## CITY OF SAN DIEGO BALLOT MEASURES 1950-1959

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4/21/59	A (pass)	Amend Section 110 of Article VII of the Charter of The City of San Diego. This amendment adds to Section 110 of the Charter the provision that no suit shall be brought against the City on any claims for money or damages until a demand has been made upon the City in accordance with the existing provisions of Section 110.	35,453 73.89%	12,529 26.11%	Y	N	N
4/21/59	B (pass)	Amend Section 117 of Article VIII of the Charter of The City of San Diego. This amendment adds to the Unclassified Service of the City the positions of two Deputy Police Chiefs, Assistant City Engineer, Director of Operations, Director of Utilities, and Assistant Public Works Director; and removes from the Unclassified Service of the City the positions of Director of Operations of Police Department, Director of Service of Police Department, Director of the Water Department, Hydraulic Engineer, and Superintendent of Maintenance and Operation of the Water Department.	32,058 68.31%	14,874 31.69%	Y	N	N
4/21/59	C (pass)	Shall Ordinance No. 8070 (New Series) of the ordinances of The City of San Diego, entitled, "An Ordinance authorizing the sale and conveyance of a portion of Pueblo Lot 1284 of the Pueblo Lands of The City of San Diego consisting of 17.8 acres more or less upon such terms and conditions as may be deemed by the City Council to be in the best interests of the people of The City of San Diego," be ratified?	36,030 75.78%	11,514 24.22%	N	N	N
4/21/59	D (pass)	Shall Ordinance No. 8069 (New Series) of the ordinances of The City of San Diego, entitled, "An Ordinance authorizing the sale and conveyance of Cuyamaca View Park containing .17 acres upon such terms and conditions as may be deemed by the City Council to be in the best interests of the people of the City of San Diego," be ratified?	36,648 76.69%	11,142 23.31%	N	N	Y
11/4/58	D (pass)	Shall Ordinance No. 7965 (New Series) of the Ordinance of The City of San Diego, entitled, "An Ordinance authorizing the sale or conveyance of not to exceed 450 acres of the remaining portions of Pueblo Lots 1314, 1315, 1316, 1322, 1323 and 1324 to the Regents of the University of California, and prescribing the terms and conditions thereof, "adopted by the Council of said City September 2,	114,135 80.41%	27,810 19.59%	N	N	N

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		1958, be ratified?					
11/4/58	E (pass)	Shall the Ordinance No. 7966 (New Series) of the Ordinances of The City of San Diego, entitled, "An Ordinance authorizing the sale or conveyance of not to exceed a total of 40 acres of the remaining portions of Pueblo Lots 1315, 1316, 1321, and 1322 to the Scripps Memorial Hospital and prescribing the terms and conditions thereof," adopted by the Council of said City September 2, 1958, be ratified?	111,763 80.10%	27,762 19.90%	N	N	N
11/4/58	F (pass)	Shall Ordinance No. 7956 (New Series) of the Ordinances of the City of San Diego, entitled, "An Ordinance authorizing the sale or conveyance of a portion of Pueblo Lot 1245 of the Pueblo Lands of San Diego lying northerly of the San Diego River, upon such terms and conditions as may be deemed by the City Council to be in the best interests of the people of San Diego," adopted by the Council of said City August 26, 1958, be ratified?	98,499 71.47%	39,324 28.53%	N	N	N
11/4/58	G (pass)	Repeal Section 38.1 of Article V of the Charter of The City of San Diego. The repeal of this section removes from the City Charter provisions for microfilming of City records and the destruction of the original records.	90,028 66.55%	45,248 33.45%	Y	N	N
11/4/58	H (pass)	Amend Section 40 of Article V of the Charter of The City of San Diego. This amendment removes from the City Charter the requirements that the salary of the City Attorney be paid semimonthly.	97,555 73.22%	35,687 26.78%	Y	N	N
11/4/58	l (pass)	Amend Section 66 of Article VI of the Charter of The City of San Diego. This amendment removes from the City Charter the requirement that the compensation of the members of the Board of Education be paid in semi-monthly installments.	97,714 72.87%	36,372 27.13%	Y	N	N
11/4/58	J (fail)	Repeal Section 95 of Article VII of the Charter of The City of San Diego. The repeal of this section removes from the City Charter the provisions for allowing a preference of five percent bidders on City contract when the materials are produced in the City or County of San Diego or are regularly stocked and sold by businesses located in the City or County of San Diego.	66,183 48.45%	70,427 51.55%	Y	N	N
11/4/58	K (pass)	Amend Section 35 of Article V and Section 112 of Article VII of the Charter of The City of San Diego. This amendment removes from Section 35 of the City Charter the requirement that the Purchasing	79,200 62.06%	48,423 37.94%	Y	N	N

