million annually on regulation, partially offset by new fees.

PELÍCULAS PARA ADULTOS. CONDOMES. REQUISITOS DE SALUD. LEY POR INICIATIVA. Exige que los actores de películas para adultos usen condones durante la filmación de las relaciones sexuales. Exige que los productores paguen las vacunas, las pruebas y los exámenes médicos de los actores. Exige que los productores anuncien en las locaciones de las películas el requisito del uso del condón. Impacto fiscal: probable reducción de varios millones de dólares en la recaudación tributaria local y estatal al año. Mayor gasto estatal que podría exceder \$1 millón al año en reglamentación, compensado parcialmente con nuevas tarifas.

YES / SÍ

NO / NO

61

STATE PRESCRIPTION DRUG PURCHASES. PRICING STANDARDS. INITIATIVE STATUTE. Prohibits state from buying any prescription drug from a drug manufacturer at price over lowest price paid for the drug by United States Department of Veterans Affairs. Exempts managed care programs funded through Medi-Cal. Fiscal Impact: Potential for state savings of an unknown amount depending on (1) how the measure's implementation challenges are addressed and (2) the responses of drug manufacturers regarding the provision and pricing of their drugs.

COMPRAS ESTATALES DE MEDICINAS RECETADAS. ESTÁNDARES DE TARIFICACIÓN. LEY POR INICIATIVA. Prohibe al estado comprar medicinas recetadas a un fabricante de medicinas a un precio mayor que el precio más bajo que el Departamento de Asuntos de Veteranos de Estados Unidos paga por el medicamento. Excluye los programas de atención administrada financiados por medio de Medi-Cal. Impacto fiscal: posibles ahorros estatales de un monto desconocido, dependiendo de (1) cómo se procesen las impugnaciones de implementación de la iniciativa de ley y de (2) las respuestas de los fabricantes de medicinas respecto a la disposición y el precio de sus medicinas.

YES / SÍ

NO / NO

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SAMPLE BALLOT / BOLETA DE MUESTRA

MEASURES SUBMITTED TO THE VOTERS / MEDIDAS SOMETIDAS A LOS VOTANTES	
STATE / ESTADO	
62	DEATH PENALTY. INITIATIVE STATUTE. Repeals death penalty and replaces it with life imprisonment without possibility of parole. Applies retroactively to existing death sentences. Increases the portion of life inmates' wages that may be applied to victim restitution. Fiscal Impact: Net ongoing reduction in state and county criminal justice costs of around \$150 million annually within a few years, although the impact could vary by tens of millions of dollars depending on various factors. PENA DE MUERTE. LEY POR INICIATIVA. Deroga la pena de muerte y la reemplaza por cadena perpetua sin posibilidad de libertad condicional. Se aplica de manera retroactiva a las sentencias de muerte existentes. Aumenta la porción de sueldos de manutención de los presos que se pueden aplicar a la indemnización de la víctima. Impacto fiscal: reducción neta continua de los costos de justicia penal estatal y de los condados de aproximadamente \$150 millones anuales en unos cuantos años, aunque el impacto podría variar en decenas de millones de dólares, dependiendo de varios factores.
YES / SÍ NO / NO	
63	FIREARMS. AMMUNITION SALES. INITIATIVE STATUTE. Requires background check and Department of Justice authorization to purchase ammunition. Prohibits possession of large-capacity ammunition magazines. Establishes procedures for enforcing laws prohibiting firearm possession by specified persons. Requires Department of Justice's participation in federal National Instant Criminal Background Check System. Fiscal Impact: Increased state and local court and law enforcement costs, potentially in the tens of millions of dollars annually, related to a new court process for removing firearms from prohibited persons after they are convicted. ARMAS DE FUEGO. VENTA DE MUNICIONES. LEY POR INICIATIVA. Exige una verificación de antecedentes penales y la autorización del Departamento de Justicia para comprar municiones. Prohíbe la posesión de cargadores de municiones de gran capacidad. Establece procedimientos para hacer cumplir las leyes que prohíben que personas específicas posean armas de fuego. Exige la participación del Departamento de Justicia en el Sistema Nacional de Verificación Instantánea de Antecedentes Penales. Impacto fiscal: mayores costos de los tribunales estatal y locales, y de ejecución de la ley, probablemente en decenas de millones de dólares al año, relacionados con nuevos procesos judiciales para retirar las armas de fuego a personas denegadas después de ser condenadas.
YES / SÍ NO / NO	
64	MARIJUANA LEGALIZATION. INITIATIVE STATUTE. Legalizes marijuana under state law, for use by adults 21 or older. Imposes state taxes on sales and cultivation. Provides for industry licensing and establishes standards for marijuana products. Allows local regulation and taxation. Fiscal Impact: Additional tax revenues ranging from high hundreds of millions of dollars to over \$1 billion annually, mostly dedicated to specific purposes. Reduced criminal justice costs of tens of millions of dollars annually. LEGALIZACIÓN DE LA MARIJUANA. LEY POR INICIATIVA. Legaliza la marihuana según la ley estatal, para ser usada por adultos de 21 años o mayores. Impone impuestos estatales sobre la venta y el cultivo. Estipula la autorización industrial y establece los estándares para los productos de marihuana. Permite la reglamentación y fiscalidad local. Impacto fiscal: recaudación tributaria adicional que oscila entre varios cientos de millones de dólares y más de \$1 mil millones al año, principalmente dedicados para fines específicos. Reducción de costos de justicia penal en decenas de millones de dólares al año.
YES / SÍ NO / NO	
65	CARRYOUT BAGS. CHARGES. INITIATIVE STATUTE. Redirects money collected by grocery and certain other retail stores through mandated sale of carryout bags. Requires stores to deposit bag sale proceeds into a special fund to support specified environmental projects. Fiscal Impact: Potential state revenue of several tens of millions of dollars annually under certain circumstances, with the monies used to support certain environmental programs. BOLSAS PARA LLEVAR. CARGOS. LEY POR INICIATIVA. Redirige el dinero recolectado por las tiendas de abarrotes y ciertos comercios minoristas a través de la venta por mandato de bolsas para llevar. Exige que las tiendas depositen los ingresos de la venta de bolsas en un fondo especial para apoyar proyectos ecológicos específicos. Impacto fiscal: ingresos estatales potenciales de varias decenas de millones de dólares al año bajo ciertas circunstancias; el dinero se usará para apoyar ciertos programas ecológicos.
YES / SÍ NO / NO	
66	DEATH PENALTY. PROCEDURES. INITIATIVE STATUTE. Changes procedures governing state court challenges to death sentences. Designates superior court for initial petitions and limits successive petitions. Requires appointed attorneys who take noncapital appeals to accept death penalty appeals. Exempts prison officials from existing regulation process for developing execution methods. Fiscal Impact: Unknown ongoing impact on state court costs for processing legal challenges to death sentences. Potential prison savings in the tens of millions of dollars annually. PENA DE MUERTE. PROCEDIMIENTOS. LEY POR INICIATIVA. Cambia los procedimientos que rigen las impugnaciones de los tribunales estatales sobre la pena de muerte. Designa a la corte superior para las peticiones iniciales y limita las peticiones sucesivas. Exige que los abogados designados que toman apelaciones no punitivas de pena capital, acepten apelaciones de pena de muerte. Exenta a funcionarios penitenciarios de los procesos de reglamentación existentes para desarrollar métodos de ejecución. Impacto fiscal: impacto continuo desconocido en los costos de tribunales estatales por el procesamiento de impugnaciones legales en penas de muerte. Ahorros potenciales de prisión de decenas de millones de dólares al año.
YES / SÍ NO / NO	
67	BAN ON SINGLE-USE PLASTIC BAGS. REFERENDUM. A "yes" vote approves, and a "No" vote rejects, a statute that prohibits grocery and other stores from providing customers single-use plastic or paper carryout bags but permits sale of recycled paper bags and reusable bags. Fiscal Impact: Relatively small fiscal effects on state and local governments, including a minor increase in state administrative costs and possible minor local government savings from reduced litter and waste management costs. PROHIBICIÓN DE BOLSAS DE PLÁSTICO DE USO ÚNICO. REFERENDO. Un voto "Sí" aprueba y un voto "No" rechaza un estatuto que prohíbe que las tiendas de abarrotes y otras tiendas ofrezcan a los clientes bolsas de papel o de plástico de uso único para llevar, pero permite la venta de bolsas de papel reciclado y de bolsas reutilizables. Impacto fiscal: impactos fiscales relativamente bajos en los gobiernos estatal y locales, incluido un aumento menor en los costos administrativos estatales y posibles ahorros menores del gobierno local debido a la reducción en los costos de gestión de basura y desechos.
YES / SÍ NO / NO	
SCHOOL / ESCOLAR	
DESERT COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT / DISTRITO DE UNIVERSIDAD COMUNITARIA DE DESERT	

SAMPLE BALLOT / BOLETA DE MUESTRA

Debería el Distrito de Universidad Comunitaria de Desert autorizar \$577,860,000 en bonos a tasas legales, con supervisión independiente de los ciudadanos, sin distribuir dinero a los administradores y con control local de todo el dinero para que College of the Desert modernice sus instalaciones de enfermería, seguridad pública, ciencia, tecnología, ingeniería y otros campos en demanda que preparan a los estudiantes para que triunfen en la universidad/sus carreras profesionales; reparar/construir/adquirir salones de clase, facilidades, sifos y equipo por todo el Valle de Coachella; para mejorar el Centro de Veteranos para que ofrezca asesoramiento/entrenamiento/colocación laboral para los veteranos que han terminado su servicio?

To modernize or construct new classrooms; replace leaky pipes and inefficient heating /cooling systems; improve student safety; and reduce borrowing costs, shall \$216.46 million of Palm Springs Unified School District bonds, previously approved by voters in February 2008, be reauthorized through the issuance of new bonds with no increase in total authorized District debt, interest rates at or below legal limits, independent citizen oversight, and all funds spent locally and not taken by the State and used elsewhere?

CITY / CIUDAD

CITY OF CATHEDRAL CITY / CIUDAD DE CATHEDRAL CITY

P To help fund municipal services, including police protection and crime suppression services, fire prevention and suppression services, emergency medical services, park, recreation, and library facilities and services, shall an ordinance amending the existing cannabis tax be adopted that would expand the tax to apply to recreational cannabis, if legalized, and apply a tax of \$25 per square foot of cultivation space, and \$100 for every gram of cannabis concentrate and every unit of cannabis-infused product?

YES / SÍ 

NO / NO ↓

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ADOPTION OF CHARTER. To enhance local control over municipal affairs; shall the City of Cathedral City Charter be adopted to establish Cathedral City as a charter city, and giving the City the power to establish public works contracting procedures, set penalties for violations of ordinances and resolutions, and appoint a city clerk?

YES / SÌ ↓

NO / NO

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VOTER'S PAMPHLET INFORMATION SECTION

The following pages contain voter information applicable to your ballot which may include the following items:

- **CANDIDATE STATEMENTS**
- **BALLOT MEASURES**
- **ANALYSES**
- **ARGUMENTS IN SUPPORT & IN OPPOSITION**

This pamphlet section may not contain a complete list of candidates. A complete list of candidates appears on the Sample Ballot section of this pamphlet. Each candidate's statement in this pamphlet is volunteered by the candidate and is printed at the expense of the candidate unless otherwise determined by the governing body. Deposit amounts required for publication of candidate statements are listed in the candidate handbook at www.voteinfo.net.

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Among all state legislative candidates appearing on ballots in Riverside County, the following persons have pledged to abide by campaign spending limits as specified in the California Government Code. Candidates agreeing to the limits have the opportunity to publish a statement of qualifications in the local Sample Ballot Pamphlet. Not all districts will appear on your ballot.

