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Ballot Measure Primary Argument Submission Form

A ballot argument will not be accepted unless accompanied by this completed typed 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, the name of the association and the printed name and signature of at least one of its principal officers.

Please make sure you are using proper format before submitting to the Elections Office.

Word count limit for Primary Arguments = 300 words

Ballot Measure _____ for the general municipal election to be held on 11-5-2024.

Primary Argument in Favor of Primary Argument Against

This argument is submitted by (check ONLY ONE):	
<input type="checkbox"/>	The Governing Body of the City of San Carlos
	Name of Governing Body:
	Contact Person's Printed Name:
	Phone: _____ Email: _____
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Member(s) of the Governing Body of the City of San Carlos
	Name of Governing Body: <u>San Carlos City Council</u>
	Contact Person's Printed Name: <u>Ronald Collins</u>
	Phone: [REDACTED]
<input type="checkbox"/>	Bona Fide Association of Citizens
	If this argument is filed by a bona fide association of citizens, the signers of the argument must be affiliated with the association and be authorized to sign the argument on its behalf. Provide the printed name and signature of at least one principal officer of the association.
	Name of Association:
	Contact Person's Printed Name:
	Phone: _____ Email: _____
<input type="checkbox"/>	Individual Voters Eligible to Vote on the Measure
	Contact Person's Printed Name:
	Phone: _____ Email: _____
<input type="checkbox"/>	Combination of Voters and Associations
	Contact Person's Printed Name:
	Phone: _____ Email: _____

Arguments will be emailed to the contact person listed here for review before they are printed in the Sample Ballot & Official Voter Information Pamphlets. Please complete the reverse side of this form.

Primary Argument Signers Form			Author	Verified
<p>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. Place a checkmark in the author column if the signer is the author of the argument. A signer can only list one title. Honorifics such as M.D., Dr., Esquire, etc. with a name are not accepted.</p> <p>If the signers are part of a bona fide association, there is no requirement that they be eligible to vote on the measure. However, for each such signing individual, the title under the signer's name must list the name of that bona fide association and may include their position within that association.</p> <p>By signing below, the undersigned state that they have read the argument and believe it not to be false or misleading.</p> <p>Type information clearly.</p>			<p>Check if the signer is the author of the argument. Authors must be signers.</p>	<p>(FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY) Staff check once the eligibility of the signer is verified.</p>
1.	Name: Ronald Collins	Title: San Carlos City Council Member	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Phone: [REDACTED]	Email: [REDACTED]		
	Address: [REDACTED]	San Carlos, CA 94070	Pronouns:	
		Date: July 23, 2024	He/His: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
			She/Her: <input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
			They/Them: <input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2.	Name: SARA MCDOWELL	Title: SAN CARLOS VICE MAYOR	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Phone: [REDACTED]	Email: [REDACTED]		
	Address: [REDACTED]	SAN CARLOS, CA 94070	Pronouns:	
		Date: July 23, 2024	He/His: <input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
			She/Her: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
			They/Them: <input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3.	Name: MICHAEL GALVIN	Title: FORMER SAN CARLOS CITY TREASURER	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Phone: [REDACTED]	Email: [REDACTED]		
	Address: [REDACTED]	SAN CARLOS, CA 94070	Pronouns:	
		Date: JULY 23, 2024	He/His: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
			She/Her: <input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
			They/Them: <input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4.	Name:	Title:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Phone:	Email:		
	Address:		Pronouns:	
	Signature:	Date:	He/His: <input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
			She/Her: <input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
			They/Them: <input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5.	Name:	Title:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Phone:	Email:		
	Address:		Pronouns:	
	Signature:	Date:	He/His: <input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
			She/Her: <input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
			They/Them: <input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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

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Argument in Favor of Measure ____

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[Vote "Yes" to make the City Treasurer an appointed position. Transitioning to an appointed City Treasurer will ensure only the most qualified individuals are eligible to hold the position and will save taxpayer money.	13 13 8
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Seventeen of the twenty cities in San Mateo County already have an appointed City Treasurer. Currently, San Carlos holds an election for the City Treasurer every four years, spending taxpayer funds on an elected position that only requires a candidate to be 18 years old and a registered voter. This allows potentially inexperienced candidates to become City Treasurer. Municipal finance is a complex field and a City Treasurer should have the knowledge, training, and experience with government accounting, financial markets, and investment policies to best serve the public.	12 12 13 13 14 10 11
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Converting the Treasurer from an elected position to an appointed one will ensure that the position is filled by a qualified financial professional, appointed either by the City Council or the City Manager.	13 14 6
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San Carlos has internal controls and checks and balances that provide public oversight and transparency. Advancements in modern financial accounting and technology have already significantly transitioned the workload of the City Treasurer to City staff. Independent Certified Public Accountants conduct annual audits of the City's accounting policies and records which are then presented to the City Council and residents at public meetings. All these safeguards ensure the necessary oversight of the City's finances.	12 10 12 10 13 12 3
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Vote "YES" on Measure ____ to ensure only the most qualified individuals are designated to hold the position and save taxpayer money.	12 9
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The San Carlos City Council supports Measure ____] End	4
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