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**Prop A. Muni Infrastructure Improvement Bond.**

**Position: Support.**

This proposition would allow the City to borrow up to \$500 million by issuing general obligation bonds to implement much-needed infrastructure repairs to increase accessibility and safety of public transit for users.

The California League position supports: transportation systems which emphasize public transportation and reduce the reliance on vehicle travel; use of specified funds where social benefit outweighs the loss of flexibility; use of bond-financing for repair of public facilities.

**Prop B. Transportation Funding.**

**Position: Neutral**

LWVSF supports the purported uses of this funding for improvements and upgrades; however we are concerned that no funding sources have been identified to offset the impact this measure will probably have on the City's General Fund. Balancing the positive and negative aspects of the measure, we are neutral.

**Prop C. Children & Youth Fund: Public Education Enrichment Fund; Our Children, Our Families Council; Rainy Day Reserves.**

**Position: Neutral**

LWVSF could support this measure if it provided for the extension of the sunset dates for the named funds and reserve. However the transfer of authority over a portion of the Rainy Day Reserve and the increase in the set aside and its impact on the General Fund is concerning.

**Prop D. Retiree Health Benefits for Former Redevelopment Agency & Successor Agency Employees**

**Position: No position.**

LWVSF is taking no stand on this measure because League Positions do not cover the issues in Proposition D.

**Prop E. Tax on Sugar Sweetened Beverages**

**Position: Neutral**

LWVSF recognizes the importance of addressing the health issues raised in this Proposition. We are concerned, however that this earmarked tax further reduces the City government's ability to respond to the changing fiscal needs of the City. Balancing the positive and negative aspects of the measure, we are neutral.



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#### ***Prop F. Pier 70 Development Height Increase***

**Position: Support.**

This proposition allows the currently closed-off Pier 70 area to be used for mixed-use development—residential, office, retail, art, open and recreation spaces-- and increase public use. Currently the tallest historic structure is 90' and the height limit is 40' so this proposition allows the height limit to increase to 90'.

LWVSF supports measures that: improve its position as a port city; balances the need for more open space with the need for increased development; provide for the housing needs of low, moderate and middle-income groups.

#### ***Prop G. Housing Resale Tax***

**Position: Neutral.**

This proposition would add a new surtax on residential properties of two to thirty units that sell within five years of purchase. This is to prevent speculation and decrease evictions.

The League position supports anti-speculation regulation, however there are too many exemptions to the tax that warrant further examination.

#### ***Prop H. Golden Gate Park Athletic Fields***

**Position: No position.**

LWVSF is taking no stand on this measure because League Positions do not cover the issues in Proposition H.

#### ***Prop I. Renovation of Playgrounds, Walking Trails & Athletic Fields***

**Position: No position.**

LWVSF is taking no stand on this measure because League Positions do not cover the issues in Proposition I.

#### ***Prop J. Minimum Wage Increase***

**Position: No position.**

LWVSF is taking no stand on this measure because League Positions do not cover the issues in Proposition J.

#### ***Prop K. Affordable Housing Goals***

**Position: Neutral.**

LWVSF takes no stand on measures that are statements of policy only.

#### ***Prop L. Policy Regarding Transportation Priorities***

**Position: Neutral.**

LWVSF takes no stand on measures that are statements of policy only.