



### Ballot Measure Primary Argument Submission Form

A ballot argument shall not be accepted unless accompanied by this completed form, which shall contain the printed name(s) and signature(s) of the person(s) submitting it or, if submitted on behalf of a bona fide association of citizens/organization, the name of the association/organization and the printed name and signature of at least one of its principal officers. If the measure is presented to voters pursuant to an initiative petition in a special district election, please contact the Elections Office for special instructions.

Word count limit for Primary Arguments = 300

Ballot Measure k for the general to be held on 11/4/14.

Primary Argument in Favor of  Primary Argument Against

**This argument is submitted by: (check all that apply)**

<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>The Governing Body of the County of San Mateo, a School District, or a Special District</b> If this argument is filed by the governing body of the County of San Mateo, a school district or a special district, fill in the name of the governing body on the line below and complete both sides of this form.	
	Governing Body:	
	Contact Person's Printed Name:	Contact Person's Signature:
	Title:	
	Phone:	Email:
<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>Member(s) of the Governing Body of the County of San Mateo, a School District, or a Special District</b> If this argument is filed by any member(s) of the governing body, fill in the information below and complete both sides of this form. By statute, members of school district governing boards need board authorization to file an argument.	
	Member(s) of the Governing Body:	Name of Governing Body:
	Contact Person's Printed Name:	Contact Person's Signature:
	Title:	
	Phone:	Email:
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<b>Bona Fide Association of Citizens/Organization</b> If this argument is filed by a bona fide association of citizens/organization, the signers of the argument must be affiliated with the association/organization, be authorized to sign the argument on its behalf, provide the printed name and signature of at least one principal officer of the organization, and complete both sides of this form.	
	Name of Association/Organization: <u>Silicon Valley Taxpayers Association</u>	
	Principal Officer's Printed Name and Title: <u>Mark W. A. Hinkle: President</u>	Printed Signature: [Redacted]
	Contact Person's Printed Name: <u>Mark W. A. Hinkle</u>	Email: [Redacted]
	Phone: [Redacted]	Fax: [Redacted]
<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>Individual(s) eligible to vote on the measure</b> Individual signers must be eligible to vote on the measure.	
	Contact Person:	Phone:
	Mailing Address:	
	Fax:	Email:

Please complete the reverse side of this form.

# Primary Argument Signers Form

Each signer must designate in which capacity they are signing. Check the one box that applies.

No more than five signatures shall appear with any argument. If more than five signatures are submitted, the first five listed shall be printed.

Names and titles listed will be printed in the order that they are listed below.

If the signers are part of a bona fide association/organization, there is no requirement that they be eligible to vote on the measure. However, for each such signing individual(s), the title under the signer's name shall list the name of that bona fide association/organization and may include their position within that association/organization.

By signing below, the undersigned state that they have read the argument and believe it not to be false or misleading.

Governing Body of San Mateo County, a School District, or a Special District  
 Member(s) of the Governing Body of San Mateo County, a School District, or a Special District  
 Bona Fide Association of Citizens/Organization  
 Individual(s) eligible to vote on the measure

1.	Name: <i>Mark W. R. Hinkle</i>	Title: <i>President</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Phone:	Email:				
	Address:					
	Signature:	Date: <i>9/15/14</i>				
2.	Name:	Title:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Phone:	Email:				
	Address:					
	Signature:	Date:				
3.	Name:	Title:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Phone:	Email:				
	Address:					
	Signature:	Date:				
4.	Name:	Title:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Phone:	Email:				
	Address:					
	Signature:	Date:				
5.	Name:	Title:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Phone:	Email:				
	Address:					
	Signature:	Date:				

**Submit a second form (this side only) for alternate signers attached to this form and the argument.**

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Signers	<input type="checkbox"/> Registered	N/A	Signed	Dated
Bona Fide Association	<input type="checkbox"/> Verified	N/A	Signed	Dated

**Argument Against Bayshore Elementary School District Parcel Tax – Measure K**

In 2008, Bayshore Elementary School District convinced voters to approve a so-called temporary parcel tax. 3 10

Now they're asking us for permission to **drag that 2008 parcel tax out for another 8 years! That's \$102.94 per parcel -- plus automatic increases every year totaling at least \$823.52.** That means they won't have the bother of asking our permission again, that whole time. 3 15 13 11-1

The District always makes the same "we have no money" pleas to try to scare us into voting for higher taxes. 14

**This time we should tell them NO. And here's why:** 10

Bayshore Elementary School District's enrollment has been steadily declining. Since the 2011-12 school year, **enrollment has dropped by 112 students.** 9 8

With enrollment declining, presumably they need fewer teachers and fewer classrooms. 11

Why would they need more taxes with fewer enrollments and fewer teachers? 12

Have they put to good use the parcel taxes they've already received? 12

**Let's look at their students' academic proficiency (2012-13):** 7

	District average	Statewide STAR average	Comparison
English	41%	55%	-14%
Math	58%	50%	+8 %
Science	40%	59%	-19%
History	37%	49%	-12%

(Source: Education Data Partnership, www.Ed-Data.k12.ca.us.) 6

Bayshore Elementary School District's students are **below the state average in 3/4 of the subjects!** The only bright spot—if you can call it that—is Math, in which only 58% of our students meet or exceed California proficiency standards. 9 10 18

**Please don't reward failure** with our hard-earned money. **Demand better academic results,** and only *then* reward the District for their efforts. 10 12

**Please vote NO on Measure K.** 6

**Like us, you can be for schools, for students, for teachers and for the good against Measure K.** 15

LEO CHIEF ELECTIONS OFFICER OF SAN MATEO COUNTY, CALIF.

For more information: [www.SVTaxpayers.org/2014-11-bayshore-elementary-SD-parcel-tax](http://www.SVTaxpayers.org/2014-11-bayshore-elementary-SD-parcel-tax). 4

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