

CITY OF SAN DIEGO BALLOT MEASURES 2020-2029

E-DATE	PROP/ MEASURE	BALLOT LANGUAGE	#/% YES	#/% NO	Charter Amend?	Init/Ref?	2/3 Vote?
6/2/26	A	CITY OF SAN DIEGO NON-PRIMARY HOMES TAX. Shall a measure to preserve homes for San Diego residents, by taxing non-primary homes 182 (residential properties vacant more than days per year), excluding owner-occupied primary residences and long-term rentals, at \$8,000 in 2027 and \$10,000 in subsequent years with annual inflation adjustments, with higher rates for corporate-owned properties, generating up to \$24 million annually for city services, with annual independent audits, until ended by voters, adopted?	155,050/ 46.85	175,948/ 53.15%	N	N	N
11/5/24	C	AMENDMENTS TO CHARTER SECTION 66 REGARDING BOARD OF EDUCATION ELECTIONS. Shall Charter section 66 be amended to eliminate the primary election when two or fewer candidates for a particular seat for the Board of Education of the San Diego Unified School District, including write-in candidates, qualify for the primary election, with the qualifying candidates automatically moving forward to the general election?	264,086 / 67.47%	127,314 / 32.53%	Y	N	N
11/5/24	D	ADDING CHARTER SECTION 41.3 AND AMENDING SECTION 41 TO STRENGTHEN THE INDEPENDENCE OF THE ETHICS COMMISSION. Shall Charter section 41.3 be added so the Ethics Commission, which regulates City officials, candidates for City office, lobbyist, and consultants, can be eliminated only by voters, appoints its own Executive Director without Council confirmation, independently initiates its own investigations and law enforcement referrals, has defined qualifications and term limits, and is provided sufficient resources?	375,039 / 72.32%	143,549 / 27.68%	Y	N	N
11/5/24	E	CITY OF SAN DIEGO SALES TAX. To Invest in neighborhood upgrades which can include fixing potholes, repairs streets, sidewalks, add streetlights, improving parks and libraries, updating police, fire, paramedic, and 9-1-1 response, and providing infrastructure and delivering general services across San Diego neighborhoods, shall the measure enacting a one-cent sales tax be adopted generating approximately, \$400,000,000 per year until ended by voters, requiring citizen oversight and independent audits, with all funds staying in the City of San Diego?	284,940 / 49.69%	288,446 / 50.31%	N	N	N

03/5/24	A	CHARTER AMENDMENT AUTHORIZING THE CITY AUDITOR AND AUDIT COMMITTEE TO USE OUTSIDE LEGAL COUNSEL INSTEAD OF THE ELECTED CITY ATTORNEY. Shall Charter section 40 be amended and section 40.2 be added to authorize the City Auditor and Audit Committee to use outside legal counsel instead of the elected City Attorney, subject to certain conditions, when the Audit Committee determines such use is in the public interest?	172,751 / 67.24%	84,150 / 32.76%	Y	N	N
11/8/22	B	AMENDS SAN DIEGO MUNICIPAL CODE SECTION 66.0127 RELATED TO SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT SERVICES: Shall the San Diego Municipal Code be amended so that all City residents receive comparable trash, recycling, and other solid waste management services, by allowing the City to recover its cost of providing these services to eligible residential properties, which could allow the City to provide additional services, such as weekly recycling, bulky item pickup, and curbside container replacement and delivery, at no extra charge?	203,223 / 50.48%	199,384 / 49.52%	N	N	N
11/8/22	C	REMOVING 30-FOOT HEIGHT LIMIT IN MIDWAY-PACIFIC HIGHWAY COMMUNITY PLAN AREA. Shall People's Ordinance O-10960 be amended to exclude the Midway-Pacific Highway Community Plan area, which includes the Sports Arena, from the 30-foot height limit on buildings in the Coastal Zone, with any future development still required to comply with other governing laws?	204,238 / 51.14%	195,156 / 48.86%	N	N	N
11/8/22	D	CONTRACTING UPDATES. PROJECT LABOR AGREEMENTS FOR STATE FUNDING ELIGIBILITY: Shall the San Diego Municipal Code be amended to provide that the City of San Diego may preserve its ability to receive State infrastructure funding by allowing the use of Project Labor Agreements on City Construction Projects; requiring provisions in the agreements to prohibit employment discrimination and ensure open competition; expanding public disclosure; tracking local hiring requirements; and establishing a Citizens' Oversight Board?	221,282 / 57.77%	161,766 / 42.23%	N	N	N

