

Golden Gate Park Music Concourse Parking Garage *

Digest by the Ballot Simplification Committee

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The Way It Is Now: The Recreation and Park Commission (Commission) oversees and sets policies for the Recreation and Park Department. The Recreation and Park Department manages City parks, playgrounds and recreation centers.

In June 1998, the voters approved a measure creating a nonprofit organization called the Golden Gate Park Concourse Authority (Authority) with responsibility for the construction of an underground parking garage below the Music Concourse using no public funds. The measure did not address the use of public funds to operate the garage.

The Authority and the Commission leased the space for the underground parking garage to a nonprofit organization, which manages the garage and uses parking revenues to fund operating expenses and pay off the construction loan. The Board of Supervisors sets the parking rates.

The Proposal: Proposition ___ would allow the City to use public funds to acquire, operate or subsidize public parking in the underground parking garage below the Music Concourse.

Proposition ___ would also direct the Authority to dissolve, resulting in the transfer of its responsibilities to the Commission.

A "YES" Vote Means: If you vote "yes," you want to allow the City to use public funds to acquire, operate or subsidize public parking in the underground parking garage below the Music Concourse in Golden Gate Park, and direct the Authority to dissolve.

A "NO" Vote Means: If you vote "no," you do not want to make these changes.