Ballot Measure Argument Rebuttal Submission Form

If both an argument in favor of and against a measure have been selected for publication in the voter information pamphlet, a rebuttal to the argument in favor of or the argument against the measure may be submitted as outlined in this form.

The author of the argument in favor of the measure may prepare and submit a rebuttal argument to the argument against the measure or may authorize in writing any other person or persons to prepare, submit, or sign the rebuttal argument. Likewise, the author of the argument against the measure may prepare and submit a rebuttal argument to the argument in favor of the measure or may authorize in writing any other person or persons to prepare, submit, or sign the rebuttal argument.

A rebuttal argument shall not be accepted unless accompanied by this completed form, which shall contain the printed name(s) and signature(s) of the person(s) submitting it or, if submitted on behalf of a bona fide association of citizens/organization, the name of the association/organization and the printed name and signature of at least one of its principal officers.

Word count limit for Rebuttal Arguments = 250

The rebuttal arguments shall be submitted to the elections official conducting the election no later than Aug 28, 2017.

These rules apply to all rebuttal arguments unless a rebuttal argument is otherwise provided by law.

Ballot Measure___________ for the Special Election to be held on Nov 7, 2017

☑ Rebuttal to Argument in Favor of Measure ______  ☐ Rebuttal to Argument Against Measure ______

Signed by Exact Same Individual(s) as Argument Already Selected for the Voter Information Pamphlet

If you are submitting a rebuttal argument and the individual(s) signing the rebuttal argument are the same as the individual(s) signing the original Ballot Measure Primary Argument Submission Form, check the following box and complete the back side of this form.

☐ Rebuttal Argument Is Signed by Same Individual(s) as Argument Already Selected For the Voter Information Packet

Submitted by Different Individual(s) as the Opposing Primary Argument

If the rebuttal argument is signed by anyone different than the signer(s) of the Ballot Measure Primary Argument Submission Form already submitted—including whether there is only one different individual or whether there are up to five new individuals—you must complete the section below, complete the back side of this form, and attach to this form the written authorization by the author that indicates: (i) your name(s); and (ii) the author’s name, contact information, statement of authorization, and signature.

Contact Person: [Name]

[Name]

[Phone]

[Email]

[Address]

[City, State, Zip]

[City, State, ZIP]

Fax:

Please complete the reverse side of this form.
# Rebuttal Argument Signers Form

No more than five signatures shall appear with any argument. If more than five signatures are submitted, the first five listed shall be printed.

Names and titles listed will be printed in the order that they are listed below.

If the signers are part of a bona fide association/organization, for each such signing individual(s), the title under the signer’s name shall list the name of that bona fide association/organization and may include their position within that association/organization.

By signing below, the undersigned state that they have read the argument and believe it not to be false or misleading.

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Submit a second form (this side only) for alternate signers attached to this form and the argument.
The facts:

- The income from property taxes received by the town has so increased in the past few years that it will exceed income from the NEW parcel tax.

- Without this parcel tax the town has more income than ever before. Police services account for 55.2% of the budget, which costs increased by $1,183,540 (19.6%) since 2015-16. Parcel taxes primarily fund only ONE local school resource officer.

- According to the town’s 2016-17 budget, and by law, the parcel tax constitutes 2.5% (NOT 13%) of the general fund.

- The town HAS $4.4M in its capital improvement fund that it can spend on capital projects like roads, drainage and safe bike and pedestrian routes. It has indicated it will instead spend it on a building because it is “SURPLUS” “EXTRA”.

- A common refrain in town government has been “we have the money”. If there is no limit to how much can be spent, it will all be spent. This reaction is one reason the council has never adjusted the parcel tax below the maximum amount despite its pledge to do so if the money was not needed.

--- It is TAXPAYERS in Atherton who pay property taxes.

--- TAXPAYERS were responsible for the first clean audit.

--- IT was TAXPAYERS who insisted parcel tax dollars be used for much-needed capital improvements.

As a taxpayer it is your right to say the parcel tax has now become obsolete.

Vote NO on Measure _#_