#### REBUTTAL TO ARGUMENT AGAINST MEASURE V

A mayoral term of 4 years increases the accountability of the mayor to the same level as the Marina City Council members. To state that a four year mayoral term will mean less accountability and give the voters less oversight is to insult the ability of the voters to elect a competent person for the position.

### You have elected the following to 4 year terms:

Monterey County Supervisors
Marina Coast Water District Board Directors
Marina City Council members
Monterey Peninsula Unified School District Board of Trustees

## The Marina City Council majority supports a four year term. The present mayor abstained from voting on the matter.

The argument against this measure inaccurately states that only 35% of the cities in this country have mayor terms of four years. The truth is that 51% of the responding cities have mayoral terms of more than two years and 88% of those are 4 year terms. Please go to the National League of Cities website for confirmation.

The simple fact: there is no down side to a four year mayoral term.

The benefits are numerous: consistency in policy, knowledgeable decisions, fewer campaign signs and material, elimination of the possible election of a new city council majority every two years.

Marina's residents and businesses need a mayor who is elected to a four year term commencing in 2018.

Increase Marina city government stability. Vote YES on Measure V.

# California Elections Code – Ballot Arguments, Form of Statement to be filed

**§§9164, 9283, 9501.5** A ballot argument shall not be accepted unless accompanied by the printed name and signature or printed names and signatures of the person or persons submitting it, or, if submitted on behalf of an organization, the name of the organization and the printed name and signature of at least one of its principal officers.

**No more than five signatures shall appear** with any argument submitted under this article. In case any argument is signed by more than five persons, the signatures of the first five shall be printed.

REQUIRED FORM STATEMENT

### §9600. All arguments concerning measures filed pursuant to this division shall be accompanied by the following form statement, to be signed by each proponent and by each author, if different, of the argument: The undersigned proponent(s) or author(s) of the Rebutt Al (title of election) to be held on $\frac{11 \times 10^6}{\text{(date)}}$ hereby state that this argument is true and correct to the best of $\frac{11 \times 10^6}{\text{(his/her/their)}}$ knowledge and belief. Signatures of Proponents (in order of appearance): Printed Name (1)(2)Printed Name Signed (3)Printed Name Date 8 Signed (4) Printed Name Signed (5)Printed Name Signed Authors (if different from Proponents above): (1)(2)Printed Name Title (one) Signed