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# NEWS RELEASE

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## CITY CALLS FOR REQUESTS TO MAKE BALLOT MEASURE ARGUMENTS 2016 GENERAL ELECTION

LOS ANGELES — Los Angeles City Clerk Holly L. Wolcott announced today that individuals and organizations who wish to write arguments concerning City of Los Angeles’ measures, consolidated with the November 8, 2016 General Election, must submit requests to the office of Council President Herb J. Wesson Jr. **no later than 5:00 p.m., Friday, August 5, 2016.** Ballot arguments in favor of and against these measures will be published in the Voter Information Pamphlet which is provided to all registered voters in the City of Los Angeles.

The City Council has approved the following four measures to appear on the November ballot:

- City of Los Angeles Department of Water and Power (DWP). Charter Amendment.
- City of Los Angeles Fire and Police Pensions; Airport Peace Officers. Charter Amendment.
- Homelessness Reduction and Prevention, Housing, and Facilities Bond. Proposition.
- Affordable Housing and Labor Standards Related to City Planning. Initiative Ordinance.

Council President Wesson will designate applicants from the request pool to be considered by the City Council’s Rules and Elections Committee at its special meeting on Monday August 8, 2016, at 10:00 a.m. Designated authors will be notified by the City Clerk and provided with the necessary forms and detailed instructions.

The attached letter from Council President Wesson further explains the ballot measure argument submission process. Also attached is the form to request to be the designated author of a ballot argument in favor of or against a measure.

For further information or assistance, please contact Brian Walters with the City Clerk’s Council and Public Services Office at (213) 978-1081 or [Brian.Walters@lacity.org](mailto:Brian.Walters@lacity.org) between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

The Office of the City Clerk administers elections for the City of Los Angeles, the Los Angeles Unified School District, and the Los Angeles Community College District. More information can be found on the City Clerk's election website at: [clerk.lacity.org/elections](http://clerk.lacity.org/elections).

Attachments

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HERB J. WESSON, JR.  
COUNCILMEMBER, 10TH DISTRICT  
PRESIDENT, LOS ANGELES CITY COUNCIL

July 27, 2016

To Interested Parties:

**SUBJECT: BALLOT ARGUMENTS: NOVEMBER 8, 2016 STATE GENERAL ELECTION**

The City Council has adopted resolutions to place the following Ballot Measures before the voters on the November 8, 2016, State General Election:

City of Los Angeles Department of Water and Power (DWP). **Charter Amendment.**

City of Los Angeles Fire and Police Pensions; Airport Peace Officers. **Charter Amendment.**

Homelessness Reduction and Prevention, Housing, and Facilities Bond. **Proposition.**

Affordable Housing and Labor Standards Related to City Planning. **Initiative Ordinance.**

Section 605(c) of the City Election Code specifies that the President of the City Council, with the approval of the Rules and Elections Committee, may designate a person or association of persons to write arguments and/or rebuttal arguments **In Favor of and Against** the adoption of any measure to be placed on the ballot. In making a designation, the President of the City Council shall give preference in the following order: (1) an elected officer of the City; (2) an appointive officer of the City; (3) bona fide associations of citizens; (4) individual voters. Please note, elected officials and City employees submitting ballot arguments do so in their personal capacity. Election Code 605 also provides that argument and rebuttal argument in support of an initiative measure shall be written by the proponents of the initiative and signed by at least one of the proponents.

Individuals wishing to be designated to write arguments related to the above measures should submit written requests to my office no **later than 5:00 p.m. on August 5, 2016**. A form which may be used for this purpose is attached for your convenience. A copy of your request should also be forwarded to the Office of the City Clerk, City Hall, Room 395, Attention: Brian Walters.

The Rules, Elections, Intergovernmental Relations, and Neighborhoods Committee will consider my designations at a **special meeting on Monday, August 8, 2016, at 10:00 a.m.** Designated authors will be notified by the City Clerk and will be provided with detailed instructions and the necessary forms to proceed.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. If you have any questions or need additional information, please feel free to contact Brian Walters with the City Clerk's Office, at (213) 978-1050 or [brian.walters@lacity.org](mailto:brian.walters@lacity.org).

Sincerely,

  
HERB J. WESSON, JR.  
President, Los Angeles City Council  
10<sup>th</sup> Council District

Attachment

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# MEMORANDUM

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Date:

To: The Honorable Herb J. Wesson, Jr., Council President  
cc: Brian Walters (brian.walters@lacity.org), Office of the City Clerk

From:

Subject: BALLOT ARGUMENTS/REBUTTALS – NOVEMBER 8, 2016

In accordance with the provisions of Sections 605 of the City Election Code, the undersigned hereby requests designation as the author of the ballot/rebuttal argument for or against the following measures to be submitted to the voters at the State General Election on November 8, 2016. Election Code 605 also provides that argument and rebuttal argument in support of an initiative measure shall be written by the proponents of the initiative and signed by at least one of the proponents.

*Please indicate your selected measure(s) with checkmark(s) in the box on the left, and also indicate whether you would like to submit the ballot/rebuttal argument in favor of, or against the selected measure by checking the space(s) in the appropriate columns on the right.*

*Also please note, elected officials and City employees submitting ballot/rebuttal arguments do so in their personal capacity.*

**Submission Deadline: Friday, August 5, 2016 - no later than 5:00 p.m.**

<u>BALLOT MEASURE</u>	<u>ARGUMENT IN FAVOR</u>	<u>ARGUMENT AGAINST</u>
<input type="checkbox"/> CITY OF LOS ANGELES DEPARTMENT OF WATER AND POWER (DWP). CHARTER AMENDMENT __.	_____	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> CITY OF LOS ANGELES FIRE AND POLICE PENSIONS; AIRPORT PEACE OFFICERS. CHARTER AMENDMENT __.	_____	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> HOMELESSNESS REDUCTION AND PREVENTION, HOUSING, AND FACILITIES BOND. PROPOSITION __.	_____	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> AFFORDABLE HOUSING AND LABOR STANDARDS RELATED TO CITY PLANNING. INITIATIVE ORDINANCE __.	_____	_____

**Submitted by:**

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**Print Name (required)**

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**Signature (required)**

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**Daytime Phone Number (required)**

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**Date**

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**Daytime E-Mail Address (required)**

**Contact Information**  
BALLOT/REBUTTAL ARGUMENTS – NOVEMBER 8, 2016

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**Street Address**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**City/Zip**

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**Name of Designated Representative (if any)**

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**Representative's Daytime Phone Number**

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**Representative's Daytime E-Mail Address**