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REPUBLICANS OF RIVER CITY MAJOR LOCAL ISSUE DEBATE EVENT

REPUBLICANS OF RIVER CITY WELCOME FORMER SACRAMENTO CITY MAYOR HEATHER FARGO AND TAB BERG DEBATING MEASURE L

September 16, 2014 at Courtyard By Marriott Sacramento Cal Expo
located at: 1782 Tribute Road
Sacramento, 95815

The social hour starts at 6:30 PM and the general meeting starts at 7:15 PM.



vs.



Meet Tab Berg
TABcommunications, Inc.

This is a debate you will definitely want to attend!

Former Sacramento City Mayor Heather Fargo will speak against Measure L

Political consultant Tab Berg will speak in favor of Measure L

After the debate members of Republicans of River City will cast their vote on Measure L

Measure L- Sacramento Charter Revision (Also known as the Sacramento Checks and Balances Act of 2014):

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THE DIVIDE: AMERICAN INJUSTICE IN THE AGE OF THE WEALTH GAP

by Matt Taibbi

Over the last two decades, America has been falling deeper and deeper into a statistical mystery:

- Poverty goes up. Crime goes down. The prison population doubles.
- Fraud by the rich wipes out 40 percent of the world's wealth. The rich get massively richer. No one goes to jail.

In search of a solution, journalist Matt Taibbi discovered the Divide, the seam in American life where our two most troubling trends—growing wealth inequality and mass incarceration—come together,
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HEATHER FARGO VS. TAB BERG

“Shall the City of Sacramento Charter be revised, on a trial basis, to establish: a mayor-council governance structure wherein the elected mayor oversees city operations and a budget subject to Council approval and override?”

Measure L, if passed by a majority of City of Sacramento voters, it will revise the Sacramento City Charter, the framework for city government. This measure changes the city’s current “council-manager” form of government to a “mayor-council” form.

Measure L provides for new bodies and a new office:

- ♦ An independent citizens’ redistricting commission responsible for modifying council district boundaries after the census
- ♦ An Ethics Committee responsible for reviewing and monitoring a new ethics ordinance
- ♦ A Neighborhood Advisory Committee to consider city neighborhoods’ interests
- ♦ An Office of Independent Budget Analyst (appointed by council)

Measure L requires the council to pass ordinances:

- ♦ Establishing redistricting commission member qualifications and providing for their appointment
- ♦ Adopting a Code of Ethics and Conduct for elected officials and appointed board and commission members
- ♦ Adopting sunshine provisions for accessing city meetings, documents, and records
- ♦ Establishing an Ethics Committee
- ♦ Establishing a Neighborhood

Advisory Committee

- ♦ Establishing the independent budget analyst’s qualifications and duties

Measure L makes other charter changes consistent with the revisions described above.

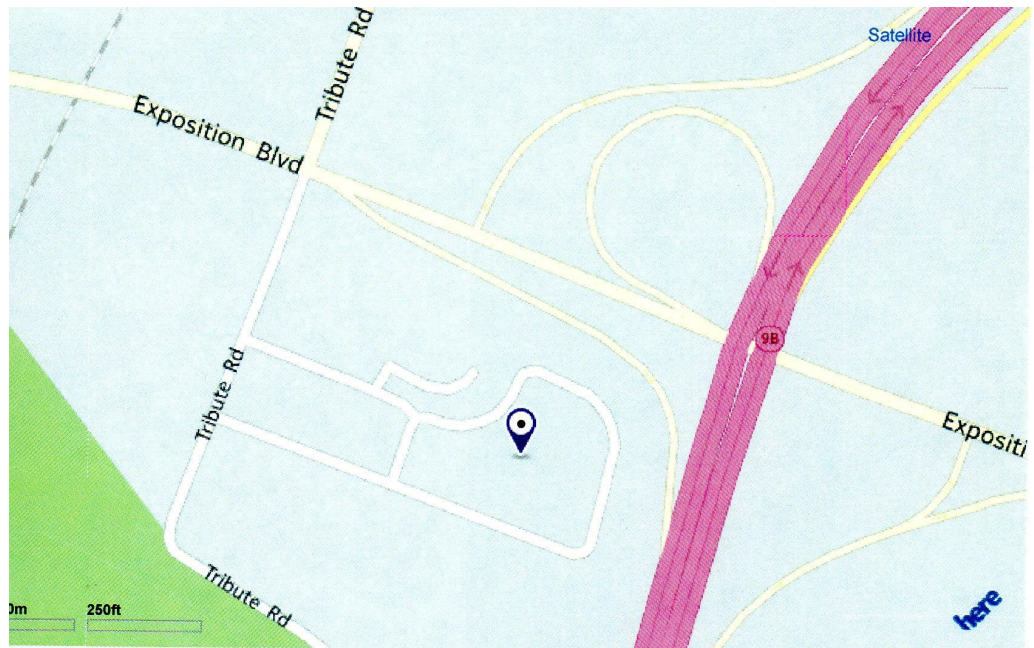
If Measure L passes, all changes except those regarding establishment of district boundaries are subject to voter preapproval at an election no later than 11/3/2020. If not reapproved, the changes are automatically repealed on 1/1/2021.

