

September 6, 1988

REPORT TO THE HONORABLE
MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL
BALLOT LANGUAGE OF PROPOSITIONS H AND J:
GROWTH MANAGEMENT ELEMENT AND CITIZENS' INITIATIVE

Subsequent to the enactment of the November 8, 1988 Election Ordinance by the City Council on August 9, 1988, Citizens for Limited Growth has made repeated requests for changes ranging in ballot order to ballot language.

Since any changes in the election ordinance would require an amendment authorized by the Council, it is appropriate to inform you of these requests for changes. Attached to this report as Exhibits A and B are the existing ballot propositions. Attached as Exhibits C and D are the proposed changes sought by Citizens for Limited Growth.

While there is no legal error or omission in the existing ballot proposals (Elections Code section 10015), the Council may wish to consider changes between the measures to afford the voter a more comprehensive and direct comparison between the measures. These matters are brought to your attention in an effort to clarify two (2) very lengthy and technical land use propositions, so that the voter will have a more informed basis for his or her decision.

Thus, we will cause the election ordinance to be brought back for your consideration on September 12, 1988. In the interim we will cause draft revisions which we believe will more fully accomplish the task and we will be prepared to present them to you for such action as you deem appropriate on that date.

Respectfully submitted,

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Attachments:

Exhibits A-D

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