VOTING LOGISTICS

When?

5/9: Early voting starts at City Hall, 8am-5pm Mon-Fri

5/23: Deadline to register to vote

5/28, 5/29, 6/4, 6/5: Weekend voting at City Hall! 10am-4pm

6/7: Election Day! Polls open 7am-8pm. If you’re in line by 8pm, you can vote!

Where? Who?

▶ Where’s your polling place? See tinyurl.com/SFPollingPlace, call 311, or just go vote at City Hall.

▶ People with Felony Convictions Can Vote! You can still vote as long as you’re off parole. Don’t let the Man disenfranchise you.

▶ Slackers Can Vote: Election Day Voter Registration! Did you miss the 5/23 deadline to register to vote? Do you know where City Hall is? Go there! You can register and vote right up through Election Day. Late registration is only available at the Dept. of Elections in the basement of City Hall, not regular polling places.

▶ Youth can (almost) vote! If you’re 16 or 17, register and vote right up through Election Day. Your registration will automatically be activated when you turn 18.

We meet the SF League of Pissed Off Voters

We’re a bunch of political geeks in a torrid love affair with San Francisco. The League formed in 2004 with the goal of building a progressive governing majority in our lifetime. Our contribution is this voter guide: a secret decoder ring for SF politics. All of us lucky enough to enjoy the San Francisco magic owe it to our City to fight to keep it diverse, just, and healthy.

This voter guide (our 30th in SF!) is thoroughly researched and thoroughly biased. It’s how we educate our friends on the issues, excite pissed-off progressive voters, and remind sellout politicians that we’re paying attention.

Hang out with the League

Want to get involved, got a question about this stuff, or just wanna have a drink with us?

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Prop C: Reform Recalls

Ok, so as it stands, billionaires can hire paid signature gatherers to trigger recalls in SF whenever they feel like it. This wastes everyone’s time and taxpayer dollars. And recalls are not a fair fight - they favor conservatives. More elections = lower turnout, which disenfranchises working, busy, and traditionally marginalized voters (who lean progressive). Since a recall is technically a proposition instead of a candidate, campaign finance contribution limits don’t apply and fatcats can bankroll the bad guys.

Plus, under current law, if any SF elected official is recalled, we don’t get to vote on their replacement. Whoever the Mayor appoints to fill the empty seat gets to run (and usually win) as an incumbent. Bleagh.

Prop C would crack down on frivolous recalls by banning them in the first year of a term, or within a year of the next election, and would bar replacement appointees from running as incumbents - so we can actually elect our elected officials. Yay! Vote Hell Yes on Prop C.

Prop E: Close “Behested Payments” Slush Fund Loophole

The SF Ethics Commission, the city’s campaign finance watchdog, crafted this prop to close a loophole in our anti-bribery laws. Right now, members of the Board of Supervisors can’t take money from any company doing business with the City. But they can encourage those companies, whose contracts they are in a position to affect, to make donations to a charity the Supervisor favors. That’s called “soliciting a behested payment” and is one of the clear conflicts of interest used to build slush funds in various foundations and pet nonprofits - which then turn around and use the money in ways that benefit the Supervisor, their family, or their political agenda.

Prop E would tighten up the laws by banning these solicitations while contracts are considered, and until twelve months after an approved contract ends. It also makes it harder for the Board to tamper with these rules in the future. Vote Yes on Prop E.

Prop H: Don’t let the Right-wing Recall our DA, Chesa Boudin

In November 2019 (the Before Times), San Francisco elected badass progressive public defender Chesa Boudin to be our District Attorney. Boudin promised to fix SF’s broken criminal justice system, which put too many poor and BIPOC San Franciscans behind bars and wasn’t making our city any safer.

Since his election, Boudin has done exactly what he promised to do. The list is long, but here are some highlights: he ended cash bail, established an Innocence Commission to review cases of wrongful conviction, stopped criminalizing youth through gang enhancements and adult charges, expanded support services and privacy for victims, increased services for SF’s Chinese community in response to anti-Asian violence, and sought unprecedented accountability for police who break the law.

Despite (because of?) this awesome record, the same conservative law-and-order types who lost that election in 2019 have poured millions of dollars into signature gathering efforts and ad campaigns to recall Chesa. Don’t be fooled! Vote Hell No on Prop H.