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*San Carlos
SD*

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Ballot Measure Primary Argument Submission Form

A ballot argument will not be accepted unless accompanied by this completed **typed** 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, the name of the association and the printed name and signature of at least one of its principal officers. **Please make sure you are using proper format before submitting to the Elections Office.**

Word count limit for Primary Arguments = 300 words

Ballot Measure _____ for the _____ to be held on MARCH 5-2024

Primary Argument in Favor of

Primary Argument Against San Carlos SB

This argument is submitted by (check ONLY ONE):

The County of San Mateo Board of Supervisors or the Governing Body of a School District or Special District

Name of Governing Body:

Contact Person's Printed Name:

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Member(s) of the County of San Mateo Board of Supervisors or the Governing Body of a School District or Special District

Name of Governing Body:

Contact Person's Printed Name:

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Bona Fide Association of Citizens
If this argument is filed by a bona fide association of citizens, the signers of the argument must be affiliated with the association and be authorized to sign the argument on its behalf. Provide the printed name and signature of at least one principal officer of the association.

Name of Association: SILICON VALLEY TAXPAYERS ASSOCIATION

Contact Person's Printed Name: MARK HINKLE

Phone: [REDACTED] Email: [REDACTED]

Individual Voters Eligible to Vote on the Measure

Contact Person's Printed Name:

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Combination of Voters and Associations

Contact Person's Printed Name: MARK HINKLE

Phone: [REDACTED] Email: [REDACTED]

Arguments will be emailed to the contact person listed here for _____ before they are printed in the Sample Ballot & Official Voter Information Pamphlets.

Please complete the reverse side of this form.

40 Tower Road, San Mateo, CA 94402

P 650.312.5222 F 650.312.5348 email registrar@smcacre.gov web www.smcacre.gov

Primary Argument Signers Form

No more than five signatures shall appear with any argument. If more than five signatures are submitted, the first five listed shall be printed. Names and titles listed will be printed in the order that they are listed below. Place a checkmark in the author column if the signer is the author of the argument. A signer can only list one title. Honorifics such as M.D., Dr., Esquire, etc. with a name are not accepted.

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By signing below, the undersigned state that they have read the argument and believe it not to be false or misleading.

Type information clearly.

Author Verified

Check if the signer is the author of the argument. Authors must be signers.

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Staff check once the eligibility of the signer is verified.

1.	Name: <i>MARK W.A. HINKLE</i>	Title: <i>PRESIDENT - SILICON VALLEY TAXPAYERS ASSOCIATION</i>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Phone: [REDACTED]	Email: [REDACTED]		
	Address: [REDACTED] <i>MORGAN HILL, CA 95037</i>			
	Signature: [REDACTED]	Date: <i>12-12-23</i>	Pronouns: He/His: <input type="checkbox"/> She/Her: <input type="checkbox"/> They/Them: <input type="checkbox"/>	
2.	Name:	Title:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Phone:	Email:		
	Address:			
	Signature:	Date:	Pronouns: He/His: <input type="checkbox"/> She/Her: <input type="checkbox"/> They/Them: <input type="checkbox"/>	
3.	Name: <i>JOHN J. "JACK" HICKLEY</i>	Title: <i>DISTRICT RESIDENT</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Phone: [REDACTED]	Email: [REDACTED]		
	Address: [REDACTED] <i>SAN CARLOS, CA 94070</i>			
	Signature: [REDACTED]	Date: <i>12/12/2023</i>	Pronouns: He/His: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> She/Her: <input type="checkbox"/> They/Them: <input type="checkbox"/>	
4.	Name:	Title:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Phone:	Email:		
	Address:			
	Signature:	Date:	Pronouns: He/His: <input type="checkbox"/> She/Her: <input type="checkbox"/> They/Them: <input type="checkbox"/>	
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			They/Them:	<input type="checkbox"/>
2.	Name: Christopher C Minoletti	Title: Chair Pro Tempore, Libertarian Party of San Mateo County	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Phone:	Email:		
	Address: San Mateo, CA 94402		Pronouns:	
	Signature:	Date: 12/12/2023	He/His:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
			She/Her:	<input type="checkbox"/>
			They/Them:	<input type="checkbox"/>
3.	Name:	Title:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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San Carlos Elementary School District \$176M Bond Tax: Argument Against - Measure

In 2012, voters approved \$72,000,000 in bond debt to: 9

“...upgrading science and computers labs, providing computers, repair school facilities and technology....” 10
2

That “technology” is now obsolete and needs replacing--but as part of a \$176,000,000 loan plus 30- 40 years’ payments, **more than doubling the cost to \$352 million** or more. 16
14

How? Bond **interest rates can rise to 12%! 8**

Bonds are like mortgages: huge loans requiring payments—of **both principal and interest.** 13

What is this new bond measure for? 7

“...repairing aging classrooms and upgrading science labs, technology....” 8

Have you ever **paid for a PC with a 30- to 40-year loan?** 14

No? Well, that’s what San Carlos School District proposes. That technology will be obsolete in 4-6 years, but **you will pay for decades.** Perhaps your grandchildren will, too, if they inherit your home. 17
2

Vote NO to tell San Carlos Elementary School District’s trustees that **the place for known, recurring expenses is their annual budget**—not **decades-long debt burdens on children and grandchildren.** 14
1

Next: Have they **earned** the right to collect **additional taxes, costing residents \$176 million** (on top of the taxes **you and your neighbors already pay**)? 10
15

Let’s examine the latest available school years’ test results for English learners’ proficiency: 13

- 2018-19: **40.16% failed to meet state standards.** 8
- 2021-22: **46.66% failed.** 4

Results WORSENERD! 2

San Carlos School District has **failed its children** and taxpayers, but **they want a reward: more money from your pocketbook.** 13
4

Should you reward those producing **to only 53% of their target?** 11

If not, vote **NO on Measure** . 6

- For math, **48.19% failed to meet standards!** 7

No wonder **enrollment declined by over 352 students** since 2018-19. 11

Yet, District administration wants more of your hard-earned money to pad their salaries and fat 16
pension plans. 2

NO on Measure . 3

If you reward failure, you get more failure! 8

For more information: SVTaxpayers.org 4

*Source: *Education Data Partnership (Ed-Data.org)* 5

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