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Ballot Measure Rebuttal Argument Submission Form

If both an argument in favor of and an argument against a measure have been selected for publication in the Sample Ballot & Official Voter Information Pamphlet, a **typed** rebuttal to the argument in favor of or the argument against the measure may be submitted as outlined in this form.

The author(s) of the primary argument of the measure may prepare and submit a rebuttal argument or may authorize in writing any other person or persons to prepare, submit or sign the rebuttal argument.

A rebuttal argument will 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, 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 Rebuttal Arguments = 250 words

Ballot Measure L for the General Municipal Election to be held on November 5, 2024

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

Signed by Same Individual(s) Selected for the Voter Information Pamphlet for the Primary Argument

If the rebuttal argument is signed by the same individual(s) as those already selected for the Voter Information Pamphlet for the primary argument, check the following box and **skip** the back side of this form.

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Rebuttal Argument Is Signed by Same Individual(s) Selected for the Voter Information Pamphlet for the Primary Argument	
	Contact Person's Printed Name: <i>Ronald Collins</i>	
	Phone: [REDACTED]	Email: [REDACTED]

Signed by Different Individual(s) than Individual(s) Selected for the Voter Information Pamphlet for the Primary Argument

The author(s) of the primary argument may authorize *any other person or persons* to sign the rebuttal argument. If signers are new for the rebuttal argument, please check the following box, complete the back side of this form and attach the written authorization (the Authorization Form for Change in Signers of Rebuttal Argument) from the primary argument author(s).

<input type="checkbox"/>	Rebuttal Argument Is Signed by New Signers as Authorized by Primary Argument Author(s)	
	Contact Person's Printed Name:	
	Phone:	Email:

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

Please complete the reverse side of this form.

Rebuttal Argument Signers Form		Pronouns
<p>No more than five signatures shall appear with any argument. If more than five signatures are submitted, the first five listed shall be printed.</p> <p>Names and titles listed will be printed in the order that they are listed below. A signer can only list one title. Honorifics such as M.D., Dr., Esquire, etc. with a name are not accepted.</p> <p>If the signers are part of a bona fide association, for each such signing individual(s), the title under the signer's name shall list the name of that bona fide association and may include their position within that association. By signing below, the undersigned state that they have read the argument and believe it not to be false or misleading. Type information clearly.</p>		Check one of the boxes below
1. Name: <u>Ronald Collins</u>	Title: <u>San Carlos City Council Member</u>	He/His: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Phone: [REDACTED]	Email: [REDACTED]	She/Her: <input type="checkbox"/>
Address: [REDACTED]	<u>San Carlos, CA 94070</u>	They/Them: <input type="checkbox"/>
Date: <u>Aug 19, 2024</u>		
2. Name: <u>SARA McDOWELL</u>	Title: <u>SAN CARLOS VICE MAYOR</u>	He/His: <input type="checkbox"/>
Phone: [REDACTED]	Email: [REDACTED]	She/Her: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Address: [REDACTED]	<u>SAN CARLOS, CA 94070</u>	They/Them: <input type="checkbox"/>
Signature: [REDACTED]	Date: <u>AUG 19, 2024</u>	
3. Name:	Title:	He/His: <input type="checkbox"/>
Phone:	Email:	She/Her: <input type="checkbox"/>
Address:		They/Them: <input type="checkbox"/>
Signature:	Date:	
4. Name:	Title:	He/His: <input type="checkbox"/>
Phone:	Email:	She/Her: <input type="checkbox"/>
Address:		They/Them: <input type="checkbox"/>
Signature:	Date:	
5. Name:	Title:	He/His: <input type="checkbox"/>
Phone:	Email:	She/Her: <input type="checkbox"/>
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Signature:	Date:	

Submit a second form (this side only) for alternate signers attached to this form and the argument.

Rebuttal to Argument Against Measure L

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It's time to modernize the San Carlos City Treasurer position and join seventeen of the twenty cities in San Mateo County that have already successfully transitioned to an appointed City Treasurer. Making the change to an appointed City Treasurer will not result in a loss of transparency, accountability or oversight.

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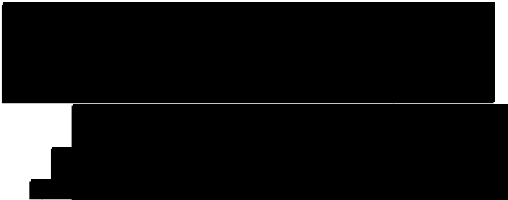
In San Carlos, citizen oversight of the City's finances is already robust and transparent, and this has been the case for decades. The City has internal controls and checks and balances that provide this public oversight and transparency. Independent Certified Public Accountants conduct annual audits of the City's accounting policies and records which are then presented to the City Council and residents at public meetings. Citizens can participate in these public meetings and all records are public documents, available for review at any time. These safeguards ensure the necessary oversight of the City's finances.

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Transitioning to an appointed City Treasurer will ensure only the most qualified individuals are eligible to hold the position and will save taxpayer money while also offering ample citizen oversight of the City's finances.

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