

RESOLUTION NO.

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
ARROYO GRANDE PROVIDING FOR THE FILING OF
REBUTTAL ARGUMENTS FOR CITY MEASURES
SUBMITTED AT MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS**

WHEREAS, Section 9282 of the Elections Code of the State of California provides for written arguments to be filed in favor of or against city measures not to exceed 300 words in length; and

WHEREAS, Section 9285 of the Elections Code of the State of California authorizes the City Council by majority vote, to adopt provisions to provide for the filing of rebuttal arguments for city measures submitted at municipal elections.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Arroyo Grande as follows:

SECTION 1. That pursuant to Sections 9220 and 9285 of the Elections Code of the State of California, when the City Clerk has selected the arguments for and against the measure which will be printed and distributed to the voters, the City Clerk shall send a copy of an argument in favor of the measure to the authors of any argument against the measure, and a copy of an argument against the measure to the authors of any argument in favor of the measure immediately upon receiving the arguments.

The author or a majority of the authors of an argument relating to a city measure may prepare and submit a rebuttal argument not exceeding 250 words or may authorize in writing any other person or persons to prepare, submit, or sign the rebuttal argument.

A rebuttal argument may not be signed by more than five.

The rebuttal arguments shall be filed with the City Clerk, signed, with the printed name(s) and signature(s) of the author(s) submitting it, or if submitted on behalf of an organization, the name of the organization, and the printed name and signature of at least one of its principal officers, not more than 10 days after the final date for filing direct arguments. The rebuttal arguments shall be accompanied by the Form of Statement To Be Filed By Author(s) of Argument.

Rebuttal arguments shall be printed in the same manner as the direct arguments. Each rebuttal argument shall immediately follow the direct argument which it seeks to rebut.

SECTION 2. That all previous resolutions providing for the filing of rebuttal arguments for City measures are repealed.

SECTION 3. That the provisions of Section 1 shall apply only to the election to be held on November 8, 2022, and shall then be repealed.

SECTION 4. That the City Clerk shall certify to the passage and adoption of this Resolution and enter it into the book of original Resolutions.

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On motion of Council Member _____, seconded by Council Member _____, and on the following roll call vote, to wit:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

the foregoing Resolution was passed and adopted this 24th day of May, 2022.

CAREN RAY RUSSOM, MAYOR

ATTEST:

JESSICA MATSON, CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO CONTENT:

WHITNEY McDONALD, CITY MANAGER

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

TIMOTHY J. CARMEL, CITY ATTORNEY