STATE SENATE, 23rd DISTRICT

Ronald J. O'Donnell, Democratic
Mike Morrell, Republican

STATE ASSEMBLY, 56th DISTRICT

Eduardo Garcia, Democratic

STATE ASSEMBLY, 67th DISTRICT

Jorge Lopez, Democratic
Melissa Melendez, Republican

STATE SENATE, 31st DISTRICT

Richard Reed, Republican

STATE ASSEMBLY, 60th DISTRICT

Sabrina Cervantes, Democratic

STATE ASSEMBLY, 71st DISTRICT

Randy Voepel, Republican
Leo Hamel, Republican

STATE ASSEMBLY, 42nd DISTRICT

Chad Mayes, Republican
Greg Rodriguez, Democratic

STATE ASSEMBLY, 61st DISTRICT

Hector Diaz, Republican
Jose Medina, Democratic

STATE ASSEMBLY, 75th DISTRICT

Marie Waldron, Republican

Party Endorsements – Elections Code § 13302(b)

The County Elections Official shall print a list of all candidates for Voter-Nominated Offices that are endorsed by the following qualified political parties:

DEMOCRATIC PARTY

Kamala D. Harris, United States Senator
Raul Ruiz, United States Representative, 36th District
Mark Takano, United States Representative, 41st District
Tim Sheridan, United States Representative, 42nd District
Patrick Malloy, United States Representative, 50th District
Richard Roth, State Senator, 31st District
Greg Rodriguez, Member of the State Assembly, 42nd District
Eduardo Garcia, Member of the State Assembly, 56th District
Sabrina Cervantes, Member of the State Assembly, 60th District
Jose Medina, Member of the State Assembly, 61st District
Jorge Lopez, Member of the State Assembly, 67th District
Andrew Masiel Sr., Member of the State Assembly, 75th District

REPUBLICAN PARTY

Jeff Stone, United States Representative, 36th District
Doug Shepherd, United States Representative, 41st District
Ken Calvert, United States Representative, 42nd District
Duncan Hunter, United States Representative, 50th District
Mike Morrell, State Senator, 23rd District
Richard Reed, State Senator, 31st District
Chad Mayes, Member of the State Assembly, 42nd District
Eric F. Linder, Member of the State Assembly, 60th District
Hector Diaz, Member of the State Assembly, 61st District
Melissa Melendez, Member of the State Assembly, 67th District
Marie Waldron, Member of the State Assembly, 75th District

AMERICAN INDEPENDENT PARTY

Ken Calvert, United States Representative, 42nd District
Duncan Hunter, United States Representative, 50th District
Mike Morrell, State Senator, 23rd District
Chad Mayes, Member of the State Assembly, 42nd District
Eric F. Linder, Member of the State Assembly, 60th District
Melissa Melendez, Member of the State Assembly, 67th District

**CANDIDATE STATEMENT FOR
UNITED STATES REPRESENTATIVE,
36TH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT**

JEFF STONE, Republican

OCCUPATION: Pharmacist / California Senator

EDUCATION AND QUALIFICATIONS:

Washington is broken and Congress must share the blame. The \$20 trillion debt; the expanding threat of ISIS and Islamist terrorism; the failed healthcare system; the constant calls for high taxes - these problems are all products of politicians who have failed their oath of office, failed their country and us.

We can't expect change unless we're willing to vote for leaders committed to doing what's right, even when it means shaking up the status quo. I am running for Congress to do exactly that and give you the representation you deserve.

As your new representative in Congress, I will work to:

- Grow our economy to create good paying jobs; reduce regulations and protect American business and American workers.
- Repeal dangerous "deals" with countries like Iran that sponsor terrorism, murder members of the LBGT community and seek to destroy our friend Israel.
- Stop government from interfering too much in our lives and businesses.
- Increase and improve services for Veterans, military personnel and their families.
- Stop tax increases - you already pay too much - and balance the budget by cutting waste and bureaucracy.

I am a husband, father, grandfather pharmacist, small business owner and citizen-Senator. I am dedicated to keeping our nation safe, protecting your constitutional rights and improving our economy.

I'm proud to be endorsed by the Riverside Sheriffs Association, District Attorney Mike Hestrin, Riverside County Treasurer Don Kent, four County Supervisors and more than 70 elected public servants. I would be honored to receive your vote.
Thank you.

**CANDIDATE STATEMENT FOR
UNITED STATES REPRESENTATIVE,
36TH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT**

RAUL RUIZ M.D., Democratic

OCCUPATION: Congressman, Emergency Physician

EDUCATION AND QUALIFICATIONS:

I am not a career politician, and never will be. I'm an emergency physician who ran for office to serve people in our communities, just like I have for my entire adult life.

As a doctor, I'm trained to put people first:

I REPEATEDLY SUPPORTED STRENGTHENING OUR FIGHT AGAINST TERROR: I strongly oppose allowing Iran to develop nuclear weapons, and I supported tougher sanctions against Iran if they test new missiles or arm terrorists.

I STOOD UP AGAINST CUTS IN SOCIAL SECURITY AND MEDICARE: I promised that I would never vote to cut Social Security or Medicare benefits, and I've kept my promise.

I STOOD UP FOR VETERANS: I sponsored a "Veterans University" to help local vets learn about the benefits and resources they've earned. And, I've helped hundreds of veterans cut through red tape to get the benefits they deserve.

I OPPOSED PERKS FOR MEMBERS OF CONGRESS: I will vote against any pay raises for Congress, and I wrote legislation to prohibit Members of Congress from using taxpayer money to fly first class and lease luxury vehicles.

I FOUGHT TO MAKE SURE FAMILIES HAVE ACCESS TO AFFORDABLE HEALTH CARE. As a physician, I understand the importance of health care. That's why I voted to prevent insurance companies from denying coverage to people with pre-existing conditions, and to help people keep their existing policies under the new health care law.

We can't afford more partisan gridlock in Washington. That's why I'd be honored to have your support.
Thank you.

CANDIDATE STATEMENT FOR GOVERNING BOARD MEMBER, DESERT COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT, TRUSTEE AREA 3 EVERETT R. MARTIN OCCUPATION: Retired Parole Agent II EDUCATION AND QUALIFICATIONS: College of the Desert use, of taxpayer funds for competitive sports programs should be reviewed. The cost of the salaries for the various coaches and operational cost may not be justified. The money spent on the fourteen different men and women's sports teams, may not be warranted by a community college. Taxpayers funds would be better spent on additional academic scholarships for Coachella Valley resident students, work-study programs and increasing the number of the academic instructors and their salaries. A review of the current expansion plans is needed to determine if the College is proceeding in the right direction. As a fiscal watchdog, I will continually review the budget and accounting of costs, and expenditures. Everett R. Martin	CANDIDATE STATEMENT FOR GOVERNING BOARD MEMBER, DESERT COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT, TRUSTEE AREA 3 FRED JANDT OCCUPATION: Incumbent Trustee / Educator EDUCATION AND QUALIFICATIONS: College of the Desert plays a strong role in benefitting our local economy and fostering a qualified workforce. I have the higher education, experience and strategic thinking to accomplish these goals. Some people talk about throwing money at our higher education problems. I have a different perspective. I have a proven, positive and proactive approach. I believe in identifying the needs of our students and the business community, developing a strategic plan, and responsibly allocating College resources to best accomplish those goals. For too many students it is too difficult for College of the Desert students to enroll in the classes they need, and it is taking too long for our students to graduate into the workforce or transfer to a four-year university. That is why I am leading the drive to open a West Valley Campus – not just a monument built with our tax dollars -- but a teaching facility that will directly serve the needs and demands of students. I am a proven administrator, award winning professor and have served as a Desert Community College District Trustee. Please return me to be your advocate for our community, our students and our local economy. Thank You, Fred Jandt

**CANDIDATE STATEMENT FOR
MAYOR,
CITY OF CATHEDRAL CITY**

STANLEY E. HENRY

AGE: 60

OCCUPATION: Retired Police Chief

EDUCATION AND QUALIFICATIONS:

Stan has served as Mayor on Cathedral City, City Council for two years and has been on City Council for four years. He has proven his leadership abilities to continue as our Mayor.

Stan is a business and community leader that served as your Police Chief for 15 years.

Stan has lived in Cathedral City for 26 years with his wife Julie and kids.

Stan's straightforward priorities that will improve our community are:

- Balance our City Budget
- Promote our local economy
- Protect police and fire service levels to safeguard our community
- Support schools and recreation opportunities for our kids

Stan is endorsed by:

- Sheriff Stan Sniff, all of the current City Council, Mayor Pro-Term Greg Pettis, Shelley Kaplan, John Aguilar and Mark Carnevale
- Past Cathedral City Councilmembers Mayor DeRosa and Joe Velasquez and Local Public Safety

Stan is more than a leading public safety advocate; he can craft creative solutions to complex problems.

That is why:

- Stan was the chair of CVAG's Excretive Committee
- *Stan was the Cathedral City Chamber of Commerce Orion Award Man of the Year in 2002 and Business Man of the Year Award in 2009.*

For Leadership, Integrity and Solutions vote Stan Henry for Mayor.

**CANDIDATE STATEMENT FOR
CITY COUNCIL MEMBER,
CITY OF CATHEDRAL CITY**

SERGIO ESPERICUETA

AGE: 48

OCCUPATION: Automotive Technician
EDUCATION AND QUALIFICATIONS:

Living in Cathedral City for over 22 years, participating in various community groups and committees, I understand the potential of our city.

I will be a council member that represents all sectors of the city because I think that there are under represented areas. I will promote more security for those areas and more resources to deteriorated areas. I also consider higher education to be an important topic for our city.

I hope you consider giving me your vote.

**CANDIDATE STATEMENT FOR
CITY COUNCIL MEMBER,
CITY OF CATHEDRAL CITY**

JOHN B. AGUILAR

OCCUPATION: Appointed Council Member / Economic
Development Agency Manager

EDUCATION AND QUALIFICATIONS:

JOHN AGUILAR is a City Councilmember, community leader, and longtime local resident with a proven record of delivering results for Cathedral City's neighborhoods.

In 2014, JOHN AGUILAR was appointed to our City Council by a unanimous vote to fill the unexpired term of Mayor Stan Henry. During this time, John has fought to maintain fast Emergency Response times, expand programs that help our kids succeed, and responsibly manage Cathedral City's budget.

JOHN AGUILAR currently serves as the Deputy Director of Riverside County's Economic Development Agency. In this role, he works to improve local neighborhoods and implement first-time home buyer programs. John holds both a Masters' of Public Administration and a California Real Estate Broker's License, and he is an active member of the Date Palm Country Club Homeowner's Association.

"Cathedral City is a special place to live and I'm working hard to continue to improve and protect our quality of life. I have received support from residents and neighborhood leaders and I'm endorsed by Mayor Stan Henry, Mayor Pro Temp Greg Pettis, and Councilmen Shelley Kaplan and Mark Carnevale and I would be honored to earn YOUR vote!"

For more information, call John directly at (760) 285-6906 or visit www.JohnAguilar.com

**CANDIDATE STATEMENT FOR
CITY COUNCIL MEMBER,
CITY OF CATHEDRAL CITY**

GREGORY PETTIS

AGE: 60

OCCUPATION: Councilmember / Realtor
EDUCATION AND QUALIFICATIONS:

Cathedral City is headed in the right direction, and it has been my honor to serve as your Councilman during this important period of progress for our city.

Over the past four years we have stabilized our finances and now have a surplus in our budget. Through effective management, we have maintained funding for the programs our residents rely on, and we have significantly increased our reserve funds .

Once again, Cathedral City has the lowest crime rate in the valley and all positions in our police department have been filled. We have prioritized funding to reduce emergency response times and worked to ensure our first responders have the tools they need to do their jobs, including a new motorcycle traffic unit.

