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OFFICIAL BALLOT

CONSOLIDATED PRESIDENTIAL GENERAL ELECTION - NOVEMBER 3, 2020

SAN LUIS OBISPO COUNTY, CALIFORNIA

Instructions to Voters: To vote for all of the electors of a party, fill in the oval next to the names of the presidential and vice presidential candidates of that party. A filled oval next to the name of a party and its presidential and vice presidential candidate, is a vote for all of the electors of that party, but for no other candidates. For all other contests, to vote for a candidate whose name appears on the ballot, fill in the oval next to the candidate's name. To vote for a person whose name is not on the ballot, fill in the oval next to the write-in line and write in the candidate's name. Do not vote for more than the number of candidates allowed. To vote on a measure, fill in the oval next to the word "YES" or the word "NO". Marking the ballot outside of the designated space to vote for a candidate or measure may compromise the secrecy of the ballot. If you tear, deface, or wrongly mark this ballot, return it to get another.

TO VOTE, USE BALLPOINT PEN WITH DARK INK TO FILL IN THE OVAL COMPLETELY LIKE THIS: ●

PARTY-NOMINATED OFFICES	MEMBER OF THE STATE ASSEMBLY	COUNCILMEMBER
The party label accompanying the name of a candidate for party-nominated office on the general election ballot means that the candidate is the official nominee of the party shown.	35TH DISTRICT Vote for One	Vote for no more than Two
PRESIDENT AND VICE PRESIDENT	DAWN ADDIS Party Preference: Democratic Teacher/City Councilmember	KELLY EVANS Event Coordinator
PRESIDENT AND VICE PRESIDENT Vote for One Party	JORDAN CUNNINGHAM Party Preference: Republican Assemblymember/Small Businessman	ABRIANNA TORRES Business Consultant/Coach
HOWIE HAWKINS For President ANGELA NICOLE WALKER For Vice President Green	NONPARTISAN	ERIK LONG Retired Educator/Administrator
JO JORGENSEN For President JEREMY "SPIKE" COHEN For Vice President Libertarian	SCHOOL	JAMES PAPP Historian/Business Owner
JOSEPH R. BIDEN For President KAMALA D. HARRIS For Vice President Democratic	SAN LUIS COASTAL UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT	ANDREA "ANDY" PEASE Incumbent
DONALD J. TRUMP For President MICHAEL R. PENCE For Vice President Republican	GOVERNING BOARD MEMBER TRUSTEE AREA NO. 1 Vote for no more than Two	JEFFERY SPECHT Entrepreneur
GLORIA LA RIVA For President SUNIL FREEMAN For Vice President Peace And Freedom	WALT MILLAR Incumbent	JAN HOWELL MARX Dean/Professor/Lawyer
ROQUE "ROCKY" DE LA FUENTE GUERRA For President KANYE OMARI WEST For Vice President American Independent	EVE DOBLER-DREW Retired Teacher	ROBIN WOLF Restaurant/Hospitality Manager
Write-in	KATHRYN EISENDRATH ROGERS Incumbent	Write-in
VOTER-NOMINATED AND NONPARTISAN OFFICES All voters, regardless of the party preference they disclosed upon registration, or refusal to disclose a party preference, may vote for any candidate for a voter-nominated or nonpartisan office. The party preference, if any, designated by a candidate for a voter-nominated office is selected by the candidate and is shown for the information of the voters only. It does not imply that the candidate is nominated or endorsed by the party or that the party approves of the candidate. The party preference, if any, of a candidate for a nonpartisan office does not appear on the ballot.	Write-in	Write-in
UNITED STATES REPRESENTATIVE	CITY	MEASURES SUBMITTED TO THE VOTERS
24TH DISTRICT Vote for One	CITY OF SAN LUIS OBISPO	STATE
ANDY CALDWELL Party Preference: Republican Government Watchdog	MAYOR Vote for One	14 AUTHORIZES BONDS CONTINUING STEM CELL RESEARCH. INITIATIVE STATUTE. Authorizes \$5.5 billion state bonds for: stem cell and other medical research, including training; research facility construction; administrative costs. Dedicates \$1.5 billion to brain-related diseases. Appropriates General Fund moneys for repayment. Expands related programs. Fiscal Impact: Increased state costs to repay bonds estimated at about \$260 million per year over the next roughly 30 years.
SALUD CARBAJAL Party Preference: Democratic Member of Congress	HEIDI HARMON Mayor	YES
STATE SENATOR	DONALD E. HEDRICK Artisan/Recycler/Harbinger	NO
17TH DISTRICT Vote for One	CHERRISSE SWEENEY Business Owner/Mom	15 INCREASES FUNDING SOURCES FOR PUBLIC SCHOOLS, COMMUNITY COLLEGES, AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT SERVICES BY CHANGING TAX ASSESSMENT OF COMMERCIAL AND INDUSTRIAL PROPERTY. INITIATIVE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT. Taxes such properties based on current market value, instead of purchase price. Fiscal Impact: Increased property taxes on commercial properties worth more than \$3 million providing \$6.5 billion to \$11.5 billion in new funding to local governments and schools.
JOHN LAIRD Party Preference: Democratic Natural Resources Secretary	SANDRA MARSHALL-EMINGER Environmental Nonprofit Director	YES
VICKI NOHRDEN Party Preference: Republican Businesswoman	Write-in	NO

16 **ALLOWS DIVERSITY AS A FACTOR IN PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT, EDUCATION, AND CONTRACTING DECISIONS. LEGISLATIVE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT.** Permits government decision-making policies to consider race, sex, color, ethnicity, or national origin in order to address diversity by repealing constitutional provision prohibiting such policies. Fiscal Impact: No direct fiscal effect on state and local entities. The effects of the measure depend on the future choices of state and local government entities and are highly uncertain.

YES

NO

17 **RESTORES RIGHT TO VOTE AFTER COMPLETION OF PRISON TERM. LEGISLATIVE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT.** Restores voting rights upon completion of prison term to persons who have been disqualified from voting while serving a prison term. Fiscal Impact: Annual county costs, likely in the hundreds of thousands of dollars statewide, for voter registration and ballot materials. One-time state costs, likely in the hundreds of thousands of dollars, for voter registration cards and systems.

YES

NO

18 **AMENDS CALIFORNIA CONSTITUTION TO PERMIT 17-YEAR-OLDS TO VOTE IN PRIMARY AND SPECIAL ELECTIONS IF THEY WILL TURN 18 BY THE NEXT GENERAL ELECTION AND BE OTHERWISE ELIGIBLE TO VOTE. LEGISLATIVE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT.** Fiscal Impact: Increased statewide county costs likely between several hundreds of thousands of dollars and \$1 million every two years. Increased one-time costs to the state of hundreds of thousands of dollars.

YES

NO

19 **CHANGES CERTAIN PROPERTY TAX RULES. LEGISLATIVE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT.** Allows homeowners who are over 55, disabled, or wildfire/disaster victims to transfer primary residence's tax base to replacement residence. Changes taxation of family-property transfers. Establishes fire protection services fund. Fiscal Impact: Local governments could gain tens of millions of dollars of property tax revenue per year, probably growing over time to a few hundred million dollars per year. Schools could receive similar property tax gains.

YES

NO

20 **RESTRICTS PAROLE FOR CERTAIN OFFENSES CURRENTLY CONSIDERED TO BE NON-VIOLENT. AUTHORIZES FELONY SENTENCES FOR CERTAIN OFFENSES CURRENTLY TREATED ONLY AS MISDEMEANORS. INITIATIVE STATUTE.** Limits access to parole program established for non-violent offenders who have completed the full term of their primary offense by eliminating eligibility for certain offenses. Fiscal Impact: Increase in state and local correctional, court, and law enforcement costs likely in the tens of millions of dollars annually, depending on implementation.

YES

NO

21 **EXPANDS LOCAL GOVERNMENTS' AUTHORITY TO ENACT RENT CONTROL ON RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY. INITIATIVE STATUTE.** Allows local governments to establish rent control on residential properties over 15 years old. Local limits on rate increases may differ from statewide limit. Fiscal Impact: Overall, a potential reduction in state and local revenues in the high tens of millions of dollars per year over time. Depending on actions by local communities, revenue losses could be less or more.

YES

NO

22 **EXEMPTS APP-BASED TRANSPORTATION AND DELIVERY COMPANIES FROM PROVIDING EMPLOYEE BENEFITS TO CERTAIN DRIVERS. INITIATIVE STATUTE.** Classifies app-based drivers as "independent contractors," instead of "employees," and provides independent-contractor drivers other compensation, unless certain criteria are met. Fiscal Impact: Minor increase in state income taxes paid by rideshare and delivery company drivers and investors.

YES

NO

23 **ESTABLISHES STATE REQUIREMENTS FOR KIDNEY DIALYSIS CLINICS. REQUIRES ON-SITE MEDICAL PROFESSIONAL. INITIATIVE STATUTE.** Requires physician, nurse practitioner or physician assistant on site during dialysis treatment. Prohibits clinics from reducing services without state approval. Prohibits clinics from refusing to treat patients based on payment source. Fiscal Impact: Increased state and local government costs likely in the low tens of millions of dollars annually.