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		Agent prepare a perpetual inventory of City property and removes from Section 112 the requirement that the Auditor and Comptroller keep records of supplies and materials.					
6/3/58	A (pass)	CITY OF SAN DIEGO CHARTER AMENDMENT PROPOSITION: Amend Article VII of the Charter of The City of San Diego by amending Section 90.1. This amendment changes the procedure for The City of San Diego to authorize, issue and sell revenue bonds for waterworks purposes; and authorizes the issuance and sale of not to exceed \$11,000,000 of revenue bonds, payable solely from the revenues of the Water Department, to provide money for the acquisition and construction of additions to and extensions and improvements of the waterworks of the City and the reconstruction and replacement of parts of such waterworks and the acquisition of all lands, easements, rights and property necessary for such purposes.	77,043 72.34%	29,452 27.66%	Y	N	N
4/16/57	A (fail)	CITY OF SAN DIEGO CIVIC THEATRE BONDS: Shall the City of San Diego incur a bonded indebtedness in the principal sum of \$3,500,000 for the acquisition and construction by said city of certain municipal improvement, to wit: a civic theatre, with vehicle parking therefor, to be located within an area in Balboa Park, bounded on the west by Park Boulevard, on the north by Morley Field Drive, on the east by Florida Street, and on the south by Laurel Drive; said civic theatre to be used for operas, musical events, shows, pageants, public gatherings and other public uses, and to include radio and television facilities, movie projection booth, equipment, furniture and furnishings, and all incidental facilities necessary therefor, and said improvement to include the construction of public utilities, paving, drains, sewers, walks, drivers, and all other works, structures and facilities necessary therefor?	31,804 55.56%	25,441 44.44%	N	N	Y
4/16/57	B (pass)	Amend Section 117 of Article VIII of the Charter of The City of San Diego. This amendment places the position of Confidential Secretary to the city Council in the Unclassified Services of the City of San Diego and removes Confidential Secretary to the Director of Public Health from the Unclassified Services of the city of San Diego.	30,916 60.20%	20,442 39.80%	Y	N	N
4/16/57	С	Shall ordinance No.7360 (New Series) of the ordinances of The City of San Diego, entitled, "An Ordinance authorizing the sale and	39,158	13,923	N	N	N

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	(pass)	conveyance of the westerly 150 feet of Pueblo Lot 1275 and all of unnumbered Pueblo Lot sometimes referred to as Pueblo Lot 1185 of the Pueblo Lands of The City of San Diego, upon such terms and conditions as may be deemed by the City Council to be in the best interests of the people of The City of San Diego," adopted by the Council of said City March 5, 1957, be ratified?	73.77%	26.23%			
11/6/56	C (pass)	Amend Section 24 of Article IV of the Charter of The City of San Diego. This amendment fixes the rate of pay of the Mayor at \$12,000.00 a year; and removes from the present Charter the provision for entertainment expense allowance for the Mayor and does not provide for any entertainment expense allowance for the Mayor.	87,524 55.55%	70,049 44.45%	Y	N	N
11/6/56	D (pass)	Amend Section 115 of Article VIII of the Charter of The City of San Diego. This amendment increases the Civil Service Commission from three to five members.	94,951 65.65%	49,674 34.35%	Y	N	N
11/6/56	E (pass)	Amend Section 117 of Article VIII of the Charter of The City of San Diego. This amendment places the position of Industrial Coordinator in the Unclassified Service of The City of San Diego.	76,484 58.35%	54,592 41.65%	Y	N	N
11/6/56	F (pass)	Amend Section 57 of Article V of the Charter of The City of San Diego. This amendment removes obsolete language from the present Charter relating to the assignment of personnel in the Police Department, and provides that the City Manager, with the approval of the City Council, may contract for medical services necessary for the operation of the department.	105,080 72.88%	39,094 27.12%	Y	N	N
11/6/56	G (pass)	Amend Section 58 of Article V of the Charter of The City of San Diego. This amendment removes obsolete language from the present charter relating to the assignment of personnel in the Fire Department, and provides that the City Manager, with the approval of the City Council, may contract for medical services necessary for the operation of the department.	108,035 73.55%	38,855 26.45%	Y	N	N
11/6/56	H (fail)	CITY OF SAN DIEGO PUBLIC ASSEMBLY BUILDING BONDS: Shall The City of San Diego incur a bonded indebtedness in the principal sum of \$8,500,000 for the purpose of the acquisition and construction by said City of a certain municipal improvement, to wit: a municipal building to provide facilities for public assemblies, said building to include: (1) an arena for conventions, sports events and	81,583 49.85%	82,070 50.15%	N	N	Y

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		other public assemblies; (2) an exhibit hall for trade shows, expositions, displays and civic receptions; (3) a concert hall and theatre; and (4) a little theatre and assembly hall; including all necessary equipment, furniture and furnishings for said building, and the acquisition and construction of parking facilities necessary or convenient therefor; also including the acquisition of real property necessary for said parking facilities and as a site for said building, all to be located in an area bounded on the north by Cedar Street, on the east by Third Avenue, on the south by Ash Street, and on the west by First Avenue?					
6/5/56	A (fail)	CITY OF SAN DIEGO PUBLIC ASSEMBLY BUILDING BONDS: Shall The City of San Diego incur a bonded indebtedness in the principal sum of \$8,500,000 for the purpose of the acquisition and construction by said City of a certain municipal improvement, to wit: a municipal building to provide facilities for public assemblies, said building to include: (1) an arena for conventions, sports events and other public assemblies; (2) an exhibit hall for trade shows, expositions, displays and civic receptions; (3) a concert hall and theatre; and (4) a little theatre and assembly hall; including all necessary equipment, furniture and furnishings for said building, and the acquisition and construction of parking facilities necessary or convenient therefor; also including the acquisition of real property necessary for said parking facilities and as a site for said building, all to be located in an area bounded on the north by Cedar Street, on the east by Third Avenue, on the south by Ash Street, and on the west by First Avenue?	71,088 60.58%	46,260 39.42%	N	N	Y
6/5/56	B (pass)	CITY OF SAN DIEGO MISSION BAY DEVELOPMENT BONDS: Shall The City of San Diego incur a bonded indebtedness in the principal sum of \$5,000,000 for the purpose of the acquisition and construction by said City of a certain municipal improvement, to wit: the acquisition and construction of additional recreational facilities in and near Mission Bay, including dredging of the Bay, filling of land, the construction of bulkheads, jetties, wharves, boat landings, boat houses, bath houses, anchorages, buildings, parks, playground equipment and facilities and the landscaping of grounds, all for the development of Mission Bay and land adjacent thereto for park and recreation purposes, including in said municipal improvement the construction of all streets, parking lots, utilities, lighting, sewers and	81,144 70.29%	34,298 29.71%	N	N	Y