A “YES” vote is in favor of revising the charter.

A “NO” vote is against revising the charter.

Supporters and Opponents will debate the Strong Mayor Proposal at our September meeting of RRC taking place at the Marriott Courtyard on the 16 of the month.

The Marriott Courtyard is located at 1782 Tribute Road, Sacramento 95815:



THE DIVIDE

driven by a dramatic shift in American citizenship: Our basic rights are now determined by our wealth or poverty. The Divide is what allows massively destructive fraud by the hyperwealthy to go unpunished, while turning poverty itself into a crime—but it’s impossible to see until you look at these two alarming trends side by side.

The book takes readers on a galvanizing journey through both sides of our new system of justice—the fun-house-mirror worlds of the untouchably wealthy and the criminalized poor. As Taibbi narrates incredible stories, he draws out and analyzes their common source: a perverse new standard of justice.

Through astonishing—and enraging—accounts of the high-stakes capers of the wealthy and nightmare stories of regular people caught in the Divide’s punishing logic, Taibbi lays bare one of the greatest challenges we face in contemporary American life: surviving a system that devours the lives of the poor, turns a blind eye to the destructive crimes of the wealthy.

DOG HEROES OF SEPTEMBER 11TH: A Tribute to America's Search and Rescue Dogs

by Nona Kilgore Bauer (Author),
Rudy Giuliani (Foreword)

Review by Lynn Campbell

A must read for dog lovers!!

You will weep yet again over the devastation and heartbreak of that day and the days that followed, as recounted and chronicled by the handlers. But you will be inspired over and over by the heart, courage and dedication these dogs displayed as they worked tirelessly to find anyone living, and eventually to find any remains in order to provide that small measure of

comfort to the families. Their task was daunting and many suffered extreme exhaustion, injuries etc, but they could not be deterred from their task.

The 10th anniversary edition has been updated to include current information on the dogs. Only a few are still alive today and you will weep as the owners share their memories and last days with those dogs who have passed away since 9-11-2001.

Overall, a beautiful book and a heart-stirring tribute to search and rescue dogs everywhere and those who train them and work with them in service to our nation.

Truly they are man's BEST FRIEND!

Mexico Independence Day (9/16)

By Carl Burton

Mexican-Americans have made extensive contributions to California and the United States and are an important part of our nation's diverse social and economic fabric.

I know from personal experience that there are a lot of good people in Mexico that have fought for good values, and good ideas and Republicans of River City want to congratulate them on their Happy Independence Day.

So RRC get into the spirit, hear the Mariachi music play and rock to its tunes. Celebrate the Mexican history and tradition with your loved ones and friends. It's Mexico Independence Day!



NEVER FORGET

By Robert Evans

On the 13th anniversary of the Sept. 11 attacks, each year, we remember those who died at ground zero, the Pentagon and on Flight 93 at Shanksville Pennsylvania.

"Our enemies have made the mistake that America's enemies always make. They saw liberty and thought they saw weakness. And now, they'll see defeat."

— George W. Bush, President of the United States

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DOES MODERATE ISLAMIC IDEOLOGY EXIST?

By Tawfik Hamid

One of the guiding principles of the Islamic State is that Muslims must fight non-Muslims all over the world and offer them the following choices: Join, pay a humiliating tax called "jijya," or to be killed. This violent principle was the basic doctrine that justified the Islamic conquests by the early Muslims.

After recent savagery by ISIS and other militant groups around the world, the following question inevitably is raised: Is it possible to be a follower and not adhere to that mandate?

In other words, if a young Muslim became very religious,

is there an approved Islamic theological source or interpretation that clearly contradicts such a principle or at least teaches it in a different way, for example, contextualizing it in time and place?

The sad answer is: No.

Typically, there are five sources for Islamic law. These are: the Koran — the Hadith of Prophet Muhammad (such as Sahih Al-Buchakry), the actions of the disciples of Mohamed (Sahaba), the four schools of Islamic jurisprudence, and the Tafseer or Interpretations of the Koran.

The literal understanding of the Koran 9:29 can easily be used to justify what extremists are doing. "Fight those who do not believe in Allah or in the Last Day and who do not consider unlawful what Allah and His Messenger have

made unlawful and who do not adopt the religion of truth from those who were given the Scripture (Jews and Christians) - [fight] until they give the jizyah willingly while they are humiliated."

The following Sahih (authentic) Hadith in Al-Buchakry also supports violent ideology.

"Muhammad said: "I have been ordered to fight the people till they say: La ilaha illallah (none has the right to be worshipped but Allah), and whoever said No God other than, Allah will save his property and his life from me."

Dr. Tawfik Hamid is the author of "Inside Jihad: Understanding and Confronting Radical Islam."

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_____ Couples Membership: enclosed is our check for \$40

Signature _____

Date _____

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