YES

NO

24 **AMENDS CONSUMER PRIVACY LAWS. INITIATIVE STATUTE.** Permits consumers to: prevent businesses from sharing personal information, correct inaccurate personal information, and limit businesses' use of "sensitive personal information," including precise geolocation, race, ethnicity, and health information. Establishes California Privacy Protection Agency. Fiscal Impact: Increased annual state costs of at least \$10 million, but unlikely exceeding low tens of millions of dollars, to enforce expanded consumer privacy laws. Some costs would be offset by penalties for violating these laws.

YES

NO

25 **REFERENDUM ON LAW THAT REPLACED MONEY BAIL WITH SYSTEM BASED ON PUBLIC SAFETY AND FLIGHT RISK.** A "Yes" vote approves, and a "No" vote rejects, law replacing money bail with system based on public safety and flight risk. Fiscal Impact: Increased costs possibly in mid hundreds of millions of dollars annually for a new process for release from jail prior to trial. Decreased county jail costs, possibly in high tens of millions of dollars annually.

YES

NO

CITY	
CITY OF SAN LUIS OBISPO	
G-20	City of San Luis Obispo Community Services/Investment. Shall an ordinance to provide funding to protect City of San Luis Obispo's financial stability; maintain fire/community safety, health emergency/disaster preparedness; protect creeks from pollution; address homelessness; keep public areas clean/safe; retain local businesses; maintain youth/senior services, streets, open space/natural areas, and other general services, by extending voter-approved funding at a 1.5¢ rate, providing approximately \$21,600,000 annually until ended by voters; requiring audits/all funds used locally, be adopted?
YES	<input type="radio"/>
NO	<input type="radio"/>

YES

NO





County of San Luis Obispo

Presidential General Election
Tuesday, November 3, 2020

VOTER INFORMATION GUIDE

- In accordance with the Governor's Executive Orders and new legislation, all voters are sent Vote By Mail (VBM) ballots to combat COVID-19.
- Your **OFFICIAL BALLOT** and your Voter Information Guide are contained in this VBM packet.
- **This will be the only official mailing from the County.** There is no sample ballot in this booklet since your **OFFICIAL BALLOT** is included. If you desire a copy of the ballot, refer to instructions on the next page or contact us and one will be provided.
- **The deadline for return of VBM ballots is 8:00pm, Tuesday, November 3, 2020.** You can:
 - Return your ballot by mail. Be sure it is postmarked on or before Election Day. No postage necessary.
 - Return your ballot in person to the Clerk-Recorder's offices, or to any **VBM Ballot Drop Box** located in the County listed in the Voting Instructions.
- During the four days of voting between October 31 – November 3, return your ballot or vote in person at a **Voter Service Center**, also listed in your Voting Instructions.
- Contact the **Clerk-Recorder** at (805) 781-5228 or **elections@co.slo.ca.us** with any questions.

www.slovote.com



Please refer to the enclosed information sheet for instructions on how to complete your Vote By Mail (VBM) ballot and locations of VBM Ballot Drop Boxes and Voter Service Centers.

FOR A COPY OF A SAMPLE BALLOT

1. To locate your ballot type, look at the top left corner of your ballot for your ballot type number (i.e. BT1, BT2, etc.)
2. Go to www.slovote.com, click on the November Election page, click on Sample Ballots, then select your specific Ballot Type.
3. You can then print the sample ballot and mark it before your final voting on your VBM ballot.
4. Bringing a completed sample ballot is recommended if you decide to vote at a Voter Service Center during the final four days of voting. Locations will be open from October 31 - November 3.

POLITICAL PARTY ENDORSEMENTS

Parties may provide a list of candidates who have received the official endorsement of the party for printing in this booklet.

Party	Contests	Candidate
American Independent	U.S. Representative, 24 th Dist	Andy Caldwell
Democratic	U.S. Representative, 24 th Dist State Senate, 17 th Dist State Assembly, 35 th Dist	Salud Carbajal John Laird Dawn Addis
Republican	U.S. Representative, 24 th Dist State Senate, 17 th Dist State Assembly, 35 th Dist	Andy Caldwell Vicki Nohrden Jordan Cunningham

* The order of parties follows the Randomized Alphabet Drawing conducted by the County.

* Note: Not all political parties provided an endorsement list.



TOMMY GONG
COUNTY CLERK -RECORDER

DEVELOP A SAFE VOTING PLAN

To keep voters and election workers safe and limit the spread of COVID-19, voters are encouraged to vote the VBM ballot sent to them in the mail. The public health situation is serious, and the virus is expected to remain disruptive throughout this election season. By voting from home, you will ensure safety for not only yourself but others as well.

You can help keep voting locations safe for voters and election workers in these three ways:

1

Skip the Line

Return your voted Vote By Mail ballot **by mail** (no postage necessary), at a secure **VBM Ballot Drop Box**, or at a **Voter Service Center**, which will have separate lines for voters dropping off completed ballots.

Voters who can Vote By Mail will help ensure safe physical distancing at voting locations.

2

Vote Early

Voting locations will offer voter registration, replacement ballots, accessible voting machines, and language assistance for four days from October 31st to November 3rd, Election Day.

If you visit a voting location in person, **go before Election Day** to help maintain physical distancing and avoid lines.

Follow Safety Procedures

Protect your health and the health of other voters and election workers at voting locations by taking the following precautions:

VOTING LOCATION SAFETY CHECKLIST

- Wear a face covering** while at the voting location.
- Keep 2 arms' length distance** from other people.
- Use hand sanitizer** before entering and after leaving a Voter Service Center.
- Bring your own ballpoint pen** to avoid touching high-contact surfaces.

REQUIREMENTS FOR FIRST TIME VOTERS

The Help America Vote Act requires first time voters to show identification when voting. If you registered to vote by mail after January 1, 2003 and have not previously voted in San Luis Obispo County you may be required to show your current valid photo I.D. or a copy of one of the following that shows your name and address when you go to the polls on election day: Current Utility Bill, Bank Statement, Government Check, Government Paycheck, or a Government Document. The same requirement applies if you are voting by mail. You will be required to send a copy of one of the above with your voted Vote By Mail ballot. If you have questions about your status as a First Time Voter, contact us.

VOTER'S PAMPHLET INFORMATION SECTION

The following pages contain voter information applicable to your ballot which may include any/all of the following items:

- Candidates' Statements
- Ballot Measure(s)
- Impartial Analysis
- Fiscal Impact/Tax Rate Statement(s)
- Arguments and Rebuttals In Support of or In Opposition To Ballot Measures

This pamphlet section may not contain a statement for each candidate. A complete list of candidates appears on your Ballot/Sample Ballot. Each candidate's statement in this pamphlet is volunteered by the candidate and is printed at his or her expense. Each candidate's statement is printed in uniform format as submitted by the candidate.

Please note that all the statements printed in Spanish, at the candidates' request, follow the English statements for that same contest.

Arguments in support of or in opposition to the proposed laws are the opinions of the authors.

Campaign Finance Reform

Among all state legislative candidates appearing on the ballot in San Luis Obispo County, only the candidate listed below has pledged to abide by campaign spending limits as specified in the California Government Code. Candidates agreeing to the campaign spending limits also have the opportunity to have a Statement of Qualifications printed in the local sample ballot pamphlet, at their own expense.

17th Senate District Candidate
John Laird
Vicki Nohrden

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
U.S. REPRESENTATIVE, 24TH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT**

ANDY CALDWELL

Occupation: Government Watchdog

Education and Qualifications: America is the land of freedom, liberty, and opportunity, but it is under attack. I will work to restore and preserve our freedom, rebuild our economy, protect law and order, and bring common sense to Congress on behalf of all residents of San Luis Obispo County.

I grew up poor, the son of an immigrant mother and a father shattered by the torture of the Bataan Death March that led to his premature death when I was 9 years old. The American Dream was my dream and the only hope I had to build a better life.

I am running for Congress because America faces not just one, but multiple crises. Our livelihoods, communities, and freedoms are at risk, putting in jeopardy the well-being of our seniors, veterans, and families. I will stand up for San Luis Obispo County to protect the values and institutions that made America the beacon of hope for generations.

None of this is new for me! I have been a Central Coast watchdog and taxpayer advocate for the past 30 years, leading a non-partisan coalition of labor, agriculture and business working together to fight corruption and waste and to create more opportunity and higher wages for everyone. I have a record of getting things done!

We can protect our homes and our liberty, expand education choices, and rebuild our economy to create more jobs and prosperity for everyone in San Luis Obispo County. However, we will need to work together. Learn more at www.AndyCaldwell2020.com.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
U.S. REPRESENTATIVE, 24TH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT**

SALUD CARBAJAL

Occupation: Member of Congress

Education and Qualifications: I'm Salud Carbajal, and I'm honored to stand up for our Central Coast values as your representative in Congress.

As a husband, father, and Marine Corps veteran, I am committed to serving our community and country. I attended UCSB while working two jobs to become the first in my family to graduate from a university. My wife, Gina, and I have raised our children here.

