

1 [Authorizing Preparation of Proponent/Opponent Ballot Arguments and Rebuttal Ballot  
2 Arguments - March 3, 2020, Consolidated Presidential Primary Election]

3 **Motion authorizing preparation of written Proponent and Opponent ballot arguments**  
4 **and rebuttal ballot arguments for submittal to the voters for the March 3, 2020,**  
5 **Consolidated Presidential Primary Election.**

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7 WHEREAS, The Board of Supervisors wishes to authorize the listed Board Member(s)  
8 or sponsor, supporting the following ballot measure(s), to prepare and submit a written  
9 proponent ballot argument(s) and proponent rebuttal argument(s) for submittal to the Director  
10 of Elections:

- 11       ▪ Charter Amendment (First Draft) to amend the Charter of the City and County of  
12 San Francisco to provide retiree health care benefits to employees of the Housing  
13 Authority of the City and County of San Francisco (“Housing Authority”) who started  
14 working for the City and County of San Francisco on or after March 7, 2019, and  
15 before March 1, 2021, without a break in service between employment with the  
16 Housing Authority and employment with the City and County of San Francisco; and  
17 affirming the Planning Department’s determination under the California  
18 Environmental Quality Act; at an election to be held on March 3, 2020. (Board File  
19 No. 190945) (Mayor Breed; Supervisors Walton, Peskin, Stefani, Yee, Safai,  
20 Ronen, Brown, Mar, Mandelman, Fewer, Haney)
- 21       ▪ Ordinance calling and providing for a special election to be held in the City and  
22 County of San Francisco on Tuesday, March 3, 2020, for the purpose of submitting  
23 to San Francisco voters a proposition to incur the following bonded debt of the City  
24 and County: \$628,500,000 to finance the construction, acquisition, improvement,  
25 renovation, and seismic retrofitting of the Emergency Firefighting Water System,

1 firefighting facilities and infrastructure, police facilities and infrastructure, facilities for  
2 the Department of Emergency Management's 911 Call Center, and other disaster  
3 response facilities and infrastructure for earthquake and public safety and related  
4 costs necessary or convenient for the foregoing purposes; authorizing landlords to  
5 pass-through 50% of the resulting property tax increase to residential tenants in  
6 accordance with Administrative Code, Chapter 37; finding that the estimated cost of  
7 such proposed project is and will be too great to be paid out of the ordinary annual  
8 income and revenue of the City and County and will require expenditures greater  
9 than the amount allowed therefor by the annual tax levy; reciting the estimated cost  
10 of such proposed project; fixing the date of election and the manner of holding such  
11 election and the procedure for voting for or against the proposition; fixing the  
12 maximum rate of interest on such bonds and providing for the levy and collection of  
13 taxes to pay both principal and interest; prescribing notice to be given of such  
14 election; finding that a portion of the proposed bond is not a project under the  
15 California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and adopting findings under CEQA for  
16 the remaining portion of the proposed bond; finding that the proposed bond is in  
17 conformity with the eight priority policies of Planning Code, Section 101.1(b), and is  
18 consistent with the General Plan; consolidating the special election with the general  
19 election; establishing the election precincts, voting places, and officers for the  
20 election; waiving the word limitation on ballot propositions imposed by Municipal  
21 Elections Code, Section 510; complying with the restrictions on the use of bond  
22 proceeds specified in California Government Code, Section 53410; incorporating  
23 the provisions of Administrative Code, Sections 5.30-5.36; and waiving the time  
24 requirements specified in Administrative Code, Section 2.34. (Board File No.  
25 190494) (Mayor Breed; Supervisors Fewer, Stefani, Mar, Safai, Brown)

- 1           ▪ Motion ordering submitted to the voters at an election to be held on March 3, 2020,  
2           an Ordinance amending the Business and Tax Regulations Code and  
3           Administrative Code to impose an excise tax on persons keeping ground floor  
4           commercial space in certain neighborhood commercial districts and certain  
5           neighborhood commercial transit districts vacant, to fund assistance to small  
6           businesses; increasing the City’s appropriations limit by the amount collected under  
7           the tax for four years from March 3, 2020; and affirming the Planning Department’s  
8           determination under the California Environmental Quality Act. (Board File No.  
9           191005) (Supervisors Peskin; Ronen)
- 10          ▪ Initiative Ordinance submitted by the Mayor to the voters for the March 3, 2020,  
11          Election, entitled "Ordinance amending the Planning Code to 1) add back certain  
12          converted office space to make it available for office development projects, 2)  
13          establish the Affordable Housing and Small Business Priority reserve to make office  
14          space available for office developments that provide sites for affordable housing or  
15          include community arts, PDR space or neighborhood-serving retail, and 3) increase  
16          the cap for smaller office development projects." (Board File No. 191055) (Mayor  
17          Breed)

18           WHEREAS, The Board of Supervisors wishes to authorize the listed Board Member(s)  
19           opposed to the following ballot measure(s) to prepare and submit a written opponent ballot  
20           argument(s) and opponent rebuttal ballot argument(s) for submittal to the Director of  
21           Elections:

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2 the cap for smaller office development projects." (Board File No. 191055)

- 3 ■ Initiative Ordinance submitted by petition to the voters, amending the Planning  
4 Code to modify the Office Development Limitation Program, entitled "San Francisco  
5 Balanced Development Act."
- 6 ■ General Obligation Bond submitted by the San Francisco Community College  
7 District, entitled "City College Job Training, Repair and Earthquake Safety  
8 Measure."

9 WHEREAS, The Board Member(s) or sponsor authorized by this Motion to submit the  
10 ballot argument(s) will submit the proponent/opponent argument(s) to the Director of Elections  
11 no later than the deadline of noon, December 12, 2019, and the respective rebuttal  
12 proponent/opponent ballot argument(s) no later than noon, December 16, 2019; now,  
13 therefore, be it

14 MOVED, That the Board of Supervisors hereby authorizes the Board Member(s) or  
15 sponsor listed above, under Municipal Elections Code, Sections 530 and 550, to prepare and  
16 submit written proponent/opponent ballot argument(s) and respective rebuttal  
17 proponent/opponent ballot argument(s) on the listed measures as referenced; and, be it

18 FURTHER MOVED, That the Board Member(s) or sponsor who are authorized by this  
19 Motion to prepare and submit proponent/opponent ballot argument(s), may authorize or  
20 assign to any other person(s) under Municipal Elections Code, Section 550(c) and (d), to  
21 prepare and submit the proponent/opponent's ballot argument(s) and/or respective rebuttal  
22 argument(s).