

# D5 Action: Endorsements for June 2016

Working for an informed and active electorate in District 5

San Francisco Propositions	Vote
<b>A — Public health and safety</b>	YES
<b>B — Recreation and Parks: increases funding without accountability</b>	NO
<b>C — Increase affordable housing</b>	YES
<b>D — Mandates the Office of Citizen Complaints to investigate all officer-involved shootings</b>	YES
<b>E — Paid sick leave: Brings SF in line with state regulations</b>	YES
<b>Bay Area Proposition</b>	
<b>AA — Protect the Bay: keep the water clean and pollution-free, and restore habitat</b>	YES
<b>State Proposition</b>	
<b>50 — Rules for suspending members of the state legislature</b>	No Endorsement

## Don't increase funding for Rec and Parks without accountability — No on B

San Franciscans love our parks, but we can't support giving the Recreation and Parks department \$4.5 Billion dollars over 30 years and locking this amount into the budget without any oversight and no defined source for the funds. The City Controller's analysis states that "other City spending would have to be reduced or new revenues identified to maintain current City service levels."

This proposition moves money from the City's General Fund to Recreation and Parks at the expense of other departments. For example, if another recession occurs, Recreation and Parks' budget would be untouchable, but other departments — such as housing, public health and youth services — could suffer. Why should the Recreation and Parks department be treated differently than any other important city department?

D5 Action stands with the Sierra Club, SEIU 1021, the League of Pissed Off Voters, the League of Women Voters, the Coalition for San Francisco Neighborhoods, San Francisco Tomorrow, the Green Party, the Republican Party and Democratic clubs in urging you to **Vote No on B**.

## Increase affordable housing — Yes on C

**Vote Yes on Proposition C** to give the Board of Supervisors and the Mayor the flexibility to increase the percentage of onsite affordable housing that developers are required to build from 12% to as much as 25%. This means that the City can change requirements as housing needs change. Proposition C would mandate that at least 10% of onsite units be affordable to moderate- and middle-income San Franciscans, such as teachers, nurses and social workers. And 15% would be affordable for low-income households.

Although San Francisco has built 4,300 affordable units over the past 10 years, it has simultaneously lost 3,200 units of existing affordable housing as a direct result of Ellis Act evictions and apartments being turned into short-term rentals. Inclusionary housing is one important way San Francisco can work toward ensuring that 33% of all new units are built for people with low and moderate incomes. **Vote Yes on Proposition C.**

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### Investigate all officer-involved shootings — Yes on D

**Vote Yes on Proposition D** to require the Office of Citizen Complaints to investigate all officer-involved shootings that result in a death or injury. Now shootings are investigated only when a complaint is filed. Under Proposition D it would have been mandatory to investigate the deaths of Amilcar Perez-Lopez, Mario Woods, Alex Nieto, Luis Gongora, and too many others. Proposition D seems like the minimum standard that could be set for ensuring that the families of people killed or injured by the police receive some sort of accounting of what happened and a way to hold police officers responsible.

D5 Action **strongly recommends Yes on D.**

### Bring SF's paid sick leave in line with state regulations — Yes on E

Proposition E amends San Francisco's Paid Sick Leave Ordinance (PSLO) to incorporate some of the provisions of California's paid sick leave law. Proposition E is supported by all of the Supervisors and no one has submitted an arguments against it. Under Prop E, sick leave would begin to accrue on the first day of employment, instead of on the 91<sup>st</sup> day. Employees who leave a job and are rehired by the same employer within one year would have their unused sick leave restored. Employers would be required to pay employees for their sick days no later than the following paycheck. Prop E would also provide that employees could use sick leave to take time off in cases of domestic violence, sexual assault, or stalking. Prop E would also allow the Board of Supervisors to further amend the PSLO to adopt any provisions of state or federal law that are broader than those provided by the PSLO. Prop E would not change existing provisions of the PSLO that are broader than the State law. **Vote Yes on E.**

### Protect the Bay and restore habitat — Yes on AA

**Vote Yes on Proposition AA** for a clean and healthy bay. You can help secure \$500 million to fund wetland restoration and counter the impact of climate change by voting Yes on Measure AA on the June 7 ballot. This measure would levy a \$12-per-year parcel tax on each property in the nine counties of the Bay Area. This would provide \$25 million each year for the next 20 years to fund projects such as returning salt ponds to wetlands and restoring the bay ecosystem along San Francisco's eastern waterfront. This tax needs a two-thirds majority to pass, so every vote is important.

### Prop A — Public health and safety

We give a lukewarm endorsement to Proposition A because, although we know that seismic safety upgrades are needed to some parts of SF General and neighborhood health clinics, too little of the proposed funding will be spent on facilities for homeless people and their families. And because the funding will be spent only on facilities, not on hiring more trained professionals, those who need services will continue to have difficulty gaining access to them.