

Switzer, Donna

From: Diane Bentley <dfgbentley@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, October 4, 2020 10:37 AM
To: supplementalcomm@surfcity-hb.org
Subject: DON'T take a stand on state propositions!

As a resident of Huntington Beach, I urge the City Council NOT to take a stand on any state propositions! We don't need more divisions created in our city.

Diane Bentley
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From: Lynne Deakers <lcdeakers@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, October 4, 2020 8:57 AM
To: supplementalcomm@surfcity-hb.org
Subject: HBcity council position on prop 15

I urge you not to adopt a resolution regarding a no vote on prop 15. . I believe strongly in the 1976 resolution. Let the voters decide!!.

The ballot initiative would make an exception for properties whose business owners have \$3 million or less in holdings in California; these properties would continue to be taxed based on their purchase price. The ballot initiative would exempt a small business's **tangible personal property** from taxes and \$500,000 in value for a non-small business's tangible personal property.

Lynne Deakers

39 year resident of Huntington Beach

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From: Alice Haddock <alichadd@icloud.com>
Sent: Sunday, October 4, 2020 1:59 PM
To: supplementalcomm@surfcity-hb.org
Subject: resolutions

You must be kidding! The council is considering telling me how I should vote in the next General Election! Here's a message for the members of the Intergovernmental Relations Committee: go back to Civics class. If you want to represent me, first ask me my opinion, please.

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From: Don Johnson <1229donj@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, October 5, 2020 11:48 AM
To: supplementalcomm@surfcity-hb.org
Subject: Stance on Ballot Propositions

THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU, for considering opposing Prop 15 and supporting Prop 22! COVID-19 has made these times financially stressful for individuals and businesses (which also directly effects individuals). The last thing we should do is deprive people of income, and take money out of their pockets by increasing taxes.

The California Taxpayers Association reminds us that we have the highest combined state/federal tax rates in the nation. Two other propositions insidiously and deceptively take money from individuals and businesses (and therefore individuals):

Prop 19, Taxation of Family Property Transfers, will impose taxes in the "10s of Millions per year, growing to a few Hundred Millions per year over time", according to the County Voter Information Guide.

Prop 21, Rent Control, deprives income to property owners, while also REDUCING state and local tax revenues "in the high 10s of Millions per year over time". Talk about a lose-lose situation, and massive dis-incentive to build housing and own property!

Rent control has failed wherever it has been tried.

Respectively,

Don Johnson
8761 Sailport Drive
Huntington Beach

Sent from my iPad

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From: Francine Karuntzos <francine_karuntzos@hotmail.com>
Sent: Monday, October 5, 2020 10:30 AM
To: supplementalcomm@surfcity-hb.org
Subject: Props 15 and 22

Huntington Beach City Council should not take a stand on either Propositions 15 or 22. We can read and decide for ourselves. Please let the citizens speak through their vote.

Francine Karuntzos

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From: Jim Mosher <jimmosher@yahoo.com>
Sent: Sunday, October 4, 2020 1:49 PM
To: supplementalcomm@surfcity-hb.org
Subject: Re: Comment on Oct 5 HB Council Item 14 (<-- should be 13)

Please note the subject line of my previous email was wrong: it was a comment on **Item 13**, not 14.

On Sunday, October 4, 2020, 01:46:20 PM PDT, Jim Mosher <jimmosher@yahoo.com> wrote:

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5. Finally, to ensure compliance with Gov. Code Sec. 54964, it would seem wise to include in both resolutions, if adopted, a statement that no public funds will be spent supporting or advertising the Council's position.

-- Jim Mosher, Newport Beach

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From: carl.c.sorrell@gmail.com
Sent: Sunday, October 4, 2020 3:05 PM
To: supplementalcomm@surfcity-hb.org
Subject: Prop 15 and 22

If the Council decides to advocate for either Proposition 15 or 22. We will take the appropriate action on Tuesday, 3 November, which incumbents might find unpleasant.

Carl & Beatrice Sorrell

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From: Alice Haddock <alichadd@icloud.com>
Sent: Sunday, October 4, 2020 2:30 PM
To: supplementalcomm@surfcity-hb.org
Subject: resolutions

The members of the Intergovernmental Relations Committee are free to vote as they wish in the Nov 3 elections. But should not be telling me how to vote.
It is not the City Council's job to endorse either candidates or propositions in General Elections. That should be obvious!
The members of the IRC lack political maturity. Geoffrey Wulfe-Addoch, long-time Huntington Beach resident.

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From: Steven C. Shepherd, Architect <steve@shepherdarchitects.com>
Sent: Monday, October 5, 2020 2:05 PM
To: Agenda Comment
Subject: OPPOSED TO AGENDA ITEM #13

Dear Council –

I write to offer my opinions on local issues and agenda items often. And while I follow some issues more closely than others, I try to participate whenever possible. As you have a position of responsibility in our city, I believe that as a resident, I, too, hold an important place in our community. While I attempt to put forth my comments with an appropriate amount of deference to your positions as my elected officials, this agenda item has me extremely upset. I apologize in advance if my anger and contempt for even having this item on the agenda goes unveiled; I am a huge fan of effective local governing and governance. And let's not mince words: Agenda Item #13 ain't it!

At a time when the Huntington Beach City Council has repeatedly struggled to act with constructive purpose on any number of pressing local issues, it's almost laughable to think now is the ideal time for setting aside a longstanding city precedent of abstaining for formally offering a city position on statewide ballot propositions. You're not only wasting valuable council time, but you are also running the very real risk of once again needlessly dividing the Huntington Beach community. You are essentially wasting energy and fraying emotions on a matter that will ultimately be decided by the 40 million residents of California and not solely the residents of Huntington Beach.

Every Huntington Beach resident who is a registered voter will have the ability to weigh in on these propositions. We have a statewide election in less than 30 days where every voter shall be heard. The Huntington Beach City Council Members should remember that the primary purpose of the Huntington Beach City Council is to serve city residents, not speak for them.

This item shouldn't even be on the agenda, but since it is, please vote NO on Agenda Item #13!

Steve Shepherd
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From: Ellen Riley <ellen1riley@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, October 5, 2020 3:51 PM
To: supplementalcomm@surfcity-hb.org
Subject: Fw: Trying again

Howard Jarvis created Prop. 13 to protect/benefit HOMEOWNERS. Protecting large commercial interests had nothing to do with Prop. 13. The result--unlike other states--school funding was and is denied millions of dollars. We have to accept that fact, BUT we can help K-12 schools and continue to give small business tax breaks with Prop. 15. Small businesses defined as those less than 3 million. Prop. 15 will also help fund firefighters.

Please do NOT involve my city in fighting this statewide proposition that will only benefit us.

Ellen Riley

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