

Rebuttal to Argument Against CCC – Independent Ethics Commission

Vote Yes on Measure CCC and create an Independent Ethics Commission

Measure CCC ensures an independent Ethics Commission made up of qualified residents that include experts in public law, public policy, campaign finance, auditing, and those who have demonstrated a history of involvement in local governance.

Measure CCC **prohibits the appointment of elected officials and lobbyists** to ensure regular citizens will enforce ethics rules for our city government.

Our Elected and appointed officials should serve the interests of the City and its residents. Across the country and locally, we have seen too many examples of public officials using their position to serve their own interests at the expense of the public interest. We can make sure this does not happen in Long Beach by voting yes on Measure CCC.

Measure CCC will create an independent Ethics Commission in Long Beach to **hold local politicians and public officials accountable** to strong ethical standards.

The independent Ethics Commission would help monitor our existing lobbying ordinance and promote and enforce good government measures for both elected and appointed members of our local government. It will also enhance public confidence in the fairness and transparency of our local government.

Measure CCC is a good government measure that will make our government more effective, efficient, and ethical.

We urge you to Vote YES on MEASURE CCC to make sure our local leaders are held to the highest ethical standards.

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