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		drainage structures necessary therefor?					
6/5/56	C (pass)	Amend Article VII of the Charter of The City of San Diego by adding a new section thereto to be numbered Section 90.2 This amendment authorizes the City to issue revenue bonds payable from revenue derived from sewer service charges for the purpose of financing additions to and improvements of the sewers, sewer works, and sewage treatment and disposal works (including facilities for the reclamation of water or other by-products) of the City, upon a majority vote of the voters; provides a procedure for the issuance and sale of such bonds, and provides for the use of revenues derived from sewer service charges.	90,728 80.21%	22,391 19.79%	Y	N	N
6/5/56	D (fail)	Amend Section 24 of Article IV of the Charter of The City of San Diego. This amendment removes the provision in the present Charter that the Mayor shall receive each year a sum not to exceed \$1500.00 for entertainment purposes, and fixes the rate of pay of the Mayor at \$12,000.00 a year	54,764 49.12%	56,724 50.88%	Y	N	N
6/5/56	E (pass)	Amend Section 12 of Article III of the Charter of The City of San Diego. This amendment removes obsolete language from the present Charter relating to the original election of a Mayor and Councilmen at the time of adopting the present Charter in 1931, and fixes the rate of pay of Councilmen at \$5,000.00 a year.	57,185 52.98%	50,749 47.02%	Y	N	N
6/5/56	F (pass)	Amend Section 83 of Article VII of the Charter of The City of San Diego. This amendment removes from the present Charter the requirement that salaries of officers and employees of the City be paid semi-monthly.	78,257 73.24%	28,586 26.76%	Y	N	N
6/5/56	G (pass)	Amend Section 10 of Article II of the Charter of The City of San Diego. This amendment provides for the method of electing candidates for the office of Member of the Board of Education who receive votes on a majority of all ballots cast for such candidates at a primary election, and removes obsolete language from the present Charter relating to the duties of the City Clerk in canvassing election returns.	84,616 82.3%	18,200 17.7%	Y	N	N
6/5/56	H (pass)	Shall Ordinance No. 6902 (New Series) of the ordinances of The City of San Diego, entitled, "An Ordinance authorizing the sale and conveyance of portions of Pueblo Lots 1322, 1323, 1326, 1327 and 1329 of the Pueblo Lands of The City of San Diego, lying easterly of	90,536 84.57%	16,520 15.43%	N	N	N

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		U.S. Highway 101, and consisting of not to exceed 320 acres, to General Dynamics Corporation(General Atomic Division), for the construction and operation thereon of basic and applied research facilities, upon such terms and conditions as may be deemed by the City Council to be in the best interests of the people of The City of San Diego," adopted by the Council of said City March 27, 1956, be ratified?					
6/5/56	l (pass)	Shall Ordinance No. 6903 (New Series) of the ordinances of The City of San Diego, entitled, "An Ordinance authorizing the sale and conveyance of portions of Pueblo Lots 1324, 1325, 1336 and 1340, and authorizing the sale and conveyance of portions of Torrey Pines Park, consisting of portions of Pueblo Lots 1324, 1325, 1331, 1332, 1333, 1334, 1336, 1337, 1338, 1339 and 1340, of the Pueblo Lands of San Diego, not to exceed 1000 acres, to the State of California for park purposes, upon such terms and conditions as may be deemed by the City Council to be in the best interests of the people of The City of San Diego," adopted by the Council of said City March 27, 1956, be ratified?	86,781 81.96%	19,100 18.04%	N	N	N
6/5/56	J (pass)	Shall Ordinance No. 6904 (New Series) of the ordinances of The City of San Diego, entitled, "An Ordinance authorizing the City Manager to sell and convey a portion of Pueblo Lot 1311 of the Pueblo Lands of San Diego, upon such terms and conditions as may be deemed by the City Council to be in the best interests of the people of The City of San Diego," adopted by the Council of said City March 27, 1956, be ratified?	76,951 73.93%	27,140 26.07%	N	N	N
6/5/56	K (pass)	Shall Ordinance No. 6905 (New Series) of the ordinances of The City of San Diego, entitled, "An Ordinance authorizing the leasing for a period in excess of 15 years of portions of Pueblo Lots 1330 and 1331 of the Pueblo Lands of The City of San Diego, for the construction and operation thereon of golf club, hotel and restaurant facilities and related activities upon such terms and conditions as may be deemed by the City Council to be in the best interests of the people of The City of San Diego," adopted by the Council of said City March 27, 1956, be ratified?	66,772 61.4%	41,984 38.6%	N	N	N
6/5/56	L (pass)	Shall Ordinance No. 6906 (New Series) of the ordinances of the City of San Diego, entitled, "An Ordinance authorizing the City Manager to sell and convey Collier Park, in The City of San Diego, upon such	76,581 72.52%	29,012 27.48%	N	N	N

