

Source of Placement of Ballot Measures on San Francisco Municipal Ballots

(Excluding Regional and State Measures)

Across 10 Consolidated Primary Elections + General Elections in Each of 5 Years

Who Placed the Ballor Measure on Our Election Ballot?

Ballot Measure Category	Calendar Year	Mayor	BoS Majority (6-Plus)	BoS Minority (5 or Less)	Citizen / Entity Petition Initiative	Other (Independent Agency)	Total	Percent of Total
Charter Amendment	2024	0	8	0	1	0	9	40.6%
	2020	0	6	0	0	0	6	
	2016	0	12	1	0	0	13	
	2012	0	2	0	0	0	2	
	2008	0	12	0	1	0	13	
	Sub-Total:	0	40	1	2	0	43	
Percent of Category Total:		0.0%	93.0%	2.3%	4.7%	0.0%	100.0%	
Voter-Approved Ordinance	2024	3	1	1	2	1	8	30.2%
	2020	1	1	0	1	0	3	
	2016	0	2	2	3	1	8	
	2012	0	0	0	3	0	3	
	2008	3	2	0	5	0	10	
	Sub-Total:	7	6	3	14	2	32	
Percent of Category Total:		21.9%	18.8%	9.4%	43.8%	6.3%	100.0%	
Bond, General Obligation	2024	0	2	0	0	1	3	10.4%
	2020	0	2	0	0	1	3	
	2016	0	2	0	0	1	3	
	2012	0	1	0	0	0	1	
	2008	0	1	0	0	0	1	
	Sub-Total:	0	8	0	0	3	11	
Percent of Category Total:		0.0%	72.7%	0.0%	0.0%	27.3%	100.0%	
Tax Measures	2024	1	0	0	0	0	1	15.1%
	2020	0	3	1	0	0	4	
	2016	0	3	0	1	1	5	
	2012	0	1	0	0	1	2	
	2008	0	3	0	0	1	4	
	Sub-Total:	1	10	1	1	3	16	
Percent of Category Total:		6.3%	62.5%	6.3%	6.3%	18.8%	100.0%	
Declaration of Policy	2024	0	1	0	0	0	1	3.8%
	2020	0	0	0	0	0	0	
	2016	0	0	0	0	0	0	
	2012	0	1	0	0	0	1	
	2008	0	0	2	0	0	2	
	Sub-Total:	0	2	2	0	0	4	
Percent of Category Total:		0.0%	50.0%	50.0%	0.0%	0.0%	100.0%	
Five-Year Total:		8	66	7	17	8	106	
% of Total		7.5%	62.3%	6.6%	16.0%	7.5%	100.0%	100.0%

Source: San Francisco Department of Elections ballot measure archives in conjunction with San Francisco Public Library; DataSF database; other public records; with verification by Claude AI.