We opened our first new park in a decade, and new hotels are scheduled to open soon.

More work needs to be done, including adding to our Fire Department and continuing to build our downtown, but I am proud of the progress we have made.

I respectfully ask for your vote on November 8th, so that we may continue to move Cathedral City forward.

GREG PETTIS
www.gregpettis.com

**CANDIDATE STATEMENT FOR
DIRECTOR,
DESERT HEALTHCARE DISTRICT**

JENNIFER SUSAN WORTHAM

AGE: 52

OCCUPATION: Director, Healthcare Innovation and Transformation

EDUCATION AND QUALIFICATIONS:

As a professor and healthcare executive, I have dedicated my life to helping advance the health and welfare of our community through my professional activities, advocacy, scholarship and community service. I'm conducting research with the Hospital Association's Nursing Advisory Council to improve nursing care, and I have the pleasure of training future leaders through teaching healthcare quality and administration courses at the UCLA School of Public Health. I implemented quality programs at several world-class institutions including Eisenhower Medical Center, UCSD, and Children's Hospital Los Angeles. I am currently working to transform health care in Riverside County by introducing new innovations to improve care within our public hospitals and clinics.

I will work to ensure you and your family have access to affordable, high quality healthcare through strong fiscal and operational oversight of the Desert Healthcare District's resources. I will focus on creating greater transparency of District activities; improving community engagement in all District affairs; and working to create a culture of trust, high ethical standards, professionalism and collegiality with staff, community service organizations, and my fellow Board members.

Education: BS, Business Administration, University of Phoenix. Master's and doctorate degrees in Public Health, UCLA.

Service: Director, Habitat for Humanity, Coachella Valley.

**CANDIDATE STATEMENT FOR
DIRECTOR,
DESERT HEALTHCARE DISTRICT**

DAVID W. DUFFNER

OCCUPATION: Physician / Surgeon

EDUCATION AND QUALIFICATIONS:

Based on over 30 years' experience providing patient care in medicine, surgery, participation in leadership of medical staff and organized medicine activities, I believe that I have a valuable perspective that can contribute to the continued success of the Desert Healthcare District.

My educational background is: undergraduate degree in biochemistry, medical degree, residency and fellowship in orthopedic surgery, and M.B.A in healthcare.

I have practiced as an independent board-certified orthopedic surgeon since 1984 including 30 years level one and level two trauma. At Desert Regional Medical Center, I have served on the peer review committee, been chief of orthopedics, chairman of the department of surgery and ethics committee, and on the Governing Board. Currently I'm serving my third term on the board of counselors of the Riverside County Medical Association.

While living in Tyler Texas, I served on the Smith County Public Health District Board with the philosophy that is imperative that public tax dollars are used with complete transparency.

I would appreciate your vote so that I bring knowledge of the point of care to the board to ensure the resources and organizations of the Desert Healthcare District are used for optimal benefit of our citizens.

**CANDIDATE STATEMENT FOR
DIRECTOR,
DESERT HEALTHCARE DISTRICT**

JEROME C. ESTES

AGE: 69

OCCUPATION: Registered Nurse

EDUCATION AND QUALIFICATIONS:

I am a graduate of Wright State University School of Nursing. The school's mission was to create strong patient and community healthcare advocates. In my 40 years of nursing, I have done my best to live up to that mission.

Most of my career has been in the mental healthcare arena. In that role I have been nominated for Nurse of the Year in Ohio and the Ninth Annual Arthur P. Noyes Award in Schizophrenia by Temple University.

In 1997, I was recruited by Desert Regional Medical Center to create the first hospital based crisis team in Coachella Valley. By placing emphasis on partnerships and team work, the team became highly recognized for their success and we expanded our services to JFK and Eisenhower Hospital Emergency Rooms.

I currently work as Community Outreach Coordinator for the San Geronio Memorial Hospital Behavioral Health Program. Through intensive collaboration with multiple partners, we opened our clinic January 2015 in Palm Springs.

I believe as a Board Member, I will bring a unique set of healthcare experiences to the Desert Healthcare District, enhancing mental healthcare awareness and improving the healthcare for all our valley residents.

I ask for you vote in November

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**CANDIDATE STATEMENT FOR
DIRECTOR,
DESERT HEALTHCARE DISTRICT**

LES ZENDLE

AGE: 64

OCCUPATION: Physician / Medical Director
EDUCATION AND QUALIFICATIONS:

The Desert Healthcare District is an important organization that makes significant investments in the health of our community's health. We need to invest our resources wisely to improve access to health services (especially mental health) for residents with and without health insurance. We also must promote community and person health education. I believe that my education and experience make me an ideal candidate for this position, and I would appreciate your support.

I have been a practicing physician (internal medicine and geriatric medicine) for almost 40 years. I attended OCCIDENTAL COLLEGE (AB, 1974), the UNIVERSITY OF ARIZONA (MD, 1977) and HARVARD BUSINESS SCHOOL (Advanced Management Program, 1996).

After 31 years with Kaiser Permanente (including 11 years as executive medical director for clinical services for the Southern California Region), I retired from that organization. Since 2011, I have been a volunteer physician, medical director and board member for Coachella Valley Volunteers in Medicine --- which provides medical and dental services at no charge for low-income residents without medical insurance.

I have also served on the boards and commissions: CSU Dominguez Hills, Union for Reform Judaism, AIDS Project LA, Occidental College (Alumni), CMMS Medicare Coverage Advisory Committee, and Palm Springs Human Rights Commission.

**CANDIDATE STATEMENT FOR
DIRECTOR,
DESERT HEALTHCARE DISTRICT**

DONALD LORACK

OCCUPATION: Healthcare Professional
EDUCATION AND QUALIFICATIONS:

I was privileged to be Desert Hospital Chief Operation Officer and the District Administrator from 1987 to 1991. That opportunity helped advance my career into building and transforming as President and CEO an 18 hospital integrated delivery system covering half a state in the Midwest. My family and I returned to Orange County California in 2005. As opportunities were pursued in healthcare leadership we returned to our permanent residence in the C.V. in 2012. To that end I have observed the operation of the healthcare district and have concluded it is time for me to give back to the community that was so gracious to me early in my career. The most recent phase of Obamacare brought us health insurance reform while the next phase will be provider delivery reform which I welcome the challenge to help with at your pleasure. Thank you

**CANDIDATE STATEMENT FOR
DIRECTOR,
DESERT HEALTHCARE DISTRICT**

LINDA M. LEVINSON

OCCUPATION: Business Woman
EDUCATION AND QUALIFICATIONS:

THE MISSION STATEMENT FOR OUR DISTRICT STATES "TO PROMOTE HEALTH FOR ALL DISTRICT RESIDENTS AND TO MEET THE HEALTH CARE NEEDS IN OUR COMMUNITY," THE STRATEGIC PLAN SUPPORTS MENTAL HEALTH PREVENTION, EARLY INTERVENTION AND TREATMENT.

IT IS TIME TO ACT ON THESE STATEMENTS. CURRENTLY THERE ARE NO MENTAL HEALTH CLINICS WITHIN OUR DISTRICT FOR THE UNDERSERVED MENTALLY ILL POPULATION.

DESERT REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER'S EMERGENCY ROOM HAS BECOME THE "PSYCHIATRIC FACILITY" IN OUR AREA. THERE ARE FEW OPTIONS AVAILABLE FOR DISCHARGING THESE PATIENTS.

I WORK WITH THE MENTALLY ILL AND ADDICTED POPULATION ON A DAILY BASIS. I STUDIED ADDICTION THROUGH THE AMERICAN SOCIETY OF ADDICTION MEDICINE AS WELL AS UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA AT SAN DIEGO. I AM A CERTIFIED EMPLOYEE ASSISTANCE PROFESSIONAL AND CERTIFIED IN CRITICAL INCIDENT STRESS DEBRIEFING. PRIOR TO MY CAREER IN MENTAL HEALTH, I WAS IN BANKING, BOTH COMMERCIAL AND INTERNATIONAL, AND WAS THE FIRST WOMAN OPERATIONS OFFICER FOR THE BANK OF MONTECITO. I VOLUNTEER FOR THE DESERT HEALTH CARE GRANTS COMMITTEE.

WITH MY BACKGROUND IN MENTAL HEALTH AND FINANCE, I WILL BRING FRESH IDEAS AND COMMON SENSE SOLUTIONS FOR ALL DISTRICT RESIDENTS AND THEIR HEALTH CARE NEEDS. I ESPECIALLY ENCOURAGE COMMUNITY INPUT.

WWW.ELECTLINDALEVINSON.COM

**CANDIDATE STATEMENT FOR
DIRECTOR,
DESERT HEALTHCARE DISTRICT**

MARK MATTHEWS

AGE: 60

OCCUPATION: Desert Healthcare Director
EDUCATION AND QUALIFICATIONS:

I am seeking re-election to the Desert Healthcare District. The reason I am doing so is because in the next 10 years major issues face your Desert Regional Medical Center. Seismic improvements required by the State will require planning with an eye towards the future of the Coachella Valley. In addition, our beautifully diverse community will need to plan for a changing healthcare environment. I hope to bring my experience to the table on your behalf.

My history in serving on the Desert Healthcare District Board is progressive, community minded while remaining fiscally conservative. I worked to place the family clinic at Sunrise and Vista Chino adjacent to the DAP Campus. I voted to provide critical funding for the Boys and Girls Club in both Desert Hot Springs and upgrades to Cathedral City.

During my tenure we expanded clinical access to our community through the funding of the Borrego Health Clinics where nearly 450,000 patient appointments occur annually. We supported education through the UCR School of Medicine and the Cal State University Nursing program. By living in our Desert Healthcare District we have the best access to medical services in the State. We are Stronger Together.

MEASURE “CC” – DESERT COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT
FULL TEXT OF BOND PROPOSITION
DESERT COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT
COLLEGE EXPANSION, REPAIR AND MODERNIZATION MEASURE

This Proposition may be known and referred to as the “Desert Community College District College Expansion, Repair and Modernization Measure” or as “Measure CC”.

BOND AUTHORIZATION

By approval of this proposition by at least 55% of the registered voters voting on the proposition, the Desert Community College District (the “District”) shall be authorized to issue and sell bonds of up to \$577,860,000 in aggregate principal amount to provide financing for the specific facilities projects listed under the heading entitled “BOND PROJECT LIST” below (the “Bond Project List”), subject to all of the accountability safeguards specified below.

ACCOUNTABILITY SAFEGUARDS

The provisions in this section are specifically included in this proposition in order that the voters and taxpayers of the District may be assured that their money will be spent to address specific facilities needs of the District, all in compliance with the requirements of Article XIII A, Section 1(b)(3) of the California Constitution, and the Strict Accountability in Local School Construction Bonds Act of 2000 (codified at Sections 15264 and following of the California Education Code (the “Education Code”).

Evaluation of Needs. The Board of Trustees of the District (the “Board”) has conducted a thorough assessment of all facilities in order to evaluate and address the facilities needs of the District at each campus and facility, and to determine which projects to finance from a local bond at this time. The Board hereby certifies that it has evaluated safety, class size reduction and information technology needs in developing the Bond Project List.

Limitations on Use of Bonds. Proceeds from the sale of bonds authorized by this proposition shall be used only for the construction, reconstruction, rehabilitation, or replacement of college facilities, including the furnishing and equipping of college facilities, or the acquisition or lease of real property for college facilities, and not for any other purpose, including teacher and administrator salaries and other college operating expenses.