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		terms and conditions as may be deemed by the City Council to be in the best interests of the people of The City of San Diego," adopted by the Council of said City March 27,1956, be ratified?					
6/5/56	M (pass)	Shall Ordinance No. 6907 (New Series) of the ordinances of The City of San Diego, entitled, "An Ordinance authorizing the City Manager to sell and convey a portion of Torrey Pines Park, consisting of a portion of Pueblo Lot 1324 of the Pueblo Lands of San Diego, upon such terms and conditions as may be deemed by the City Council to be in the best interests of the people of The City of San Diego," adopted by the Council of said City March 27, 1956, be ratified?	72,644 68.55%	33,326 31.45%	N	N	N
4/19/55	A (fail)	Amend Section 35 of Article V of the Charter of The City of San Diego to eliminate the requirement for competitive bids for the purchase of insurance, except as directed by the City Council.	20,651 26.7%	56,705 73.3%	Y	N	N
4/19/55	B (pass)	Amend Article X of the Charter of The City of San Diego. This amendment provides that the City Council shall by ordinance transfer all of the members of the Police and Fire Retirement System into the City Employees' Retirement System, which ordinance shall protect the vested rights earned up to the date of transfer, and grant an option for five years to members of the former Police and Fire Retirement System who have earned the right to retire with benefits after 20 or 25 years of service in the aggregate to continue in the service of the City with increased benefits, after which time such members who do continue shall have and receive all the rights and benefits of safety members of the City Employees' Retirement System. Upon adoption of the ordinance the Police and Fire Retirement System is abolished.	58,146 75.48%	18,889 24.52%	Y	N	N
4/19/55	C (pass)	Shall Ordinance No. 6427 (New Series) of the ordinances of The City of San Diego, entitled, "An Ordinance authorizing the sale and conveyance of Pueblo Lot 1240 of the Pueblo Lands of The City of San Diego," adopted by the Council of said City on March 3, 1955, be ratified and approved?	55,142 74.72%	18,659 25.28%	N	N	N
4/19/55	D (pass)	TENTH AVENUE SHIPPING TERMINAL BOND PROPOSITION: Shall The City of San Diego incur a bonded indebtedness in the principal sum of \$9,460,000 for the acquisition and construction by said city of a certain municipal improvement, to wit: the Tenth Avenue Shipping Terminal in the Bay of San Diego and on the adjacent	60,967 74.03%	21,392 25.97%	N	N	Y

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		municipal tidelands for the receipt, storage and shipping of cargo and the transportation of persons and property, including dredging, fill, bulkheads, dock walls, wharves, transit sheds, oil tanker dock, offices, railway tracks, drainage structures, water tank, utilities, access roads, paving and all appurtenances, structures and works necessary or convenient for said Terminal?					
3/8/55	A (fail)	Amend Section 12 of Article III of the Charter of The City of San Diego. This amendment provides a compensation for each Councilman's services of \$3,600.00 per year.	33,205 47.35%	36,920 52.65%	Y	N	N
3/8/55	B (fail)	Amend Section 24 of Article IV of the Charter of The City of San Diego. This amendment amplifies the duties of the Mayor, and provides a compensation for his services of \$10,000 per year.	33,873 48.07%	36,595 51.93%	Y	N	N
3/8/55	C (pass)	THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO WATERWORKS REVENUE BOND ORDINANCE: Shall Ordinance No. 6402 (New Series) adopted by the City Council of The City of San Diego, February 8, 1955, providing for the expansion, extension, replacement of parts of, and betterment of the water impounding, treating and distribution system of said City and the issuance of \$6,000,000 of revenue bonds by said City to pay the cost thereof, said bonds to be payable only from a special fund which shall consist of such revenues of the Water Department as are in excess of the amount needed to operate and maintain the Water Department, be approved?	56,432 79%	15,005 21%	N	N	Y
11/2/54	B (pass)	CITY OF SAN DIEGO CHARTER AMENDMENT PROPOSITION: Amend Article VII of the Charter of The City of San Diego by adding a new section thereto to be numbered Section 90.1, which authorizes the City to issue revenue bonds for the purpose of financing replacements and improvements to the water system of said City, upon a majority vote of the people; and providing a procedure for the issuance and sale of such bonds.	70,184 63.83%	39,767 36.17%	Y	N	N
6/8/54	A (pass)	Shall the ordinance initiated by petition of the required 10% of the registered voters of The City of San Diego prohibiting the fluoridation of the San Diego municipal water supply, be adopted?	50,789 53.32%	44,463 46.68%	N	init	N
6/8/54	B (fail)	THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO SEWER BOND PROPOSITION: Shall The City of San Diego incur a bonded indebtedness in the principal sum of \$16,000,000 for the purpose of the acquisition and construction by said City of a certain municipal improvement, to wit:	56,461 59.4%	38,592 40.6%	N	N	Y

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		works and facilities for the transmission, treatment and clarification of sewage and the disposal of sewage effluent by ocean outfall, including the acquisition and construction of trunk sewers, sewage treatment plant and outfall sewer and appurtenances and appurtenant work, and including the acquisition of lands, rights of way and easements and the acquisition and construction of structures, tunnels, pipes, conduits, equipment, machinery and apparatus necessary or convenient therefor?					
6/8/54	C (fail)	Amend Section 24 of Article IV of the Charter of The City of San Diego. This amendment authorizes the Mayor to verify all legal pleadings in which the City has an interest, and provides a compensation to be fixed by the Council each year in the Annual Appropriation Ordinance of not less than \$7500.00 per year, payable semi-monthly.	37,517 45.15%	45,576 54.85%	Y	N	N
6/8/54	D (pass)	Amend Section 54 of Article V of the Charter of The City of San Diego. This amendment removes from the present Charter obsolete language relating to appropriation of tax revenues for harbor improvements; provides that the revenues from tidelands and the operation of the harbor shall be used exclusively for the purpose of improving the harbor and tidelands and the maintenance and operation of the Harbor Department, and limits the jurisdiction of the Harbor Commission to the tidelands and harbor of the Bay of San Diego.	63,936 76.79%	19,327 23.21%	Y	N	N
6/8/54	E (pass)	Amend Section 59 of Article V of the Charter of The City of San Diego. This amendment authorizes the City Manager to permit officers and employees of the Department of Inspection to teach or instruct students or pupils in regularly established accredited schools or colleges at such times as will not interfere with the duties prescribed for them by the Charter.	56,960 69.27%	25,267 30.73%	Y	N	N
6/8/54	F (pass)	Amend Section 117 of Article VIII of the Charter of The City of San Diego. This amendment places in the Unclassified Service of the City the Assistant to the Mayor and the Director of Mission Bay Park.	46,294 61.73%	28,697 38.27%	Y	N	N
6/8/54	G (pass)	Amend Section 141 of Article IX of the Charter of The City of San Diego. This amendment permits the Council to adopt by ordinance a retirement system for the compensated public officers and employees of the City, other than policemen and firemen who were members of	57,156 68.26%	26,578 31.74%	Y	N	N