I know families are struggling and concerned about the effects of COVID-19 on our health, jobs, and local economy.

I'm working to protect healthcare and ensure it remains affordable and accessible during this pandemic. I helped secure \$77 million to help Central Coast hospitals, clinics, and frontline workers.

I supported emergency aid that brought more than \$1 billion in financial relief for small businesses, farmers, and local governments and retained more than 150,000 jobs.

I will continue working with Republicans and Democrats on solutions for the Central Coast and nation. I'm proud to have worked on legislation that preserves our pristine environment, addresses climate change, and bans offshore oil drilling.

I will keep fighting to create jobs, increase support for veterans, address racial inequality, and promote commonsense gun-safety measures.

I respectfully ask for your vote.

**DECLARACIÓN DE CANDIDATO A
REPRESENTANTE DE EE. UU., DISTRITO 24° DEL CONGRESO**

ANDY CALDWELL

Ocupación: Supervisor del Gobierno

Educación y Competencias: Estados Unidos es la tierra de la libertad, los derechos y las oportunidades, pero se encuentra bajo ataque. Trabajaré para restaurar y preservar nuestra libertad, reconstruir nuestra economía, proteger la ley y el orden y aportar sentido común al Congreso en nombre de todos los residentes del Condado San Luis Obispo.

Me crié en la pobreza, hijo de madre inmigrante y padre abrumado por la tortura de la Marcha de la Muerte de Bataan que lo llevó a su muerte prematura cuando yo tenía 9 años. El Sueño Americano era mi sueño y la única esperanza para construir una vida mejor.

Me postulo para el Congreso porque Estados Unidos se enfrenta no solo a una, sino a múltiples crisis. Nuestros vecindarios, comunidades y libertades están en riesgo, poniendo en peligro el bienestar de nuestras personas mayores, veteranos y familias. Representaré al Condado de San Luis Obispo para proteger los valores y las instituciones que hacen que Estados Unidos sea el faro de esperanza para generaciones.

¡Nada de esto es nuevo para mí! He sido supervisor de la Costa Central y defensor de los contribuyentes durante los últimos 30 años, como líder de una coalición no partidista de trabajo, agricultura y negocios trabajando juntos a fin de combatir la corrupción y el despilfarro y crear más oportunidades y salarios más altos para todos. ¡Tengo una trayectoria de lograr resultados!

Podemos proteger nuestros hogares y nuestros derechos, ampliar las opciones educativas y reconstruir nuestra economía para crear más empleos y prosperidad para todos en el Condado de San Luis Obispo. Sin embargo, debemos trabajar juntos. Conozca más en www.AndyCaldwell2020.com.

**DECLARACIÓN DE CANDIDATO A
REPRESENTANTE DE EE. UU., DISTRITO 24° DEL CONGRESO**

SALUD CARBAJAL

Ocupación: Miembro del Congreso

Educación y Competencias: Soy Salud Carbajal, y me siento honrado de defender los valores de nuestra Costa Central como su representante en el Congreso.

Como esposo, padre de familia y veterano del Cuerpo de la Marina, estoy comprometido con el servicio a nuestra comunidad y nuestro país. Asistí a UCSB mientras trabajaba en dos empleos para ser el primero de mi familia en graduarse de una universidad. Mi esposa, Gina, y yo hemos criado aquí a nuestra familia.

Conozco a ciertas familias que están luchando y se sienten preocupadas por los efectos del COVID-19 en nuestra salud, los empleos y la economía local.

Trabajo para proteger el cuidado de la salud y garantizar que siga siendo asequible y accesible durante esta pandemia. Ayudé a conseguir \$77 millones como colaboración para hospitales, clínicas y trabajadores de la primera línea de la Costa Central.

Respaldé la ayuda de emergencia que aportó más de \$1000 millones en asistencia financiera para los pequeños negocios, la agricultura y gobiernos locales y conservó más de 150,000 empleos.

Seguiré trabajando con los Republicanos y Demócratas en soluciones para la Costa Central y la nación. Me enorgullece haber trabajado en leyes que preservan nuestro medio ambiente prístino, abordan el cambio climático y prohíben la extracción de petróleo en alta mar.

Seguiré luchando para crear empleos, aumentar el apoyo para los veteranos, abordar la desigualdad racial y fomentar medidas de seguridad para el uso de armas basadas en el sentido común.

Con todo respeto le pido su voto.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
STATE SENATE, 17TH DISTRICT**

JOHN LAIRD

Occupation: California Secretary for Natural Resources

Education and Qualifications: This past March, I received strong support from voters when I ran on a platform that called for dramatic steps to tackle climate change, the affordable housing crisis, the goal of universal healthcare coverage and the need for a more sustainable public education system. Our world has changed in unprecedented ways since then. We are now deeply challenged by a pandemic, the bottom dropped out of our economy, and high-profile incidents of racial injustice have shaken our nation. All of these inter-related issues demand leadership and strong action.

For eight years, I served as Secretary for Natural Resources, working hard on California's climate change efforts, safeguarding agricultural land, leading the state's ocean protection program, and pushing back on federal attempts for more offshore oil drilling. As a Mayor, City Councilmember, Transportation Commissioner, Nonprofit Director and Community College Trustee, I developed experience to tackle the key issues we now face. As an Assemblymember, I authored 82 bills signed into law, on civil rights, environmental protection, first-time homebuyers, community college health services, and more. As Assembly Budget Chair, I navigated difficult fiscal times as I fought for healthcare, education and our environment. I have earned endorsements from teacher, firefighter, nurse and building trades organizations, as well as the League of Conservation Voters, Equality California, Governor Newsom, former Governor Brown, State Schools Superintendent Thurmond and local mayors, county supervisors and school trustees throughout Monterey, San Luis Obispo, Santa Clara and Santa Cruz Counties. I will use my experience, drive and commitment to serve the 17th Senate District. I respectfully ask for your vote. www.LairdforCASenate.com

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
STATE SENATE, 17TH DISTRICT**

VICKI NOHRDEN

Occupation: Businesswoman

Education and Qualifications: I'm Vicki Nohrden. I'm running for State Senate because our state control is out of control. In less than three months, Gavin Newsom issued more than 40 executive orders that changed hundreds of laws without oversight or accountability, shutting down businesses and closing our schools. Sacramento thinks it can force a one-size-fits-all approach on our counties but in the process it fails small businesses, independent contractors, families, and educators, all of whom pay the price.

I stand for freedom and excellence in education. I believe school districts, teachers, and parents, not bureaucrats hundreds of miles away, should be the ones deciding our children's futures. I've spent my public service advocating for people as a Court Appointed Special Advocate (CASA), for families in the justice system, and for taxpayers as a member of the Civil Grand Jury, investigating claims of serious government corruption and mismanagement.

I'm not a career politician with hundreds of thousands of dollars from special interests outside the four counties in our district. I support term limits and oppose Prop 15, one of the biggest tax increases in California history currently on our ballots.

Learn more about me and the issues I want to champion at www.vicki4senate.com.

As our region climbs back from COVID-19, we need fresh vision and leadership, not more tax-and-spend career politicians conducting politics-as-usual in Sacramento. This November vote for new leadership that cares about you and your family, not Sacramento and their special interests. I would be honored to have your vote.

**DECLARACIÓN DE CANDIDATO A
SENADOR DEL ESTADO, DISTRITO 17°**

JOHN LAIRD

Ocupación: Secretario de Recursos Naturales de California

Educación y Competencias: El pasado marzo, recibí un fuerte apoyo de los votantes cuando me postulé en una plataforma que exigía medidas drásticas para hacerle frente al cambio climático, la crisis de vivienda accesible, el objetivo de la cobertura de seguro de salud universal y la necesidad de un sistema de educación pública más sostenible. Desde entonces, nuestro mundo ha cambiado como nunca antes. Ahora, nos enfrentamos al gran desafío de la pandemia, la difícil situación de nuestra economía y los incidentes de injusticia racial con tanta repercusión mediática que han sacudido a nuestra nación. Todos estos problemas interrelacionados exigen liderazgo y una medida enérgica.

