

City of REDLANDS

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TO: AUTHORS OF ARGUMENTS / REBUTTALS

SUBJECT: SUBMISSION OF ARGUMENTS / REBUTTALS for November 8, 2022 Ballot Measure Related to Business License Tax Rates for Distribution Centers

Attached is important information regarding the submission of an argument in favor of, or against the **Ballot Measure related to Business License Tax Rates for Distribution Centers**. On August 15, 2022, the Registrar of Voters will assign a letter to each ballot measure that has been submitted and authorized by the Redlands City Council to be placed on the November 2022 ballot.

PRIMARY ARGUMENTS: The last day for receipt of primary arguments related to **Business License Tax Rates for Distribution Centers** has been established as close of business (5:00 PM) on July 25, 2022. Arguments must be filed in the City Clerk's Office, may not exceed 300 words, and must be signed by each proponent and by each author, if different, of the argument in conformance with provisions of Section 9600 of the California Elections Code. Arguments may be changed or withdrawn by their proponents at any time prior to and including the final date fixed for filing arguments.

REBUTTAL ARGUMENTS: The last day for receipt of rebuttal arguments related to **Business License Tax Rates for Distribution Centers** has been established as close of business (5:00 PM) on July 29, 2022. Rebuttal arguments must be filed in the City Clerk's Office, may not exceed 250 words, and must be signed by each proponent and by each author, if different, of the argument in conformance with provisions of Section 9600 of the California Elections Code. Rebuttal arguments may be changed or withdrawn by their proponents at any time prior to and including the final date fixed for filing rebuttals. **A rebuttal argument must be authored by the same persons who authored the argument in favor of or against the measure.**

Arguments and rebuttals must be accompanied by an author's statement in conformance with the provisions of Section 9600 of the California Elections Code.

Jeanne Donaldson, City Clerk (909) 798-7532



California Election Code – Selection When More than One Argument For (or against) is Submitted 9287.

- (a) If more than one argument for or more than one argument against any city measure is submitted to the city elections official within the time prescribed, he or she shall select one of the arguments in favor and one of the arguments against the measure for printing and distribution to the voters. In selecting the argument, the city elections official shall give preference and priority, in the order named, to the arguments of the following:
- (1) The legislative body, or member or members of the legislative body authorized by that body.
- (2) The individual voter, or bona fide association of citizens, or combination of voters and associations, who are the bona fide sponsors or proponents of the measure.
- (3) Bona fide associations of citizens.
- (4) Individual voters who are eligible to vote on the measure.
- (b) In order to enable the city elections official to determine whether it qualifies as a bona fide association of citizens, an organization or association submitting an argument for or against a city measure shall submit with its argument a copy of one of the following:
- (1) Its articles of incorporation, articles of association, partnership documents, bylaws, or similar documents.
- (2) Letterhead containing the name of the organization and its principal officers.
- (3) If the organization or association is a primarily formed committee established to support or oppose the measure, its statement of organization filed pursuant to Section 84101 of the Government Code.



(c) In selecting an argument from among bona fide associations of citizens, the city elections official shall not consider the type of documentation submitted pursuant to subdivision (b) or the form of the association.

(Amended by Stats. 2018, Ch. 92, Sec. 63. (SB 1289) Effective January 1, 2019.)



STATEMENT BY PROPONENTS/AUTHORS OF ARGUMENTS

Elections Code section 9600 requires that all arguments concerning measures shall be accompanied by the following statement, to be signed by each proponent and by each author, if different, of the argument.

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ELECTIONS CODE - ELEC DIVISION 0.5. PRELIMINARY PROVISIONS [1 - 362]

(Division 0.5 heading added by Stats. 1996, Ch. 1143, Sec. 17.)

CHAPTER 1 General Provisions [1. - 20]

(Chapter 1 enacted by Stats. 1994, Ch. 920, Sec. 2.)

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- (a) Counting of words, for purposes of this code, shall be as follows:
- (1) Punctuation is not counted.
- (2) Each word shall be counted as one word except as specified in this section.
- (3) All proper nouns, including geographical names, shall be considered as one word; for example, "City and County of San Francisco" shall be counted as one word.
- (4) Each abbreviation for a word, phrase, or expression shall be counted as one word.
- (5) Hyphenated words that appear in any generally available standard reference dictionary, published in the United States at any time within the 10 calendar years immediately preceding the election for which the words are counted, shall be considered as one word. Each part of all other hyphenated words shall be counted as a separate word.
- (6) Dates shall be counted as one word.
- (7) Any number consisting of a digit or digits shall be considered as one word. Any number which is spelled, such as "one," shall be considered as a separate word or words. "One" shall be counted as one word whereas "one hundred" shall be counted as two words. "100" shall be counted as one word.
- (8) Telephone numbers shall be counted as one word.
- (9) Internet Web site addresses shall be counted as one word.
- (b) This section shall not apply to counting words for ballot designations under Section 13107.

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