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		a pension system on June 30, 1946; permits the retirement of City employees at the age of 62 but gives such employees the option to retire at 55 years if they have had 20 years of continuous service with a proportionately reduced allowance; it further authorizes policemen, firemen and full time lifeguards to retire at the age of 55 years after 10 years of continuous service, but gives such policemen, firemen and full time lifeguards the option to retire with a reduced allowance at the age of 50 years after 20 years of continuous service; it further provides a compulsory age limit of 65 years, except that the Manager or department head may for the City's benefit continue an employee in service after such age.					
6/8/54	H (pass)	Amend Section 143 of Article IX of the Charter of The City of San Diego. This amendment provides that any retirement system authorized by the Council shall be based upon a contributory plan, with the City contributing equally with the employees for normal allowances, and authorizes the employees to receive additional benefits at higher rates of contribution; except in the case of financial liabilities accruing under a new or revised retirement plan because of past service of the employees, the City is not obligated to contribute more than that necessary for normal allowances.	58,239 70.98%	23,808 29.02%	Y	N	N
6/8/54	l (pass)	Amend the Charter of The City of San Diego by adding a new section to Article IX thereof, to be numbered Section 143.1, to read as follows: This amendment adds a new section to the Charter, which provides that no change in the retirement system which affects the benefits of City employees shall be adopted without the approval of a majority vote of the members of such retirement system.	56,690 68.5%	26,069 31.5%	Y	N	N
4/21/53	A (pass)	Amend Section 107 of Article VII of the Charter of The City of San Diego to provide that the Council, if it desires, may purchase a blanket surety bond which shall insure the faithful performance of the official duties of each officer named therein; faithful performance bonds to be filed with the City Clerk rather than the City Auditor and Comptroller.	33,309 66.25%	16,969 33.75%	Y	N	N
4/21/53	B (pass)	Amend Section 46 of Article V of the Charter of The City of San Diego, so as to remove from the Charter language providing organizational provisions and empowering the City Manager to provide the necessary internal organization of the Public Works Department. This amendment also provides for the repeal of	29,867 61.44%	18,747 38.56%	Y	N	N

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		Sections 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52 and 56 of the Charter, all of which sections, except Section 56, relate to the internal structural organization of the Department of Public Works; Section 56 relating to the Bureau of Safety.					
4/21/53	C (pass)	Amend Section 55 of Article V of the Charter of The City of San Diego so as to eliminate the requirement of a separate Park Commission and separate Recreation Commission, and creating one commission to be known as the Park and Recreation Commission; and rewording the section to provide more flexibility in the organization of the combined departments, and also prohibiting change of use of any park, recreation or cemetery land formally dedicated by ordinance or statute without the consent of two-thirds of the electors; and further authorizing the Council to open the streets and highways through public parks, recreation and cemetery lands.	25,911 51.12%	24,771 48.88%	Y	N	N
4/21/53	D (fail)	Amend Article VII of the Charter of The City of San Diego by adding a new section thereto, to be numbered Section 70.1, which gives power to the Council to pay a part of all costs of public health insurance, including hospitalization and surgery, for the members of the classified and unclassified personnel and the wives and minor children.	17,444 34.59%	32,982 65.41%	Y	N	N
4/21/53	E (fail)	Amend Section 24 of Article IV of the Charter of The City of San Diego to provide a compensation for the Mayor of \$10,000 per year.	20,887 40.46%	30,743 59.54%	Y	N	N
4/21/53	F (fail)	Amend Section 12 of Article III of the Charter of The City of San Diego to provide a compensation of \$3,000 per year for Councilmen.	22,225 43.45%	28,920 56.55%	Y	N	N
4/21/53	G (pass)	Amend Section 66 of Article VI of the Charter of The City of San Diego to provide a compensation of \$1200 per year for members of the Board of Education.	24,403 50.05%	24,347 49.94%	Y	N	N
4/21/53	H (fail)	Amend Article VII of the Charter of The City of San Diego by adding a new section thereto to be numbered Section 90.1, which authorizes the City to issue revenue bonds for the purpose of financing the construction of public improvements, upon a majority vote of the people; and providing a procedure for the issuance and sale of such bonds.	21,073 43.23%	27,671 56.77%	Y	N	N
4/21/53	l (fail)	Amend Section 95 of Article VII of the Charter of The City of San Diego to provide a preference of not to exceed 5% or \$500,	23,023 48.68%	24,274 51.32%	Y	N	N

