

REFORM CALIFORNIA **ORANGE COUNTY VOTING GUIDE**

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Carl DeMaio and Reform California have released their "Plain English" voter guide to give you an easy-to-understand explanation of the ballot measures and grade candidates running in California.

California's Primary Election is underway and ballots must be returned by June 7, 2022. With a bunch of confusing ballot measures and hundreds of candidates running for office, voters can feel overwhelmed and lost.

This "Plain English" voter guide makes voting simple – especially when it comes to the ballot measures and local offices that do not allow candidates to disclose their party affiliation. Endorsements below are given only to candidates who "passed the test" on these crucial criteria: opposing taxes, fighting crime, improving schools, creating jobs, and defending personal freedoms.

2022 offers a real chance for a wave election to block costly tax hikes and elect common-sense leaders - but to do that we need your help in turning out your friends, family and neighbors to vote and share this easy-to-understand voter guide with them!

Statewide Candidate Races

Governor Brian Dahle

Lt. Governor Angela Underwood Jacobs

> **Attorney General** Nathan Hochman

Treasurer

Andrew Do

Controller Lahnee Chen

Secretary of State Rob Bernosky

Superintendent of Public Instruction Lance Christensen

State Insurance Commissioner Greg Conlon

State Board of Equalization Denis Bilodeau

US Senate and US House

US Senate Mark Meuser

US Congress - District 40 Young Kim

US Congress - District 45 Michelle Park Steel US Congress - District 47 Scott Baugh

US Congress - District 49 Anyone but Mike Levin

State Legislature

State Senate – District 36 Janet Nguyen

State Senate – District 38 Matt Gunderson

State Assembly – District 59 Phillip Chen

State Assembly – District 64 Raul Ortiz

State Assembly – District 67 Soo Yoo

State Assembly – District 68 Mike Tardif State Assembly – District 70 Ted Bui

State Assembly – District 71 Kate Sanchez

State Assembly – District 72 Diane Dixon

State Assembly – District 73 Steve Choi

State Assembly – District 74 Laurie Davies

Superior Court Candidate Races

Superior Court Judge – Office No. 5 Claudia C. Alvarez

Superior Court Judge – Office No. 9 Christopher Duff

Superior Court Judge – Office No. 11 Shawn Nelson

Superior Court Judge – Office No. 21 Erin Beltran Rowe

Superior Court Judge – Office No. 22 Brahim Baytieh Superior Court Judge – Office No. 28 Eric Scarbrough

Superior Court Judge – Office No. 30 Peggy Huang

Superior Court Judge – Office No. 33 Steve McGreevy

Superior Court Judge – Office No. 45 Israel Claustro

County Candidate Races

County of Orange – Board of Supervisors District 2 Jon Dumitru

County of Orange – Board of Supervisors District 4 Steven C. Vargas

County of Orange – Board of Supervisors District 5 Pat Bates or Diane Harkey

> County Superintendent of Schools Dr. Stefan Bean

Member, County Board of Education, Trustee Area 2 Mari Barke

Member, County Board of Education, Trustee Area 4, Short Term Tim Shaw

Member, County Board of Education, Trustee Area 5 Lisa Sparks County Assessor Claude Parrish

County Auditor-Controller Andrew Hamilton

County Clerk-Recorder Hugh Nguyen

County District Attorney Todd Spitzer

> Sheriff-Coroner Don Barnes

Treasurer-Tax Collector Shari Friedenrich

Ballot Measures

City Of Huntington Beach

Measure A Cannabis Tax Measure NO

The Cannabis Tax Measure is a giant new tax on Huntington Beach residents. The measure aims to create a special tax that is "not-to-exceed" 6% (meaning it will be 6%) on cannabis sales. Officials claim the money will go to "homeless" programs, but that claim is dubious and the money could potentially be diverted somewhere else. A "NO" vote rejects this tax increase.

City Of Newport Beach

Measure B Direct Election of the Mayor by the Voters YES

This measure would make the mayor directly elected by voters, rather than the current practice of allowing council members to select the mayor. A "YES" vote will allow voters to have a direct say in the head of the city government and the priorities brought forth in the city council's agenda. It will also allow for more consistent leadership, rather than the position rotating every year. Directly electing the mayor removes an element of executive power from the hands of politicians — and gives it to the people.

City Of Westminster

Measure C Eliminate the elective mayor and increase the number of councilmembers and districts from four to five NO

The Westminster mayor is currently directly elected by the people, but this measure would eliminate the role of voters in this process and allow the council members to select the mayor themselves. A "NO" vote keeps the mayor directly elected by the people. Direct election of the mayor allows residents to have a direct say in the head of the city government and the priorities brought forth in the city council's agenda. It also allows for more consistent leadership, rather than the position rotating every year. Eliminating direct election of the mayor consolidates executive power in the hands of politicians, rather than the people.

All other local ballot measures have been moved to the November runoff election.

Election Integrity: The S.A.F.E. Way to Vote

Reform California has proposed a ballot measure to require voter ID in California for all future elections. Until that is law, we urge you to secure your vote using this S.A.F.E method:

<u>SEND</u>: Mail in your vote on Day 1 of the election. Do NOT wait until Election Day as the county has cut back on polling locations and long lines will suppress the vote. Voting on Day 1 also gives you the full 30 days of the election to fix problems and verify your vote is counted!

<u>AUDIT</u>: Track and verify your ballot was 1) received and 2) counted online at www.SDVOTE.com. Check every few days until your vote is verified.

FIX: If your vote is not shown as received and counted by day 20 of the election, go to the nearest Polling Center near you and demand a second "provisional" ballot and vote in-person. Do NOT wait until Election Day.

EXAMINE: Sign up as a volunteer with our Election Integrity team to monitor the counting of ballots.

Questions? Problems? Volunteer with our Election Integrity team? Visit www.ElectionIntegrityCA.com

Join the Fight: Help Us Reach More Voters

Reform California is leading the fight to win seats and defeat tax hikes in California! We need YOUR help to win in 2022!

<u>SHARE</u>: Please share this voter guide with your friends and neighbors so they know where candidates really stand on important issues. Invite them to join you in attending the upcoming "Barbeque, Beer, & Ballots" event.

<u>CONTRIBUTE</u>: 100% of funds we raise are used to reach target voters in your area! PLUS: We use our monthly fundraising results to seek matching funds from national donors to help in the fight here in California.

VOLUNTEER: Volunteering is easy and can be done from home!

Contribute or sign up at ReformCalifornia.org

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