

COUNTY OF SONOMA
REGISTRAR OF VOTERS OFFICE

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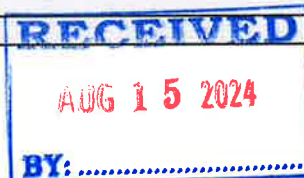
ELECTION DATE: Nov 5 2024

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ARGUMENT AGAINST (300 WORDS)

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ballot measure U at the Sebastopol General Municipal Election election for
(Letter) (Name of Election)
the City of Sebastopol being held on Nov. 5, 20 24
(Jurisdiction) (Date of Election)

hereby state that such argument is true and correct to the best of his/her/their knowledge and belief.

1. [Signature] 8/15/24
Signature/Date (Principal Officer signing of behalf of an Association? Yes No)

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Sebastopol Resident/Democratic Voter
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A ballot argument or rebuttal argument shall not be accepted unless accompanied by the name or names of the person(s) submitting it, or, if submitted on behalf of an organization, the name of the organization and the name of at least one of its principal officers. **As of May 2020, it is no longer required that signers who are signing as individuals be registered voters in the district.** No more than five signatures shall appear with any argument submitted. Arguments may be changed or withdrawn by their proponents until and including the date fixed by the election official for filing. There is a 10 calendar day review period prior to submitting arguments for printing.
E.C. §§9164, 9190, 9283, 9295, 9380, 9501, 9600

Text of arguments/rebuttal arguments should either be typewritten (see reverse side of form) on the reverse side of this form or a typewritten or computer generated statement may be attached to this form. Statements are electronically scanned for typesetting, therefore handwritten arguments will not be accepted for filing.

All arguments/rebuttals will be printed in a uniform style, in block paragraph form. Words may not be printed in boldface type or all capital letters, nor are indentations, circles, stars, dots, bullets or underlines allowed; profanity or other objectionable language may not be used. Lists or enumerations must be wrapped as a single block paragraph with items separated by semicolons or periods. If not wrapped when submitted, wrapping will be done during the process of typesetting.

Multiple single line paragraphs that do not fit in the space allotted will be wrapped. All arguments/rebuttals should be checked by the author for spelling and punctuation, as the department will not correct any material contained therein.

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ALL AUTHORS MUST SIGN ON THE REVERSE SIDE OF THIS FORM

See Attached



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Higher sales tax means higher prices. In the last year, water, food and PGE bills skyrocketed, making Sebastopol very expensive for businesses and residents. Sebastopol doesn't need another price hike. Vote no on this tax increase.

Sales tax works when businesses thrive. Increasing sales volume in Sebastopol's existing businesses 20% would generate over \$900,000 per year - a win/win for businesses and Sebastopol's citizens.

Sales in local businesses have declined 3 years in a row. If sales keep falling, City revenues keep falling.

If sales keep falling and businesses keep closing, increasing sales tax fails to solve Sebastopol's financial problems.

Sebastopol's financial problems need long-term, sustainable solutions which support local businesses.

Ask Council to be a partner to Sebastopol's businesses. Ask Council to work with property owners to rent their vacant storefronts. Ask Council to capture revenue from 116 and 12 traffic.

Ask Council to do their job and revive Sebastopol's economy - the only long-term solution.

Sebastopol's financial crisis is due to terrible financial decisions made by past city councils. Previous councils failed to fund fire, police, parks, and roads, even though it was their duty to support these critical City services. Previous Councils created a fiscal crisis and left residents with crumbling roads and failing infrastructure.

This tax measure has no guarantees. Future councils can make the same bad decisions, leaving citizens with high prices, bad roads, deteriorating parks and understaffed public safety departments.

Increased sales tax makes prices higher without solving the problem.

Vote no.