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		whichever is lower, in favor of local bidders for the sale of materials and supplies to the City, only in the event that there is competition of outside bidders for such contract.					
4/21/53	J (pass)	Amend section 61 of Article V of the Charter of The City of San Diego so as to eliminate the present statement of specific duties of the Department of Social Welfare, and setting up in lieu thereof the investment of a department to be known as the Department of Social Service with general duties relating to investigation, recommendation and carrying out policies relating to the social welfare of the people of the City, the improvement of social conditions which might lead to poverty, crime and disease, and the recommendation or carrying out of constructive programs for the prevention of juvenile delinquency.	31,908 65.52%	16,794 34.48%	Y	N	Z
4/21/53	K (fail)	Amend subdivisions (b) and (f) of Section 54 of Article V of the Charter of The City of San Diego by clarifying the language describing the jurisdiction of the Harbor Commission, giving such commission control only of tidelands within the Bay of San Diego, and prohibiting the expenditure of revenues from tidelands and the Harbor Department for any purpose except the improvement of tidelands and the Harbor of San Diego, and the redemption of harbor or harbor tideland bonds, and the payment of interest thereon.	20,525 41.7%	28,695 58.3%	Y	N	N
4/21/53	L (pass)	Amend Section 68 of Article VII of the Charter of The City of San Diego, so as to authorize a complete budget and accounting system of municipal finances, and eliminating present language which is ambiguous, directory and not capable of enforcement.	37,294 76.09%	11,721 23.91%	Y	N	N
4/21/53	M (pass)	Amend Article IX of the Charter of The City of San Diego by adding a new section thereto to be numbered Section 148.1, which empowers the Council, with the approval of a majority vote of the members of the City Employees' Retirement System, to contract with the State of California for the benefits and privileges of the State Retirement System and/or the United States Government for Social Security benefits on behalf of municipal employees, provided that any such contract so made insure full protection for vested rights of employees in the present San Diego Retirement System.	32,737 66.87%	16,219 33.13%	Y	N	N
4/21/53	N (pass)	Amend Section 59 of Article V, and Section 117 of Article VIII of the Charter of The City of San Diego, by changing the title of the head of the Department of Inspection from "Chief Inspector" to "Director of	33,019 68.61%	15,109 31.39%	Y	N	N

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		Building Inspection," in the Department of Inspection, in the designation of the members of the Unclassified Service.					
4/21/53	O (pass)	Shall a portion of Collier Park, in the City of San Diego, more particularly described in Ordinance No. 5518 (New Series), adopted by the Council of said City March 12, 1953, be conveyed in trust to the Door of Hope Home of San Diego, a charitable corporation, for the purpose of maintaining thereon a foundlings' home and institution for unfortunate and needy pregnant women, upon the condition that failure to maintain the trust causes a reversion of title to the City, and upon further conditions as may be deemed by he City Council to be in the interests of the City and the corporation.	40,106 77.77%	11,464 22.23%	N	N	Y
3/10/53	A (pass)	Amend Section 4 of Article II of The Charter of The City of San Diego. This amendment changes the existing Charter so as to describe the Councilmanic districts by reference to an existing map on file in the City Clerk's Office, and permits the council in redistricting the City to describe the new districts by reference to a map instead of by a metes and bounds description.	32,747 83.24%	6,592 16.76%	Y	N	N
3/10/53	B (pass)	Amend Section 16 of Article III of the Charter of The City of San Diego. This amendment changes the existing Charter so as to provide that except for the annual appropriating ordinance, election ordinances, routine budget transfers, grade fixing ordinances and emergency ordinances, no ordinance shall be passed on the day of its introduction and not for six days thereafter. It further provides that no ordinance shall be passed until it has been read in full before the Council unless such reading is dispensed with by a vote of at least four members of the Council, and then not unless there has been available for use of the Councilmen written or printed copies of the ordinance.	32,518 84.41%	6,008 15.59%	Y	N	Z
3/10/53	C (pass)	Amend Section 20 of Article III of the Charter of The City of San Diego. This amendment changes the existing Charter so as to permit the codification of ordinances into a Municipal Code, which is admissible in evidence as prima facie evidence of the passage of the ordinances therein contained, and eliminates the requirement that ordinances be published in book form every two years.	29,251 77.42%	8,531 22.58%	Y	N	N
3/10/53	D (pass)	Repeal Section 21 of Article III of the Charter of The City of San Diego. This amendment repeals a section of the Charter which	31,312 80.9%	7,392 19.1%	Y	N	N

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		heretofore required the Council to supply offices, quarters and equipment for police, city and municipal courts. These matters are now taken care of by state law.					
3/10/53	E (pass)	Amend Section 35 of Article V of the Charter of the City of San Diego. This amendment changes the existing law with respect to the purchase of materials and supplies for City use by providing that purchases without competitive bids may be made of goods up to but not in excess of \$5,000.00 in value, with a proviso that if the cost thereof is between \$1,000.00 and \$5,000.00 the Purchasing Agent must secure competitive prices but does not have to purchase after advertising for sealed proposals. Purchase of goods under \$1,000.00 may be made without securing competitive prices. The amendment further provides that the Council may order the purchase without advertising for bids of surplus commodities of the United States, or any agency thereof, or of any public corporation, and authorizes the City to sell surplus material and supplies to cities and other public corporations.	21,666 56.25%	16,513 43.25%	Y	N	Z
3/10/53	F (pass)	Amend the Charter of The City of San Diego by adding a new section to Article V thereof, to be numbered Section 40.1. This amendment gives the City Attorney concurrent jurisdiction with the District Attorney to prosecute the violation of state laws constituting misdemeanors within the city limits. This legalizes the procedure which has been followed for many years.	31,937 83.75%	6,195 16.25%	Y	N	Z
3/10/53	G (pass)	Amend Section 94 of Article VII of the Charter of The City of San Diego. This amendment requires written contracts after receiving competitive sealed bids for all public improvement work, including the furnishing of materials and supplies therefor which exceeds in cost the sum of \$2500.00, with a proviso that if the cost of the work exceeds the sum of \$1000.00 but is not in excess of \$2500.00, the Council may let the contract without advertising for sealed bids, but not then unless the Purchasing Agent has secured for the consideration of the Council competitive prices from contractors interested.	25,730 67.94%	12,140 32.06%	Y	N	N
3/10/53	H (pass)	Amend the Charter of The City of San Diego by adding a new section to Article VII thereof, to be numbered Section 103.1. This amendment provides that every public utility corporation doing a public utility business within The City of San Diego shall first secure	31,279 82.09%	6,826 17.91%	Y	N	N