Independent Citizens’ Oversight Committee. The Board shall establish an independent citizens’ oversight committee (pursuant to Education Code Section 15278 and following), to ensure bond proceeds are expended only for the community college facilities projects listed in the Bond Project List. The committee shall be established within 60 days of the date when the results of the election appear in the minutes of the Board. In accordance with Section 15282 of the Education Code, the citizens’ oversight committee shall consist of at least seven members and shall include a member active in a business organization representing the business community located within the District, a member active in a senior citizens’ organization, a member active in a bona fide taxpayers’ organization, a member that is a student who is both currently enrolled in the District and active in a community college group, such as student government, and a member that is active in the support and organization of a community college or the community colleges of the District, such as a member of an advisory council or foundation. No employee or official of the District and no vendor, contractor or consultant of the District shall be appointed to the citizens’ oversight committee.

Annual Performance Audits. The Board shall conduct an annual, independent performance audit to ensure that the bond proceeds have been expended only on the community college facilities projects listed in the Bond Project List. These audits shall be conducted in accordance with the Government Auditing Standards issued by the Comptroller General of the United States for performance audits. The results of these audits shall be made publicly available and shall be submitted to the citizens’ oversight committee in accordance with Section 15286 of the Education Code.

Annual Financial Audits. The Board shall conduct an annual, independent financial audit of the bond proceeds until all of those proceeds have been spent for the community college facilities projects listed in the Bond Project List. These audits shall be conducted in accordance with the Government Auditing Standards issued by the Comptroller General of the United States for financial audits. The results of these audits shall be made publicly available and shall be submitted to the citizens’ oversight committee in accordance with Section 15286 of the Education Code.

Special Bond Proceeds Account; Annual Report to Board. Upon approval of this proposition and the sale of any bonds approved, the Board shall take actions necessary to establish an account in which proceeds of the sale of bonds will be deposited. As long as any proceeds of the bonds remain unexpended, the Superintendent of the District shall cause a report to be filed with the Board no later than January 1 of each year, commencing January 1, 2018, stating (a) the amount of bond proceeds received and expended in that year, and (b) the status of any project funded or to be funded from bond proceeds. The report may relate to the calendar year, fiscal year, or other appropriate annual period as the Superintendent of the District shall determine, and may be incorporated into the annual budget, audit, or other appropriate routine report to the Board.

FURTHER SPECIFICATIONS

Single Purpose. All of the purposes enumerated in this proposition shall be united and voted upon as one single proposition, pursuant to Education Code Section 15100, and all the enumerated purposes shall constitute the specific single purpose of the bonds, and proceeds of the bonds shall be spent only for such purpose, pursuant to California Government Code Section 53410.

Other Terms of the Bonds. When sold, the bonds shall bear interest at an annual rate not exceeding the statutory maximum, and that interest shall be made payable at the time or times permitted by law. The bonds may be issued and sold in several series, and no bond shall be made to mature more than the statutory maximum number of years from the date borne by that bond.

BOND PROJECT LIST

The Bond Project List below lists the specific projects the District proposes to finance with proceeds of the bonds. The Bond Project List shall be considered a part of the bond proposition and shall be reproduced in any official document required to contain the full statement of the bond proposition. Listed projects will be completed as needed at a particular District facility or site according to Board-established priorities, and the order in which such projects appear on the Bond Project List is not an indication of priority for funding or completion. Any authorized repairs shall be capital expenditures. The project list does not authorize non-capital expenditures. Each project is assumed to include its share of costs of the election and bond issuance, construction-related costs, such as project and construction management, architectural, engineering, inspection and similar planning and testing costs, demolition and interim housing costs, legal, accounting and similar fees, costs related to the independent annual financial and

performance audits, a contingency for unforeseen design and construction costs, and other costs incidental to and necessary for completion of the listed projects (whether the related work is performed by the District or third parties). The final cost of each project will be determined as plans are finalized, construction bids are awarded, and projects are completed. In addition, certain construction funds from non-bond sources, including State of California grant funds for eligible projects and redevelopment pass-through funds, have not yet been secured and/or received. Therefore, the Board cannot guarantee that the bonds will provide sufficient funds to allow completion of all listed projects. Alternatively, if the District obtains unexpected funds from non-bond sources with respect to listed projects, such projects may be enhanced, supplemented or expanded to the extent of such funds. Some projects may be subject to further government approvals, including by State officials and boards and/or local environmental or agency approval. Inclusion of a project on the Bond Project List is not a guarantee that the project will be completed (regardless of whether bond funds are available).

The specific projects authorized to be financed with proceeds of the bonds under this proposition are as follows:

COLLEGE EXPANSION, REPAIR AND MODERNIZATION PROJECTS	
The following projects are authorized to be financed at the District's new, future and existing campuses and college locations, including:	
Palm Desert Campus	Indio Campus
East Valley Campus	West Valley Campus
Community Centered sites throughout the Coachella Valley	
- Modernize, upgrade, renovate, rehabilitate, re-configure, repair, replace, restore, expand and/or upgrade classrooms, classroom buildings, labs (including science and technology labs), career training facilities, career placement centers/facilities, veterans support services facilities, public safety training facilities, theater/performing arts facilities, childcare facilities, restrooms, common areas and college support and administration facilities (including library, multipurpose room/auditorium, food storage, preparation and service, cafeteria and office/staff/faculty support facilities, whether permanent, portable or modular including interior and exterior (as applicable)), doors, windows, door and window hardware, roofs, rain gutters and downspouts, walls, ceilings and floors and finishes, paint, siding, insulation, casework, cabinets, secured storage, carpets, drapes, window coverings, infrastructure, lighting, acoustics, staging, sinks, drinking fountains, fixtures, signage, fencing, landscaping, furniture and equipment. - Construct new campus buildings, including classrooms/classroom buildings, labs (including science and technology labs), library, performing arts and film facilities, career placement centers/facilities, student services and administration buildings, office/staff/faculty support facilities, building/facility/university center for student support services, including career placement center, career training classrooms and related facilities, veterans support service facilities, public safety training facilities, observatory facilities, food storage, preparation and service facilities, childcare facilities, restrooms, and related college facilities. - Construct, improve, reconfigure, expand, and/or install sidewalks, parking areas, and related areas. - Construct/install outdoor learning areas, including shade/rain structures, sitting areas, fencing and landscaping. - Renovate, replace, upgrade, acquire, install and/or integrate major site/building/utility systems, equipment and related infrastructure and housing, including lighting, electrical (including electrical switchgear and related infrastructure for modern technology), heating, refrigeration, cooling and ventilation, water, sewer, gas, irrigation, drainage, and energy efficiency/management monitoring systems, networks, fixtures, equipment and controls. - Acquire, install, upgrade and/or construct renewable energy and/or energy-saving systems, improvements and equipment, including electricity generation and distribution systems and/or water heating systems, natural light improvements, upgraded insulation and roofing, efficient lighting, windows and window coverings, shade structures, energy management and conservation systems, and other passive technologies, and structures to support such systems, improvements and equipment and related infrastructure. - Upgrade, expand, acquire and/or install technology equipment, fixtures and infrastructure, including computers, tablets, mobile devices, software, interactive educational technology, digital projectors and cameras, monitors, audio systems, video systems, network equipment (including servers, network interface devices, network switches and routers, wireless network equipment, firewalls, network security equipment, racking, power and cooling equipment, wiring and uninterruptible power supplies), etc. - Upgrade and/or acquire and install fencing, security lighting, fire detection and suppression, security alarm, video surveillance, emergency, master key and door lock, clock, bell, data, voice and audio-visual communication (including telephone and public address) systems, networks, fixtures, equipment and controls. - The inspection and analysis of grounds, buildings, fixtures and structures, including parking lots, restrooms, drinking fountains, to assess health and safety risks to students, faculty, staff, parents and the public and compliance with local, state and federal building, health, safety, access and other related requirements, including seismic safety requirements, requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and Occupational Safety & Health Administration (OSHA) requirements, and the improvement, correction, repair or renovation of such grounds, buildings, fixtures and structures or portions thereof identified as such health and safety risks or acquire, install and/or construct other improvements to comply with such laws and requirements.	
MISCELLANEOUS	
All listed bond projects include the following as needed:	
- Removal of hazardous materials such as asbestos and lead paint as needed. - Construction and/or installation of access improvements for disabled persons, as required by state and federal law. - Planning, designing and providing temporary housing necessary for listed bond projects.	

- Acquisition of any rights-of-way, easements, and/or real property made necessary by listed bond projects, or lease of real property for the listed college facilities projects.
- Necessary onsite and offsite preparation or restoration in connection with new construction, renovation or remodeling, or installation or removal of relocatable buildings, including demolition of structures; removing, replacing, or installing irrigation, drainage, utility lines (gas, water, sewer, electrical, data and voice, etc.), trees and landscaping; relocating fire access roads; and acquiring any necessary easements, licenses, land or rights of way made necessary by listed bond projects.
- Address other unforeseen conditions revealed by construction, renovation or modernization (including plumbing or gas line breaks, dry rot, seismic and structural deficiencies, etc.).
- Acquire or construct storage facilities and other space on an interim basis, as needed to accommodate construction materials, equipment, and personnel, and interim classrooms (including relocatables) for students and college functions or other storage for classroom materials displaced during construction.
- For any project involving renovation, rehabilitation or repair of a building or the major portion of a building, the District shall be authorized to proceed with new replacement construction/re-construction instead (including any necessary demolition), if the Board of Trustees of the District determines that replacement and new construction/re-construction is more practical than renovation, rehabilitation and repair, considering the building's age, condition, expected remaining life, comparative cost and other relevant factors.
- Furnishing and equipping of classrooms and other college facilities; furnishing and equipping shall include initial purchases, and scheduled and necessary replacements, upgrades and updating of technology.
- All other costs and work necessary and incidental to the listed bond projects.

MEASURE "CC" – DESERT COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT

TAX RATE STATEMENT

An election will be held in the Desert Community College District (the "District") on November 8, 2016, to authorize the sale of up to \$577,860,000 in bonds of the District to finance community college facilities as described in the proposition. If the bonds are approved, the District expects to issue the Bonds in multiple series over time. Principal and interest on the bonds will be payable from the proceeds of tax levies made upon the taxable property in the District. The following information is provided in compliance with Sections 9400 through 9404 of the California Elections Code.

1. The best estimate of the tax which would be required to be levied to fund this bond issue during the first fiscal year after the sale of the first series of bonds, based on estimated assessed valuations available at the time of filing of this statement, is 1.95 cents per \$100 (\$19.50 per \$100,000) of assessed valuation in fiscal year 2017-18.
2. The best estimate of the tax rate which would be required to be levied to fund this bond issue during the first fiscal year after the sale of the last series of bonds, based on estimated assessed valuations available at the time of filing of this statement, is 1.95 cents per \$100 (\$19.50 per \$100,000) of assessed valuation in fiscal year 2025-26.
3. The best estimate of the highest tax rate which would be required to be levied to fund this bond issue, based on estimated assessed valuations available at the time of filing of this statement, is 1.95 cents per \$100 (\$19.50 per \$100,000) of assessed valuation and is expected to remain approximately the same in each year during the term of repayment of the bonds.
4. The best estimate of the total debt service, including the principal and interest, that would be required to be repaid if all of the bonds are issued and sold is \$1,075,000,000.

Voters should note that estimated tax rates are based on the *ASSESSED VALUE* of taxable property on the County's official tax rolls, *not* on the property's market value, which could be more or less than the assessed value. In addition, taxpayers eligible for a property tax exemption, such as the homeowner's exemption, will be taxed at a lower effective tax rate than described above. Certain taxpayers may also be eligible to postpone payment of taxes. Property owners should consult their own property tax bills and tax advisors to determine their property's assessed value and any applicable tax exemptions.

