



CITY COUNCIL STAFF REPORT

TO: Honorable Mayor and City Council **DATE:** September 17, 2018

FROM: Matthew Bronson, City Manager

PREPARED BY: Matthew Bronson, City Manager

SUBJECT: City Positions on State Propositions 1, 2, and 3

RECOMMENDATION

Adopt the Resolution taking City positions to support State Propositions 1, 2, and 3 on the November 2018 general election.

BACKGROUND

On August 20, 2018, staff presented an update on State ballot initiatives on the upcoming general election on November 6, 2018 and engaged the Council about potentially taking positions as a City on initiatives that impact local governments in consultation with the League of California Cities (League). There are 11 ballot initiatives total and the League has taken positions to support Proposition 1 (housing bond), Proposition 2 (homeless housing bond), and Proposition 3 (water bond) as well as to oppose Proposition 6 (repeal of SB 1 gas tax transportation funding). Staff also brought to the Council a Resolution to oppose Proposition 6 consistent with the Council's previous policy direction in opposition of the SB 1 repeal. The Council adopted this Resolution (Attachment 2) opposing Proposition 6 and also provided policy direction to take positions in support of Proposition 1, 2, and 3.

Attached for the Council's consideration is a Resolution taking City positions in support of these three propositions and below is a brief summary of each initiative with additional information at the League's website at <https://www.cacities.org/2018BallotMeasures>:

Proposition 1

The "Veterans and Affordable Housing Bond Act" is a \$4 billion general obligation bond for affordable housing projects, infill infrastructure projects, and veterans home ownership programs. The Legislature placed the bond on the ballot through the passage of SB 3 in 2017 as part of a 15 bill legislative package designed to generate funds for affordable housing construction and streamline the housing construction process. If the Housing Bond passes, money will be available to invest in much-needed affordable housing for very-low and low-income households, veterans and agricultural workers. Funds will be geared toward multi-family housing construction, development and rehabilitation, transit-oriented development, infill development and other programs. The League supports this initiative to help fund affordable housing programs in the state.

Proposition 2

The League supports this initiative that would enact the No Place Like Home Act of 2018 and submits that act to the voters at the November 2018 statewide general election. The initiative would specify that the service contracts between the authority and the department may be single-year or multiyear contracts and provide for payments to the department from amounts on

deposit in the Supportive Housing Program Subaccount. In addition, it would include any appropriation or transfer to the No Place Like Home Fund from the General Fund or other funds as moneys required to be paid into the No Place Like Home Fund. The initiative would authorize the Legislature to amend the No Place Like Home Act of 2018 by a two-thirds vote, so long as the amendment is consistent with and furthers the intent of the act.

Proposition 3

The League supports this measure that would authorize approximately \$9 billion in state general obligation bonds for various water infrastructure projects: \$3.03 billion for safe drinking water and water quality, \$2.895 billion for watershed and fisheries improvements, \$940 million for habitat protection, \$855 million for improved water conveyance, \$685 million for groundwater sustainability/storage, and \$472 million for surface water storage/dam repairs. It appropriates money from General Fund to pay off bonds and requires certain projects to provide matching funds from non-state sources; gives priority to disadvantaged communities. This initiative could also help provide funding for the Central Coast Blue regional groundwater recharge project currently under development with neighboring agencies.

FISCAL IMPACT

There is no specific fiscal impact from this item.

ALTERNATIVES

The Council has the following alternatives to consider:

1. Adopt the Resolution taking City positions in support of Propositions 1, 2, and 3; or
2. Modify the Resolution prior to taking action; or
3. Adopt a Resolution for one or two propositions rather than for all three; or
4. Provide alternative direction to staff.

PUBLIC NOTIFICATION

The agenda was posted in accordance with the Brown Act.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Resolution
2. Resolution No. 18-87, adopted by the City Council on August 20, 2018

RESOLUTION NO. 18-

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GROVER BEACH,
CALIFORNIA, TAKING A POSITION TO SUPPORT PROPOSITIONS 1, 2 AND 3
ON THE NOVEMBER 2018 GENERAL ELECTION**

WHEREAS, on August 20, 2018 the Grover Beach City Council reviewed upcoming and statewide ballot initiatives on the November 2018 elections in consultation with the League of California Cities to determine whether to take City positions on these initiatives; and

WHEREAS, the Grover Beach City Council adopted Resolution No. 18-87 taking a position to oppose Proposition 6 that would repeal SB 1 transportation funding throughout California and provided policy direction to take positions in support of Propositions 1, 2, and 3; and

WHEREAS, Proposition 1 authorizes \$4 billion general obligation bond for affordable housing projects, infill infrastructure projects, and veterans home ownership programs to invest in much-needed affordable housing for very-low and low-income households, veterans and agricultural workers; and

WHEREAS, Proposition 2 authorizes \$2 billion in revenue bonds from funding from Proposition 63 for permanent supportive housing programs including mental health programs for chronically homeless individuals; and

WHEREAS, Proposition 3 authorizes \$9 billion in state general obligation bonds for various water infrastructure projects including safe drinking water and water quality, watershed and fisheries improvements, habitat protection, improved water conveyance, groundwater sustainability/storage, and surface water storage/dam repairs; and

WHEREAS, the League of California Cities has also taken a position to support Propositions 1, 2, and 3.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Grover Beach, does hereby take a position to support Propositions 1, 2, and 3 on the November 2018 general election.

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

AYES: Council Member –
NOES: Council Member –
ABSENT: Council Member –
ABSTAIN: Council Member –

the foregoing Resolution was **PASSED, APPROVED, and ADOPTED** at a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Grover Beach, California this 17th day of September, 2018.

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JOHN P. SHOALS, MAYOR

Attest:

DONNA L. McMAHON, CITY CLERK