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		the consent of said City to do such business, which consent shall be manifested by ordinance of the Council, with power to provide reasonable terms under which such public utility business may be carried on within the City. This amendment expresses the present constitutional requirement with respect to the public utility firms doing business within cities.					
3/10/53	l (pass)	Amend Section 110 of Article VII of the Charter of The City of San Diego. This amendment changes the existing law as to provide that the time limit of 90 days for the filing of claims does not start to run against a claim which arises by operation of law until the claimant has had actual notice of the existence of his claim.	31,372 83.76%	6,081 16.24%	Y	N	N
3/10/53	J (pass)	Amend Section 113 of Article VII of the Charter of the City of San Diego. This amendment changes the existing charter so as to define Official Advertising to be only such advertising as is required to be published by law.	30,637 80.7%	7,327 19.3%	Y	N	N
11/4/52	G (pass)	CITY OF SAN DIEGO CHARTER AMENDMENT PROPOSITION: Amend Article V of the Charter of The City of San Diego by adding thereto a new section to be numbered Section 60.2. This amendment authorizes the Council to enter into a contract with the Board of Supervisors of the County of San Diego which may authorize the performance by county officers of all or part of the duties and functions of officers and employees of the Department of Public Health of the City; also the transfer of City Health Department employees to the County Health Department service, including the preservation of seniority and pension rights of city employees, for payments by the City to preserve said rights, and to compensate the county for the performance of said duties; the contract to contain reservation permitting the City to terminate the agreement upon notice.	95,895 74.83%	32,251 25.17%	Y	N	N
11/4/52	(none) (pass)	CITY OF SAN DIEGO STORM DRAIN PROPOSITION: Shall The City of San Diego incur a bonded indebtedness in the principal sum of \$3,500,000.00 for the acquisition and construction by The City of San Diego of a certain municipal improvement, to wit: storm drains, with catch basins and appurtenances, for the drainage of storm, flood and surface waters, including the acquisition of easements, pipe, conduit, works, structures and property necessary therefor?	107,353 76.19%	33,540 23.81%	N	N	Y

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2/26/52	2 (pass)	CITY OF SAN DIEGO WATER BOND PROPOSITION [(\$6,5000,000) SUTHERLAND DAM]	54,340 85.67%	9,088 14.33%	N	N	Υ
2/26/52	3 (pass)	CITY OF SAN DIEGO PROPOSITION TO APPROVE COLORADO RIVER SECOND AQUEDUCT CONTRACT	60,582 96.46%	2,224 3.54%	N	N	Y
4/17/51	1 (pass)	Amend Section 59 of Article V of the Charter of The City of San Diego. This amendment changes the existing section so as to eliminate the requirement that the Chief Inspector shall be either a structural engineer or an experienced architect, and in lieu thereof requires that he shall have the qualifications of either a registered civil engineer or a certificated architect, either of whom must be licensed to practice his profession in the State of California, and be versed in building construction, strength and mechanics of materials, installations of all kinds, and has a general knowledge of the State housing laws and the local inspection ordinances.	49,995 75.53%	16,197 24.47%	Υ	N	N
4/17/51	2 (pass)	Amend Section 117 of Article VIII of the Charter of The City of San Diego. This amendment places the office of Chief Inspector in the Department of Inspection in the Unclassified Service of The City of San Diego.	44,706 71.19%	18,092 28.81%	Y	N	N
4/17/51	3 (pass)	Shall a portion of Collier Park, in The City of San Diego, 200 feet in width, which is more particularly described in Ordinance No. 4712 (New Series), adopted by the Council of said City March 6, 1951, be designated as a boulevard, street or highway and made a part of the public street and road system of the City under the supervision of the City Manager?	50,087 80.59%	12,061 19.41%	N	N	N
4/17/51	(none) (pass)	Shall Ordinance No. 4713 (New Series) of the ordinances of The City of San Diego, entitled, "An Ordinance authorizing the leasing for a period in excess of 15 years, or the sale, of portions of Pueblo Lots 1193 and 1210 of the Pueblo Lands of The City of San Diego, California," adopted by the Council of said City on March 6, 1951, be ratified?	47,201 77.06%	14,050 22.94%	N	N	N
4/17/51	(none) (pass)	Shall Ordinance No. 4725 (New Series) of the Ordinances of The City of San Diego, entitled, "An Ordinance authorizing the leasing for a period in excess of 15 years, or the sale, of Pueblo Lots 1231 and 1232, and the Unnumbered Pueblo Lot lying Easterly of Pueblo Lot 1233 of the Pueblo Lands of The City of San Diego," adopted by the	46,867 77.14%	13,888 22.96%	N	N	N

