

**LAGUNA WOODS DEMOCRATIC CLUB
VOTING ADVICE ON NOVEMBER 2022 BALLOT MEASURES**

Laguna Woods

Proposition Number:	1	26	27	28	29	30	31	Measure T	
* LAGUNA WOODS DEMOCRATIC CLUB RECOMMENDATIONS	YES	NO	NO	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	
COMPARE WITH OTHER GROUPS VOTING ADVICE _____									
• California Democratic Party	YES	Neutral	NO	YES	YES	YES	YES	N/A	
• Concerned Citizens of Laguna Woods	YES	NO	NO	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	
• CA Labor Federation	YES	Neutral	Neutral	YES	YES	Neutral	YES	N/A	
• Sierra Club of California	YES	— (Only 2 positions to date) —			—	Neutral	YES	N/A	
• CA Environmental Voters	YES	— (Only 3 positions to date) —			—	YES	YES	N/A	
• CA Chamber of Commerce	—	(Only 2 positions to date)			—	NO	NO	—	N/A
• CA Republican Party	NO	NO	NO	Neutral	NO	NO	NO	N/A	

*CDP Bylaws require at least 60% Executive Board vote to endorse for or against initiatives.
On Proposition 26, No got more votes, but not 60%.

BEWARE 'SPECIAL-INTEREST' ADS:

A flood of TV ads pro/con a few propositions will each cost over \$100 million. Who pays that much to fight or pass initiatives? "Special interests" with many times that in profits at stake. **Don't be fooled** by their deceptive ads in this "post-truth era" – especially the Lies for No-on-23 (claiming "patients will die" due to for-profit dialysis clinics closing); and pro/con dueling initiatives Propositions 26 and 27 trying to gain big bucks in California sports gambling.

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Proposition 1:

The Legislature-proposed California Constitution amendment to codify *Roe v. Wade's* right to reproductive choice and abortion care, and *Griswold v. Connecticut's* right to contraception (*Griswold* also was the U.S Supreme Court's first major precedent on right to privacy) – vital "independent state rights" will prevail over any contrary federal law passed if/when the GOP controls Congress and White House.

Proposition 26:

Expands legal gambling in California, but only for those twenty-one years of age; only at on-site locations; and only for new sports betting at casinos that is on tribal land and take place at the four big privately-operated horse racing tracks in four counties (Orange, Los Angeles, San Diego and Alameda); and will let tribes add dice and roulette betting on-site at their casinos.

Proposition 27:

This initiative also expands legal gambling but differs in that it allows gambling on any online device. The proposed law was written by three giant multi-national sports betting corporations, who also provided the financing for the proposition. Most of the profits go to these corporations. A small percent of the net profit (the amount left over from gross profit after deducting all other costs) fall into the category of the *cost of doing business* and would be allocated to non-gaming Native American tribes and homeless programs.

Proposition 28:

More money for arts and music education in K-12 public schools (with no new taxes).

Proposition 29:

Third recent iteration of two recent kidney dialysis clinic regulation initiatives which were killed by huge ad spending by the two corporate giants, DaVita and Fresenius. These companies control most dialysis in California. These fear-mongering and false ads claim that many patients will die because their clinics will close.

Proposition 30:

Funds electric vehicles and charging stations, and wildfire prevention, from 1¼% tax on incomes over \$2 million.

Proposition 31:

The tobacco industry's attack on a recent bill regulating flavored tobacco products (that attract young people). A Yes vote lets the law go into effect; a No vote kills it.

Laguna Woods Measure T:

City Council proposed a ordinance authorizing a cannabis business tax. For full text on the ballot, the ordinance (23 pages), the City Attorney's analysis, arguments for/against and rebuttals, go to:

<https://www.CityofLagunaWoods.org/measuret/>

More on Proposition 26:

Proponents of propositions 26 and 27 are large casino-operating tribes, small tribes with no casino, and giant multi-national sports betting corporations which are pouring millions into television ads for their own proposition and debunking the other proposition. Props 26 and 27 are clearly a fight to control big new gambling profits. We heard that some unions oppose Proposition 26 because they assert it will cost employees' jobs at some cities' small "card-rooms." We also oppose Proposition 26 because the added gambling profits will go to just a few entities and people who now already profit from gambling. It is also regressive (compared to a lot more fair progressive tax alternatives) as it is largely paid by lower-income folks and/or those with gambling addictions. Revenue equal to added gambling profits should be more fairly raised and appropriated.

For more info on propositions: See "Official Voter Info Guide" to be mailed to voters. Or read it online at: VoterGuide.sos.gov/propositions Click proposition number, then click item you wish in menu in left panel: "Official Title and Summary" and/or "Analysis" and/or "Arguments and Rebuttals".