



Ballot Measure Argument Rebuttal Submission Form

If both an argument in favor of and against a measure have been selected for publication in the voter information pamphlet, a rebuttal to the argument in favor of or the argument against the measure may be submitted as outlined in this form.

The author of the argument in favor of the measure may prepare and submit a rebuttal argument to the argument against the measure or may authorize in writing any other person or persons to prepare, submit, or sign the rebuttal argument. Likewise, the author of the argument against the measure may prepare and submit a rebuttal argument to the argument in favor of the measure or may authorize in writing any other person or persons to prepare, submit, or sign the rebuttal argument.

A rebuttal argument shall not be accepted unless accompanied by this completed form, which shall contain the printed name(s) and signature(s) of the person(s) submitting it or, if submitted on behalf of a bona fide association of citizens/organization, the name of the association/organization and the printed name and signature of at least one of its principal officers.

Word count limit for Rebuttal Arguments = 250

The rebuttal arguments shall be submitted to the elections official conducting the election no later than Aug 28 2012

These rules apply to all rebuttal arguments unless a rebuttal argument is otherwise provided by law.

Ballot Measure _____ for the special election to be held on Nov 7 2017.

Rebuttal to Argument in Favor of Measure _____ Rebuttal to Argument Against Measure _____

Signed by Exact Same Individual(s) as Argument Already Selected for the Voter Information Pamphlet

If you are submitting a rebuttal argument and the individual(s) signing the rebuttal argument are the same as the individual(s) signing the original Ballot Measure Primary Argument Submission Form, check the following box and complete the back side of this form.

Rebuttal Argument Is Signed by Same Individual(s) as Argument Already Selected For the Voter Information Packet

Submitted by Different Individual(s) as the Opposing Primary Argument

If the rebuttal argument is signed by anyone different than the signer(s) of the Ballot Measure Primary Argument Submission Form already submitted—including whether there is only one different individual or whether there are up to five new individuals—you must complete the section below, complete the back side of this form, and attach to this form the written authorization by the author that indicates: (i) your name(s); and (ii) the author's name, contact information, statement of authorization, and signature.

Contact Person: <u>Theresa DellaSanta</u>	Phone: [REDACTED]
Mailing Address: [REDACTED]	<u>Atheron 94077</u>
Fax: [REDACTED]	Email: [REDACTED]

Please complete the reverse side of this form.

Rebuttal to Argument Against Measure ___

The renewal of the Atherton Parcel Tax is more important now than ever. It is 13% of the Town's annual revenue. 100% goes to the Town for police services, road repairs and drainage projects. These funds cannot be used for general purposes, the civic center or park expenses.

11
24
34
44

This is **not** a new tax, merely a three-year continuation of an existing tax that has not increased in 22 years.

61

The argument against doesn't have the facts right:

78

- They claim that Atherton doesn't need the Parcel Tax because we have current surpluses. We have a current surplus because of conservative fiscal planning and financial management. These surplus funds are scheduled to be used over the next three years primarily on drainage projects and to build a voter-approved civic center.
- The argument against also says that the parcel tax has been used 100% for capital improvements. This isn't true. Historically, it has supported both police and road repairs.

87
96
103
110
121
130
140
149
188

Your **YES** vote confirms that you see the value in maintaining our infrastructure and high-quality police services. This maintains our standard of living, and preserves and enhances our property values.

169
177
180

Since 1978, residents have strongly supported the Parcel Tax by as much as 80%.

199

This Parcel Tax proposal is for three years, rather than four, because in three years we will know the status of the civic center project. Given our recent surpluses, the council believes that we should reconsider the parcel tax in 2020.

214
227
237

244

PLEASE VOTE YES!

247