



# Values Voter Guide

## General Election November 2010



# Measures / Propositions

**Measure V & W: Yes** Both measures are critical steps in reforming public employee pensions and controlling runaway employee costs that are driving cuts in public services for San Jose residents. A Yes vote would strengthen San Jose city's ability to control costs and preserve public services including libraries, parks, fire and police services.

**Measure V** Changes the rules for police and firefighter binding arbitration, a right they are granted in the city charter if they can't negotiate an acceptable contract. The measure instructs arbitrators to consider a broader range of factors, such as the rate of growth of city revenue, and prohibits granting retroactive benefits.

**Measure W** Clears the way for a lower tier of pension benefits for new employees by taking current contribution requirements out of the city charter. Currently retiring employees receive 90 percent of their six-figure salaries upon retirement. This measure allow for new pension plans to be negotiated for new recruits.

The following are the Capitol Resource Institute's recommendations for the initiatives on the ballot for the November 2 General Election

Proposition 19 - No - Marijuana Legalization

Proposition 20 - Yes - Constitutional Amendment: Redistricting of Congressional Districts

Proposition 21 - No - Vehicle License Fee Increase

Proposition 22 - No - Diverting Taxes

Proposition 23 - Yes - Suspends AB 32

Proposition 24 - No - Raises Taxes

Proposition 25 - No - Lowers Threshold to Simple Majority for Budget

Proposition 26 - Yes - Requires a 2/3 Vote for Fee Increases

Proposition 27 - No - Eliminates Voter-Approved Citizen Commission on Redistricting

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# Candidate Questionnaire - Santa Clara Board of Supervisors and City Council Districts

Questionnaires were sent to each candidate for Santa Clara County Board of Supervisors and City Council Districts. A response deadline of September 25, 2010 was requested of each candidate. Each candidate had sufficient time to complete and return the questionnaire.

More than 183 questionnaires were mailed to the current candidates, only ten candidates chose to respond. Their answers are listed below.

*Please circle the response that best reflects your position.*

1. I believe that marriage is between one man and one woman.
2. I believe abortion should not continue to be legal in the United States.  
I believe that the procedure known as a “partial birth abortion” should be illegal.
3. I believe the doctrine of “separation of church and state” means that the government shall not establish a national or state religion (Establishment Clause, First Amendment to the U.S. Constitution) but **does not** mean that religion should be totally removed from **any** and **all** governmental activity.
4. I believe that the city should install internet pornography filters on the computers that children use in the city library(s).
5. The display of religious articles or symbols has a place on public property.
6. Prayer has a place in the public arena.
7. The “faith based” community can positively shape lives and should be encouraged through land use decisions and public signage.
8. The “faith based” community should have a “place at the table” in public policy matters, discussions, and debates.
9. “Faith based social service” organizations should be eligible to receive government funding and/or support.
10. I believe that the City has enough revenue to fund necessary services without having to resort to new or additional fees and taxes.
11. I believe that the City should take property utilizing “eminent domain” only when it is to be put to use for the public and not for private development.  
At no time is the taking of Church property for private development appropriate utilizing “eminent domain”

	San Jose	Santa Clara	Campbell	Los Altos	Milpitas									
	Larry Pegram • 408.309.8212	Patricia Mahan • 408.410.1420	Phil Reynolds Jr. • 408.367.0217	Frank Jewett • 408.625.0013	Nancy Carlson • 650.255.1435	Gary Roope • 408.935.9330	Robert Windisch • 408.945.8123	Jose Esteves • 408.263.1153	Dion Bracco • 408.422.1734	Pasquale Greco • 408.848.4438				
1. I believe that marriage is between one man and one woman.	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes				
2. I believe abortion should not continue to be legal in the United States. I believe that the procedure known as a “partial birth abortion” should be illegal.	Yes Yes	No Yes	No Yes	Yes Yes	n/a Yes	No Yes	Yes Yes	Yes Yes	Yes Yes	Yes Yes				
3. I believe the doctrine of “separation of church and state” means that the government shall not establish a national or state religion (Establishment Clause, First Amendment to the U.S. Constitution) but <b>does not</b> mean that religion should be totally removed from <b>any</b> and <b>all</b> governmental activity.	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes				
4. I believe that the city should install internet pornography filters on the computers that children use in the city library(s).	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes				
5. The display of religious articles or symbols has a place on public property.	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes				
6. Prayer has a place in the public arena.	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes				
7. The “faith based” community can positively shape lives and should be encouraged through land use decisions and public signage.	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes				
8. The “faith based” community should have a “place at the table” in public policy matters, discussions, and debates.	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes				
9. “Faith based social service” organizations should be eligible to receive government funding and/or support.	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes				
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