

**RWCSC 2020 Voter Recommendations Concerning:
California State Ballot Propositions**

Number	Subject	Description	Recommendation	Rationale
Proposition 14	Bonds	Issues \$5.5 billion in bonds for state stem cell research institute	No	A lot of our ladies would object to this on religious grounds. In addition, if people want to support this research let them pay for it via
Proposition 15	Taxes	Requires commercial and industrial properties to be taxed based on market value and dedicates revenue	No	Not only an attack on Prop. 13 but also a highly inflationary measure that would increase CA's cost of living and business
Proposition 16	Affirmative Action	Repeals Proposition 209 (1996), which says that the state cannot discriminate or grant preferential treatment based on race, sex, color, ethnicity, or national origin in public employment, education, or contracting	No	Would reinstate preferential treatment for certain classes in response, in part, to current BLM movement.
Proposition 17	Suffrage	Restores the right to vote to people convicted of felonies who are on parole	No	People convicted of felonies should complete their sentences before having their voting
Proposition 18	Suffrage	Allows 17-year-olds who will be 18 at the time of the next general election to vote in primaries and special elections	No	People should not be allowed to vote until they are eligible to vote. This appears to be an effort to lower the voting age.
Proposition 19	Taxes	Changes tax assessment transfers and inheritance rules	No	Current system seems to be working well enough. If not broke don't fix it.
Proposition 20	Law Enforcement	Makes changes to policies related to criminal sentencing charges, prison release, and DNA collection	Yes	Reverses some of the crazy changes that changed many felonies to misdemeanors a couple of years ago. This is a good one!
Proposition 21	Housing	Expands local governments' power to use rent control	No	Would give local governments right to set rent on controls on virtually any property.
Proposition 22	Business	Considers app-based drivers to be independent contractors and enacts several labor policies related to app-based companies	Yes	AB5's attack against independent contractors hit Uber, Lyft and the delivery drivers hardest of any group. This proposition restores their rights while still providing some protections and also sets as a felony any impersonation of these drivers, providing a degree of consumer
Proposition 23	Healthcare	Requires physician on-site at dialysis clinics and consent from the state for a clinic to close	No	Although requiring an on-site physician at dialysis clinics seems reasonable, requiring state permission to close a clinic seems like a major overreach

Proposition 24	Business	Expands the provisions of the California Consumer Privacy Act (CCPA) and creates the California Privacy Protection Agency to implement and enforce the CCPA	No	Weakens consumer privacy protections currently in effect.
Proposition 25	Trials	Replaces cash bail with risk assessments for suspects awaiting trial	No	Confusing. Judges currently make risk assessments before setting bail. Seems like another effort to eventually eliminate bail such as has been done in New York.

Local San Diego County Measures

JURISDICTION	Letter	Description of Measure on Ballot	Recommendation	Rationale
CITY OF SAN DIEGO	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?	No	A relatively property tax hike levying the cost of low-income housing solely on the backs of all real property owners -- this at the same time the State of CA is attempting to increase taxes on business properties. If the city really wishes to assume this obligation, a fairer method would be to assess a new sales or income tax.
	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 counsel, 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?	No	Establishes a new bureaucracy totally under control of the City Council with no outside safeguards such as oversight by the City Attorney or the Mayor's office and with expanded review and investigative powers similar to those of a prosecuting attorney. The current Community Review Board on Police Practices already performs most of these functions without the additional overhead and costs associated with the setup of a new commission with largely political

SAN DIEGO UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT	<u>C</u>	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?	No	School Board decisions affect all of San Diego children. It's only right that all San Diego parents should have a vote on all School Board members.
	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?	Yes	San Diego School Board found itself in an uncomfortable position last year when one of its members was accused of highly inappropriate, if not criminal, conduct. Setting up rules for removing such individuals under existing City law only makes sense.
CITY OF SAN DIEGO	E	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?	No	The 30-foot height limitation was set in place to protect our coastal areas from the congestion, urban run-off, and visual blight seen in many coastal areas along the East Coast. To remove this limitation from any area jeopardizes all. In addition, the area specifically addressed by this legislation lacks sufficient city services (roads, parking, sewer, water and electrical) to support high-rise development and would require major city expenditures. Finally, this same area is a major access point to area beaches and Mission Bay park. Increasing congestion here will inconvenience not only the local residents