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## **Judges Rule Against City Attorney; SD Residents Will Determine Fate of Stadium Site**

*San Diego* – In separate rulings, the San Diego Superior Court ruled against the City Attorney in two lawsuits seeking to remove the SoccerCity and SDSU West citizens' initiatives from the ballot in November.

If these irresponsible lawsuits proposed by the City Attorney and approved by six Councilmembers were successful, it would have disenfranchised nearly 250,000 San Diego registered voters. These voters demanded through the citizens' initiative process that they have a say in the future of the SDCCU stadium site.

Thankfully the courts saw through this irresponsible stunt and ruled that the power of the citizen was more important than the power of the bureaucrat. Now, the citizens of San Diego will decide for themselves the best options for the Mission Valley site.

“Spending a few-hundred-thousand on outside counsel and staff time to remove these citizens' initiatives from the ballot was the absolute wrong decision,” said Councilmember Sherman. “I hope the City Attorney and the six Councilmembers who voted in favor of this frivolous lawsuit have learned their lesson and will better respect the citizens' initiative process in the future.”

Councilmember Sherman represents District 7 on the City Council which includes the SDCCU stadium site. Sherman has endorsed the SoccerCity proposal but believes the people should have the final say on how their land should be used.

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