11/8/22	H	CHARTER AMENDMENT REGARDING ARTICLE V, SECTION 55. Shall Article V, Section 55 be amended to authorize childcare on dedicated parkland property with "childcare" meaning any State-licensed facility, other than in-home family day care, in which nonmedical care and supervision is provided for children under age 18 in a group setting for less than 24 hours per day, excluding educational or instructional use provided by public, private, home, or charter schools?	260,432 / 68.67%	118,799 / 31.33%	Y	N	N
11/3/20	A	GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS FOR AFFORDABLE HOUSING. To provide permanent and supportive housing for extremely low- to low-income individuals and families, including supportive mental health and substance abuse services, for populations including veterans, seniors, the disabled, youth and the homeless, shall the City of San Diego issue up to \$900 million in general obligation bonds financed by property tax assessments estimated between approximately \$3 and \$21 per each \$100,000 of assessed valuation for fiscal years 2022 through 2068?	366,723 / 57.55%	270,554 / 42.45%	N	N	N
11/3/20	B	CHARTER AMENDMENTS ESTABLISHING COMMISSION ON POLICE PRACTICES. Shall the City Charter be amended to dissolve the Community Review Board on Police Practices and replace it with a Commission on Police Practices, with members appointed by the City Council, its own staff, subpoena power, independent legal cotmsel, and authority to investigate police officer misconduct, review complaints against officers, and make recommendations on police officer discipline, police policies, and Police Department legal compliance?	468,051 / 74.60%	159,365 / 25.40%	N	N	N
11/3/20	C	CHARTER AMENDMENT: DISTRICT-ONLY ELECTIONS FOR SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS. Shall the Charter be amended to change the process for electing School Board members in the San Diego Unified School District, by providing that voters in individual sub-districts nominate and elect their representative in both the primary and general elections, rather than the current system in which candidates are nominated in individual sub-districts in the primary but advance to a general election in the entire School District?	308,270 / 69.39%	135,965 / 30.61%	N	N	N

11/3/20	D	CHARTER AMENDMENT: PROCEDURES TO REMOVE SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS FOR CAUSE AND TO FILL VACANCIES. Shall the City Charter be amended to include the office of School Board member from the San Diego Unified School District under City laws that address removal of elected officials for cause, filling vacancies in elected office, and succession to office?	384,536 / 85.65%	64,416 / 14.35%	N	N	N
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3/3/20	C	INITIATIVE MEASURE - HOTEL VISITOR TAX INCREASE FOR CONVENTION CENTER EXPANSION, HOMELESSNESS PROGRAMS, STREET REPAIRS. Shall the measure be adopted to: increase the City of San Diego's 10.5% hotel visitor tax to 11.75, 12.75, and 13.75 percentage points, depending on hotel location, through at least 2061, designated to fund convention center expansion, modernization, promotion and operations, homelessness services and programs, and street repairs; and authorize related bonds; with a citizens' oversight committee and audits by the City Auditor?	239,024 / 65.24%	127,349 / 34.76 %	N	Init	Y *
3/3/20	D	CHARTER AMENDMENTS REGARDING AUDIT COMMITTEE AND SELECTION AND TERM OF CITY AUDITOR. Shall Charter sections 39.1 and 39.2 be amended to provide that the City Council appoints the City Auditor from at least three candidates recommended by the Audit Committee; the Auditor is limited to two five-year terms; the Council may appoint an interim Auditor; and public members of the screening committee for the Audit Committee serve until replaced; and make clarifying amendments?	269,583 / 80.81%	64,006 / 19.19%	Y	N	N

*While acknowledging that there exists in California a split of authority as to whether a majority vote or a supermajority is required for the passage of a special tax by citizens' initiative, the City Attorney determined that Measure C requires a two-thirds vote for approval. This determination was reiterated in the ballot and ballot pamphlet. It is anticipated that the California Supreme Court will issue a final decision in the future resolving this ambiguity, and that their decision may impact this Measure.