

COUNTY OF SONOMA
REGISTRAR OF VOTERS OFFICE

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The undersigned author(s) of the (select one of the following)

ARGUMENT IN FAVOR (300 WORDS)

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ARGUMENT AGAINST (300 WORDS)

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ballot measure W at the general election for
(Letter) (Name of Election)

the City of Sonoma being held on 11/3, 20 20
(Jurisdiction) (Date of Election)

hereby state that such argument is true and correct to the best of his/her/their knowledge and belief.

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E.C. §§9164, 9190, 9283, 9295, 9380, 9501, 9600

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Rebuttal Against Measure "W"

Despite the claims of proponents, the proposed ordinance fails to realistically allow for the creation of affordable housing for Sonoma's working households.

Unlike in 2000, there are no longer large plots of land within the City limits suitable for affordable housing production. Failure to identify suitable land, under state law, may leave the City prone to costly litigation. Was there an inventory of what lands could even be eligible under this renewed law? Why can't 20 acres total simply be the aggregate limit? Why are the affordability limits so strict they essentially prohibit homeownership?

The restrictions imposed by this ordinance add additional layers of delay, cost, and uncertainty to an already highly stressed and problematic affordable housing development process. A supermajority approval requirement of 80% of the Council is an insult to democracy. This is a 20 year lockdown of the Sonoma General Plan that did not even go before the full Planning Commission for public review and a complete hearing. Ad hoc drafting meetings ignored support for affordable housing expressed by community advocates.

While ostensible efforts are made to focus on "preserving agricultural resources, reducing traffic, improving air quality, and maintaining scenic beauty", then why the silence by UGB advocates on the Amazon mega distribution center just south of Sonoma, which would have a much greater impact on the Valley than homes for regular people? There is clearly more concern for ecological diversity than social diversity. The true agenda here is exclusion and economic apartheid. Vote NO on "W".