

**County of Santa Clara
Registrar of Voters' Office
NOTICE OF PRESIDENTIAL GENERAL ELECTION
NOVEMBER 3, 2020**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN to the qualified electors of the Santa Clara Valley Open Space Authority, County of Santa Clara, California, that in accordance with the provisions of the California Government Code, and the California Elections Code, an Election for purposes of a Tax Measure will be held on November 3, 2020, at which the following measure shall be submitted to and voted on by the qualified electors within the Santa Clara Valley Open Space Authority:

MEASURE

“To continue protecting and preserving natural open spaces without increasing tax rates by: • managing land and water to reduce wildfires and floods; • protecting land around creeks to prevent pollution and improve water quality; • creating urban parks; • preserving wildlife habitats; and, • preserving family farms, and healthy food sources; shall the measure to renew Santa Clara Valley Open Space Authority’s existing \$24 annual parcel tax with no increase, generating approximately \$8,000,000 annually, until ended by voters, with oversight/audits, be adopted?”

Yes_____

No_____

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that arguments for or against each measure may be submitted to the County of Santa Clara Registrar of Voters’ Office, 1555 Berger Drive, Building #2, San José, California, 95112, not later than 5:00 p.m. on August 11, 2020. The governing board or any member or members of the board, any individual voter who is eligible to vote on the measure, or a bona fide association of citizens, or combination of such voters and associations may file a written argument for or against the measure. No argument shall exceed 300 words in length. No more than five signatures shall appear with any argument submitted.

Printed arguments submitted shall be titled either “Argument in Favor of Measure” or “Argument Against Measure.” Words used in the title shall not be counted when determining the length of any argument.

The County of Santa Clara Registrar of Voters will select an argument in favor and an argument against each measure to be printed and distributed in the Santa Clara County Voter Information Guide.

The Registrar of Voters will send a copy of the selected argument in favor of the measure to the authors of the argument against, and a copy of the selected argument against to the authors of the argument in favor. The authors may prepare and submit a rebuttal argument not exceeding 250 words in length. Each rebuttal argument shall immediately follow the direct argument that it seeks to rebut and shall be titled “Rebuttal to Argument in Favor of Measure,” or “Rebuttal to Argument Against Measure.” Words used in the title shall not be counted when determining the length of any rebuttal argument. The rebuttal arguments must be filed with the County of Santa Clara Registrar of Voters’ Office not later than 5:00 p.m. on August 18, 2020.

All arguments and rebuttals filed pursuant to this notice for Santa Clara Valley Open Space Authority Tax Measure shall be accompanied by the following form statement to be signed by each author:

The undersigned author(s) of the ARGUMENT/REBUTTAL TO ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF/AGAINST ballot Measure at the Election in the Santa Clara Valley Open Space Authority, County of Santa Clara, to be held Tuesday, November 3, 2020, hereby state that such argument is true and correct to the best of his/her/their knowledge and belief.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that all active registered voters will automatically be mailed a Vote-by-Mail ballot package beginning on October 5, 2020; the Vote Centers for said election will be open starting on October 31, 2020, through November 2, 2020, for varying hours of operations. Please see our List of Vote Centers hours of operation posted on our website at <https://www.sccvote.org/>. The Vote Centers will be open on Election Day, November 3, 2020, from 7:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m. All ballots cast in said election will be counted centrally at the County of Santa Clara Registrar of Voters' Office, 1555 Berger Drive, Building #2, San José, California, 95112.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that pursuant to Elections Code section 15101(b), as amended by AB 860, Vote-by-Mail ballots can be opened and processed for counting beginning on October 5, 2020, at the County of Santa Clara Registrar of Voters' Office, 1555 Berger Drive, Building #2, San José, California, 95112.

Dated: July 24, 2020

Shannon Bushey, Registrar of Voters