Attention of all voters is directed to the fact that the foregoing information is based upon the District's projections and estimates only, which are not binding upon the District. The actual tax rates and the years in which they will apply, and the actual total debt service, may vary from those presently estimated, due to variations from these estimates in the timing of bond sales, the amount of bonds sold and market interest rates at the time of each sale, and actual assessed valuations over the term of repayment of the bonds. The dates of sale and the amount of bonds sold at any given time will be determined by the District based on need for construction funds and other factors, including the legal limitations on bonds approved by a 55% affirmative vote. The actual interest rates at which the bonds will be sold will depend on the bond market at the time of each sale. Actual future assessed valuation will depend upon the amount and value of taxable property within the District as determined by the County Assessor in the annual assessment and the equalization process.

Dated: July 20, 2016.

By: Joel L. Kinnamon
Superintendent / President
Desert Community College District

IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS OF MEASURE “CC”

The Board of Education (“Board”) of the Desert Community College District (“District”) by adopting Resolution No. 072016-2 (“Resolution”), elected to call an election pursuant to Section 18 of Article XVI and Section 1 of Article XIII A of the California Constitution and Section 15100 and 15624 et seq. of the California Education Code to obtain authorization to issue and sell general obligation Bonds (“Bonds”) in the aggregate amount principal amount of five hundred seventy seven million and eight hundred sixty thousand dollars (\$577,860,000.00).

This Measure was placed on the ballot by the Board of the above-identified District.

The Bonds would be used by the District to expand, repair and upgrade and expand classrooms, buildings, labs, career training facilities, among other facilities, at the following campuses: Palm Desert, East Valley, Indio, West Valley and Community Centered sites throughout the Coachella Valley. The Bonds may also be used to upgrade, expand, acquire and/or install technology equipment, fixtures and infrastructure, upgrade and/or acquire and install security measure, remove hazardous material, construct and install access improvements for disabled persons, and acquisition or lease of real property for the listed college facilities projects.

The Bonds would not be used to fund the salaries, pensions or benefits of any board members, administrator, and/or teachers or for other school operating expenses.

If Measure CC is approved, the Board of the District will appoint a citizens’ oversight committee, and conduct annual independent financial and performance audits to assure that bond funds are spent only on the construction, reconstruction, rehabilitation, or replacement of school facilities, including the furnishing and modernization of school facilities, or the construction of school facilities, and for no other purposes.

An ad valorem tax would be levied and collected on property within the boundaries of the District to pay the principal and interest on the Bonds.

The Resolution provides that the maximum interest rate on the Bonds will not exceed the maximums statutory rate and the maximum term of the Bonds, or any series thereof, will not exceed applicable statutory maximum. The best estimate of the total debt service, including the principal and interest that would be required if all of the bonds are issued and sold is one billion and seventy-five million dollars (\$1,075,000,000).

For this Measure to be approved fifty-five percent (55%) of qualified voters who vote on the Measure must vote yes.

A “YES” vote on Measure “CC” is a vote to allow the District to sell the Bonds and levy the necessary taxes to pay for the Bonds.

A “NO” vote on Measure “CC” is a vote against allowing the District to sell the Bonds and levy the necessary taxes to pay for the Bonds.

By: Ronak N. Patel, Deputy County Counsel

ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF MEASURE “CC”

Vote Yes on Measure CC to relieve overcrowding, increase job and career training facilities and modernize College of the Desert.

College of the Desert has been the leading source of higher education for nearly 60 years, providing career training for students and serving as an affordable springboard for those who want to continue their education at a four-year university.

Measure CC will keep College of the Desert working for our community, allowing the college to:

- Build more classrooms and science labs to relieve overcrowding.
- Update existing classrooms, labs, and technology to prepare students for four-year universities and high-paying jobs.
- Modernize and expand educational buildings and classrooms to train local nurses, firefighters, police officers, mechanics, technicians and dozens of other vital workers.
- Strengthen programs for returning veterans and prepare them for good-paying jobs.
- Boost and add science, engineering, and technology classrooms and labs.

Like any 60-year old institution, College of the Desert is in need of basic repairs and modernization, including replacing outdated electrical and plumbing systems, repairing leaky roofs and upgrading classrooms and facilities to meet current earthquake, fire and safety codes.

Measure CC will help College of the Desert build, expand and upgrade the facilities needed to provide the top-notch technical training needed in emerging, high-demand fields to train our workforce and keep the local economy strong.

By law, no Measure CC money can be spent on administrator salaries. Independent audits and an oversight committee ensure strict accountability. Every penny from Measure CC benefits College of the Desert - funds cannot be taken by the state.

Join Coachella Valley nurses, police officers, firefighters, students, alumni, faculty, community and business leaders, financial planners, taxpayers, and seniors in voting YES on Measure CC.

Keep affordable, quality college education and job training at College of the Desert working for our community.

By: Guadalupe Ramos Watson, Councilmember City of Indio, COD Alumni Hall of Fame Member

John Benoit, Riverside County Supervisor

Stanley E. Henry, Retired Police Chief, Mayor, City of Cathedral City

John J. Peña, Mayor Pro Tem City of La Quinta, COD Alumni Hall of Fame Member

Christine Anderson, Superintendent of Schools, PSUSD, Retired

REBUTTAL TO ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF MEASURE “CC”

The supporters of Measure CC justify the proposed \$577,860,000 Bond issue as necessary to “relieve overcrowding, increase job and career training facilities and modernize College of the Desert.” They also cite issues inherent with “...any 60-year old institution...in need of basic repairs and modernization.”

With passage of the \$372,000,000 Bond issue in 2004, the “60-year old” Palm Desert campus has been greatly updated and expanded with the construction of several new buildings, many of which house administrative offices and numerous new classrooms. Several older facilities and classrooms have been renovated to meet updated building requirements, functional and aesthetic upgrades were incorporated on campus, an early Bond project renovated aging in-ground systems, and the college expanded with new classrooms in Indio and the east valley. As such, many of the justifications cited for replacing outdated systems, fixing leaky roofs, and relieving overcrowding appear to be overstated.

This \$577,860,000 Bond issue request balloons to over \$1 billion after interest over the up-to 40 years debt obligation period is added, with another lien placed on your property to guarantee that debt. This is excessive when considering how much has already been accomplished using the 2004 Bond issue funds, for which we are still paying and will be for many years to come.

Vote NO on Measure CC to eliminate higher property taxes, another lien on your property, and the inevitable cost increases to all renters as these tax increases are passed along.

By: Carole J. Van Zandt

ARGUMENT AGAINST MEASURE “CC”

The College of the Desert Board of Trustees is asking voters to approve a \$577,860,000 Bond measure to fund myriad construction, upgrade, repair, and renovation projects for the main campus and satellite sites within the Coachella Valley. Considering the \$372 million Bond measure approved by the voters in 2004 for the same purposes, seeking another Bond measure of this magnitude seems excessive: a total face value of \$949,860,000. In that regard, the Howard Jarvis Taxpayer Association in its *Heads Up, Taxpayers* report on their website, www.hjta.org, states that “Voters have a right to know that a Bond will place a lien against homes for as long as 40 years to guarantee repayment that, once interest is calculated, will cost at least double its face value.”

If approved this measure will result in yet another property tax increase—we are still paying for the 2004 Bond measure—and placement of yet another lien on our property. Because these types of Bond measure obligations are repaid solely through increasing our property taxes, approval of the Bond measure will likely cause rental rates to also increase. Now is the time to ask if Riverside and Imperial Counties can afford to repay another \$1 billion dollar debt obligation through our ever increasing property taxes. Vote NO on measure CC.

By: Carole J. Van Zandt

REBUTTAL TO ARGUMENT AGAINST MEASURE “CC”

For sixty years, College of the Desert has strategically planned, grown and adapted to serve the Coachella Valley.

College of the Desert has always met the challenges of providing higher education opportunities to Coachella Valley residents. As a result, our community has benefitted with better jobs, a better-trained workforce and a stronger local economy.

Measure CC will allow College of the Desert to continue to meet our current needs for higher education. It will also allow College of the Desert to accommodate our community’s educational needs in the future.

Measure CC is smart planning that will enable College of the Desert to:

- Reduce overcrowding.

- Build needed new classrooms and labs.

- Expand higher education into the fields that are in most demand and offer well-paying jobs.

- Emphasize career paths to nursing and medical jobs, law enforcement, firefighting, science and engineering fields.

- Strengthen programs for preparing returning veterans for well-paying careers.

This focus is good for our community, good for our families and good for our local economy.

Along with these benefits, Measure CC has safeguards. For example, no Measure CC money may be spent on administrator salaries. And, no Measure CC money may be taken by Sacramento to fund state programs. An independent Oversight Committee will insure our local benefits are delivered as promised.

Keep affordable, state of the art, quality college education and important job training at our College of the Desert working for the future of the Coachella Valley.

YES on CC.

By: Stanley E. Henry, Retired Police Chief / Mayor

MEASURE "I" – PALM SPRINGS UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

BOND PROPOSITION OF THE PALM SPRINGS UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT (November 8, 2016):

"By approval of this proposition by at least 55 percent of the registered voters voting on the measure, the District will be authorized to issue and sell bonds of up to \$216,460,000 in aggregated principal at interest rates not in excess of the legal limit and to provide financing for the specific school facilities projects listed in the Bond Project List described herein, subject to all the accountability requirements specified herein.

The Bonds may be issued under the provisions of the California Education Code (starting at Section 15100), under the provisions of the California Government Code (starting at Section 53506), or under any other provisions of law authorizing the issuance of general obligation bonds by school districts. The Bonds may be issued in series by the District from time to time, and each series of Bonds shall mature within the legal limitations set forth in the applicable law under which the Bonds are issued.

District voters previously approved Measure E at an election held in the District on February 5, 2008. However, due to State law limitations imposed on the issuance of bonds under Measure E, the District estimates that it will be unable to issue any additional Measure E Bonds in the immediate future. The Board of Education of the District has found and determined that there continues to be an urgent need in the District for the completion of the educational projects approved by District voters under Measure E, and that no other District resources are available to finance such projects. If the Bonds are approved and issued, the Board of Education of the District has covenanted that it will take action(s) to cancel and shall not authorize the issuance of Measure E Bonds in a like amount.

In order to acquire, construct and reconstruct school facilities, and provide for supporting infrastructure at the existing school site of the Palm Springs Unified School District, and in so doing increase health, safety, welfare and educational effectiveness of classrooms for students, shall the Palm Springs Unified School District be authorized to issue Bonds in an amount not to exceed \$216,460,000, including the furnishing and equipping of school facilities or the acquisition or lease of real property for schools and school facilities listed in Attachment "1" on file at the District office and herein incorporated, which Bonds shall be issued for a term not to exceed the applicable statutory maximum, which is currently twenty-five (25) years in the case of bonds issued under the authority of the Education Code and forty (40) years in the case of bonds issued under the authority of the Government Code, at an interest rate below the legal maximum, and which Bonds shall be subject to the following provisions:

- (A) That proceeds of the Bonds shall be used only for the construction of school facilities and supporting infrastructure, including the furnishing and equipping of school facilities or the acquisition or lease of real property for school facilities pursuant to California Constitution Article XIII A, Section 1(b)(3) and further that the proceeds of the Bonds shall be used only for the purposes specified in California Constitution Article XIII A, Section 1(b)(3) (as amended by Proposition 39) and not for any other purpose, including teacher and non-construction related administrator salaries and any other school operating expenses.
- (B) That a list of the specific school facilities projects to be funded with the proceeds of the Bonds is attached hereto as Attachment "1" and, based upon the adoption of this Resolution, this Board of Education hereby certifies that it has evaluated safety, class size reduction and information technology needs in developing the school facilities listed in Attachment "1".
- (C) That the Board of Education of the District shall conduct an annual, independent performance audit to insure that the proceeds from the sale of the Bonds have been expended only on the specific projects listed in this bond proposition.
- (D) That the Board of Education of the District shall conduct an annual, independent financial audit of the proceeds from the sale of the Bonds until all of those proceeds have been expended for the school facilities projects identified herein.
- (E) That the Board of Education of the District will, pursuant to the provisions of applicable State law, appoint a citizens' oversight committee, and conduct annual independent audits (as referenced above) to assure that the Bond proceeds are spent only on the school, facilities and classroom improvements, projects and costs identified in Attachment "1" and for no other purposes.