Durante ocho años, me desempeñé como Secretario de Recursos Naturales, trabajando arduamente en los esfuerzos de California por el cambio climático, la protección de las tierras agrícolas principales, liderando el programa de protección del océano del estado y rechazando los intentos federales de más extracciones de petróleo en alta mar. Como Alcalde, Miembro del Concejo Municipal, Comisionado de Transporte, Director Sin Fines de Lucro y Administrador de Universidad Comunitaria, desarrollé experiencia para abordar los problemas clave que enfrentamos. Como Asambleísta, redacté 82 proyectos de ley firmados, que incluyen la protección de los derechos civiles, el medio ambiente, los compradores de primera vivienda, los servicios de salud de las universidades comunitarias y más. Como Presidente del Presupuesto de la Asamblea, enfrenté épocas fiscales difíciles al luchar por la atención médica, la educación y nuestro medio ambiente. Cuento con el respaldo de las organizaciones de maestros, bomberos, enfermeras y trabajadores de la construcción, así como de la Liga de Votantes por la Conservación, Equality California, el Gobernador Newsom, el Exgobernador Brown, el Superintendente de Escuelas Estatales Thurmond y alcaldes locales, supervisores de condado y síndicos escolares de los condados de Monterey, San Luis Obispo, Santa Clara y Santa Cruz. Usaré mi experiencia, energía y compromiso para servirle al Distrito de Senado 17°. Respetuosamente le pido su voto. www.LairdforCASenate.com

**DECLARACIÓN DE CANDIDATO A
SENADOR DEL ESTADO, DISTRITO 17°**

VICKI NOHRDEN

Ocupación: Empresaria

Educación y Competencias: Soy Vicki Nohrden. Me postulo para Senadora Estatal porque nuestro control del estado está fuera de control. En menos de tres meses, Gavin Newsom emitió más de 40 órdenes ejecutivas que cambiaron cientos de leyes sin supervisión ni rendición de cuentas, provocando el cierre de negocios y nuestras escuelas. Sacramento piensa que puede imponer un enfoque único en nuestros condados pero en el proceso caen pequeños negocios, contratistas independientes, familias y educadores, todos quienes pagan el precio.

Defiendo la libertad y excelencia en educación. Creo que los distritos escolares, los maestros y padres, no los burócratas a cientos de millas de distancia, deben ser quienes decidan el futuro de nuestros hijos. Dedicé mi servicio público a la defensa de personas como Defensora Especial Designada por el Tribunal (CASA), de familias en el sistema de justicia, y de contribuyentes como miembro del Gran Jurado Civil, investigando reclamos de casos graves de corrupción y mala administración gubernamental.

No soy una política de carrera con cientos de miles de dólares de intereses especiales fuera de los cuatro condados de nuestro distrito. Defiendo los límites de mandatos y me opongo a la Propuesta 15, uno de los mayores aumentos de impuestos en la historia de California que actualmente se encuentra en nuestras boletas.

Conozca más sobre mí y los problemas que quiero resolver en www.vicki4senate.com.

Como nuestra región se está recuperando de COVID-19, necesitamos una visión y liderazgo renovados, basta de políticos de carrera que solo quieren recaudar y gastar, haciendo la misma política de siempre en Sacramento. En noviembre vote por un nuevo liderazgo que se preocupe por usted y su familia, no por Sacramento y sus intereses especiales. Sería un honor contar con su voto.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
GOVERNING BOARD MEMBER, TRUSTEE AREA NO. 1
San Luis Coastal Unified School District**

EVE DOBLER-DREW

Occupation: Retired / Teacher

Education and Qualifications: As a certificated bilingual public school teacher for twenty-five years I served hundreds of families from multi-cultural backgrounds. Inclusiveness was the foundation of my classroom. In accord with the school board's strong pledge to the community, schools need to address the changing needs of an increasingly diverse population.

More students will choose alternatives to the sky-high tuition of college education, and they will flourish with one-to-one and small-group vocational guidance. All students need to be empowered with a comprehensive financial education and greater access to relevant twenty-first century skills that will equip them for a career upon graduation, if they choose.

Success in the "real world" is about networking and teamwork. Students need to socialize with friends. I support getting them safely back to school in small flexible pods of students with common interests and diverse backgrounds. With this support they will confidently discover their purpose and passion.

Backed by our pledge to update the curriculum and equip them with useful information, they will discover their personal best to get out there and succeed.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
GOVERNING BOARD MEMBER, TRUSTEE AREA NO. 1
San Luis Coastal Unified School District**

KATHRYN EISENDRATH ROGERS

Occupation: Incumbent / Educator / Journalist

Education and Qualifications: I am grateful to have served for the past twelve years on the Governing Board of San Luis Coastal Unified School District. We are seven trustees who are committed to our district motto: All means All.

A great deal has happened during my tenure. We hired Dr. Eric Prater as our superintendent, avoided school closures with careful fiscal management, and upgraded our facilities in the city and on the coast.

Our high school students now have access to new laboratories, gymnasiums, pools, auto shops, art studios and more. Our elementary schools have been renovated and every student K-6 has access to portable learning devices.

The passage of SB 1090 provided our district with a soft landing when Diablo Canyon closes and gave the district seed money to start our own educational foundation focused on keeping our schools state of the art. I also serve on the San Luis Coastal Education Foundation.

With the health and welfare of our students, staff and teachers foremost on our minds, be assured that your school board and administration will face these challenges with true grit and determination. Stay safe. Be well. We're here for you. Kathryn Eisendrath Rogers

**DECLARACIÓN DE CANDIDATA A
MIEMBRO DE LA JUNTA de Gobierno, ÁREA de Síndico N.º 1
Distrito Escolar Unificado San Luis Coastal**

KATHRYN EISENDRATH ROGERS

Ocupación: Titular/Educadora/Periodista

Educación y Calificaciones: Agradezco haber prestado servicio en los últimos doce años en la Junta de Gobierno del Distrito Escolar Unificado de San Luis Coastal. Somos siete síndicos comprometidos con el lema de nuestro distrito: Todo significa Todo.

Han sucedido muchas cosas durante mi mandato. Contratamos al Dr. Eric Prater como nuestro superintendente, evitamos los cierres de escuelas con una cuidadosa administración fiscal y actualizamos nuestras instalaciones en la ciudad y en la costa.

Nuestros estudiantes de escuela secundaria ahora tienen acceso a nuevos laboratorios, gimnasios, piscinas, talleres de automóviles, estudios de arte y más. Nuestras escuelas elementales se han renovado y todos los estudiantes de K-6 tienen acceso a dispositivos portátiles de aprendizaje.

La promulgación de SB 1090 proporcionó a nuestro distrito una solución conveniente para el cierre de Diablo Canyon y proporcionó al distrito capital semilla para comenzar nuestra propia fundación educativa enfocada en mantener modernas nuestras escuelas. También formo parte de la Fundación de Educación de San Luis Coastal.

Con la salud y bienestar de nuestros estudiantes, personal y maestros como nuestra principal prioridad, puede estar seguro de que la junta y la administración de su escuela enfrentarán estos desafíos con verdadero coraje y determinación. Manténgase seguro. Manténgase bien. Estamos aquí para usted. Kathryn Eisendrath Rogers

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
MAYOR**

City of San Luis Obispo

HEIDI HARMON

Age: 50

Occupation: Mayor

Education and Qualifications: As we face the health and economic challenges of COVID-19, San Luis Obispo needs proven leadership, creativity, and collaboration to move us forward. Serving as your Mayor over the past four years, I have a proven track record of significant progress on issues, values, and priorities important to our community. I pledge to uphold this commitment in my next term.

We have, and we will continue to support the creation of more housing affordability, expand access to open spaces, work with small businesses and employees on challenges, build relationships with regional partners to strengthen economic recovery, reinterpret the unique culture of our downtown, prioritize fiscal responsibility, spearhead sustainability policies that attract meaningful clean jobs, and proactively refocus City staff to support our community in this unprecedented time.

As Mayor, I will work to ensure San Luis Obispo is a dynamic, safe, and resilient City of belonging with a solution-oriented mission for the future, protecting the health of our residents, and providing support for local businesses to thrive. As a Cal Poly graduate, former business owner, and mother, I share your vision to evolve and adapt our City during times of change while preserving what makes SLO special.

Let's move San Luis Obispo forward together: www.heidiharmon.org.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
MAYOR**

City of San Luis Obispo

CHERRISSE SWEENEY

Age: 46

Occupation: Business Owner / Mom

Education and Qualifications: My candidacy for Mayor was inspired by my desire and the collective need to reinforce San Luis Obispo's foundation of safety, stability, and opportunity.

Our resilience has been tested and I've been in the eye of the storm alongside you. As a wife, mother of grade-school children, and a downtown business owner, I have witnessed firsthand the strains of the adversity we face. It's time for qualified and experienced leadership grounded in a clear vision of a promising and inclusive future.

My life experiences have prepared me to best represent and serve our community members, students, seniors, families, and businesses of the one-of-a-kind City we all love and call home. SLO desperately needs practical, responsible solutions for the array of challenges we face. I'm committed to leading us to a healthy and viable future for all.

As a 7th generation Californian and Central Coast native, I have a deep love for SLO. I understand that the decisions we make today will impact our future. My priorities include community safety, economic vitality, and protecting the environment.

The San Luis Obispo we all love is still here. Unity in our community will pave the path to resilience and brighter days ahead.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
MAYOR**

City of San Luis Obispo

SANDRA MARSHALL-EMINGER

Age: 68

Occupation: Environmental Nonprofit Director

Education and Qualifications: I moved to San Luis Obispo in 1974. During my time here, I have been employed by the County of San Luis Obispo, Coastal Computers and Cal Poly. I was the owner and publisher of the Information Press, a free progressive paper from 1991 to 2017 and hosted the Information Press Hour radio show from 1993 to 1998. Since 1996 I have volunteered my time as the Director of the Earth Day Alliance and coordinated an annual free Earth Day Fair for residents and visitors to SLO County.

