



**NOTICE OF ELECTION AND NOTICE TO VOTERS OF DATE AFTER WHICH NO ARGUMENTS FOR OR AGAINST (A) CITY MEASURE(S) MAY BE SUBMITTED TO THE CITY CLERK**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a General Election will be held in the City of Santa Cruz on Tuesday, November 8, 2022, at which there will be submitted to the voters the following measures:

Shall the City of Santa Cruz establish an “Empty Home Tax” on residences that are in use less than 120 days per calendar year in the amount of \$6,000 per single-family residence, \$6,000 per parcel with six or fewer units, and \$3,000 per year on condominiums and residential units on parcels with seven or more units, with revenue allocated toward affordable housing projects, 15% for administration, and 5% for homeless sanitation services, with administration overseen by a community oversight committee?	Yes
	No

Shall the City of Santa Cruz General Plan and Downtown Plan be amended to: (1) prohibit construction of the proposed Downtown Library and Affordable Housing Project and relocation of the Downtown Farmers Market; (2) require development of affordable housing on certain Downtown City-owned surface parking lots; and (3) designate the use of surplus parking district revenue for Downtown affordable housing development projects, alternative transportation programs for downtown workers and other non-parking related expenditures?	Yes
	No

To fund essential City services, including wildfire prevention; public safety; emergency response; creeks/streams protection; clean parks and public restrooms; street and sidewalk maintenance; affordable housing for working families and the homeless; creating local jobs, shall City of Santa Cruz Municipal Code be amended to increase the Transient Occupancy Tax, paid by tourists and others staying overnight at lodging facilities, from 11% to 12% for hotels/motels/inns, and from 11% to 14% for short-term residential vacation rentals, providing approximately \$1,380,000 annually?	Yes
	No

The polls will be open between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m.



NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that pursuant to Article 4, Chapter 3, Division 9 of the Elections Code of the State of California, the legislative body of the City, or any member or members thereof authorized by the body, or any individual voter or bona fide association of citizens, or any combination of voters and associations, may file a written argument, not to exceed 300 words in length, accompanied by 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 who is the author of the argument, for or against the City measure(s).

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that, based upon the time reasonably necessary to prepare and print the arguments and Voter Information Guide for the election, the City Clerk has fixed **August 19, 2022, during normal office hours**, as posted, as the date after which no arguments for or against the City measure(s) may be submitted to the clerk for printing and distribution to the voters as provided in the Article 4. Arguments shall be submitted to the City Clerk, accompanied by 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 who is the author of the argument, at the City Hall, Santa Cruz, California. Arguments may be changed or withdrawn until and including the date fixed by the City Clerk.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the City Council had determined that rebuttal arguments, not to exceed 250 words in length, as submitted by the authors of the opposing direct arguments, may be filed with the clerk, accompanied by 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 who is the author of the argument, not more than 10 days after the final date for filing direct arguments: **August 26, 2022.**

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that any ordinance, impartial analysis, or direct argument filed under the authority of the elections code will be available for public examination in the clerk's office for not less than 10-calendar days from the deadline for the filing of the arguments and analysis(es). Any rebuttal argument filed under the authority of the elections code will be available for public examination in the clerk's office for not less than 10-calendar days from the deadline for filing rebuttal arguments.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Bonnie Bush". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style with a large initial "B".

Bonnie Bush, City Clerk

July 6, 2022