Taxpayer Protections: The following taxpayer protections are specifically provided in this Bond Measure and by law:

- Bond funds shall be used only for the school facilities projects identified herein, and **not for any other purpose.**
- As required by law, an **Independent Citizen's Oversight Committee** shall oversee expenditures of bond funds, and related matters, and shall report to the Board of Education and communicate with the public on such expenditures.
- As required by law, the School District shall conduct **annual financial audits and performance audits** (using independent auditors) for all bond funds.
- Bond Funds **shall not be used** for teacher or non-construction related administrator salaries or other non-construction related operating expenses."

MEASURE "I"

PALM SPRINGS UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

GENERAL OBLIGATION BOND MEASURE

LIST OF SCHOOL FACILITIES PROJECTS TO BE FUNDED WITH PROCEEDS OF BONDS

The general obligation bonds of the Palm Springs Unified District ("District") would be used to construct and acquire new schools and support facilities; renovate, upgrade, replace, install and provide major repair of existing school facilities, and related facilities costs, including, but not limited to, repair and replacement of lighting and electrical systems, heating, air conditioning and ventilation (HVAC) systems, flooring replacement, roof replacement, renewable energy generating facilities (including, but not limited to solar energy/solar generating facilities), window replacement, wall systems, security systems, communication systems, shade structures, fencing site improvements, walkways, parking lots, landscaping, athletic facilities and handicap accessibility improvements to meet current health, safety and instructional standards which will improve the overall educational experience for all students in the District. Such projects include, but are not limited to, reconstruction, renovation, modernization and construction of classrooms, libraries, computer labs, band and choral rooms, roofing, playgrounds, plumbing, electrical, renewable energy (including, but not limited to solar energy/solar generating facilities), conservation measures and network infrastructure, fields and related projects. Project costs for expansion of existing facilities may include, but are not limited to, some or all of the following: infrastructure and related expenses; construction, acquisition or lease of temporary, portable or permanent classrooms, instructional support and/or ancillary facilities. Project costs for furniture and equipment may include, but are not limited to some or all of the following: desks and tables; window and floor covering; computer, media recording and presentation equipment; kitchen equipment, improvements and furnishings; science laboratory equipment; and/or other electronic equipment.

The following projects are specifically identified as projects upon which the bond funds may be expended:

RENOVATION, MODERNIZATION AND REPAIR OF EXISTING SCHOOLS AND FACILITIES

To improve the overall educational experience for students in the District, bond funds will be expended on projects to include renovation, modernization, upgrades and major repairs to take place at existing District school sites and facilities located in the communities of Cathedral City, Desert Hot Springs, Rancho Mirage, Thousand Palms, Palm Desert and Palm Springs, which projects would include, but not be limited to the following:

- Health and safety renovations and/or improvements including, but not limited to, removal or mitigation of hazardous materials
- Handicap accessibility improvements to meet current health, safety and instructional standards
- Upgrade and/or replace heating, ventilation, and air-conditioning (HVAC) systems
- Repair and/or replace roofs, windows and flooring
- Upgrade and/or replace plumbing and sewer systems and facilities including, but not limited to, restrooms
- Upgrade electrical and network infrastructure including technology systems
- Upgrade and/or replace lighting, electrical systems and install renewable energy and utility conservation systems (including, but not limited to solar energy/solar generating facilities)
- Make site improvements including shade structures, walkways and fencing to improve student safety, and landscaping

DISTRICT-WIDE SCHOOL FACILITIES IMPROVEMENTS

These projects will occur at schools and school sites throughout the District and will include the following:

- Improve student safety by replacing inadequate fire alarm and fire suppression systems including, but not limited to, fire safety equipment
- Modernize and upgrade playgrounds, playfields and equipment
- Improve student safety through the construction, refurbishment, reconstruction, and/or upgrade of student drop-off areas, bus drops/loops, existing or new parking areas or facilities and vehicle access ways
- Improve student safety and security by modernizing and upgrading telephone, security and communication systems
- Modernize outdated kitchen facilities to serve a growing student population and meet current standards
- Improve, repair and upgrade band and choral rooms and facilities

ACQUISITION AND CONSTRUCTION OF NEW SCHOOL FACILITIES TO MEET STUDENT NEEDS AND TO REDUCE OVERCROWDING

Proceeds of the Bonds will be used to design, acquire, construct, and equip new elementary schools, middle schools, and high schools throughout the District. Acquisition and construction projects would include, but not be limited to, site acquisition, classrooms, offices, cafeterias, gymnasiums, playing fields and other athletic facilities, stadiums, school grounds, auditoriums, science and computer labs, libraries, restrooms, and other school facilities. The exact size, configuration, and location of each school will be determined by the Board of Education based on the needs of the District. As currently envisioned, acquisition and construction would include but not be limited to the following projects:

- Construct permanent classrooms at the District's elementary schools to replace temporary portable classrooms, Construct a new K-8 school in Rancho Mirage
- Construct a new (K-8, magnet, academy, etc.) school in Palm Desert
- Acquire land for three future elementary schools, one middle school and one high school to serve a growing student population

FACILITIES SUPPORT PROJECTS

Proceeds of the bonds may also be used for the following specific facilities support projects:

- Roof replacement and solar arrays at Cathedral City High School
- Close-out and certification of all school buildings with the Division of State Architect
- Installation of shade structures at various schools through-out the District

This may include: site preparation, design costs, environmental and environmental control costs, consultant costs and site finish work, equipment and other costs as described in the first paragraph of this School Facilities Projects description.

PROJECT COSTS FOR FURNISHINGS AND EQUIPMENT

Project costs for furnishings and equipment for the schools listed above may include, but are not limited to, some or all of the following: security and communication systems and equipment, desks and tables; window and floor coverings (including tiles and carpeting); computers, kitchen equipment; science laboratory equipment; and/or other electronic equipment.

Project costs for the above-referenced projects may include site preparation, installation costs, engineering and design costs, project management costs and related costs. Project costs may also include the payment of lease payments for lease of authorized facilities, property or buildings and payment of costs and expenses for interim financing of authorized facilities (including, but not limited to, financing delivery costs). Allowable project costs also include: costs of issuing the bonds or securities (as authorized under California law), informational distribution costs and election costs authorized under State law. Funding for these projects may come from this bond measure or other District resources as the school facilities needs arise.

In preparing the foregoing list, the Board of Education of the Palm Springs Unified School District has evaluated safety, class size reduction and information technology needs. Approval of the District's bond measure does not guarantee that all of the identified projects within this list will be funded beyond local funds generated by the bond measure and does not guarantee that the projects will be completed in any particular order. The District will also pursue funds from the State of California to complete certain of the identified facilities projects. The foregoing project list assumes that the District would also receive State matching funds.

No Administrator Salaries. Proceeds from the sale of bonds authorized by this proposition shall be used only for the construction, acquisition, repair, renovation, rehabilitation, or replacement of school facilities, including the furnishing and equipping of school facilities, or the acquisition or lease of real property for school facilities as identified herein, and not for any other purpose, including teacher and non-construction related administrator salaries and other non-construction related operating expenses.

If this Bond measure is approved, the Palm Springs Unified School District Board of Education will appoint a citizens' oversight committee and conduct annual independent audits to assure that bond funds are spent only on school and classroom improvements and for no other purposes.

MEASURE "I" – TAX RATE STATEMENT
PALM SPRINGS UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT -
General Obligation Bond Election of November 8, 2016

MEASURE "I"

As shown on the enclosed official ballot, an election is being held in the Palm Springs Unified School District ("District") on November 8, 2016, for the purpose of submitting to the registered voters within the District the question of whether the District shall issue and sell bonds in an amount not to exceed \$216,460,000 (an amount equal to the unissued general obligation bonds previously approved by the voters of the District in 2008) for the purpose of providing funds for the specified school facilities and school projects as set forth in the resolution of the District calling such bond election. This measure will authorize a tax sufficient for payment of interest on, and redemption of, the bonds. The bonds shall bear interest at a rate, or rates, to be established at such time as the bonds are sold, in one or more series, at fixed or variable interest rates not to exceed the maximum applicable statutory rate for such bonds. If such bonds are authorized and sold, the principal thereof and the interest thereon are a general obligation of the District, payable from the proceeds of *ad valorem* taxes on taxable real property located within the District.

The following information is submitted in compliance with California Elections Code Sections 9401 through 9404 based on estimates of assessed valuations available at the time of filing of this statement:

- (a) The best estimate from official sources of the tax rate that would be required to be levied to fund the bond issue during the first fiscal year after the first sale of the bonds based on estimated assessed valuations available at the time of filing of this statement or a projection based on experience within the same jurisdiction or other demonstrable factors is \$0.0478 per \$100 (\$47.88 per \$100,000) of assessed valuation.
- (b) It is anticipated that the bonds will be sold in more than one series. The best estimate from official sources of the tax rate which would be required to be levied to fund such bond issues during the first fiscal year after the last sale of the bonds based on estimated assessed valuations available at the time of filing of this statement or a projection based on experience within the same jurisdiction or other demonstrable factors is \$0.0478 per \$100 (\$47.88 per \$100,000) of assessed valuation. It is estimated that this tax rate would apply in the 2028-2029 tax year
- (c) The best estimate from official sources of the highest tax rate which would be required to be levied to fund the bond issues during the term of the bond issues, based on estimated assessed valuations available at the time of filing of this statement or a projection based on experience within the same jurisdiction or other demonstrable factors, is \$0.0478 per \$100 (\$47.88 per \$100,000) of assessed valuation. It is estimated that the highest tax rate would apply in the 2017-2018 tax year based on assessed valuations available at the time of this filing or a projection based on experience within the same jurisdiction or other demonstrable factors.
- (d) The best estimate of the total debt service, including principal and interest, that would be required to be repaid if all the bonds are issued and sold is \$249,635,500.

Voters should note that these estimated tax rates are based on the *assessed value* of taxable property within the District as shown on the official rolls of Riverside County, not on the property's market value. In addition, taxpayers eligible for a property tax exemption, such as the homeowner's exemption, will be taxed at a lower effective rate than described above. Actual future assessed valuation will depend upon the amount and value of taxable property within the District as determined by the Riverside County Assessor in the annual assessment and the equalization process. Property owners should consult their own property tax bills and/or tax advisors to determine their property's assessed value and any applicable tax exemptions.

Attention of all voters is directed to the fact that these estimates are based on assumptions and projections derived from information obtained from official sources. The actual tax rates and the years in which they will apply may vary depending on the timing of any bond sales, the amount of bonds sold, market interest rates at the time of each sale of bonds and actual assessed valuations over the term of repayment of the bonds. The timing of the bond sales and the amount of bonds sold at any given time will be governed by the needs of the District, including the legal limitations on bonds approved by a 55% vote. The actual interest rates at which the bonds will be sold will depend on the bond market at the time of each such sale. Actual future assessed valuation will depend upon the amount and value of taxable property within the District as determined by the Riverside County Assessor in the annual assessment and the equalization process.