I am running for Mayor to ensure that all citizens of San Luis Obispo are represented equally and have a voice in the future of our city. We must continue to address issues of racism, affordable housing, jobs and wages, transportation, air quality and the growth in Downtown SLO and the surrounding areas. As a tourist town we must protect and preserve our Downtown charm, history and architecture, keep building heights reasonable and preserve our mountain views and blue skies.

I support legal nonviolent citizen actions and will work to ensure the public safety of future organized actions.

As Mayor, I'll work to create safe neighborhoods and business environments by preparing for the long-term duration of the Coronavirus.

**DECLARACIÓN DE CANDIDATO A
ALCALDE**

Ciudad de San Luis Obispo

HEIDI HARMON

Edad: 50

Ocupación: Alcaldesa

Educación y Aptitudes: A medida que enfrentamos los desafíos económicos y de salud del COVID-19, San Luis Obispo necesita liderazgo, creatividad y colaboración comprobados para avanzar. Como su Alcaldesa durante los últimos cuatro años, tengo un historial comprobado de progreso significativo en necesidades, valores y prioridades importantes para nuestra comunidad. Me comprometo a mantener este compromiso en mi próximo mandato.

Hemos apoyado y seguiremos apoyando la creación de más viviendas accesibles, ampliaremos el acceso a los espacios abiertos, trabajaremos con pequeños negocios y sus empleados en los desafíos, construiremos relaciones con los socios regionales para fortalecer la recuperación económica, volveremos a interpretar la cultura única de nuestro centro de la ciudad, priorizaremos la responsabilidad fiscal, lideraremos políticas de sostenibilidad que atraigan trabajos de limpieza significativos y reorientaremos proactivamente al personal de la Ciudad para apoyar a nuestra comunidad en este tiempo sin precedentes.

Como Alcaldesa, trabajaré para asegurar que San Luis Obispo sea una ciudad dinámica, segura y resiliente de pertenencia con una misión orientada a soluciones para el futuro, protegiendo la salud de nuestros residentes y proporcionando apoyo para que los negocios locales prosperen. Como graduada de Cal Poly, expropietaria de un negocio y madre, comparto su visión de evolucionar y adaptar nuestra Ciudad en tiempos de cambio mientras preservamos lo que hace que SLO sea especial.

Hagamos prosperar juntos a San Luis Obispo: www.heidiharmon.org.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
MEMBER OF CITY COUNCIL
City of San Luis Obispo**

KELLY EVANS

Occupation: Event Coordinator

Education and Qualifications: As a City of San Luis Obispo resident, I watched as every other city in our county passed rent and mortgage relief bills. I watched as we allowed our Police Department and DA to arrest political dissenters in a way our nation abhors. I watched as our local businesses were left with the option of reopening unsafely or hemorrhaging money while still losing valued employees.

I tried calling, emailing, being as present as possible in these times of distancing. I saw how flippantly the current council ignores our voices. I am left with only one option if I'm ready to make a difference.

The pandemic we're in isn't going away anytime soon. The City of San Luis Obispo needs leaders who can function effectively while virtual, listen to its residents, and press for economic policy that helps people and small businesses. I can be that leader if you'll have me.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
MEMBER OF CITY COUNCIL
City of San Luis Obispo**

ABRIANNA TORRES

Age: 27

Occupation: Business Consultant/Coach

Education and Qualifications: My name is Abrianna Torres. I am running for San Luis Obispo City Council. I am a proud product of SLO, having attended public schools before studying at The University of Colorado on a track scholarship where I earned All Academic in the PAC 12 Conference. Upon graduation I worked as a Correctional Deputy for the San Luis Obispo Sheriff's Department before transitioning to my current role as a Small Business Consultant.

I am a proud daughter to loving parents whose hard work and commitment to family allowed my four siblings and I to experience the blessings this great town has to offer.

In recent months, we've seen the "happiest city in America" devolve into a city divided. Our community members have been branded as racist and our police department marginalized. A limited number of people and perspectives from our community have been given a voice. We are in desperate need of diversity of thought.

We've also seen governmental mismanagement, burdensome regulations and excessive taxes cripple our hard working community members and local businesses. As a coach/mentor to young athletes and a small business consultant, I'm passionate about developing forward-thinking, results-driven strategies and I will do the same as a member of the SLO City Council.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
MEMBER OF CITY COUNCIL
City of San Luis Obispo**

ERIK LONG

Age: 59

Occupation: Retired Educator / Administrator

Education and Qualifications: I graduated from UC Santa Barbara with a BA in political science, and CSU Chico with a MA in political science. I have taught, researched, analyzed, published and consulted extensively in the field of political science.

Twenty-years ago when I moved to San Luis Obispo, I felt I had arrived at one of the most beautiful small cities in California. In many ways, I still feel this way. However, over the last few years, I feel there are three issues of concern which merit additional attention; homelessness, housing and downtown parking. While I realize much has been done by various political bodies to address these issues, I am proposing that we undertake a far more expansive process that would allow for greater inclusiveness and the development of diverse ideas.

I am calling for three summits starting in Fall 2021 through Fall 2022. The reason for a delayed start to these summits is that we must first continue to work as a community in containing the spread of COVID-19, while a vaccine is developed. Details for these summits are on the Issues page of my website: www.LongforCouncil.com

I would be honored to have your vote.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
MEMBER OF CITY COUNCIL
City of San Luis Obispo**

JAMES PAPP

Occupation: Historian / Business Owner

Education and Qualifications: We live in San Luis Obispo because it's exceptional. Shouldn't it have exceptional government? Smart? Bold? Open to serious debate? Because you can't come together without working through disagreement.

And we need to come together to curb COVID and dig out from its huge economic fallout. Erase racism and classism. Mandate and innovate affordable housing. Reverse the decline of local retail. Solve homelessness as a human and economic problem, not a policing one. Be serious, not symbolic, about climate change. Keep San Luis San Luis, not make it Little LA.

Maybe you know me as the guy who promoted masks when the City Council wouldn't. Led the charge against the Council's ban on art that commemorates people. Formed SLAP! to sue the city for violating the California Environmental Quality Act. Confronted a backhoe to save the Chumash aqueduct. Was elected Cultural Heritage Committee chair three times, then fired by the Council because of their new rule against "disagreement." Got called "tireless," "staunch," by community members; "adversarial," "a cudgel" by developers.

I have decades of experience in government initiatives—from administering USAID microgrants to overseeing multibillion University of California budgets. That doesn't matter unless you listen to people and stand up for your community. Read more at pappforcouncil.com—or call me at 805-470-0983.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
MEMBER OF CITY COUNCIL
City of San Luis Obispo**

ANDREA “ANDY” PEASE

Age:54

Occupation: Incumbent

Education and Qualifications: It has been my honor to serve on City Council these past four years. As a councilmember and a business owner, I have the experience to be effective. I have a balanced approach and listen to all perspectives. And I have a vision for our future that is sustainable, inclusive and thriving. I love San Luis Obispo. I have seen this city come together with creativity and generosity, and I am inspired every single day. We have accomplished a lot in four years, and going forward, I will build on that foundation. My priorities include:

Economic recovery: Retain local businesses, support head-of-household jobs, help address childcare for working families and maintain essential services for all residents.

Housing: Promote housing affordability, walkable neighborhoods and great access for transit and biking.

Homelessness: Strengthen partnerships, develop transitional housing, deploy social workers to those in crisis and advocate for mental health services for all who need it.

Climate action: Implement plans for carbon neutral by 2035, including open space, urban forestry, sustainable transportation and energy efficiency.

Diversity, equity and inclusion: Ensure all residents have a voice and access to opportunity.

I humbly ask for your vote this November. www.AndyforSLO.com. Thank you!

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
MEMBER OF CITY COUNCIL
City of San Luis Obispo**

JEFFREY SPECHT

Age: 56

Occupation: Entrepreneur

Education and Qualifications: As a councilman, I will work to end the culture of waste, corruption and bloated government oozing out of City Hall, as well as put a halt to the division pulling apart our community at its seams. San Luis Obispo needs council members who are accountable to the people, not to buddies in big business and extremist street activism.

Our City Council ignores the public while bowing to city staff and supporting large developers and a marijuana mogul. These special interests build atrocities that block our scenic views and grease the wheels to get projects approved. The council also backs a bike riding coalition determined to force people out of cars and onto bicycles.

I plan to build a coalition on the council that will fire the city manager and city attorney, slash city employee salaries and place major pension reform on the ballot. We'll also address the veterans left to rot on the streets and make police hand over body-cam footage when the public requests it.

I am running for city council because I care about our community, our residents and justice. As a councilman, I promise to serve the will of the people.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
MEMBER OF CITY COUNCIL
City of San Luis Obispo**

JAN HOWELL MARX

Occupation: Dean / Professor / Lawyer

Education and Qualifications: Facing this time of pandemic, economic downturn and divisiveness, the City of San Luis Obispo needs to elect a Council Member who puts the health, safety, and welfare of residents first. Under my leadership--six years as Mayor and six years on Council--we became recognized as an outstanding place to live, work and play. Obviously, we cannot turn back the clock. Instead, we must seize this opportunity to create a thriving post pandemic future for the City of San Luis Obispo, by working together toward the common good.