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		Council of said City on March 15, 1951, be ratified?					
4/17/51	(none) (pass)	WATER BOND PROPOSITION. Shall The City of San Diego incur a bonded indebtedness in the principal sum of \$2,000,000 for the acquisition and construction by said City of a certain municipal improvement, to wit: Improvements of and additions to the water distribution system of said city, including the construction of reservoirs, pumping plants, water pipe lines and other distribution facilities, and including the acquisition of all land, rights of way, equipment, pipe, apparatus, materials and other property necessary therefor?	67,707 90.54%	7,075 9.46%	N	N	Y
3/13/51	1 (pass)	Amend Section 70 of Article VII of the Charter of The City of San Diego. This amendment authorizes the Council, upon recommendation of the Manager or other department head, to revise salaries of City officers and employees during any fiscal year if the Council determines that due to a significant change of living costs the economic needs of officers and employees are such as will fail to protect or will jeopardize the best interests of the City.	33,776 56.04%	26,486 43.96%	Y	N	N
3/13/51	2 (pass)	Amend Section 141 of Article IX of the Charter of The City of San Diego. This amendment permits the Council by ordinance to retire with benefits such City employees who are hurt or disabled in the line of duty and in the event of death of such employees because of such injuries, to provide death benefits for dependents of such employees. It further makes compulsory retirement of City employees at the age of 65 years, but permits the Manager or department head, if it is in the interest of the City, to continue such employees in service from year to year up to but not beyond the age of 72 years.	41,845 69.57%	18,299 30.43%	Y	N	N
3/13/51	3 (pass)	Amend Section 144 of Article IX of the Charter of The City of San Diego. This amendment authorizes an increase in the number of members of the Board of Administration of the City Retirement System from seven to nine by making the City Manager a member thereof and authorizing the Council to appoint another from the Citizens of the City. The amendment further authorizes the Board of Administration to invest funds of the City Retirement System in any bonds or securities which are authorized by law for investment for savings banks.	34,057 58.44%	24,217 41.56%	Y	N	N
3/13/51	4	Amend Section 153 of Article X of the Charter of The City of San	44,325	14,442	Y	N	N

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	(pass)	Diego. This amendment permits the Board of Trustees of the Police and Fire Retirement System to invest moneys of the Police and Fire Retirement System Fund in United States Government, State of California, municipal or county bonds, or such bonds and securities as are authorized by law for investment for savings banks and are recommended by the Funds Commission of the City.	75.42%	24.58%			
3/15/51	5 (pass)	Amend Section 163 of Article X of the Charter of The City of San Diego. This amendment authorizes the Council to provide that any member of the Police and Fire Retirement System who is hurt and injured in the line of duty shall receive as compensation for such injury his full salary, payable out of the salary fund of the City, for a period of time up to but not exceeding one year; minus, however, any Workmen's Compensation benefits received by such employee.	45,029 75.47%	14,637 24.53%	Y	N	N
3/13/51	6 (pass)	Amend Section 194 of Article XII of the Charter of The City of San Diego. This amendment authorizes the payment to laborers, workmen and mechanics, other than regular employees of the City receiving a yearly salary, of one and one-half times the prevailing wage rate for extra work performed on public work of the City on Sundays and such legal holidays as shall be designated by the Council by ordinance.	36,933 62.95%	21,739 37.05%	Y	N	N
3/13/51	(none) (pass)	SEWER BOND PROPOSITION. Shall The City of San Diego incur a bonded indebtedness in the principal sum of \$750,000.00 for the acquisition and construction by said City of a certain municipal improvement, to wit: the acquisition and construction of improvements and additions to the sewer system of The City of San Diego, including the acquisition and construction of trunk line sewers, and also including the acquisition of all lands, rights of way, equipment, pipe and material necessary or convenient therefor?	45,052 71.73%	17,757 28.27%	N	N	Y
11/7/50	E (pass)	PROPOSITION NO. 1. Amend Section 105 of the Charter of The City of San Diego. This amendment deletes obsolete provisions of the Charter relating to street railway franchises, and gives the Council control over primary and secondary uses of streets and public places with authority to grant franchises on such terms and conditions and for such consideration as the Council shall determine by ordinances.	66,187 68.15%	30,937 31.85%	Y	N	N
11/7/50	F (fail)	PROPOSITION NO. 2. Amend the Charter of The City of San Diego by adding a new section thereto, numbered Section 90½. This	34,697 32.79%	71,118 67.21%	Y	N	N

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		amendment authorizes the Council by ordinance to acquire off-street parking facilities and issue revenue bonds secured by receipts of the parking facilities and receipts from parking meters.					
6/6/50	A (pass)	THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO MISSION BAY RECREATION FACILITIES BOND PROPOSITION. Shall The City of San Diego incur a bonded indebtedness in the principal sum of \$2,000,000.00 for the acquisition and construction by said City of a certain municipal improvement, to wit: the acquisition and construction of additional recreational facilities in and near Mission Bay, including the dredging of said bay and entrances thereof, the filling of land, the acquisition and construction in or at Mission Bay of bulkheads, jetties, wharves, boat landings, boathouses, bath houses, anchorages, and the acquisition and construction at and near Mission Bay of landscaping buildings, parks, playground equipment and facilities, all for the development of Mission Bay and lands adjacent thereto as a yacht and small boat harbor and park and recreation center, including in said municipal improvement the acquisition and construction of all streets, highways, bridges, parking lots, utilities, lighting facilities, sewers, drainage structures, and other improvements necessary or convenient therefor, and the acquisition of all lands and rights of way necessary or convenient in the relocation and flood control of the San Diego River for the protection of Mission Bay?	56,037 70.35%	23,621 29.65%	N	N	Y
6/6/50	B (pass)	Shall Ordinance No. 4367 (New Series) of the ordinances of The City of San Diego entitled, "An Ordinance authorizing sale or lease of surplus property described as Block 107 Horton's Addition in The City of San Diego, California, which property is in an M-2 or heavy manufacturing zone, formerly known as Rose Park Playground and for many years abandoned as such playground," adopted by the Council of said City on April 20, 1950, be ratified?	53,613 74.93%	17,935 25.07%	N	N	Y