Dated: June 14, 2016

By: Brian J. Murray, Ed.D.
Assistant Superintendent, Business Services
Palm Springs Unified School District

IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS OF MEASURE “I”

The Board of Education (“Board”) of the Palm Springs Unified School District (“District”) by adopting Resolution No. 2015/2016-57 (“Resolution”), elected to call an election pursuant to Section 18 of Article XVI and Section 1 of Article XIII A of the California Constitution and Section 15100 and 15624 *et seq.* of the California Education Code to obtain authorization to issue and sell general obligation Bonds (“Bonds”) in the aggregate amount principal amount of two hundred sixteen million and four hundred sixty thousand dollars (\$216,460,000). The issuance of these Bonds, and the aggregate original principal amount of previously issued Measure E bonds, shall not exceed five hundred and sixteen million dollars (\$516,000,000).

This Measure was placed on the ballot by the Board of the District.

The Bonds may used by the District to design, construct and equip a new school in Palm Desert and Ranch Mirage, acquire land for three future elementary schools, one middle school and one high school, and construct permanent classrooms at elementary schools. The Bonds may also be used renovate, modernize and repair existing school cites and facilities, improving safety systems, replacing the roof and solar arrays at Cathedral City High School and upgrading technology and technological infrastructure. The Bonds would not be used to fund the salaries, pensions or benefits of any board members, administrator, and/ or teachers or for other school operating expenses.

If Measure I is approved, the Board of the District will appoint a citizens’ oversight committee and conduct annual independent financial and performance audits to assure that bond funds are spent only on the construction, reconstruction, rehabilitation, or replacement of school facilities, including the furnishing and equipping of school facilities, or the acquisition or lease of real property for school facilities, and for no other purposes.

An ad valorem tax would be levied and collected on property within the boundaries of the District to pay the principal and interest on the Bonds.

The Resolution provides that the maximum interest rate on the Bonds will not exceed the maximum interest rate of twelve percent (12%) per annum and the maximum term of the Bonds, or any series thereof, will not exceed 40 years.

Approval of Measure I does not guarantee that the proposed project(s) in the District, that are the subject of the Bonds under Measure I, will be funded beyond the local revenues generated by Measure I. The District’s proposal for the project or projects assumes the receipt of matching state funds, which could be subject to appropriation by the Legislature or approval of a statewide bond measure.

For this Measure to be approved fifty-five percent (55%) of qualified voters who vote on the Measure must vote yes.

A “YES” vote on Measure “I” is a vote to allow the District to sell the Bonds and levy the necessary taxes to pay for the Bonds.

A “NO” vote on Measure “I” is a vote against allowing the District to sell the Bonds and levy the necessary taxes to pay for the Bonds.

By: Ronak N. Patel, Deputy County Counsel

ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF MEASURE “I”

Vote YES on Measure I

In 2008, the voters of Palm Springs Unified School District overwhelmingly passed a general obligation bond to improve our communities’ most important asset - our children’s local public schools.

Since that time, tremendous improvements have been made in constructing, repairing and rehabilitating the schools and classrooms of Cathedral City, Desert Hot Springs, Palm Springs, Rancho Mirage and Thousand Palms. But much remains to be done.

Measure I will let us continue the job of improving our children’s schools by reauthorizing \$216 million of previously approved bonds while saving taxpayers millions of dollars and **without increasing the District’s total authorized debt.**

Measure I will improve our schools by:

- Repairing deteriorating roofs and fixing leaky plumbing
- Repairing or replacing classroom heating/ air conditioning systems
- Replacing old portables with permanent classrooms
- Improving handicapped access
- Upgrading fire and security systems to protect our children

Measure I will protect taxpayers by:

- Making our local school projects eligible for State matching funds
- Requiring annual audits and independent citizen oversight of the funds
- Prohibiting funds from going to administrators’ salaries, pensions or benefits
- **Imposing tough legal safeguards** requiring all monies to be spent on our local schools
- **Prohibiting the State from taking the funds and spending them elsewhere**

Vote YES to retain and attract high-quality teachers.

Vote YES to build safer schools in order to improve student achievement.

Vote YES for increased property values and home prices by improving neighborhood schools.

Vote YES to protect taxpayers with independent financial audits.

Vote YES to turn out well-educated, well- rounded leaders of tomorrow.

To build better and safer schools, improve student achievement, save taxpayer dollars and protect your property values, please join business leaders, teachers, parents, grandparents and neighbors in voting YES on Measure I.

By: Dr. Christine Anderson, Palm Springs Unified School District
Retired Superintendent of Schools

Mrs. Donald T. Aikens (Marjorie Conley Aikens)

William Henry Hampton (Chairman, Citizens Oversight Committee)

Mayor Stanley E. Henry, Cathedral City

Mayor Scott Matas, Desert Hot Springs

NO ARGUMENT FILED AGAINST MEASURE “I”

IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS OF MEASURE “P”

The City of Cathedral City placed Measure P on the ballot seeking voter approval of an amendment to the existing medical cannabis tax (the “tax”) to be used for general municipal services and all lawful public purposes of the City of Cathedral City.

In 2014, the voters of the City approved Ordinance No. 742, establishing a tax of up to fifteen cents for every dollar, or fraction thereof, of gross receipts received by a “cannabis or marijuana collective and/or dispensary,” and authorizing the City Council to impose the tax in a lower amount. The tax is currently in effect and applies to all medical cannabis businesses in the City. On August 26, 2015, the City Council adopted Resolution No. 2015-50 imposing the tax at the lower rate of ten cents for every dollar, or fraction thereof, of gross receipts.

At the time Ordinance No. 742 was approved, medical cannabis dispensaries were the only type of medical cannabis business permitted in the City. Subsequently, the City Council has adopted ordinances expanding the types of medical cannabis businesses that may operate in the City, including but not limited to medical cannabis cultivation and manufacturing. If approved, Measure P would amend how the tax is calculated for cultivation and manufacturing activities. The maximum tax on dispensaries and other types of cannabis businesses would not be changed from what was approved by the voters in Ordinance No. 742.

If Measure P is approved, the maximum tax on cultivation will be twenty-five dollars per square foot, or fractional part thereof, of the gross square footage of any building, facility or site where cannabis cultivation and related activities occur. Square footage that is used for any cannabis business activities that are separately taxed is not included in the taxable square footage. For example, if a building houses both cultivation and a dispensary, the square footage of the dispensary portion of the building will not be included in the calculation of the cultivation tax. The maximum tax on manufacturing will be one dollar for each gram of cannabis concentrate produced or manufactured, and one dollar for each unit of cannabis-infused product other than cannabis concentrate produced or manufactured and packaged or intended for individual sale. Beginning on July 1, 2017, the maximum cultivation and manufacturing taxes will be automatically adjusted based on the average percentage change in the Consumer Price Index for “all urban consumers” in the Los Angeles-Anaheim-Riverside area for the calendar year which ends in the previous fiscal year.

The City Council retains the right to impose the tax in an amount that is lower than what is approved by the voters in Measure P. Except for the Consumer Price Index adjustment, the maximum tax rates cannot be increased without a vote of the people. The City Council may also establish exemptions, incentives, or other reductions, and penalties and interest charges or assessments for failure to pay the tax in a timely manner.

Additionally, Measure P provides that if recreational or other non-medical use or consumption of cannabis is legalized or decriminalized in California, the tax shall apply to cannabis businesses engaged in commercial cannabis activity for non-medical uses.

By: ERIC VAIL
City Attorney, City of Cathedral City

The above statement is an impartial analysis of Measure P. If you desire a copy of the ordinance or measure, please call the elections official’s office at (760) 770-0322 and a copy will be mailed at no cost to you. You may also view the Full Text of Measure P at www.cathedralcity.gov.

ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF MEASURE “P”

In 2014 the voters approved a tax on the retail sales of medical marijuana in Cathedral. In 2016 the City Council authorized additional businesses related to cannabis products including cultivation, manufacturing, testing and distribution. A review of appropriate and effective methods for taxing these additional businesses indicated that different methods for taxation should be created separate from the approach for retail sales. This measure defines those different approaches as follows: retail sales - maximum rate of \$.15 on each \$1.00 in sales; cultivation — use tax of a maximum of \$25 per gross square foot of building space; manufactured products — use tax at a maximum of \$1.00 per gram or ounce of manufactured product.

These would be the maximum rate the city could charge, never more without coming back to the voters for approval.

These methods are similar with the approach used in other cities and states for these types of businesses and allows for efficient and effective auditing processes by the Cathedral City Finance staff.

Monies collected from these measures will be used to help fund programs like the police and fire department and youth recreation services. The City Council urges your YES vote on Measure P.

By: Stanley E. Henry, Mayor
Gregory Pettis, Mayor Pro Tem
Shelley Kaplan, Councilmember
John Aguilar, Councilmember
Mark Carnevale, Councilmember

NO ARGUMENT FILED AGAINST MEASURE “P”

IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS OF MEASURE “HH”

The City Council of the City of Cathedral City placed Measure HH on the ballot seeking voter approval of a charter for the City. If approved, this measure will have the effect of converting the City from a general law city to a charter city effective January 1, 2017.

Cities in California are categorized as either a general law city or a charter city. General law cities may adopt ordinances and regulations that are consistent with the general laws of the State of California. Charter cities may adopt ordinances and regulations related to “municipal affairs” subject only to the limitations contained in the city’s charter. With respect to matters that are not “municipal affairs,” a charter city may adopt ordinances and regulations that are consistent with the general laws of the State of California. Both general law and charter cities must abide by the federal and state constitutions.

Measure HH proposes a charter for the City of Cathedral City that would vest the City with the full power to adopt ordinances and regulations related to municipal affairs that are consistent with the provisions of the charter. The charter specifically authorizes the City Council to establish regulations with respect to public works contracting, economic development, purchasing, public finance, fines and penalties. The charter places the following limits and requirements on the City’s powers:

1. The City has no increased power to tax.
2. The City must meet and confer with City employees before contracting out for services the employees provide, and such contracts must be approved by the City Council at an open and public meeting.
3. The elective officers of the City are five City Council Members and one City Treasurer. This charter eliminates the elected City Clerk at the end of the current elected City Clerk’s term and makes the position one appointed by the City Manager.
4. At the end of the current elected Mayor’s term, the position of Mayor shall become an appointed, rotating position. The City Council will select one Council Member to serve a one year term as Mayor.
5. The City must convert to a system of electing City Council Members from districts by the 2022 general municipal election, or when the population of the City reaches 65,000, whichever occurs first.
6. City Council salaries will be adjusted annually to reflect the change in the Consumer Price Index, except that in no case shall their salaries be increased by more than 3% in any given year or exceed \$2,500 per month.
7. If a City employee bargaining group experiences a decrease in compensation, City Council salaries shall be automatically decreased by a corresponding percentage. If multiple bargaining groups experience varying pay decreases, the Council’s decrease must match the highest percentage decrease experienced by any bargaining group.
8. If a Council seat becomes vacant mid-term, the Council may hold a special election to fill the vacancy or may appoint an individual to fill the vacancy until the next regularly scheduled election.

If Measure HH is approved, the charter cannot be amended or repealed without a majority vote of the qualified electors of the City.

By: Eric Vail
City Attorney, City of Cathedral City

The above statement is an impartial analysis of Measure HH. If you desire a copy of the measure, please call the elections official’s office at (760) 770-0322 and a copy will be mailed at no cost to you. You may also view the Full Text of Measure HH at www.cathedralcity.gov.

ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF MEASURE “HH”

Cathedral City has struggled over the years with over-reach by Sacramento politicians. Voting **YES on HH** gives our community a greater voice in their local government and the opportunity to reform how it works.

Some cities in California are organized under State “general laws,” while others are governed by a Charter adopted by local voters. Cities organized under general law have less independence, while cities such as Palm Desert, Palm Springs, Desert Hot Springs and Indian Wells adopt their own procedures for local affairs. Give Cathedral City more Local Control — vote YES on HH!