We need to elect a Council Member with: 1) the experience, knowledge and practical vision to guide City policy wisely, respecting residents' values; 2) integrity, civility and the willingness to listen to everyone, without playing favorites; 3) a track record of decisions based on prudent budgeting, accountability, social equity, open space preservation and climate action; and 4) dedication to increasing affordable housing, helping the needy and improving our quality of life. I am the only candidate who fits that description.

A longtime resident, married grandmother, Stanford and Santa Clara Law graduate, educator, and businessperson, I support the Chamber, Rotary, NAACP, City Farm SLO and environmental organizations.

I would appreciate your vote. [janmarx.com janmarx@stanfordalumni.org (805)541-2716]

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
MEMBER OF CITY COUNCIL
City of San Luis Obispo**

ROBIN WOLF

Age: 40

Occupation: Restaurant / Hospitality Manager

Education and Qualifications: My name is Robin Wolf and I am running for SLO City Council.

A SLO native, I was raised on the Central Coast.

My 2+ decades working in restaurants, hospitality, and tourism, offer a unique skill set and perspective into an industry that is an economic force in our area and provides a living for many of our residents. I have learned to listen and to bridge divides between people to ensure everyone has a seat at the table.

My priorities in office include: Civil Rights, Workers and Jobs, Health and Safety for All, Environmental Stewardship, Affordable Housing and Renter's Rights, Downtown Vitality and Recovery, and Transparency and Accountability in Elected Officials and Law Enforcement.

I am dedicated to greater community engagement in local government, especially our youth and traditionally underrepresented voices.

In this time, we need new and creative approaches to support local businesses and workers facing an uncertain future. I am a worker. I am a renter. I understand the struggle we undertake to make San Luis Obispo our home. City Government should be transparent and inclusive and serve the people always. I am fiercely committed to making sure each community member is heard, valued, respected, and engaged.

**DECLARACIÓN DE CANDIDATO A
MIEMBRO DEL CONCEJO MUNICIPAL
Ciudad de San Luis Obispo**

ANDREA “ANDY” PEASE

Edad:54

Ocupación: Titular

Educación y Aptitudes: Ha sido un honor para mí trabajar en el Concejo Municipal durante los últimos cuatro años. Como concejal y propietaria de un negocio, tengo la experiencia para ser eficaz. Tengo un enfoque equilibrado y escucho todas las perspectivas. Y tengo una visión de nuestro futuro que es sostenible, inclusiva y próspera. Me encanta San Luis Obispo. He visto a esta ciudad unirse con creatividad y generosidad, y me siento inspirada todos los días. Hemos logrado mucho en cuatro años y, en el futuro, construiré sobre esa base. Mis prioridades son las siguientes:

Recuperación económica: Conservar los negocios locales, apoyar los puestos de trabajo de jefe de familia, ayudar a abordar el cuidado de los niños de las familias trabajadoras y mantener los servicios esenciales para todos los residentes.

Vivienda: Promover viviendas accesibles, vecindarios transitables y un gran acceso para el tránsito y el ciclismo.

Personas sin hogar: Fortalecer las asociaciones, desarrollar viviendas de transición, enviar trabajadores sociales a las personas en crisis y defender los servicios de salud mental para todos los que los necesitan.

Acción climática: Aplicar planes para lograr la neutralidad del carbono para el año 2035, incluidos los espacios abiertos, la silvicultura urbana, el transporte sostenible y la eficiencia energética.

Diversidad, equidad e inclusión: Asegurar que todos los residentes tengan participación y acceso a las oportunidades.

Le pido humildemente su voto en noviembre. www.AndyforSLO.com. ¡Gracias!

**DECLARACIÓN DE CANDIDATO PARA
MIEMBRO DEL CONCEJO MUNICIPAL
Ciudad de San Luis Obispo**

ROBIN WOLF

Edad: 40

Ocupación: Restaurante / Gerente de Hospitalidad

Educación y Competencias: Mi nombre es Robin Wolf y me presento como candidato para el Concejo Municipal de San Luis Obispo.

Soy oriundo de SLO y crecí en la Costa Central.

Mis más de 20 años trabajando en restaurantes, hoteles y turismo me dan un juego de habilidades únicas y perspectiva en una industria que se está volviendo una fuerza económica en nuestra área y que provee medios para vivir para muchos de nuevos residentes. He aprendido a escuchar y a superar las diferencias entre personas para asegurar que todos puedan hablar.

Mis prioridades en el puesto incluyen: Derechos Civiles, Laborales y de los Trabajadores, Salud y Seguridad para Todos, Administración Ambiental, Viviendas Asequibles y Derechos para el Inquilino, Recuperación y Vitalidad del Centro y la Transparencia y Responsabilidad de los Funcionarios Electos y las Fuerzas del Orden.

Estoy dedicado a mejorar el rol de la comunidad en el gobierno local, en especial de las voces jóvenes y tradicionalmente poco representadas.

Hoy en día necesitamos un enfoque nuevo y creativo para apoyar a los negocios locales y a los trabajadores frente a un futuro incierto. Soy un trabajador. Soy un inquilino. Comprendo la lucha que debemos enfrentar para hacer de San Luis Obispo nuestro hogar. El Gobierno de la Ciudad debería ser transparente e inclusivo y siempre servir a la gente. Me comprometo a asegurarme de que todos los miembros de la comunidad sean escuchados, valorados, respetados e involucrados.

**CITY OF SAN LUIS OBISPO
IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS OF MEASURE G-20**

In 2014, 70.32 percent of City of San Luis Obispo voters approved Measure G-14, which adopted Chapter 3.15 (ESSENTIAL SERVICES TRANSACTIONS (SALES) AND USE TAX) into the City's Municipal Code. Measure G-14 extended for eight years a previously voter-approved ½ percent City sales tax, which is currently included in the City's seven and three quarters percent total sales tax rate. Since its original effective date, April 1, 2007, the tax has generated an average of approximately \$6.6 million in annual revenue to the City. Measure G-14 approved a "general purpose tax," meaning that all revenue raised from the tax can be used to fund any City service, project, facility, or operation approved by the City Council.

Measure G-14 provided: "The authority to levy the tax imposed by this chapter shall expire in eight years, on March 31, 2023, unless extended by the voters." Unless Measure G-20 is approved by a majority of City voters in the November 2020, or subsequent election, the current ½ percent local tax will expire after March 31, 2023, and the City will receive no further revenue from the local tax.

Measure G-20 would amend and re-enact Chapter 3.15 of the City's Municipal Code (re-titled as "Community Services and Investment Transactions (Sales) and Use Tax") to continue the existing ½ percent local sales tax and increase the existing tax by 1 percent for a total rate of 1.5 percent. The City anticipates Measure G-20 will generate approximately \$21,600,000 in annual revenue, which can be used for any general city purpose approved by the City Council, including stated purposes of protecting City of San Luis Obispo's financial stability; maintaining fire/community safety, health emergency/disaster preparedness; protecting creeks from pollution; addressing homelessness; keeping public areas clean/safe; retaining local businesses; maintaining youth/senior services, streets, open space/natural areas. Measure G-20 provides: "The authority to levy the tax imposed by this chapter shall expire when ended by the voters."

Measure G-20 would continue the following fiscal accountability provisions included in Measure G-14: 1) Revenue Enhancement Oversight Commission comprised of citizens "...responsible for reviewing and making budget recommendations directly to the City Council regarding expenditures and ...reporting annually to the community on the City's use of these tax revenues"; 2) separate, publicly available accounting and tracking of funds by the City Treasurer; 3) independent annual financial audit; 4) integration of the use of funds into the City's public budget and goal setting process and citizen participation in determining priority uses; 5) annual community report provided to every household on how much revenue is being generated and how funds are being spent; and 6) annual citizen oversight meeting.

A "yes" vote on Measure G-20 means the City will continue to levy the existing ½ percent local sales tax and increase the total rate to 1.5 percent, until ended by the voters. A "no" vote means that the existing ½ percent local sales tax will continue only until its current expiration date in 2023, unless extended and/or increased by voters before 2023.

s/ J. Christine Dietrick
City Attorney, City of San Luis Obispo

The above statement is an impartial analysis of the Ordinance. If you desire a copy of the ordinance, please call the election official's office at 805-781-7102 and a copy will be mailed at no cost to you.

ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF MEASURE G-20

We have never experienced a threat as menacing to our lives and livelihoods as this pandemic. But time and again, we have seen San Luis Obispo residents pull together to solve daunting challenges.

Measure G-20 is a necessary step forward in SLO's recovery. This sales-tax increase keeps us in line with our regional competitors while generating at least \$20 million annually for vital economic and community programs to benefit all residents.

