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Judges Rule Against City Attorney; Again

*SD Residents Will Determine Fate of Stadium Site,
not the Bureaucrats*

San Diego – A state appeals court rejected San Diego City Attorney Mara Elliot’s emergency petition to remove the SDSU West and SoccerCity initiatives from the November ballot.

The lower courts ruled against the City Attorney in previous judgements. Unfortunately, a majority of the City Council voted to allow an appeal.

If this appeal was 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.

The three-judge panel wrote in their denial that there is an important public interest “in protecting the fundamental right of the people to propose statutory or constitutional changes through the initiative process.”

Councilmember Sherman praised the appeals court in their denial. “I am pleased that these frivolous and expensive lawsuits have finally been put to rest. The people will have the final say in November, not the bureaucrats.”

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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