

Ballot Simplification Committee - DRAFT for Consideration on Friday, August 1, 2014
Golden Gate Park Athletic Fields *(working title only, subject to change)*

THE WAY IT IS NOW:

The City's Recreation and Park Department operates and maintains Golden Gate Park (the "Park"). Crossover Drive runs through the Park in a generally north to south direction. Crossover Drive begins on the north side of the Park at 25th Avenue and ends on the south side of the Park at 19th Avenue.

The Park includes athletic fields located west of Crossover Drive. These fields are all natural grass and do not have lights to allow for nighttime sports activities. The largest of the athletic fields west of Crossover Drive are the Polo Field and the Beach Chalet Fields.

The Recreation and Park Commission and the Planning Commission have approved a project to replace the natural grass on the four soccer fields at Beach Chalet Fields with synthetic turf and to install field lighting there to allow for nighttime use. The Board of Supervisors, Board of Appeals, and California Coastal Commission have all taken additional actions required to authorize the project.

THE PROPOSAL:

Proposition ___ would require the City to maintain all athletic fields in Golden Gate Park west of Crossover Drive as natural grass.

Proposition ___ would also prohibit nighttime sports field lighting in these areas.

A "YES" VOTE MEANS: If you vote "yes," you want to require the City to maintain all athletic fields in Golden Gate Park west of Crossover Drive as natural grass and to prohibit nighttime sports field lighting in these areas.

A "NO" VOTE MEANS: If you vote "no," you do not want to require the City to maintain all athletic fields in Golden Gate Park west of Crossover Drive as natural grass and you do not want to prohibit nighttime sports field lighting in these areas.

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