As concerned residents and your neighbors, here's why we urge **YES on Measure G-20**:

- **SELF RELIANCE, LOCAL CONTROL:** We cannot count on Washington or Sacramento to help us; we must rely on ourselves.
- **LONG-TERM BENEFITS:** Measure G-20 will support much needed investment in open space, water security, road improvements and climate action.
- **HEALTH & SAFETY:** It's essential to improve emergency response times and keep our community healthy and safe.
- **HELP BUSINESS AND EMPLOYEES:** Measure G-20 will invest in local businesses so they can survive, expand and increase local jobs.
- **HOMELESSNESS:** The pandemic has worsened our housing and homelessness crisis; Measure G-20 will support affordable housing and mental-health services.
- **QUALITY OF LIFE:** San Luis Obispo's quality of life is not an accident. It's the product of our residents' strength, compassion and resiliency, and it requires continuous investment.
- **ACCOUNTABILITY:** Measure G-20 requires an independent oversight committee, annual audits and community input to ensure wise spending. If the City Council fails to manage it responsibly, we will vote to end this tax.
- **VISITORS PAY FAIR SHARE:** Historically, visitors have paid more than 70% of sales tax revenue, thus paying their fair share.

As voters with different political perspectives and economic interests, we are united in our enthusiastic support of this one-and-a-half percent sales tax.

Please join us and **vote YES on Measure G-20**.

s/ Ron Yukelson
Healthcare Executive

s/ Sandi Sigurdson
Non-Profit Executive

s/ Jesse Dundon
CEO, Local Business

s/ Carlyn Christianson
City Council Member

s/ Chris Richardson
Local Business Owner

REBUTTAL TO ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF MEASURE G-20

IMPORTANT:

READ THE “FINE PRINT” AND VOTE NO!

- **TRIPLES THE CITY’S SALES TAX INCREASE** by making the existing tax permanent while adding a 1% tax hike on top of it, forcing struggling families to pay more for clothes, supplies, and other necessities.
- **FUNDS CAN BE USED FOR ANY GOVERNMENT PURPOSE WHATSOEVER.** Revenue from this tax goes into the city’s General Fund and isn’t required to be spent on what this measure proposes.
- **CAN BE USED TO INCREASE SALARIES.** 11 city execs making more than the Governor and 25 others making more than US Senators can further increase their bloated salaries!
- **GREATER DEBT.** The city’s unfunded public pension liability exceeds \$175 million and climbing with interest accruing on its pension debt by \$1.1 million monthly.
- **“FOREVER TAX” ELIMINATES FUTURE VOTER APPROVAL.** Now, voters get to decide every few years whether the sales tax is too high. This measure strips that safeguard.
- **DEGRADES “PROTECTION OF OPEN SPACE” AS MAJOR CITY GOAL.** Despite its high priority among residents in community surveys, “Acquiring Open Space” is no longer on city’s list of spending priorities.
- **HURTS MIDDLE-CLASS, SMALL BUSINESSES, AND YOUNG FAMILIES** that are already suffering while encouraging locals to shop in other cities with lower retail sales taxes.

The city’s existing sales tax continues to 2023. Why push new taxes now? Let’s give our economy a chance to recover and then give voters the opportunity to rescind or extend this regressive tax at that time.

Please join us in voting **“NO”** on Measure G-20.

s/ T. Keith Gurnee
Former Councilmember

s/ Brett Cross
Native San Luis Obispo

s/ Lance Parker
Financial Advisor

s/ Stewart D. Jenkins
Public Interest Lawyer

s/ Daniel L. Carpenter
Former Mayor

ARGUMENT AGAINST MEASURE G-20

Amidst the worst pandemic in 100 years and one of the worst economic downturns ever—when so many have lost their jobs and local businesses are trying so hard to survive—our city’s “recovery plan” is to **TRIPLE OUR LOCAL SALES TAX**. That’s bad economics and bad tax policy.

That the city wants to eliminate your right to vote every few years to continue or eliminate that tax is undemocratic. Instead, the city wants a “**FOREVER TAX**”—we pass it once and that’s that. It’s a **REGRESSIVE TAX** that will hit the poor, the middle class, and our struggling small businesses the hardest.

Taking away your right to reconsider this sales tax is just wrong! It’s a huge step away from responsive city government.

The Council has spent hundreds of thousands of dollars on political consultants to manipulate you into believing this sales tax will be spent on needed public improvements. However, the city can spend the \$21.6 million in annual revenue on **ANYTHING**, like increasing its posh management salaries and expanding its bureaucracy.

The city’s past promises to spend prior sales tax increases on open space or parks were false bait to get your vote. Just like then, this regressive tax will become the Council’s new slush fund to pursue their pet projects as they please, regardless of what the community wants.

Losing our right to re-enact or reject this tax every few years means that the city can completely disregard public sentiment about how your tax dollars are spent.

With people and businesses suffering from the effects of COVID-19, the timing of this tax could not be worse. A recent survey of local residents revealed that a large majority opposed new tax hikes.

Please join us in voting **NO on Measure G-20**.

s/ T. Keith Gurnee
Member of the Board of Directors, Livable California

s/ Stewart D. Jenkins
Public Interest Lawyer

REBUTTAL TO ARGUMENT AGAINST MEASURE G-20

Measure G-20's opponents acknowledge the current crisis, but they fail to offer a credible path forward.

They are choosing to sit on the sidelines and shout NO.

The way out of a crisis is decisive action at the local level. We can't wait for Washington or Sacramento to help us, and we don't want them telling us what to do.

By approving Measure G-20, we will support one another, invest in our community and achieve our shared goals.

Measure G-20 revenue will:

- Support economic recovery.
- Improve fire, public safety and emergency health response.
- Ensure wildfire and natural disaster preparedness.
- Repair potholes, reduce traffic congestion, expand bike lanes.
- Protect creeks from pollution, preserve open space and natural areas.
- Retain local businesses and assist with job creation.
- Fund homeless prevention programs.
- Support local nonprofits that assist our most vulnerable neighbors.
- Keep public areas clean and safe.

Because visitors pay 70% of sales tax revenue, Measure G-20 is the fairest and best way to invest in our city without overburdening residents.

Other key benefits:

- SLO's tax rate will still be the same or lower than many California cities including Santa Barbara, Santa Maria and Monterey.
- Voters can repeal Measure G-20 at any time.

These extraordinary times demand action. Measure G-20 is an affordable path forward, a way to help ourselves, and to control our destiny.

Please join us and vote YES ON MEASURE G-20

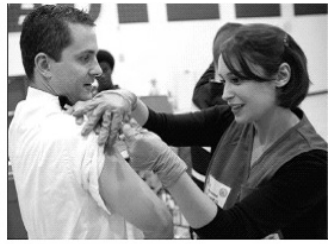
s/ Kevin Harris
Managing Artistic Director

s/ Erica A. Stewart
SLO City Councilmember

s/ Ty Safreno
Owner / CEO, Local Manufacturing Business

s/ Eric Veium
Climate / Community Activist

s/ Hillary Trout
CFO, Local Tech Business



Join
SAN LUIS OBISPO COUNTY
MEDICAL RESERVE CORPS



The San Luis Obispo County Medical Reserve Corps (SLOMRC) is a group of healthcare professionals trained to respond to emergencies in San Luis Obispo County.

If you are interested in volunteering through the Medical Reserve Corps, please visit www.slocounty.ca.gov/MRC for more information or contact Denise Yi at (805) 295-8672 or slomrc@aol.com.

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San Luis Obispo County Fire Needs YOU!

Paid Call Firefighter (PCF) Program

CAL FIRE / San Luis Obispo County Fire is a combination department that uses both career and paid-call firefighters in reaching our mission. We refer to the Paid Call Firefighters (PCF's) because they are financially reimbursed for each call to which they respond. Paid Call Firefighters provide fire protection, emergency medical service, hazardous materials responses and other services to the communities in which they live and/or work.

Paid Call Firefighters join the fire department for opportunities to contribute to the community, learn new skills to save lives and property and for camaraderie. Many are future career firefighters honing their skills while waiting for a full time position. Others come from the community with the united mission of making a difference in the community they serve. Paid Call Firefighters (PCF's) are a cost-efficient method used to increase staffing and provide elevated levels of service.

San Luis Obispo County Fire is actively recruiting Paid Call Firefighters to help protect their community. Paid Call Firefighters respond to emergencies from their home or work. If you are interested in becoming a Paid Call Firefighter (volunteer), please contact the CAL FIRE/San Luis Obispo County Fire station closest to your home. Station information is located at www.calfireslo.org.

CAL FIRE/San Luis Obispo County Fire Headquarters
635 North Santa Rosa Street
San Luis Obispo, CA 93405



Did You Know...

...that all dogs in the County of San Luis Obispo over the age of 4 months are required to be licensed?

If you haven't done so already, licensing your dog is easy! You can download a license application in the "Forms" section at: www.sloanimalservices.com and mail it in. You can also license your dog online at www.petdata.com, or come into the Animal Services office at 885 Oklahoma Ave. in San Luis Obispo.

WHY LICENSE YOUR DOG?

