

RESOLUTION NO. 37-24

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL
OF THE CITY OF MORRO BAY, CALIFORNIA,
PROVIDING FOR THE FILING OF REBUTTAL ARGUMENTS REGARDING
THE SUBMISSION OF ORDINANCE NO. 659(B) TO THE QUALIFIED VOTERS
OF THE CITY AS A PROPOSED MEASURE A-24**

**THE CITY COUNCIL
City of Morro Bay, California**

WHEREAS, a General Municipal Election is to be held in the City of Morro Bay, California, on November 5, 2024, at which there will be submitted to the voters a ballot measure to consider adopting Ordinance No. 659(b) entitled, "Initiative Measure to Amend City of Morro Bay's General Plan (Plan Morro Bay), adopted by City Council on May 25, 2021, to prohibit, unless approved by Morro Bay Voters, any change to Land Use Designations of Visitor-Serving Commercial or Commercial/Recreational Fishing, on Certain designated Parcels within the City"; and

WHEREAS, California Elections Code § 9285 authorizes the City Council, by majority vote, to adopt provisions to provide for the filing of rebuttal arguments regarding City measures submitted at municipal election;

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MORRO BAY, CALIFORNIA, DOES RESOLVE, DECLARE, DETERMINE AND ORDER AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. That pursuant to Elections Code § 9285, when the City's elections official has selected the arguments for and against the foregoing measure, which will be printed and distributed to the voters, the City's elections official shall send copies of the argument in favor of the measure to the authors of the argument against, and copies of the argument against to the authors of the argument in favor. The author or a majority of the authors of an argument relating to the foregoing city measure may prepare and submit a rebuttal argument not to exceed two hundred and fifty (250) words in length. A rebuttal argument may not be signed by more than five (5) authors. The rebuttal arguments shall be filed with the City Clerk not more than ten (10) days after the final date for filing direct arguments. The final date for filing direct arguments is July 19, 2024, and thus **such rebuttal arguments shall be filed with the City Clerk no later than the close of business on Friday, August 2, 2024**. The rebuttal arguments shall be accompanied by the Form of Statement to be Filed by Author(s) of Argument as provided for in California Elections Code § 9600. Rebuttal arguments shall be printed in the same manner as the direct arguments. Each rebuttal argument shall immediately follow the direct argument which it seeks to rebut.

Section 2. That all previous resolutions providing for the filing of rebuttal arguments for City measures are repealed.

Section 3. That the provisions of Section 1 of this Resolution shall apply only to the General Municipal Election to be held on November 5, 2024, and shall then be repealed.

Section 4. That the City Clerk shall certify to the passage and adoption of this Resolution and enter it into the book of original Resolutions. This Resolution shall be effective immediately upon passage and adoption.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Morro Bay, California, at a regular meeting held on the 25th day of June 2024.

AYES:
NOES:
ABSENT:
ABSTAIN:
RECUSE:

ATTEST:

CARLA WIXOM, Mayor

DANA SWANSON, City Clerk