

November 5, 2013 Voting Guide

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This voting guide provides the business position on the issues facing voters in the November 5, 2013 election. Join the San Francisco Chamber of Commerce, SF Forward and the local business community in voting for a better economic future!

VOTE YES



Proposition A

Health Insurance Liability Reform Charter Amendment

San Francisco is facing \$4.4 billion in unfunded retiree healthcare liability. The Health Insurance Liability Reform Charter Amendment will limit employer healthcare expenses and preserve the assets of the Retiree Healthcare Trust Fund (RHCTF) until current retiree healthcare benefits are fully funded. This good-government initiative will help reign in rising healthcare costs – the city's largest structural financial issue – and preserve vital city resources for future programs and priorities.

Proposition B

Open Up the Waterfront Initiative

The waterfront is an iconic part of San Francisco and a critical engine to our local economy. The 8 Washington project will create 400 new jobs and generate more than \$100 million for affordable housing, needed port infrastructure improvements and other community benefits. This ballot initiative reaffirms the approvals already awarded to the project and ensures that "Not In My Backyard" (NIMBY) activists will no longer be able to hold this important project hostage for personal or political gain.

Proposition C

Waterfront Reject Referendum

Placed on the ballot by "Not In My Backyard" (NIMBY) activists, this misleading referendum was created with a single purpose: to kill the economy-boosting 8 Washington waterfront project. The 8 Washington project will deliver new housing, retail and open space, while creating hundreds of jobs and millions of dollars in economic benefits to San Francisco. A "YES" vote will ensure that project approvals stay in place and allow this important project to move forward.

VOTE NO

Proposition D

Prescription Drug Purchasing Ballot Measure

The City and County of San Francisco already has procedures in place to negotiate for the lowest prices available for prescription drugs through a purchasing pool. This ballot measure, while well-meaning, is not only unnecessary, it provides no incentive for drug companies to cooperate, nor can it force them to comply. Additional regulation will not prevent rising prescription drug costs.



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