- ◆ Your dog's license is his ticket home if he is ever picked up running at large. Animal Control Officers would rather reunite you with your pet than impound him. If he's wearing a current license, they'll bring him home instead of to the shelter.
- ◆ License revenues help support Animal Services efforts to address the needs of homeless and neglected pets and to resolve our community's animal related problems.
- ◆ It's the law.

HELPFUL INFORMATION FOR LICENSING YOUR DOG

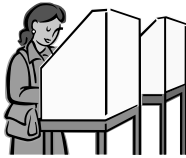
- ◆ State law requires all dogs to have a current rabies vaccination before they can be licensed. If your dog doesn't have license information on file with Animal Services, you will need to submit it with your application.
- ◆ By law, the duration of your dog's license validity cannot exceed the expiration date of his current rabies vaccine.
- ◆ The metal tag your vet gives you when your pet is vaccinated *is not* a license tag.
- ◆ License fees are significantly discounted if your dog has been spayed or neutered.

Avoid possible citations and fines by licensing your dog today!



PO Box 4110 ♦ San Luis Obispo, CA 93406
805-781-4400 ♦ 805-781-1065 (fax)
www.sloanimalservices.com

ASSISTANCE for VOTERS with SPECIAL NEEDS



San Luis Obispo County offers voters with disabilities options that provide for a private and independent voting environment. The San Luis Obispo County Clerk-Recorder wants to help you create a voting method that works for you. See your options below.

- **Vote by Mail:** Your ballot has automatically been sent to you. Keep safe and return your ballot by mail, drop box, or Voter Service Center.
- **Voting at a Voter Service Center:** You can go to any Voter Service Center from October 31st to November 3rd. Locations are listed on the back of your Voting Instructions page.
- **Accessible ballot-marking machines (ICX)** are available at every Voter Service Center for four days of voting and at the County Clerk-Recorder's Office 29 days prior to the election for early voting.
- **Curbside voting:** If you arrive at a Voter Service Center and cannot get to the voting area, ask for assistance.
- **Accessible Voter Information Guide on the Web:** Sample Ballot and Voter Information Guides are available on the Clerk-Recorder's website with the use of personal accessible navigational tools and screen reader technology.



Remote Accessible Vote by Mail

A new voting experience can be provided by the elections staff for all Vote By Mail voters, including those with disabilities by using web-based tools on a personal computer, printer, and one's personal assistive device(s) (screen readers, tactile switches, closed captioning, sip and puff system, etc.) to access and mark one's ballot, then returning it by mail to the Elections Office.

Contact the Elections office for information at 805-781-5228

Other Assistance for Visually, Hearing or Speech Impaired:

The Secretary of State's Office has a TDD (Telecommunications Device for the Deaf) to provide elections information: **1-800-833-8683 (1-800-TDD-VOTE)**. Large print format of the state ballot measures continues to be available.

LANGUAGE ASSISTANCE

As required by new legislation, the County of San Luis Obispo offers facsimile ballots in the following languages and for only the precincts listed below:

Spanish

All Precincts All Voter Service Centers

Tagalog

Consolidated Precinct All Voter Service Centers
403, 404, and 405

To determine your Con (precinct), please refer to the top left corner of your Vote By Mail ballot, which contains your precinct information (i.e. CON 403).

Facsimile ballots and instructions will be provided upon request. You can request to view the facsimile ballot for the language that is available at a Voter Service Center, listed in your Voting Instructions page.

Vote By Mail Voters

You can request a facsimile ballot in one of the languages available:

By Phone: 805-781-5228

By E-Mail: elections@co.slo.ca.us

By Mail: 1055 Monterey Street, Suite D120
San Luis Obispo, CA 93408

In Person: At the Clerk-Recorder's Office at 1055 Monterey Street,
D120, San Luis Obispo or 6565 Capistrano Avenue (2nd
floor), Atascadero

Online: www.slocounty.ca.gov/LanguageAssistance

Spanish Language Ballot Technology

With new accessible ballot-marking technology (ICX voting machines), a Spanish language voting experience can assist voters with making their selections and marking their ballots. They are available at the County Clerk-Recorder's office beginning October 5th, and at all Voter Service Centers from October 31 – November 3rd, Election Day.

ASISTENCIA DE IDIOMA

Conforme exige la nueva legislación, el Condado de San Luis Obispo ofrece boletas electorales en los siguientes idiomas y solo para los distritos electorales que a continuación se indican:

Español

En todos los distritos En todos los Centros de Servicios al Votante

Tagalo

En los distritos consolidados y en todos los Centros de Servicios al Votante

Distritos 403, 404, y 405

Para determinar cuál es su CON (distrito electoral), por favor revise la esquina superior izquierda de su boleta de Voto por Correo, que contiene la información de su distrito (por ejemplo, CON 403).

Se suministrarán, a petición, boletas electorales e instrucciones por facsímil. Puede solicitar ver la boleta facsímil del idioma que se encuentre disponible en el Centro de Servicios al Votante que aparece en su página con Instrucciones de Voto.

Electores que votan por correo

Puede solicitar una boleta facsímil en uno de los idiomas disponibles:

Por teléfono: 805-781-5228

Por correo electrónico: elections@co.slo.ca.us

Por correo: 1055 Monterey Street, Suite D120
San Luis Obispo, CA 93408

Personalmente: En la Oficina del Secretario-Oficial de Registro
en 1055 Monterey Street, D120, San Luis Obispo
o 6565 Capistrano Avenue (2^{do} piso), Atascadero

En línea: www.slocounty.ca.gov/LanguageAssistance

Tecnología de Boletas en idioma español

Con la nueva tecnología para completar boletas con más accesibilidad (máquinas de votación ICX), una interfaz en idioma español puede ayudar a los votantes a realizar sus elecciones y a marcar sus boletas. Se encontrarán disponibles en la oficina del Secretario-Oficial de Registro a partir del 5, de octubre, y en todos los Centros de Servicios al Votante desde el 31 de octubre hasta el 3 de noviembre, el Día de las Elecciones.

TULONG SA WIKA

Ayon sa kinakailangan ng bagong batas na pinagtibay, nagbibigay ang County ng San Luis Obispo ng mga kopya ng balota na nasa mga sumusunod na wika at para lang sa mga presintong nakalista sa ibaba:

Spanish

Lahat ng Presinto Lahat ng Sentro ng Serbisyo para sa Botante

Tagalog

Pinagsamang Presinto Lahat ng Sentro ng Serbisyo para sa Botante
403, 404, at 405

Upang alamin kung ano ang inyong Con (presinto), mangyaring sumangguni sa kaliwang sulok sa itaas ng inyong balota sa Pagboto sa Pamamagitan ng Koreo, na naglalaman ng impormasyon ng inyong presinto (ibig sabihin, CON 403).

Magbibigay ng mga kopya ng balota at tagubilin kapag hiniling. Maaari ninyong hilinging makita ang kopya ng balota para sa wikang ginagamit sa Sentro ng Serbisyo para sa Botante, na nakalista sa inyong pahina sa mga Tagubilin sa Pagboto.

Mga Botante ng Pagboto sa Pamamagitan ng Koreo

Maaari kayong humiling ng kopya ng balota sa isa sa mga wikang magagamit:

Sa Pamamagitan ng Telepono: 805-781-5228

Sa Pamamagitan ng E-Mail: elections@co.slo.ca.us

Sa Pamamagitan ng Koreo: 1055 Monterey Street, Suite D120
San Luis Obispo, CA 93408

Sa Personal: Sa Opisina ng Klerk na Tagapagtala
sa 1055 Monterey Street, D120, San
Luis Obispo o 6565 Capistrano
Avenue (Ika-2 palapag), Atascadero

Online: www.slocounty.ca.gov/LanguageAssistance

Teknolohiya ng Balota sa Wikang Spanish

Sa tulong ng nagagamit na teknolohiya sa pagmarka ng balota (mga ICX na makina sa pagboto), ang karanasan sa pagboto sa wikang Spanish ay makakatulong sa mga botante sa pagpili at pagmarka sa kanilang mga balota. Magagamit ang mga ito sa opisina ng Klerk ng County-Tagapagtala simula ika-5 ng Oktubre, at sa lahat ng Sentro ng Serbisyo para sa Botante simula Oktubre 31 – ika-3 ng Nobyembre, Araw ng Halalan.

WHY YOUR BALLOT WOULD NOT BE COUNTED

1. Ballot arrives after the deadline.
2. The VBM Return Envelope is not signed.
3. The signature on the VBM Return Envelope does not match the signature on the voter's Affidavit of Registration.
4. The ballot is returned without the I.D. Return Envelope.

VBM Cure Process: New legislation requires the Election Office to send letters to voters who forgot to sign their return envelope or whose signatures did not match their signatures on file so their ballots can be validated and counted.

VOTE-BY-MAIL LOOK-UP ON THE WEB: Check the status of your returned VBM ballot on the Internet at:
www.slovote.com

For the latest updates, follow us on Facebook:

 facebook.com/slocountyclerkrec

TRACK YOUR BALLOT



You can track and receive notifications via email, SMS (text), or voice message on the status of your VBM ballot. Sign-up at:

WheresMyBallot.sos.ca.gov