Currently Cathedral City operates from a Constitution dependent on State law. As a Charter City, a locally drafted Charter approved by a City’s voters becomes its Constitution. Cathedral City’s voters — not Sacramento politicians — better understand OUR needs. Any changes to our local Charter could then only be made by Cathedral City’s voters, providing more accountability to our community and its taxpayers — vote **YES on HH!**

YES on HH means NO future City Council can EVER raise taxes without asking our voters first.

YES on HH tells developers that they must hire local workers first, NOT import people from Los Angeles or Phoenix.

YES on HH allows Cathedral City to hire the most qualified contractors, empowering city staff to make the reforms that eliminate waste.

YES on HH locks in City Council salaries so future councils cannot give themselves a raise without asking the voters.

YES on HH allows our City’s voters to have local control over local laws, ensuring the City can avoid costly regulations written by state government bureaucrats. Keep our money and decisions LOCAL! Join a unanimous Mayor and City Council --vote **YES on HH!**

BY: Stanley E. Henry, Mayor
Shelley Kaplan, Council Member
Josie F. Diaz
John Aguilar
Robert Hargreaves

REBUTTAL TO ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF MEASURE “HH”

Whether you fully understand the concept of a charter city or not, this particular Cathedral City charter is flawed and favors the council, not the voters. **Vote No on Measure HH.**

Council has padded this charter with perks for themselves such as automatic yearly pay raises. They will never have to ask for a raise again because it’s automatic. **Vote No on Measure HH.**

The Charter gives no voice to voters except at election time. Nothing in the Charter makes the City accountable. Example: despite overwhelming community support from voters saying they want to continue to vote for the Mayor directly, council ignored that. Instead they want to appoint the mayor amongst themselves. The Mayor should be chosen by the people, **not** the council. **Vote No on HH.**

Currently council can **NEVER** raise taxes without a vote of the people. **Vote No on HH.**

There is no protection in the charter from new ordinances, regulations, codes or from soaring penalties and fines. **Vote No on HH.**

The large majority of California cities are **NOT** charter. The California Legislature has made charter cities a mute point by closing loopholes. This charter will only benefit the locally elected to do as they please by potentially increasing fees, etc. **Vote No on HH.**

The city does not need a charter to require developers to use local workers first. It can be built into all city contracts. They should always hire the most qualified contractors for jobs anyway. **Vote No on Measure HH.**

For more information: www.citizensagainstmeasureHH.com

By: Randy Winbigler
Dale Jagodzinski AKA: Dale Jag, Neighborhood Watch Leader / Police Advisory Board
Kathleen Patterson
Donald D. Cross, Retired Agua Caliente Gaming Commission
Denise Cross

ARGUMENT AGAINST MEASURE “HH”

The Cathedral City Charter states that it will improve the quality of life for the people of Cathedral City. However, it does not indicate how it will improve life for the residents.

Cathedral City spent \$35,000. to conduct a survey which found that 69% of those polled want to directly elect the Mayor rather than rotate the position. The City Council is denying you the right to vote for your Mayor if this passes.

The proposed City Charter contains an automatic yearly pay raise for the City Council

Currently, Cathedral City cannot add a property transfer fee, nor can it increase fines and penalties for code violations. If this measure passes however, a new property transfer fee can be instituted as well as unlimited code violation fines and penalties without your approval.

Approximately 75% of all California cities are NOT charter cities.

Once a Charter City is formed, it is extremely difficult and very expensive to change or revoke by either the City or the Community.

Do you understand all seven pages of this Charter completely?

If not, VOTE “NO”.

VOTE NO ON MEASURE HH.

By: Randy Winbigler

Dale Jagodzinski AKA: Dale Jag, Neighborhood Watch Leader/
Police Advisory Board

Kathleen Patterson

Donald D. Cross, Retired, Agua Caliente Gaming Commission
Manager

Denise Cross

REBUTTAL TO ARGUMENT AGAINST MEASURE “HH”

Don't be fooled by negative rhetoric and scare tactics. Expand Cathedral City's self-governance and local control- Vote **YES on HH!**

FACT- a Charter can **ONLY** be changed by the voters of Cathedral City, **NEVER** a City Council. The control rests where it should- with **LOCAL** voters.

FACT- Local cities such as La Quinta, Rancho Mirage, Palm Desert, Desert Hot Springs and Indian Wells are also Charter cities — giving their residents, not Sacramento politicians, the greater voice in their local affairs.

FACT- YES on HH guarantees that **NO** future City Council can **EVER** raise taxes without getting permission from voters first.

YES on HH gives Local Control over Local needs to **LOCAL** residents, avoiding costly regulations written by state government bureaucrats.

YES on HH provides better control over public works projects, the contracting process and local economic development, with more transparent and efficient elections and **NO** increased taxing authority.

YES on HH has strict accountability controls, ensuring our elected officials are more accountable and responsive to us.

YES on HH means voters will continue to **DIRECTLY ELECT** all 5 Cathedral City Council members.

YES on HH locks in City Council salaries to the current level, caps future increases **AND** requires a reduction in Council members' salaries if city employees receive a pay cut.

Join a Unanimous Mayor and City Council and take control of Cathedral City! **Vote YES on HH!** For factual information, visit:

www.cathedralcity.gov/charter

BY: Stanley E. Henry, Mayor

Shelley Kaplan, Council Member

John Aguilar, Council Member

**CAN'T MAKE IT ON ELECTION DAY?
WE'RE MAKING IT EASY TO VOTE EARLY**



AT THE REGISTRAR OF VOTERS OFFICE

2724 Gateway Drive, Riverside, CA 92507
October 11 through November 7
(excluding Holidays)

Monday through Friday
8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Saturday, October 29 and November 5
9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Election Day, November 8
7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

AND AT THE FOLLOWING LOCATIONS

October 28 - 30, Friday through Sunday, 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

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Palm Desert, CA 92260**



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**40820 Winchester Road
Temecula, CA 92591**

VOTE-BY-MAIL

You can request your **OFFICIAL VOTE-BY-MAIL BALLOT** by using the application on the back of this Sample Ballot and Information Pamphlet. Return your Vote-by-Mail ballot by mail or at the following drop-off locations throughout Riverside County October 11 through November 7.

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			<u>Participating City Clerk's Offices</u>					
- City Clerk's Offices (as listed) - The Registrar of Voters Office up until close of polls on Election Day. - The Registrar of Voters 24-hour Drop Box is available east of the main entry doors. - At any Polling Place in Riverside County on Election Day.			Banning Beaumont Blythe Calimesa Canyon Lake Cathedral City Coachella Corona Desert Hot Springs Eastvale Hemet Indian Wells Indio Jurupa Valley Lake Elsinore La Quinta Menifee Moreno Valley Murrieta Norco Palm Desert Palm Springs Perris Rancho Mirage Riverside (open until 8:00 p.m. on Election Day) San Jacinto Temecula Wildomar			Please visit our website for all of the drop-off locations throughout Riverside County at <u>WWW.VOTEINFO.NET</u> or call our office at 951-486-7200 or 1-800-773-VOTE (8683)		

VOTER BILL OF RIGHTS

YOU HAVE THE FOLLOWING RIGHTS:



The right to vote if you are a registered voter.

You are eligible to vote if you are:

- a U.S. citizen living in California
- at least 18 years old
- registered where you currently live
- not in prison or on parole for a felony



The right to vote if you are a registered voter even if your name is not on the list.

You will vote using a provisional ballot. Your vote will be counted if elections officials determine that you are eligible to vote.



The right to vote if you are still in line when the polls close.



The right to cast a secret ballot without anyone bothering you or telling you how to vote.



The right to get a new ballot if you have made a mistake, if you have not already cast your ballot. You can:

Ask an elections official at a polling place for a new ballot; or

Exchange your vote-by-mail ballot for a new one at an elections office, or at your polling place; or

Vote using a provisional ballot, if you do not have your original vote-by-mail ballot.



The right to get help casting your ballot

from anyone you choose, except from your employer or union representative.



The right to drop off your completed

vote-by-mail ballot at any polling place in the county where you are registered to vote.



The right to get election materials in a

language other than English if enough people in your voting precinct speak that language.



The right to ask questions to elections officials about election procedures

and watch the election process. If the person you ask cannot answer your questions, they must send you to the right person for an answer. If you are disruptive, they can stop answering you.



The right to report any illegal or fraudulent election activity to an elections official or the Secretary of State's office.

 On the web at **www.sos.ca.gov**

 By phone at **(800) 345-VOTE (8683)**

 By email at **elections@sos.ca.gov**

**IF YOU BELIEVE YOU HAVE BEEN DENIED ANY OF THESE RIGHTS, CALL THE SECRETARY OF STATE'S
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ACCOMMODATIONS FOR VOTERS WITH DISABILITIES

A "YES" or "NO" printed under the disabled symbol/arrow on the back cover of this pamphlet indicates whether or not your assigned polling place is accessible to physically disabled voters. Please be advised of the following alternate ways you may cast your ballot.

- **By Mail** - You may request a Vote-by-Mail ballot. Simply complete the application on the back cover of this pamphlet, or, you may contact the Registrar of Voters Office by calling (951) 486-7200, (800) 773-VOTE (8683), TTY (951) 697-8966. The application must be received by the Registrar of Voters Office by the deadline given. Your ballot must be received at the Registrar of Voters Office no later than 8:00 p.m. on Election Day or be postmarked on or before Election Day and received no later than three days after Election Day to be counted.
- **Early Voting** - You may vote at the Registrar of Voters office located at 2724 Gateway Drive, Riverside, CA 92507, October 11 - November 7 (excluding Holidays), Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.; Saturday, October 29 and November 5, 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.; and Election Day, November 8, 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. Please visit our website at www.voteinfo.net for additional early voting locations and information.
- **Curbside Voting on Election Day** - If you are unable to enter the polling place due to a physical disability, you may request Curbside Voting at your assigned polling place. Curbside Voting doorbells are available at some polling places throughout the County. If you require Curbside Voting assistance you may call 1-877-663-9906 before going to your assigned polling place and/or when you arrive at the facility. An Election Officer will be contacted prior to your arrival to meet you at the curb.
- **Large Print State Voter Information Guide** - If you prefer a large print State Voter Information Guide, you may request one by contacting the California Secretary of State's Office at (800) 345-VOTE (8683), or by contacting the Registrar of Voters Office at (951) 486-7200, (800) 773-VOTE (8683), TTY (951) 697-8966.
- Disability Rights California will operate a statewide hotline on November 8, Election Day, from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. The phone number is 1-888-569-7955.

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2724 GATEWAY DRIVE
RIVERSIDE, CA 92507-0918



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VOTE-BY-MAIL BALLOT APPLICATION

APPLICATION MUST BE RECEIVED NO LATER THAN NOVEMBER 1, 2016

I hereby request a ballot for the Consolidated Presidential General Election, November 8, 2016.

PLEASE PRINT:

NAME AS REGISTERED

RESIDENCE ADDRESS AS REGISTERED

CITY STATE ZIP

MAIL BALLOT TO:

ADDRESS (IF DIFFERENT)

CITY STATE ZIP

☐ ☒ Check this box to request PERMANENT VOTE-BY-MAIL status.

I declare, under penalty of perjury, that the information provided is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

↓ POSTMASTER DELIVER TO ↓

**SIGNATURE
REQUIRED**

SIGNATURE OF VOTER DATE

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✓ You May Cast Your Vote Early

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IMPORTANT NOTICE!!!

Accessible Voting Unit available at all polling locations.

TO MARK YOUR VOTE
DRAW A LINE



VOTE!!!

For a demonstration on marking your ballot visit www.voteinfo.net

**BALLOT
TYPE** 177

VOTE EARLY

IT'S QUICK

IT'S EASY

IT'S CONVENIENT

GET OUT OF LINE ON ELECTION DAY!

VOTE-BY-MAIL

↓ LOCATION OF YOUR POLLING PLACE ↓



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